

What's On

APRIL

Cinnamon Red Colombo

Fourth person dines free – dinner buffet; Daily; Flavoured; 7pm–10.30pm
Weekend High Tea Buffet; Weekends; Flavoured; 3.30pm–5.30pm

April 20

Easter High Tea Buffet – fifth person dines free; Flavoured; 3.30pm–5.30pm (Reservations: +94 70 314 5176)
Easter Dinner Buffet; Flavoured; 7pm–10.30pm



DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila Rajawarna Resort

April 11

Traditional Mung Kevum and Kokis preparation; Woolf's Deck; 3.30pm–5pm

April 12

Opening Ceremony of Kandamandiya (Village Shop); Gazebos and Garden Areas; 4pm–10.30pm

Traditional Kadamandiya food and drinks with live cooking; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 4pm–10.30pm

Live raban music; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 4pm–10.30pm

Traditional village games; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 4pm–10.30pm

Exhibiting local hand-crafted goods; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 4pm–10.30pm

Dinner Buffet with live entertainment; Spoonbill; 7.30pm–10.30pm

April 13

DoubleTree Kiddo's Avurudu Festival; Woolf's Deck; 3.30pm–10.30pm

Traditional Kadamandiya food and drinks with live cooking; Woolf's Deck; 3.30pm–10.30pm

Live raban music; Woolf's Deck; 3.30pm–10.30pm

Traditional village games; Woolf's Deck; 3.30pm–10.30pm

Exhibiting local hand-crafted goods; Woolf's Deck; 3.30pm–10.30pm

Dinner buffet with live entertainment; Spoonbill; 7.30pm–10.30pm

DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila Rajawarna Resort Singithi Avurudu Kumara and Kumariya competition; Spoonbill deck; 7pm onwards

April 14

Boiling of Milk; Lobby; 9.45am
DoubleTree Avurudu Festival; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 9.45am–10pm

Traditional Avurudu games for adults; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 9.45am–10pm

Exhibiting local hand-crafted goods; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 9.45am–10pm

Kadamandiya along with village

Best Western Colombo

Business Lunch options – crispy mixed vegetable salad with balsamic vinegar/lamprais/rice and curry/penne chicken carbonara with desserts (Reservations: +94 117 527 527)
Chicken/devilled pork sizzlers



Colombo Court Hotel and Spa

Sunset Spirits – 15% off on Shots, Cocktails and Wine by the glass. Let's cheer together – Buy 3, Get 1 Free on Lion Ice – 325ml; Cloud Café, Amber Poolside (Reservation: +94 114 645 333, +94 77 005 8779)
Cloud café & Bar; Tuesday - Sunday from 5.30pm onwards.



games; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 9.45am–10pm

Dinner buffet with live entertainment; Spoonbill; 7.30pm onwards

DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila Rajawarna Resort Singithi Avurudu Kumara and Kumariya competition; Spoonbill deck; 9.30pm onwards

April 15
Cookery demonstration; BBQ Hut; 3.30pm–5.30pm

Kadamandiya (village shop); BBQ Hut; 3.30pm–5.30pm

Live raban music; BBQ Hut; 3.30pm–5.30pm

Traditional village games; BBQ Hut; 3.30pm–5.30pm

Exhibiting local hand-crafted goods; BBQ Hut; 3.30pm–5.30pm

Dinner buffet with live entertainment; Spoonbill; 7.30pm–10.30pm

April 16
Hisa Thel Gema ritual performed; Lobby; 9.04am

Peduru party; Kahamandiya (Village Shop); 5pm–7pm

Traditional village games; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 9am–10pm

Exhibiting local hand-crafted goods; Gazebos and Garden Areas; 9am–10pm



Cinnamon Grand Colombo

April 14

Happy Avurudu; Nuga Gama; 8am onwards (Reservations: +94 765 604 972)

Sri Lankan New Year Dinner; Nuga Gama; 7pm–10.30pm

April 10–14

Palm of Sweets; Coffee Stop; 7am onwards

April 10–14

Easter Brunch; Plates; 12 noon–3pm



Commons Coffee House

Chicken wings, sauces and dips

April 19

Easter kids' workshop

April 20

Celebrate Easter for the family with special menu



Harpo's Colombo Fort Café

Go Local Sri Lankan special promotion

April 20

Easter special menu
Happy Hour Cocktails; Monday to Friday; 5pm–7pm
Beer and pizza deals; Saturday and Sunday – 2 large pizza plus a sangrai – 25% off



ITC Ratnadipa

Happy Hours – buy 1 get 1 free on selected beverages; Silvertips; daily; 5.30pm–7.30pm

Yum Cha Unlimited; Weekends; Holidays; 12noon – 2pm; Yi Jing Islander Seafood heights-DJ line up at the terrace DJ E2; Saturdays; 5pm onwards

Bourbon Blues band; Ahasa; 8pm onwards



Cinnamon Lakeside Colombo

April 7–14

Avurudu Kavili Hut; Lobby Lounge; 10am–7pm

April 11

Avurudu Sajje; Colombar; 7pm–12 midnight

April 13 and 14

Avurudu; lunch and dinner; Dining Room (Reservations: +94 112 491 000)

April 19 and 20

Easter themed High Tea Buffet; Lobby Lounge; 3.30pm–5.30pm; (Reservations: +94 112 491 956)

April 25 and 26

Songkran Thai Buffet; Royal Thai; 7pm–11pm (Reservations: +94 112 491 000)

April 30

Jazz party; Colombar; 7pm–12midnight



Galle Face Hotel

Resident Offer - Special offer for locals and residents. Enjoy a luxurious escape (Reservations: +94 117 541 010)
Family Room offer - 20% off on Family Rooms



Harpo's Pizza and Pasta

April 12–15

Avurudu Deal – Buy 1 large pizza and get 50% off on the 2nd pizza – classic range

April 19–20

Easter Weekend-special deal for Easter Whole week – buy 1 large pizza and get 25% off on 2nd pizza – classic range

Gigantic party pizza deal – buy any gigantic pizza and get 1 chicken wings, and soft drink free

Only 22" square pizza deal – buy any square pizza and get 1 garlic bread and chicken wings and mega soft drink free



**Lords Restaurant Complex,
Negombo**

Breakfast and lunch menu with fabulous prices – poke bowls, English Breakfast, Sri Lankan Breakfast, Continental Breakfast, Pancakes, Tacos, Flat breads, Burgers, Loaded Fries, Paninis, Sri Lankan curry; 12 noon – 5pm; Daily; indoor and outdoor dining area
Dinner; 5pm–11pm
Sunset Sax Happy Hour Promotion – buy one cocktail, get one cocktail free; 5pm–6pm
Live Music; Daily (Reservations: +94 77 285 3190)
Live Saxophone Jazz; 5pm–9pm



**Piano Bar & Music Room
at The Bayleaf**

Live entertainment - Q with Dilip, Nishantha & Mithu, Melissa, Sheeam & Sriyal; Thursday–Saturdays; 8pm – 11pm
DJ Music; Wednesday–Saturday; 10pm onwards
Tapas bar menu, signature cocktails, premium liquor, special offers; Daily; 5pm–7pm



Sofia Colombo City Hotel

Executive Lunch Buffet; Monday to Friday; 12.30pm–2.30pm; Seascapes Restaurant (Reservations: +94 77 298 0599, +94 764 108 901)
High Tea Buffet; Saturday; 3pm–5pm; Seascapes Restaurant
Celebrate your 'Intimate Beginnings' – Mini engagement celebration package (Contact: +94 76 278 8572)



The Thinnai, Jaffna

April 14
Sri Lankan Dinner Buffet; 7.30pm–9.30pm
April 27
Indian Dinner Buffet; 7.30pm–9.30pm



The Bayleaf

Authentic Italian Specials and Harpo's Pizza menu Italian Seafood Specials
April 20
Celebrate Easter – special menu
Happy Hour; Daily; 5pm–7pm



Drama and Theatre

April 11

Balloth Ekka Baa 2

Written and directed by Ravindra Ariyaratne, with a host of popular artistes such as Gihan Fernando, Chamila Peiris and more.

Venue: *Namel Malini Punchi Theatre, Colombo 8.*

Time: 3.30pm, 6.45pm.



April 26

Charitha Horu Aran

Written and directed by Ravindra Ariyaratne, with a host of popular artists such as Gihan Fernando and more.

Venue: *Namel Malini Punchi Theatre, Colombo 8.*

Time: 3.30pm, 6.45pm



April 26

Mama Nema Wena Kenek

Directed by Dharmapriya Dias, featuring a host of artistes such as Jayani Senanayakem Sampath Jayaweera, Kusal Maduranga and more.

Venue: *Elphinstone Theatre, Colombo 10.*

Time: 3.30pm, 6.30pm.



April 27

Sudu Andagena Horu Avidin

Actor Kumara Thirimadura's direction with renowned artistes such as Roshan Pilapiya, Saman Hemarathne, and more.

Venue: *Elphinstone Theatre, Colombo 10.*

Time: 3.30pm, 6.30pm.



April 27

Saadaya Maarai Salli Hamarai

Directed by Dharmapriya Dias this is a Sinhala adaptation of British playwright Ray Cooney's Funny money.

Venue: *Town Hall, Negombo.*

Time: 3.30pm, 6.30pm.



May 3

Garu Tharu

An amazing stage drama directed by Mihira Sirithilaka, featuring Rodney Warnakula, Ferni Roshini, Niroshan Wijesinghe and more.

Venue: *Namel Malini Punchi Theatre, Colombo 8.*

Time: 3.30pm, 6.45pm.



Art and Music

Art

Till April 10, 2025 and May 2–4, 2025
A Glimpse into Expressions

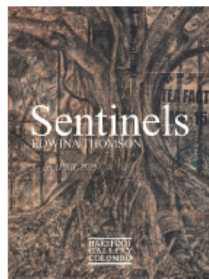
Expressions 18 marks a milestone in artist Jayantha Silva's solo journey. A Glimpse into Expressions will be on display along with artist sessions, a chance to hear the stories behind the strokes.

A Glimpse into Expressions:
 Till April 10, 2025. *Sapphire Lounge, Shangri-La Colombo. 9am–6pm*
 Expressions: May 2–4, 2025.
Lionel Wendt Art Gallery, Colombo 7. 9.30am–6.30pm.



April 3 – 26
Sentinels

Edwina Thomson's solo exhibition showcases her impressive work with charcoal and ink on recycled paper bags. Her drawings are based on ancient trees and several elements.
Barefoot Art Gallery.



Till April 22
Dreaming of Candies and Guns

Anupa Perera's practice is primarily focused on still life paintings that arouse the audience's curiosity with an unpredictable playfulness. He deliberately integrates seemingly unrelated objects – random memorabilia and everyday items that defy conventional associations such as foods, household objects, guns and paper boats.
Paradise Road Saskia Fernando Gallery. 10am–6pm



Till April 24
Bhawana

Artist Wasantha Namaskara presents an instinctual visual language deeply rooted in the practice of meditation. Namaskara, having developed a sense of balance in his own observance of meditation, uses his artistic practice to reflect the sense of detachment and connection to the self that manifests within a meditative state. Through gestural abstractions on canvas and paper, Namaskara evokes an engagement that activates all senses.
Paradise Road Gallery. 10am–midnight



Till April 30
A Language of Horns

An exhibition of paintings by Sanjeewa Illangarathne and curated by Sadev Wittachy.
The Bayleaf Art Gallery. 11am – 10pm



Till May
Design in the Moment: Furniture by the Geoffrey Bawa Practice

Featuring re-editions of furniture, prototypes, and material samples from Geoffrey Bawa's practice—part of Phantom Hands' Geoffrey Bawa Collection—the exhibition closely examines the histories and context of these pieces and consider how they can be meaningful for contemporary use.
The Bawa Space, 42/1 Horton Place, Colombo 7. Wednesday – Sunday, 12 noon–6pm.



Music

April 3
Her Song

Menaka Singers and Menaka Singers Opera Ensemble, directed by Menaka de Fonseka Sahabandu will enthrall audiences once again with their concert. The Concert will feature music from well-known operas, operettas, musical theatre such as West side Story, South Pacific, Die Fledermaus, Merry Widow, and King And I, among others. Soloists performing will be Joanne Aloysius Rajiyah, Dmitri Gunatilake, Nishantha Warnakulasuriya, Jehani Gamalathge, Sithesh Sunderaraj, Eshani Pathmaperuma, Binudi Kahanda and more.
Venue: Lionel Wendt, Colombo 7. Time: 7.30pm. Tickets: Rs. 5,000, Rs.4,000, Rs.3,500, Rs.2,500, Rs.1,500



May 7
Chamber Music Society of Colombo Presents an Evening with the Masters

A concert celebrating the timeless beauty of classical music. This evening will feature an exquisite lineup of works by the legendary composers Mozart, Bach, and Haydn.
Venue: Lionel Wendt Hall, Colombo 7. Time: 7:30pm. Tickets: Rs.7,500, Rs.5,000, and Rs.3,000



Sports

Cricket

Sri Lanka Women's ODI Tri-Series, 2025



April 27
1st Match – **Sri Lanka vs India**
April 29
2nd Match – **India vs South Africa**
May 1
3rd Match – **Sri Lanka vs South Africa**
May 4
4th Match – **Sri Lanka vs India**
May 6
5th Match – **South Africa vs India**
May 8
6th Match – **Sri Lanka vs South Africa**
May 11 – **Finals**

Big Match

Kingswood College vs Dharmaraja College
April 3,4,5 (Three-day matches); Pallekele Stadium
St Joseph's College vs Peter's College
April 3,4,5 (Three-day matches); SSC Grounds
St Thomas College, Matara vs Servatius College, Matara
April 4, 5, 6 (Three-day matches); Uyanwatta Stadium
Sri Sumangala College vs Moratu Maha Vidyala
April 6 (One-day match); Tyrone Fernando Stadium
Gurukula College vs Sri Dharmaloka College
April 6, 7, 8 (Three-day matches); P Sara Oval
Trinity College vs St Anthony's College
April 11 (One-day match); Asgiriya Stadium
Richmond College vs Mahinda College
April 11 (One-day match); Galle International Stadium
Kingswood College vs Dharmaraja College
April 19 (One-day match); Pallekele Stadium

St Anthony's College, Wattala vs St Joseph Vaz College
April 25 and 26; P Sara Oval

St Joseph's College vs St Peter's College
April 26 (One-day match); SSC Grounds

D S Senanayake College vs Mahanama College
May 2, 3, 4 (Three-day matches); SSC Grounds

D S Senanayake College vs Mahanama College
May 10 (One day match); SSC Grounds

Horse Racing

Royal Turf Club –
April Season,
Royal Turf Club,
Nuwara Eliya
April 15; RTC Governor's
Cup
April 27; RTC Magic
Million Race Day



Festivals

April 5–12
Annual Festival of Shri Bhaktha Hanuman Temple, Ramboda
The annual festival dedicated to lord Hanuman in Ramboda begins with the hoisting of the flag on the 5th, followed by daily poojas and chariot processions.



April 14
Sinhala and Tamil New Year
The traditional New Year is a vibrant and meaningful celebration for the Sinhala Buddhists and Tamil Hindus, intricately linked to the sun's movement across the sky. This joyous occasion, which usually falls in mid-April, marks the end of the harvest season and the beginning of a new agricultural year.



April 18
Good Friday
Good Friday is a significant and solemn observance within the Christian faith. This holy day commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and his profound sacrifice at Calvary, a moment deeply rooted in Christian theology.



April 20
Easter Sunday
Easter Sunday is one of the most festive events among Christians worldwide. This sacred day marks the miraculous resurrection of Jesus Christ, a cornerstone of faith highlighted in the Christian Bible. Many Christians worldwide celebrate Easter with special church services, music, candlelight, flowers and the ringing of church bells.



Till May
Pilgrimage to Sri Pada (Adam's Peak)
Sri Pada is a revered pilgrimage site that holds significant importance for followers of four major religions: Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity, and Islam. Its sacredness transcends cultural and religious boundaries, making it a meaningful destination for many devotees.

