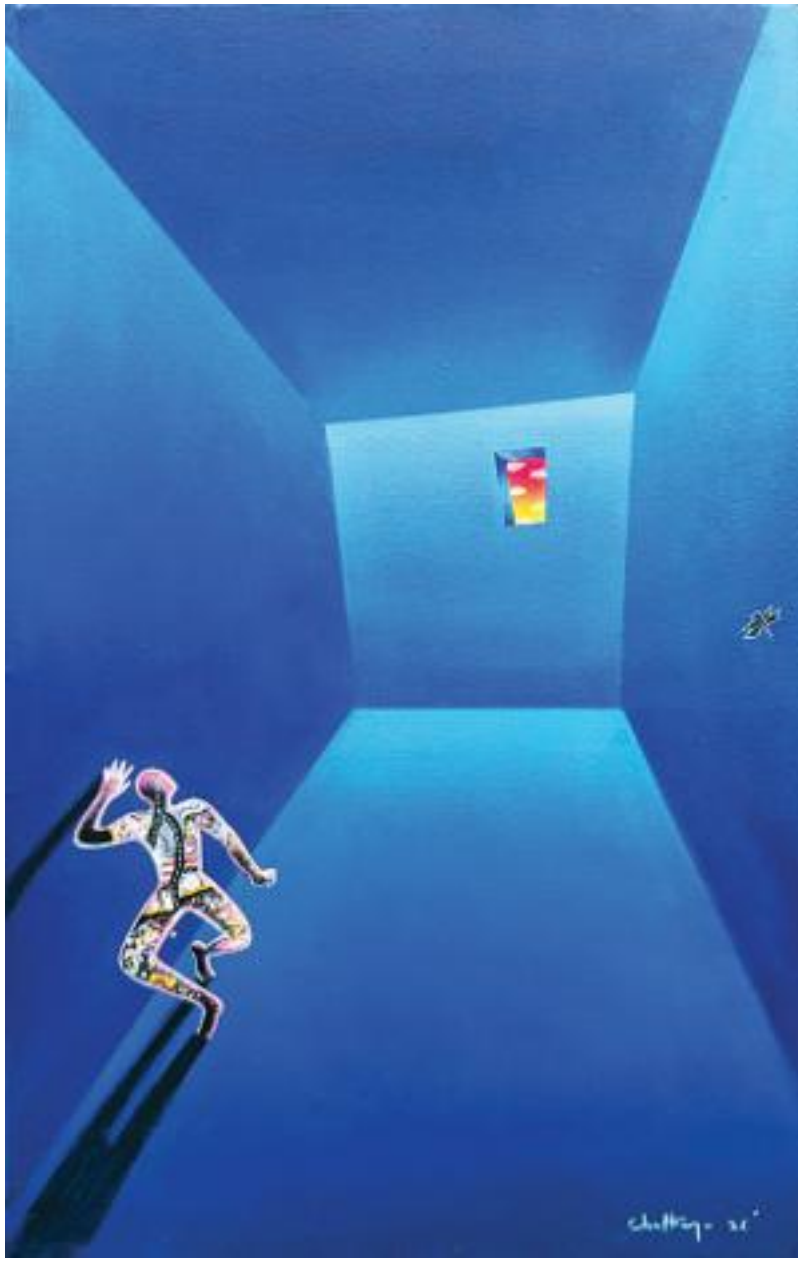


"The Renunciation I" by artist Chathuranga Gamage from "The Confession" at Paradise Road Galleries, on display until November 11, 2026.

WHAT'S ON
November 2026

Cinnamon Life at City of Dreams Sri Lanka



This November, Cinnamon Life presents a selection of exciting dining experiences. At Sweet Lab, Made to Taste offers coffee with a choice of vanilla, caramel, or hazelnut flavors from November 1. Celebrate Diwali at Indiya from November 6–8 with a festive set menu, traditional Tika ceremony, colorful rangoli, and live classical music from 6.30pm to 11pm. Yoroko presents The Slow Burn from November 15–30, featuring six Japanese-inspired charcoal-grilled skewers with accompanying sauces. For reservations, call +94 77 962 8132. Every Thursday in November, Sundown Society at Gatz offers two hours of unlimited signature cocktails and a selection of canapés from 6pm to 8pm.

Courtyard by Marriott Colombo
Enjoy a variety of dining experiences at Courtyard by Marriott Colombo. The International Dinner Buffet, available Monday to Thursday from 6:30pm to 10:30pm, features international favorites while the Far Eastern Dinner Buffet, available Friday to Sunday, offers an array of Asian flavors. Celebrate Thanksgiving on November 26 with a special dinner buffet from 6:30pm to 10:30pm. For corporate gatherings, Beira Terrace offers dinner buffets daily with an optional two-hour unlimited local alcohol package. Available for groups of 10 to 50 guests, with prior reservations required. Blackout dates apply. For reservations, call +94 11 773 4451 or WhatsApp +94 74 202 0002.

Kandoori – The Food Festival



Experience authentic Indian, Asian, and Continental cuisine at Kandoori – The Food Festival. Offering a delicious selection of flavourful dishes, Kandoori is an ideal destination for family dining and gatherings. Dine-in and takeaway options are available. Visit Kandoori at Wellawatta, Colombo 6 (077 751 1911); Beruwala (071 121 1411); or Galle (077 334 7400). For more details, visit kandoori.com.

Harpo's Colombo Fort Café
Located at the Dutch Hospital Complex, Harpo's Colombo Fort Café offers indoor and alfresco dining with pre-seasonal specials. Enjoy Happy Hour from Monday to Friday, 5pm to 7pm, with buy-one-get-one-free cocktails. A large pizza and Lion beer pitcher combination comes with a 25 percent discount, while weekends offer 25 percent off two large pizzas with a pitcher of sangria. Open daily from 9am to 11pm and until midnight from Friday to Sunday. For reservations, call 011 243 4946 or 071 980 3418.

Commons Coffee House – A New Home
Commons Coffee House welcomes guests to its new home at 62 Kynsey Road, Colombo 7, featuring a refreshed menu of Western favorites, Sri Lankan roti and hoppers, hot and cold coffees, refreshing juices, and a Gelato Bar by Pedlar's Inn. The inviting space offers cozy corners, dedicated working areas, private dining options, a relaxing garden, and artwork by local artists.

Pullman Colombo Downtown – Festive Offerings 2026



Celebrate the festive season at Pullman Colombo Downtown with an exciting lineup of Christmas and New Year dining experiences. Enjoy a Christmas Eve Dinner Buffet at AYU on December 24, featuring live entertainment, a welcome mocktail, and festive gifts. On December 25, celebrate with a Christmas Day Lunch Buffet or a Dinner Buffet, both featuring live entertainment and a complimentary beverage. Children aged eight and below dine free on Christmas Eve, while children below eight dine free on Christmas Day. Welcome 2027 with a New Year's Eve Buffet at AYU on December 31, featuring live entertainment, a welcome mocktail, a midnight toast, and complimentary fireworks viewing at Vistas Rooftop Bar. Alternatively, step back in time with the 'Back to the 80s' New Year's Eve Gala Dinner at Mont Blanc & Monte Rosa, featuring an extended buffet, live band, DJ entertainment, and a sparkling midnight toast, from 8pm to midnight.

SHOULDERS by Harpo's
Located at Cheers Garden, Level 1, Havelock City Mall, SHOULDERS by Harpo's offers lunch and dinner, signature cocktails, and alfresco dining. Enjoy daily Happy Hour from 5pm to 7pm with special cocktail offers, alongside all-day beer deals. Lunch is served from 12pm to 3pm. Open daily from 11am to 11pm and until midnight from Friday to Sunday.

Sofia Colombo – Year-End Corporate Celebrations



Celebrate the year in style at Sofia Colombo with stunning skyline views, exceptional dining, and personalized hospitality. Choose from a monsoon-ready rooftop or two elegant indoor banquet venues, ideal for intimate corporate gatherings and grand year-end celebrations.

Best Western Elyon Colombo
Offers a range of dining and entertainment experiences. Enjoy BYOB nights at VU Rooftop Bar redeemable against food or beverage orders, available Monday to Thursday and Sunday. Host corporate events at VU Rooftop Bar with packages for a minimum of 35 guests. For a quick business lunch, Bistro offers a selection of dishes, including Crispy Mixed Vegetable Salad, Lamprais, Penne Chicken Carbonara, and Rice and Curry. Prior reservations are required for business lunch: +94 76 856 8157 / +94 77 641 1612).

Lords Restaurant Complex, Negombo
Experience dining, entertainment, and family fun at Lords Restaurant Complex, Negombo Beach. Enjoy a variety of delicious cuisine, daily buy-one-get-one-free cocktail offers at The Batsman Outlet, and live music every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 7pm to 11pm. Families can explore the interactive Sri Lankan Little Mud Hut Experience and Kids Passport to Sri Lanka. Open daily from 12 noon to 11pm (Reservations: +94 77 285 3190)

The Thinnai, Jaffna – Festive Highlights



Offers a 15 percent discount on website bookings until December 31, 2026, excluding December 24 and 31. This festive season, children staying at the hotel can enjoy a range of interactive activities, including a Christmas Star Treasure Hunt, with a ten percent discount voucher for those who complete the challenge. Weekend activities include a Junior Chef pastry-making session (1st weekend), a Junior Mixologist mocktail experience (2nd weekend), and a traditional palmyrah leaf craft workshop (3rd weekend). On December 24, Christmas Eve celebrations bring Santa Claus, Christmas carols, games, and festive activities for in-house guests.

The Bayleaf, Colombo 7
Enjoy November meat and seafood specials, festive buffets, cocktails, and home catering options at The Bayleaf. Highlights include daily Happy Hour from 5pm to 7pm, live piano entertainment on Saturdays from 8pm to 11pm, and DJ music from Wednesday to Saturday. The Tapas Bar offers festive cocktails and premium spirits. Open daily from 11am to 11pm, extending to midnight from Friday to Sunday. Reservations: 011 269 5920.

Harpo's Pizza & Pasta, Colombo
Enjoy exciting pizza deals at Harpo's Pizza & Pasta. Purchase a Gigantic 19-inch pizza and receive complimentary garlic bread and a one-litre soft drink, or choose the 22-inch Square Pizza with two garlic breads, chicken wings, and a soft drink. A festive pizza workshop for children is also planned. Available at Kotte, Nugegoda, and Colombo Fort Café (Inquiries - Akila: +94 77 124 8279)

Art

November 7
Exposition de Mode – French Fashion Exhibition



As part of the French Cultural Season 2026, Modart International presents Exposition de Mode, a fashion exhibition showcasing French-inspired designs. Bringing together visionary visuals, French music, and live fashion, the event celebrates creativity, style, and contemporary fashion.
Venue: Havelock City Mall, Colombo 5; Time: 10am–10pm; Main fashion show: 5pm.

Till November 11
The Confession



In The Confession, artist Chathuranga Gamage reflects on the disappearance of the natural landscape and its deeper implications with personal identity, memory and belonging.
Venue: Paradise Road Galleries, 2 Alfred House Road, Colombo 3. *Time*: *10am to Midnight*

Till November 23
Flora Fronsia Capitalis



Rasika De Silva's solo exhibition presents imaginative artworks where nature and the human form intertwine. Succulent creepers grow in place of hair, while earlobes transform into trumpet flowers, creating intriguing compositions that blur the boundaries between the natural world and human identity.
Saskia Fernando Gallery; 41, Horton Place, Colombo 7

Till December 26
Refractions of Memory – People, Places and Stories



An exhibition of paintings and serigraphs by renowned Sri Lankan contemporary artist Raja Segar, Refractions of Memory showcases his distinctive "Refractive Effect in Cubism," characterized by geometric forms, vibrant colors, and dynamic compositions. Inspired by everyday Sri Lankan life, landscapes, and personal memories, his works celebrate the island's cultural identity through a unique artistic perspective. Selected paintings are available for sale.
Venue: The Bayleaf Art Gallery, Gregory's Road, Colombo 7. Time: 11.30am–10pm daily.

Till November 30
Akurugraphy Exhibition



Akurugraphy is an exhibition of letterforms. Examining the history, development, and application of Sinhala, Tamil, and Latin typography in Sri Lanka, the exhibition challenges the idea that global digital platforms can ever truly be neutral. Curated by Colombo-based design studio and type foundry Mooniak, Akurugraphy showcases letterforms across the three languages through typography, archival research, software development, and script standardisation. Shown publicly for the first time, this interactive exhibition invites audiences into an ongoing creative and scholarly inquiry, one that asks how language, script, and digital systems can be shaped to create greater harmony across cultures, technologies, and forms of communication.
Venue: Geoffrey Bawa Trust - The Bawa Space, 42/1 Horton Place, Colombo 7; Time: 10:30am–5:30pm, Wednesday – Sunday

Daily
Art Gallery at Lords Restaurant Complex



Discover vibrant sculptures and modern abstract artworks by Sri Lankan artist TVS Menaka. Twenty percent of every artwork sale supports the care of Sri Lanka's street dogs and cats through The Hope Foundation.
Venue: Art Gallery, Lords Restaurant Complex, Negombo Beach. Open daily. Time: 12 noon to 11pm.

Dance

November 12–15
Devi: The Golden Voyage



Brings the legendary story of Princess Viharamahadevi to life in Sri Lanka's first full-length classical ballet based on this historic tale. Set against the grandeur of ancient Sri Lanka, the production celebrates courage, sacrifice, and destiny through captivating choreography and an original orchestral score composed by Sachiththa Fernando. Creative concept amd choreography by Tara Cooke.
Venue: Bishop's College Auditorium, Colombo 3; Time; 7:30pm; Tickets; www.boxoffice.com

November 19–22
nATFEST



The nATANDA International Dance Festival 2026 brings together dance productions and artists from Sri Lanka, India, the Netherlands, South Africa and the United Kingdom. Curated by Kapila and nATFEST, the program reflects the festival's commitment to international collaboration and diverse artistic expression.
Venue: Elphinstone Theater, Colombo 10; Time; 6:30pm; Tickets: Rs.1,500, Rs.2,000, Rs.4,000, Rs.8,500, Rs.12,000 (four-day festival pass) (Ticket reservations: +94 72 291 1703, +94 76 972 5596, +94 77 514 9015, +94 71 470 5337). Special presentation: November 22, 2026. Time: 6.30pm. Tickets: Rs.13,000. Venue: Villa Dance nATANDA.

November 29
Guru Wickramasinghe Nritya Samarat Mahotsav – Fourth Edition



The 2026 edition continues the Mahotsav's commitment to bringing together outstanding artists and celebrating the rich dance traditions of Sri Lanka and India.
Venue: Lionel Wendt Theater, Colombo 7; Time: 7pm
Performances: ANUVRITTI – by Dr. Ravibandhu Vidyapathy
KATHAK - by Vihanga Rukshan and the Edgevin Vihan Dance Company team; Tickets: Rs. 1,200, Rs. 2,000, Rs. 2,500, Rs. 3,000, Rs. 5,000 (+94 70 730 4060 – Edgevin Vihan Dance Company)

Drama

November 5 to 8
UBU



UBU directed by Brandon Ingram reimagines a nineteenth-century political satire for the digital age, exploring power, perception, algorithms, and fractured identities through absurdity and humor.
November 5 and 6 – Time: 7.30pm, November 7 and 8 (weekend matinees) –Time: 3.30pm and evening shows –Time: 7:30pm;
Venue: Bay 07, Trace Expert City, Maradana; Ticket prices: Starting at Rs.3,500 (karanda.lk or via WhatsApp: +94 74 338 8800).

November 7
Hithata Watuna Misaila



Directed by Sachithra Rahubaddha, it brings together a collection of thought-provoking Sinhala short plays exploring social and political realities through compelling theatrical storytelling.
Venue: Namel Malini Punchi Theater, Borella.
Time: 3.30pm, 6.45pm. Tickets: Myseat.lk

November 13 and 14
Nuga Gahak



The Sinhala adaptation of Tim Crouch's An Oak Tree, takes the stage this November with three more new performances! Translated and directed by Dr. Kancuka Dharmasiri.
Venue: Namel Malini Punchi Theater, Borella.
November 13 – Time: 7pm (Guest Actor Saumya Liyanage)
Nov 14 – Time: 3 pm (Guest Actress Dinakshie Priyasad) Time: 7 pm (Guest Actress Kaushalya Fernando); Tickets will be available via mytickets.lk and at the venue. (Inquiries: +94 77 590 3949)

Festivals

November 1
All Saints' Day



A Christian observance celebrated annually on November 1 to honor all saints, both known and unknown, who have attained eternal life in heaven.

November 2
All Souls' Day



A Christian observance commemorated annually on November 2, dedicated to remembering and praying for the faithful departed.

November 8
Deepavali



The Festival of Lights, celebrated by Hindus, symbolizes the victory of light over darkness and good over evil.

Film Festival

December 2–6
12th Jaffna International Cinema Festival



Jaffna International Cinema Festival is the only international film festival in the country. As you may have witnessed, over the last eleven years, enthusiasm for this festival has reached beyond the borders of the Jaffna peninsula.
This year, we have invited some internationally acclaimed filmmakers to present their films and conduct masterclasses and workshops for youth in Jaffna. 50 films will be screened from over 15 countries.
Venue: Regal Cinema - Jaffna, University of Jaffna and Kalam - Jaffna. jaffnaicf.lk

Music

November 7
Amaraniya Swara



A musical evening celebrating timeless melodies.
Venue: Musaeus College Auditorium, Colombo 7; Time: 7.30pm; Tickets: Rs.4,000, Rs.6,000, Rs.7,500, Rs.10,000, Rs.15,000

November 14
Chinthy Live in Colombo 2026



Brings an electrifying musical experience featuring Chinthy alongside Randhir, Umara, Raini, Kaizer, and Reezy.
Venue: Havelock Grounds, Colombo 5; Time: 7pm; Tickets: Rs.3,500, Rs.6,000, Rs.10,000, Rs.19,500 (kroniktickets.lk)

November 19
Centre Stage Musicals



A spectacular family show, featuring staged musical theatre scenes by Jehan Aloysius, with a special focus on ' A Christmas Carol' and the upcoming 'Treasure Island'.
Venue: Lionel Wendt Theatre, Colombo 7;Time: 7.30pm; Tickets: Rs.2,500, Rs.5,500, Rs.6,500, Rs.8,500 (WhatsApp 0772949767/Instagram: @centrestage.lk)

December 11
Madhya Miyasiya



Enjoy an unforgettable evening of live music, entertainment, and great vibes.
Venue: Bhikkhu University Auditorium, Anuradhapura; Time: 7pm; Tickets: +94 715 222 722 / +94 71 616 1216

November and December Christmas Events

November 17
Can't Wait for Christmas



Celebrate the festive season with The De Lanerolle Brothers, joined by the DLB Squared Band, for a memorable evening of Christmas music and entertainment.
Venue: Hilton Grand Ballroom. Time: 7pm. Tickets: +94 777 996 991

November 21
O Come Let Us Adore Him



The Rays of Hope Foundation presents O Come Let Us Adore Him, a charity Christmas concert featuring Soul Sounds, Sri Lanka's premier female ensemble, with guest performances by the Soul Sounds Community Choir, Aanjanee Fernando, and Kingdomcity. Celebrate the spirit of Christmas through an evening of music while supporting three charitable causes.
Venue: Bishop's College Auditorium, Colombo 3. Time: 7pm. Tickets: Rs. 1,500, Rs.2,000, Rs.2,500, Rs.3,000, Rs.3,500, Rs.4,000, Rs.4,500, Rs.5,000

November 27
Christmas Choir by The Colombo Philharmonic Choir
Venue: St. Andrew's Scots Kirk, Colombo 3. Time: 6pm

December 6
A festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Venue: Trinity College Chapel; Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm

December 12 and 13
SOSL Christmas Concert
Venue: Ladies' College Hall; Time: 7pm.

December 13
Christmas Choir by St. Andrew's Scots Kirk
Venue: St. Andrew's Scots Kirk, Colombo 3. Time: 6pm.

December 13
French Christmas Market



After the huge success of the previous French Markets, get ready for a new festive edition. Christmas décor, new stalls, new products, delicious discoveries and an extraordinary atmosphere in a magical Christmas setting! In collaboration with Hopla Lanka – Sri Lanka–Alsace Association, bringing the spirit of Alsatian Christmas to Colombo.
Venue: La Maison de Colombo. Time: 9am to 3pm.

December 20
Moods of Christmas



Experience an enchanting evening of Christmas music with Soul Sounds, directed by Soundarie David Rodrigo and featuring internationally acclaimed choral conductor Ruben Smith.
Venue: Atrium, Cinnamon Grand Colombo; Time: from 6pm onwards. Tickets: Rs. 14,000 nett per person for rows 1–10 and Rs. 12,000 nett for remaining rows. (For reservations and inquiries, call +94 11 243 7437 or WhatsApp +94 76 560 4972.)

COLOMBO CITY MAP



Where to Shop, Where to Go & Where to Stay

AMBALANGODA

WHERE TO GO

Ambalangoda, a coastal town in southern Sri Lanka, is renowned for its rich cultural heritage, traditional mask-making, and vibrant dance traditions. Famous for its intricately carved devil masks, ritual dances, and colourful Kolam Netum folk theatre, the town offers visitors a fascinating glimpse into Sri Lanka's artistic and cultural traditions.

AHANGAMA

WHERE TO GO

Surfing spots

A laid-back coastal town along Sri Lanka's southern coast, is renowned for its excellent surf breaks, palm-fringed beaches, and iconic stilt fishermen. With its relaxed atmosphere, scenic coastline, and vibrant surf culture, Ahangama offers an ideal escape for beach lovers, surfers, and travellers seeking a tranquil seaside experience.

AMPARA

WHERE TO GO

Ampara is home to numerous ancient Buddhist and historical sites, including Buddhangala, Deegavapi Maha Stupa, and Muhudu Maha Vihara. Along with the Maha Oya Hot Springs, these attractions offer visitors a blend of spiritual heritage, historical significance, and natural beauty.

Kumana National Park

Located along the southeastern coast, it is renowned for its rich birdlife, with over 250 species, including migratory birds. Its lagoons, mangroves, grasslands, and forests provide habitats for elephants, leopards, sloth bears, and crocodiles. The famous Kumana Villu serves as an important bird breeding ground, making the park a haven for wildlife and nature enthusiasts.

Lahugala Kitulana National Park

Located in the Eastern Province near Pottuvil, it is one of the country's smallest national parks, spanning approximately 1,554 hectares. Lahugala park is renowned for its wild elephants, which gather around its three ancient reservoirs—Lahugala, Kitulana, and Sengamuwa. Its landscape features dry evergreen forests, grasslands, and wetlands, providing habitats for leopards, sloth bears, spotted deer, and numerous bird species.

Maduru Oya National Park

Spanning approximately 58,850 hectares, it is renowned for its wild elephants and diverse wildlife, including leopards, sloth bears, and numerous bird species. Rich in biodiversity and cultural heritage, it is also home to ancient irrigation structures.

ANURADHAPURA

WHERE TO GO

Anuradhapura, Sri Lanka's first ancient capital, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its rich history and Buddhist heritage dating back to the 4th century BCE. Home to magnificent stupas, ancient monasteries, sacred temples, and the revered Sri Maha Bodhi, the city offers visitors a fascinating glimpse into Sri Lanka's glorious past and enduring spiritual traditions.

ARUGAMBAY

WHERE TO GO

Arugambay, located along Sri Lanka's eastern coast, is renowned for its pristine beaches, laid-back atmosphere, and world-class surfing. Popular attractions in Arugambay include Main Point and Whiskey Point, known for their excellent surf breaks, Pottuvil Lagoon, Kumana National Park, and the scenic Elephant Rock. With its natural beauty, diverse wildlife, and vibrant surf culture, Arugambay offers an ideal coastal getaway.

Surfing spots

Arugambay Main Point

One of Sri Lanka's most celebrated surfing destinations, Arugam Bay Main Point is renowned for its consistent waves, long rides, and spectacular coastal setting. Located along the island's eastern coast, this world-famous right-hand point break attracts surfers from across the globe, particularly during the peak surfing season from May to September. With its powerful, well-formed waves and long, sweeping rides, Main Point is especially popular among intermediate and experienced surfers. Surrounded by golden sandy beaches, tropical scenery, and a vibrant surf culture, Arugam Bay offers an exhilarating surfing experience in a laid-back coastal atmosphere.

Whisky Point, Pottuvil

A scenic, beginner-friendly surf spot near Pottuvil with gentle waves ideal for learning, while still offering fun swells for experienced surfers.

Peanut Farm Point

Located south of Arugambay, is a tranquil surf destination surrounded by lush forests, a scenic lagoon, and unspoiled beaches. Renowned for its consistent waves and relaxed atmosphere, it offers an idyllic escape for surfers and nature lovers seeking a peaceful coastal experience away from the crowds.

Pottuvil Point

A renowned surf spot known for its powerful waves and long rides. Particularly active during July and August, this scenic point break attracts experienced surfers seeking thrilling waves amidst a tranquil coastal setting.

Panama Point

A tranquil coastal destination renowned for its unspoiled beaches, scenic lagoons, and diverse wildlife. Surrounded by natural beauty, it offers a peaceful retreat for nature lovers, with opportunities for birdwatching, wildlife spotting, and exploring the serene coastal landscape.

Panagala Point

Panagala Point surf break on east coast is known for its scenic access and quiet waves for adventurous surfers.

WHERE TO STAY

Paper Moon Kudils



Experience barefoot luxury at Paper Moon Kudils, where the kudils are nestled within tranquil poolside and lush garden settings. Each space blends comfort with a natural, rustic charm, creating a peaceful retreat away from the bustle of everyday life. Unwind by the inviting "Water Hole" swimming pool or indulge in a delightful culinary experience at "Kusini," the on-site restaurant serving delicious, carefully prepared dishes in a relaxed ambiance.
Whisky Point, Arugambay.
+94 719 97 9797;
papermoonkudils.lk

Arugambay Roccos



Arugambay Roccos is a contemporary cube-style hotel featuring 22 air-conditioned rooms, each with a private balcony or verandah. Combining modern comfort with distinctive architecture, the hotel offers a relaxing coastal retreat. Its upstairs dining spaces, The Square and The Space, provide panoramic views of the Water Cube and the Indian Ocean.
Main Street, Arugambay, Pottuvil;
+94 718 10 99 99;
arugambayroccos.lk

Arugambay PodBay



Arugambay PodBay is a novel concept that comprises compact Convertainers (NapPods) in pastel hues, HomePods, and Bay rooms. The seaside hotel has a swimming pool (WaterPod), and a restaurant (PotPod).
Main Street, Arugambay, Pottuvil;
+94 718 10 99 99;
arugambaypodbay.lk

Transport Services

Colombo to Arugambay
Semi-luxury buses leaving from Maradana, Colombo to Arugambay;
from 7pm onwards daily (prior bookings are essential)
+94 767 980 024

AVISSAWELLA

WHERE TO GO

Seethawaka Wet Zone Botanical Gardens

The first established botanic garden for solely conservation of wet zone flora in Sri Lanka.
Thummodara -Puwakpitiya Road, Avissawella.
Opening hours: 7.30am-5pm.

BANDARAWELA

WHERE TO SHOP

Mlesna Tea Centre



This Mlesna outlet meets local tea lovers' demands, offering a variety of tea flavors and products just minutes from the town.
84, Welimada Road, Bandarawela;
+94 57 223 1663

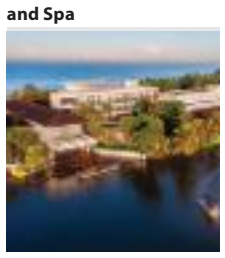
BENTOTA

WHERE TO GO

Bentota is a popular seaside destination celebrated for its golden sandy beaches, tropical landscapes, and exciting water sports. The tranquil waters of the Bentota River and the inviting coastline offer opportunities for thrilling speedboat rides, jet skiing, water skiing, surfing, and other aquatic adventures. Visitors can also enjoy leisurely boat excursions along the river, exploring its lush mangroves and diverse wildlife. Beyond the beaches, Bentota is home to remarkable artistic and architectural attractions, including Lunuganga, the enchanting country estate of renowned architect Geoffrey Bawa, and Brief Garden, the beautifully landscaped retreat created by his brother, Bevis Bawa. Combining coastal relaxation, adventure, and cultural experiences, Bentota promises a memorable tropical getaway.

WHERE TO STAY

Pullman Bentota Resort and Spa



Set between the Bentota River and Indian Ocean, the resort features 165 contemporary rooms and suites, distinctive dining experiences, a swimming pool, a spa offering Ayurvedic and Balinese treatments, a dedicated kids' club and an in-house water sports centre. The experience begins with a distinctive ferry arrival, offering guests a memorable introduction to the resort. Beach activities, family-friendly experiences and tropical surroundings complete the stay.
For reservations
+94 342 275 073
HC7L1-RE@accor.com

Thaala Bentota



A beachfront resort located along Sri Lanka's picturesque southwestern coast. Overlooking the Indian Ocean, the resort offers comfortable accommodation, diverse dining experiences, and a range of recreational activities.
Bentota; +94 76 808 5330; reservations@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/thaalabentota

WHERE TO GO

Bolgoda Lake Watersports

Bolgoda lake is indeed a magical water hideaway for those who enjoy the serene life around a lake. Take a boat ride and explore the picturesque lake.

BERUWALA

WHERE TO STAY

Occidental Eden



A perfect family escape where golden beaches, luxury comfort, and unforgettable moments come together by the sea.
Kaluwanmodara, Beruwala;
+94 345 888 888;
reservations@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/occidentaledenberuwala

WHERE TO DINE

Kandoori



Kandoori, a family-owned restaurant, brings the rich and vibrant flavours of Indian cuisine to diners with a selection of authentic dishes.
428, Galle Road, Hettimulla, Beruwala.
+94 71 121 1411;
kandoori.com;
info@kandoori.com;
@kandoori.lk

COLOMBO

WHERE TO SHOP

Tea

Mlesna Tea Centre



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Mlesna Tea Kiosk; 43A, Ground Floor, Liberty Plaza, Colombo 3;
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Tea Centre; 1-08B, Majestic City, Colombo 4;
+94 11 2 584 492,
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L-5 (35-42), One Galle Face Mall, Colombo 3;
+94 112 334 345
C137/1/15, Colombo City Centre, Colombo 2;
+94 112 083 212;
24, Hyde Park Corner, Colombo 2;
+94 112 382 676
179, Galle Road, Mount Lavinia;
+94 112 733 865
213, Hill Street, Dehiwela;
+94 112 734 072
10, Kawdana Road, Dehiwela;
+94 77 354 0816
40, D S Senanayake Mawatha, Borella;
+94 112 672 689
Gents' clothing – 1, Hill Street, Dehiwala;
+94 112 732 492
Ladies' and children's clothing; 17, Hill Street; Dehiwala;
+94 112 726 299
108 A, High Level Road, Maharagama;
+94 112 745 191
152, High Level Road, Nugegoda;
+94 112 82 9955
196, Galle Road, Wellawatte;
+94 112 36 0260
NOLIMIT Image, 50, Galle Road, Wellawatte;
+94 112 587 812
266, Galle Road, Panadura;
+94 38 224 1677
267, High Level Road, 7th Mile Post, Nugegoda;
+94 112 812 021
143, Galle Road, Ratmalana;
+94 112 731 090
331, Negombo Road, Wattala;
+94 112 948 123

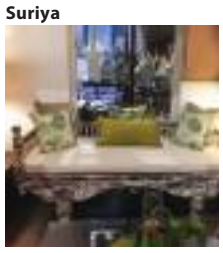
Havelock City Mall



Colombo's premier lifestyle mall offering an unparalleled range of shopping, dining, and entertainment options for you. Havelock City Mall comprises seven stories and six floors of retail space packed with some of the most iconic retailers, including famous international brands and much-loved local brands. The best Food and Beverage options under one roof, including casual dining restaurants, fast food outlets, and Entertainment, including a multiplex cinema (Sri Lanka's only IMAX theatre), kids play area with popular AR and VR gaming.
324-10, Havelock Road, Colombo 06;
+94 112 590 590
havelockcitymall.lk
Basement 01
B1-01 Cargills Food Hall
B1-02/03 Healthguard
B1-04 Finch Foods
B1-05 Ancient Nutra
B1-06/07 Nails Spa
B1-08 Wellnessfix
B1-08A Dunstans Brbers
B1-09 Fitness Factory
B1-10 Lumbini Tea Valley
B1-10A Nuts & Murukku
B1-10B English Cake Company (The Cakery)
B1-10C Winni Bubble Tea
B1-12A Rancrisp Cashew
B1-12 Flowers by M Ceylon
B1-14 Once Upon A Gift
B1-11 Royal Money Exchange
Level 01
L01 - 01 Fabindia
L01-01 Colombo Steak House
L01-02/03 Shoulders By Harpo
L01-04 PappaRich
L01-05/06 Fish & Co
L01-07 Roots
L01-08 Delifrance
L01-09 Skechers
L01-10 Bags & Shoe Popup
L01 GIVA
L01-12A U S Polo
L01-14 LCY
L01-15 Cool Planet
L01-16 ODEL
L01-17/18 Swarovski
L01-19 Leather Collection
L01-20/21/22/23 Spa Ceylon
L01-24 Jia Moda
L01-25 Midnight Divas
L01-26, 27, 28 Moonstone
L01-29 Mimosa
L01-30 Crocodile
L01-31 Levi's
L01-32 UCB – United Colors of Benetton
L01-33 Alluring Designer Jewellery
L01-34 Queen Kuweni
L01-35 GIVA
Level 02
L02-01 Hameedia
L02-02 Dilly & Carlo
L02-03 House of Samsonite
L02-04 Signature
L02-05 Street 82
L02-06 DSI Premier
L02-07 Carnage
L02-08/09/10 ODEL Sports
L02-11 Jockey
L02-12 Cool Planet
L02-12A ODEL
L02-14 PJ Jewelers
L02-15/16 Vision Care
L02-17 Spade Accessories
L02-18 Chamathka
L02-19 Wimaladharma brothers
L02-20 Bewaxed
L02-21 Viana
L02-21A Revlon
L02-21B Evana
L02-21B Chaiwala
L02-21C Crepe Runner
L02-22 Deedat
L02-23 Saheli Shoes
L02-24/25 Dilshan Drapers
L02-26 AriElle
L02-27 Waves
L02-28 Chenara Dodge
L02-29 Baylee
L02-30 La Crème Ceylon
L02-31 Coffee Connection
L02-31A NV Cosmetics
L02-31B Titan
L02-32 Klassy Café
L02-32A MAC Mart
L02-32B Jewellery Choice
Level 03
L03-01 Red & PNK
L03-01A AVR
L03-02 Shooting arena
L03-02A Toytopia
L03-03 Fireworks
L03-04/05 Singer
L03-06 Expographic Books
L03-07 Kids Walk
L03-08 Miniso
L03-09 I Studio
L03-10 Infinity Empire
L03-11 Laser Mobile Technology
L03-12 Abans
L03-12A ODEL
L03-15 Miika
L03-16 Stitches by Cozy Linen
L03-17 Bliss.lk
L03-18 layards Wharf by Food Studio
L03-19 Dragon's Den
L03-20 Carnival
Level 04
L04-01 Scope Cinemas
L04-03 The Layover
L04-04 Mega Viticulture
L04-05 Subway
L04-06 Pizza Hut
L04-06 Taco Bell
L04-07 KFC
L04-08 Burger King
L04-09 MAIN Sports Bar & Restaurant
L04-10 Arabian Vibes
L04-11 Popeyes
L04-12 Dindigul Thalappakatti
L04-12A Mamas Brownies
L04-12B Twisting Scoops
L04-14 Magic Corn
L04-14A Baskin Robbins
L04-14B Kombu Sushi
L04-17/18 Wet & Wild Adventure Zone - Kids Play Area
Level 05
L05-01 Teen Angel Sarees
L05-02 Miami Salon
L05-03 Kal Wellness Care
L05-04 360 Aesthetics

Home Décor

Suriya



Suriya provides decorative solutions from outdoors to indoors for residential and commercial properties.
39, Layards Road, Colombo 5;
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Luxury Perfume

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+94 762 154 054
997 /8 road, Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte;
+94 762154054;
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+94 762154054;
Cinnamon Life: 1 Justice Akbar Mawatha, Colombo 2;
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+94 715 136 136/
+94 112 597 991;
info@btoptions.com
btoptions.com

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Hotline - 1788
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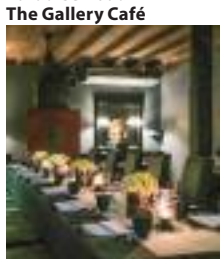


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WHERE TO DINE

Paradise Road

The Gallery Café



Paradise Road The Gallery Café was established in 1998 and is today a Colombo institution offering a blend of local style, architecture and food. The interior aesthetic is uniquely Paradise Road, designed by Udayshanth Fernando, in keeping with the iconic space, it is housed within and features an al fresco dining pavilion, signature cement, wrought iron furnishings and monthly rotating exhibitions by established and emerging artists. Housed in the former offices of world-renowned Sri Lankan architect, the late Geoffrey Bawa, who personally approved the take-over of his beloved property and its conversion into a gallery and restaurant by Paradise Road Founder Udayshanth Fernando. The menu features both local and international cuisine, delivered with flawless service in the most sensitively and timelessly designed surroundings in the heart of the city.
2, Alfred House Garden, Colombo 3; +94 11 2582162, + 94 76 054 3388;
paradiseroad.lk/content/7-The-Gallery-Café

Paradise Road Café



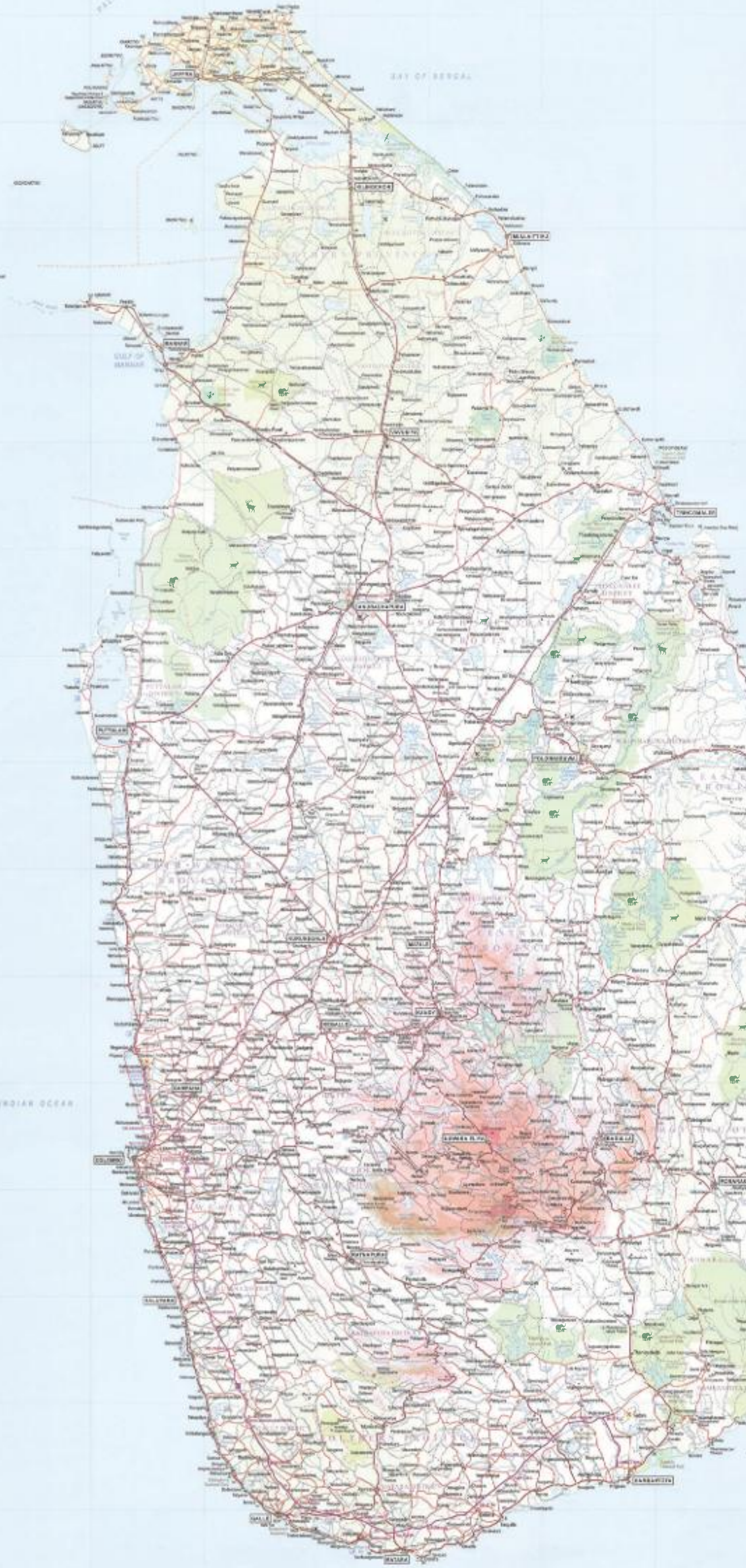
Located in the heart of Colombo 7 overlooking the iconic Town Hall, this inviting space offers pastas, open sandwiches, sourdough with homemade pâté, salads, and signature cakes—perfect for all-day brunch, business meetings, or coffee with friends.
213 Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 7; +94 11 268 9874; paradiseroad.lk/content/17-paradise-road-cafe

The Courtyard, Tintagel Colombo



An alfresco restaurant near the lobby serves an à la carte selection of international and local dishes from breakfast to dinner. With concrete tables, woven chairs, and lush greenery, it offers a relaxed setting that turns into a candle-lit, atmospheric spot by dusk—perfect for drinks or private events.
Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo
65 Rosmead Place, Colombo 7; +94 117 510 000 ~2; reservations@tintagelcolombo.com

EXPLORE SRI LANKA



- Expressway
- Expressway (Under Construction)
- Main Road (A)
- Main Road (B)
- Secondary Road
- Other Road
- Railway
- Boat Service
- Province Boundary
- District Boundary
- Airport International/ Domestic
- Police Station (Selected)/ Filling Station (24 hours)
- Light House/Harbour
- Hospital (Selected)
- Peak/World Heritage Site
- Popular Tourist Site/ Adventure Tourist Site
- Sanctuary/National Park
- Wildlife Reserve Bird Sanctuary
- Water Features
- WESTERN — Province
- ANURADHAPURA — District
- GALLE — District Capital
- Other Town
- Village Name/Place Name

NATIONAL MUSEUMS

- Archaeological Museum of Anuradhapura
- Archaeological Museum of Dambadeniya
- Archaeological Museum of Kotte
- Archaeological Museum of Puttalam
- Airforce Museum
- Ceylon Tea Museum
- Colombo National Museum
- Galle National Museum
- Gem and Mineral Museum
- Independence Memorial Museum
- Kandy National Museum
- Maritime Museum
- National Museum of Natural History
- National Railway Museum
- Ratnapura National Museum

BOTANICAL GARDENS

- Botanical Gardens, Avissawella
- Botanical Gardens, Gampaha
- Botanical Gardens, Hakgala
- National Herbarium Peradeniya
- Royal Botanical Gardens, Peradeniya
- Mirijawila Botanical Gardens, Hambantota

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- Angammedilla
- Bundala
- Elephant Transit Home
- Galoya
- Galway's Land
- Hikkaduwa
- Horagolla
- Horton Plains
- Kaudulla
- Kumana
- Lahugala
- Lunugamvehera
- Maduru Oya
- Minneriya
- Pigeon Island
- Udawalawe
- Wasgamuwa
- Wilpattu
- Yala

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23, 327, 522
2017 ESTIMATE

CURRENCY
Rupees

TIME
GMT PLUS / GMT+
5 hours
30 minutes

INTERNATIONAL DIALING
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EMERGENCY POLICE HOTLINE
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TOURIST POLICE
011 242 1052

GOVERNMENT INFORMATION CENTER
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ACCIDENTAL SERVICE
GENERAL HOSPITAL:
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AMBULANCE / FIRE AND RESCUE
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Where to Shop, Where to Go & Where to Stay

The Dining Room, Tintagel Colombo



A stylish indoor restaurant with black banquettes, lacquered tables, and Saskia Pintelon's artwork offers an elegant dining experience under a vintage chandelier and silver-finished ceiling, serving an à la carte menu from breakfast through dinner.
Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo; 65 Rosmead Place, Colombo 7; +94 117 510 000 ~2; reservations@ tintagelcolombo.com

The Private Dining Room, Tintagel Colombo



An elegant first-floor indoor venue ideal for dinners, cocktail receptions, or wedding registrations. Featuring beige interiors, artworks by Saskia Pintelon, and a stylish bar and living area, it offers a refined, versatile setting enhanced by Tintagel Colombo's exceptional service.
Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo, 65 Rosmead Place, Colombo 7; +94 117 510 000 ~2; reservations@ tintagelcolombo.com

The Red Bar, Tintagel Colombo



With its crimson walls and French baroque décor, The Red Bar at Tintagel is an intimate lounge that offers signature cocktails, fine spirits, and light bites in a stylish setting perfect for relaxed gatherings or quiet unwinding.
Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo; 65 Rosmead Place, Colombo 7; +94 117 510 000 ~2; reservations@ tintagelcolombo.com

The Library, Tintagel Colombo



An intimate venue for up to eight guests, ideal for candlelit dinners, fine wines, or romantic occasions. With black-and-grey striped walls and gold-foiled custom books, it offers a cozy, refined space for private dining or quiet reading.
Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo; 65 Rosmead Place, Colombo 7; +94 117 510 000 ~2; reservations@ tintagelcolombo.com

Kandoori



Kandoori, a family-owned restaurant, brings the rich and vibrant flavours of Indian cuisine to diners with a selection of authentic dishes.
17, Charlemont Road, Wellawatta, Colombo 06. +94 77 751 1911; kandoori.com; info@kandoori.com; @kandoori.lk

WHERE TO GO
Casinos and Nightlife
Bally's Casino



Bally's Casino offers an exciting mix of gaming, dining, and nightlife in the heart of the city, creating a vibrant entertainment experience.
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Bellagio Casino



Bellagio aims to provide exceptional service to high-end clients.
430, R A De Mel Mawatha, Colombo 3; +94 77 088 6688/ +94 75 588 6688; marketing@ bellagiocolombo.com

Casino Marina



Casino Marina is an internationally recognized name, with a presence spanning 11 casinos in six countries.
30, Marine Drive, Colombo 3; +94 11 421 9988, casinomarina.com, marina888.com

Gifts/Souvenirs/Home Décor
Paradise Road



Paradise Road was established in 1987 and features homeware, dinnerware, décor, objets d'art, souvenirs and more. All products are curated and designed by Founder Shanth Fernando. Locally made items are manufactured by independent craftspeople ensuring a sustainable growth of the Sri Lankan art and craft industries.
Paradise Road - 213 Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 7; +94 11 2686 043/ +94 76 136 2366. Opening hours: 10am–7pm Paradise Road Flagship - 138 Galle Road, Colombo 3. +94 11 2271 631/ +94 77 777 1418. Opening hours: 10am–7pm The Gallery Shop - 2 Alfred House Road, Colombo 3; +94 112 582 592. Opening hours: 10am–10.30 pm; Shop a curated collection online - paradiseroad.lk

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Market and Shopping
Pettah
Located in the heart of Colombo, Pettah is a bustling commercial hub renowned for its vibrant markets, lively streets, and diverse shopping experiences. A fascinating maze of narrow lanes lined with shops and street vendors, Pettah offers everything from colorful textiles, clothing, and accessories to electronics, spices, fresh produce, and household goods. Each street has its own character, with traders displaying an impressive assortment of merchandise while shoppers bargain for the best deals. The lively atmosphere, colorful storefronts, and constant activity create an exciting shopping experience. Reflecting Colombo's rich cultural diversity and trading heritage, Pettah is a must-visit destination for those seeking an authentic local market experience.

World Market
Located in Colombo Fort it is filled with great bargains in clothes, shoes, souvenirs and many other items. *Pettah*

Art Galleries
Barefoot Gallery
It is a platform for artists, musicians, poets and filmmakers.
Colombo 3; +94 11 258 9305; Opening hours: 10am–6pm Monday to Saturday. barefootceylon.com/collections/barefoot-gallery

Casa Serena Art Gallery
Owned and managed by artist Nisansala, as a nook for art lovers to view the work in a relaxed and peaceful setting.
116 D. S. Senanayake Mawatha, Colombo 8; +94 76 900 7874. Opening hours: 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday and Weekends by appointments. nisansala.com/casa-serena/

Lionel Wendt
The Lionel Wendt Centre for the Arts honors Lionel Wendt, whose influence in the 1930s and 1940s helped shape modern and contemporary art in Sri Lanka.
Colombo 7; +94 112 695 794; lionelwendt.org

Paradise Road Galleries
Paradise Road Galleries features monthly rotating exhibitions by established and emerging artists.
2 Alfred House Road, Colombo 3. +94 112 582 162/ +94 112 556 563; art@paradiseroad.lk paradiseroad.lk

Sapumal Foundation
Founded to preserve and display a collection of art by the '43 Group.
Colombo 7; +94 112 695 731; foundation.sapumal34@ gmail.com

Saskia Fernando Gallery
Saskia Fernando Gallery specializes in contemporary Sri Lankan art, showcasing works by leading artists through exhibitions, collaborations, public talks, and cultural events. The gallery provides a platform for artistic expression, creativity, and cultural dialogue.
Colombo 7; 9411 742 9010; saskiafernandogallery.com

John Keells Collection at Cinnamon Life
A living collection that preserves JKH's heritage while celebrating creativity, fostering community, and enhancing Sri Lanka's global cultural identity.
Cinnamon Life, Colombo 2; +94 112 306 000; collection@keells.com; johnkeellscollection. azurewebsites.net

Beaches
Galle Face
One of Colombo's most popular seaside attractions, Galle Face Green offers a refreshing escape along the Indian Ocean. A favorite gathering place for families, children, teenagers, and visitors, the expansive promenade is ideal for leisurely strolls, kite flying, relaxation, and enjoying the ocean breeze. Street vendors offer a variety of local snacks, including the famous isso wade, adding to the lively atmosphere. As evening approaches, visitors gather to admire the spectacular sunset, making Galle Face a vibrant destination for recreation and leisure.

Mount Lavinia
A popular coastal destination just south of Colombo, Mount Lavinia Beach offers a picturesque stretch of golden sand fringed by swaying coconut palms. Known for its scenic beauty and relaxed atmosphere, the beach attracts families, friends, and visitors seeking a refreshing seaside escape. Weekends bring a lively atmosphere as visitors enjoy leisurely strolls along the shore, relax by the ocean, and admire the spectacular sunset. Beachfront restaurants and cafés add to its appeal, making Mount Lavinia an ideal destination for relaxation and recreation.

Historical Sites
Colombo Lighthouse
A prominent landmark the lighthouse is an important watchtower in Sri Lanka located at Galbokkka Point, south of the Port of Colombo.
Chaithya Road, Colombo 10

Independence Square
A symbol of Sri Lanka's independence in 1948, Independence Square sits beside the restored Arcade with its shops and restaurants, while the former Colombo Racecourse now offers a peaceful space for relaxation.
Colombo 7

Museum
Colombo National Museum
A prominent cultural landmark in the heart of Colombo, the Colombo National Museum offers a fascinating journey through Sri Lanka's rich history and heritage. Housed in an elegant colonial-era building, the museum showcases an extensive collection of ancient artifacts, royal regalia, traditional artwork, sculptures, and historical treasures. Its exhibits provide valuable insights into the lifestyles, beliefs, traditions, and cultural evolution of the island's people, making it an ideal destination for history enthusiasts and visitors seeking to discover Sri Lanka's remarkable past.
Colombo 7; +94 112 695 366. Opening Hours: 9am–7pm Daily.

Independence Memorial Museum
Established with the objective honoring national heroes who were instrumental in gaining independence from the British Rule.
Colombo 7; +94 112 691 825. Opening Hours: 9am–4.30pm Tuesday to Sunday.

Meditation Center
Manodaya Meditation Center, Siriwardhanaramaya
By Ven Diyapattugama Revatha Thero (Expert Psychological Counselor and Meditation Instructor Siriwardhanarama Buddha Dhamma College).
Temple Lane, Kollupitiya sirirevathad@gmail.com +94 112 081 418

Religious Sites
All Saints Church
A Roman Catholic church, dedicated to all saints.
Borella. +94 112 693 051

Bellanwila Raja Maha Viharaya
Located in Bellanwila, a suburb of Colombo, Bellanwila Raja Maha Viharaya is one of Sri Lanka's revered Buddhist temples, renowned for its religious and historical significance.
+94 112 738 361; Opening Hours: 6am–9pm.

Captain's Garden
Dating back to the late 1700s, the Captain's Garden Kovils in Maradana are believed to be among Colombo's oldest Hindu temples. The historic complex includes the Sri Bala Selva Vinayaga Moorthy Devasthanam and Sri Kailasanathar Swamy Devasthanam, reflecting the city's rich religious and cultural heritage.
Colombo 10. Sri Kailasanathar Swamy Temple: +94 112 687 110. Opening hours: 6am-11am and 4.30pm-8pm. Sri Bala Selva Vinayagar Temple: +94 112 687 535. Opening hours: 5am-10.30am and 4.30pm-8pm.

Colombo Grand Mosque
One of Sri Lanka's oldest mosques, stands as a testament to the island's rich Islamic heritage.
Colombo 12. +94 112 432 110; Opening Hours: 8am–6pm.

Dewatagaha Mosque
Built in 1820 is the resting place of His Holiness Seyedina As-Sheikh Seyed Usman Siddique Ibn Abdurrahman.
Colombo 7. +94 112 683 906. Opening Hours: 6am–10pm.

Gangaramaya Temple
A culturally significant landmark with the Seemamalakaya becoming especially striking during Navam Maha Perahera and Vesak.
Colombo 2; +94 112 435 169. Opening hours: 5.30am–10pm.

Holy Rosary Church
The Golden Shrine of Infant Jesus Church, located in Slave Island at the junction of six roads, is a quaint and beautiful place of worship known for its peaceful charm.
Colombo 2. +94 112 320 158; Opening Hours: 6am–8.30pm.

Jumma Masjid
Started in 1792 as a small prayer room for Muslims in the area, the Masjid has grown significantly to be a landmark place of worship.
St Michael's Road, Colpetty/Polwatte. +94 112 345 900.

Kotte Raja Maha Vihara
It was built during the reign of King Parakramabahu VI (1415–1467) and completed under royal patronage.
Kotte; +94 112 852 759. Opening Hours: 6am–9pm.

Red Mosque
Jamiul Alfar Masjid, also known as the Red Mosque, is an architectural masterpiece located in the heart of Pettah.
Colombo 11; +94 112 451 975. Opening hours: 10am–12noon, 1pm–3pm, 4.15pm–6pm.

Sri Ponnambala Vaneswarar Temple
A majestic stone-built Hindu temple near the Colombo Sea Port, renowned for its striking Dravidian-style architecture.
Colombo 13; +94 112 431 252. Opening hours: 7am–11.30pm and 3.30pm–7pm

Srī Dharmakīrti Temple
This Temple was established around 1906 by Ven Induruwe Sri Wimalatissa.
St Michael's Road, Colpetty/ Polwatte. +94 112 451 224

St Anthony's Church, Kochikade
The church has a remarkable history, having been transformed from a crucifix to a national shrine, with the stunning Colombo Harbor and sea as its backdrop.
Kochchikade; +94 112 329 303. Opening hours: 5am–8pm

St Lucia's Cathedral, Kotahena
The grandeur of this Cathedral stands as a testament to the enduring prominence and historical significance of the Catholic Church.
Kotahena. +94 112 432 080

St Mary's Church, Tudella
One of the oldest, most majestic, and peaceful churches.
Ja-ela. +94 112 223 6257.

St Michael and All Angels Church
Also known as the Gal Palliya, it is an iconic place of worship.
St Michael's Road, Colpetty/Polwatte. +94 112 343 471

Walukarama Temple
It is among the first three Buddhist temples established in Colombo.
Colombo 3. +94 112 575 004; Opening Hours: 8am–6pm.

Strolling around Colombo
Recreational Parks, Jogging and Cycling Tracks
Diyawanna Oya
A popular spot for visitors near the Parliament building, where cool breezes over Diyawanna Oya refresh joggers and boat rides offer views of wetland wildlife.
Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte

Independence Square Walking Tracks
The Walking Tracks around Independence Arcade, a key cultural monument in Colombo, are perfect for exercise and make a beautiful picnic spot with many shops and restaurants. *Colombo 7*

Viharamahadevi Park
A serene park dedicated to Queen Victoria, ideal for families and leisure, especially enchanting at dusk with its illuminated gardens near the Town Hall. *Colombo 7*

Wetland Park Beddagana Wetland Park
Throughout the park criss-crosses a wooden platform, a few inches raised above the marsh. It's a magical route to experience the wetland. A birdwatching tower is nestled inside that offers a vast panorama.
Sri Jayawardenapura, Kotte

Thalangama Tank
Thalangama Tank is a 50-acre man-made wetland dating back to the reign of King Parakramabahu VI of the Kotte Kingdom, originally created as a water storage basin. The area is home to a variety of bird species, aquatic life, and lush greenery, making it a popular destination for birdwatching, photography, and leisurely walks. *Hokandara*

Transport Services
Sri Lanka Railways
Fort Railway Station; +94 112 432 908/ +94 112 434 215/1919; railway.gov.lk; seatreservation.railway.gov.lk
Bookings can be done through Mobitel *(888)*, Hutch, Airtel *(dial 365)* and Dialog *(dial 444)* & Telecom networks *(dial 1265)* and Sri Lanka Reservation Mobile App.

Bus
Central Bus Stand, Pettah; +94 112 328 081 Online booking sltb.eseat.lk/home Sri Lanka Transport Board; 200, Kirula Road, Colombo 5; Dial 1315/+94 117 706 000

Flights
Bandaranayake International Airport (BIA)
Airport and Aviation Services, Katunayake. +94 112 259 435 airport.lk/main
Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport
Hambantota; *+94 472 031 116; airport.lk/mria/index*
Colombo International Airport, Ratmalana
Ratmalana; +94 112 623 030
Jaffna International Airport
Palaly, +94 112 263 380 airport.lk/jaf/index

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1 Justice Akbar Mawatha, Colombo 2; +94112 220 000; cinnamonlife.com

Hilton Colombo



A five-star luxury hotel located in the heart of Colombo's business district, directly connected to the World Trade Centre. Renowned for its exceptional hospitality, elegant accommodations, diverse dining experiences, and premium leisure facilities, the hotel offers convenient access to key attractions such as the Dutch Hospital Precinct and Galle Face Green.
2 Sir Chittampalam A Gardiner, Mawatha, Colombo 2; +94 112 492 492; colombo.reservations@ hilton.com; hilton.com/en/hotels/ colhitw-hilton-colombo

Hilton Colombo Residences



A premier luxury hotel and residential destination in the heart of Colombo, offering spacious accommodations, world-class dining, modern amenities, and exceptional hospitality.
200 Union Place, Colombo 2; +94 115 344 644; colomboresidence_ info@hilton.com; hilton.com/en/hotels/coljttw-hilton-colombo-residences

Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo



Centrally located in the heart of Colombo 7, the hotel features 10 exclusive suites. The space offers both indoor and al fresco dining experiences - The Dining Room and The Courtyard - along with private dining areas, a distinctive lap pool, and a striking bar. Tintagel Colombo was selected as the chosen hotel to host His Royal Highness Prince of Wales and Her Royal Highness Duchess of Cornwall – now His Majesty King Charles III and Queen Camilla, during their visit to Sri Lanka on the occasion of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting.
65 Rosmead Place, Colombo 7; +94 117 510 000-2/+94 76 8006699; reservations@ tintagelcolombo.com; paradiseroadhotels.com/ tintagel

Pullman Colombo Downtown



Featuring 219 contemporary rooms and suites, distinctive dining experiences, a rooftop infinity pool, Colombo's largest covered rooftop bar, spa and fitness centre. Designed for both business and leisure travellers, the hotel offers versatile spaces for meetings, events and intimate weddings, complemented by elevated stays and striking views across the city.
For reservations: +94 117 450 450 HC7L3-RE@accor.com

Sofia Colombo



Experience exceptional luxury and comfort at Sofia Colombo, where modern elegance meets warm hospitality. Embracing the concept of 'bleisure' travel, the hotel seamlessly blends business and leisure through its contemporary design, thoughtful amenities, and personalized guest experiences. Whether visiting Colombo for business or relaxation, guests can enjoy a comfortable stay while discovering the vibrant city.
295A Galle Road, Colombo 3; +94 112 225 225; info@sofiacolombo.com; sofiacolombo.com

DAMBULLA

WHERE TO GO
Dambulla is a key cultural hub, home to Sri Lanka's largest cave temple complex, the Sigiriya Rock Fortress, and the fast-built Rangiri Dambulla Stadium. The area also features South Asia's largest rose quartz mountain range and the Ironwood Forest (Na Uyana Aranya).

WHERE TO STAY
Occidental Paradise Dambulla



A serene retreat for families, blending nature's calm with adventure—where luxury and bliss meet every moment.
Kubukkadanwala, Dambulla; +94 662 286 300; paradise@occidentalhotels.com;/occidental paradisedambulla

DICKWELLA

WHERE TO STAY
Dickwella Resort and Spa



Dickwella Resort and Spa is a renowned beach hotel in Sri Lanka designed for tropical living in cosy comforts.
Batheegama, Dickwella; +94 74 291 2267; reservations@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/ dickwella

ELLA

WHERE TO GO
Ella is a charming hillside town known for its scenic views, cool climate, stylish cafés, and attractions such as Little Adam's Peak, Ella Rock, the Nine Arches Bridge, and Ravana Ella Cave Temple.

WHERE TO STAY
Newburgh Ella - The Tea Factory Resort



Offers a distinctive heritage experience within a beautifully restored tea factory dating back to 1903. Blending its rich tea plantation history with contemporary luxury, the resort retains its original industrial charm while offering elegant accommodation, exceptional dining experiences, and breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.
Passara Road, Ella; +94 117 930 930; reservations@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/newburghella

GALLE
WHERE TO GO
Steeped in culture and history, Galle is home to the UNESCO-listed Galle Fort, historic temples, and charming colonial sites. The city also boasts excellent dining and breathtaking sunset views.

WHERE TO DINE
Kandoori



Kandoori, a family-owned restaurant, brings the rich and vibrant flavours of Indian cuisine to diners with a selection of authentic dishes.
181 A, Matara Road, Magalla, Galle. +94 77 334 7400;kandoori.com; info@kandoori.com; @kandoori.lk

GAL OYA
WHERE TO GO
Gal Oya National Park
Located near Ampara in Sri Lanka's Uva and Eastern Provinces, it is renowned for its rich biodiversity and diverse wildlife. Centred around the scenic Senanayake Samudraya reservoir, the park is home to elephants, leopards, deer, and numerous bird species.

WHERE TO STAY
Wild Glamping Gal Oya – Thema Collection



Nestled amid the tranquil wilderness of Rathgala, Wellassa, Wild Glamping Gal Oya – Thema Collection offers an immersive nature retreat that combines the adventure of outdoor living with contemporary luxury.
Rathgala, Wellassa, Galgamuwa, Iginiyagala, Bibile; +94 117 386 386; themacollection.com/wild-glamping-gal-oya/

HABARANA
WHERE TO STAY
At The Other Corner



Habarana, barefoot luxury meets wilderness. Discover night safaris, guided nature walks, and intimate farm-to-table cooking experiences in Sri Lanka's Cultural Triangle.
Laksirigama Anuradhapura Road, Habarana; +94 77 332 7995; +94 11 739 9500 toc@starrongroup.com; sales.toc@starrongroup.com; starronresorts.com

HAMBANTOTA
WHERE TO GO
A coastal city in the Southern Province, known for Hambantota Port, Mattala International Airport, the Bird Park, and more.

Bundala National Park
Bundala national park is a famous wildlife sanctuary located in the Hambantota district.

HIKKADUWA
WHERE TO STAY
Hikka House



Hikka House is a boutique beachfront retreat on the golden shores of Hikkaduwa.
Southern Province, Hikkaduwa, Colombo - Galle Main Road, 1030; info@themacollection.com

HIRIKETIYA
Surfing spots
Hiriketiya offers fun surf conditions for all levels, from gentle beginner-friendly waves to challenging reef breaks, all set within a lush, laid-back coastal atmosphere.

JAFFNA
WHERE TO GO
Jaffna is rich in culture and history, featuring iconic landmarks such as Nallur Kandaswamy Kovil, Jaffna Fort, Jaffna Library, and vibrant local markets. Visitors can explore heritage sites, relax at Casuarina Beach, and enjoy stunning sunsets along the Pannai Bridge.

Chundikulam Bird Sanctuary
A coastal wetland reserve renowned for its rich birdlife. Its lagoons, mangroves, and salt marshes provide vital habitats for migratory and resident birds, including flamingos, pelicans, herons, and other waterbirds, making it an ideal destination for birdwatchers and nature enthusiasts.

WHERE TO STAY
The Thinnai



Nestled in the heart of Jaffna, it captures the spirit of the Northern peninsula with authentic Jaffna cuisine, culture, and warm local hospitality.
86, Palaly Road, Thirunelveli, Jaffna; +94 21 203 0400; reservations@thethinnai.com; thethinnai.com

WHERE TO SHOP
Fashion
Nolimit



65, Jaffna-Point Pedro Road, Jaffna; +94 212 051 230

JA-ELA
WHERE TO SHOP
Clothing
Thilakawardana



193/C, Colombo Road, Waligampitiya, Ja-ela; +94 11-222 8226, Fax: 011-2228230

KALPITIYA
WHERE TO GO
Kalpitiya is known for its pristine beaches, lagoons, coral reefs, and marine life. Famous for dolphin watching and kite surfing, it also features the historic 17th-century Dutch Fort and vibrant fishing communities.

KANDY
Mall/Entertainment/ Shopping
Kandy City Centre (KCC)



Kandy City Centre is the largest shopping mall in the area, featuring over 100 shops offering a wide range of products, from clothing and accessories to wellness items and souvenirs and restaurants. The KCC Multiplex is a one-of-a-kind in Kandy and the first 4k cinema with the perfect audio and visual combo and a striking ambiance.
5 Dalada Veediya, Kandy; +94 716 555 555/ +94 812 202 846. Kandycitycentre.lk
Shops at KCC
Level 1
L1-12 A Pictures
L1-8 CBL Revello Specialty
L1-6 Sampath Bank
L1-5A Pan Asia Bank
L1-5B DFCC Bank
L1-4 People's Bank
L1-3 NDB Bank
L1-2 Commercial Bank
L1-K3 Sri Lanka Post
L1-1 National Savings Bank
L1-K9 Thomas Cook Lanka
L1-19 Bank of Ceylon
L1-18 Commercial Credit and Finance
L1-16 Hatton National Bank
L1-14 Keells
L1-K12 Royal Cashew
L1-K6 Baskin Robins
L1-K11 Birdylicious
L1-6A 503 Scan Alpine
L1-K2 YETI
L1-15 Singer Mega
Level 2
L2-1 Mobitel
L2-1 SLT Teleshop
L2-K2 Elegance Pearls and Diamonds
L2-40 Sense Micro
L2-39 Dialog Axiata
L2-K4 Rancrisp
L2-21 Sarasavi Bookshop
L2-18 Mlensa Tea Centre; +94 812 200 255
L2-17 Bata
L2-16 Saweena Beauty Centre
L2-15 Mallika Hemachandra Jewellers
L2-18A Bubble Tea
L2-14 DSI Premier
L2-28 Luv Essence
L2-26,27,34 Craft Emporium
L2-35 Nick Nack
L2-19 Vogue Jewellers
L2-12 Softlogic Communication
L2-30 Softlogic Max Showroom
L2-7 Vision Care
L2-10 The Parfumerie
L2-5 Abans
L2-2A The Future World Store
L2-2B Futureworld Sri Lanka
L2-2 Spa Ceylon
Level 3
L3-3 Odel
L3-10A Elegant Smockers
L3-K3 Helayu
L3-K2 Revlon Lanka
L3-34 AB 89
L3-33B The Body Shop
L3-33A Waves
L3-32 Aditi Infinity
L3-31B US Polo
L3-30A Chenara Dodge Innovation Centre
L3-26 Nolimit
L3-K4 Stone N String
L3-25A D-Blaq
L3-22 Saravana Textile
L3-L (Bazaar) Blink International
L3-A (Bazaar) Solar Gems Jewellery
L3-J, K (Bazaar) Smiggle
L3-8A1 Chamathka Jewellers
L3-18 W A De Silva and Co
L3-29 Miika
L3-16 Adidas
L3-14 Hameedia
L3-12 Urban Trendz (Turret)
L3-11 Cotton Collections
L3-8B Exclusive Lines
L3-8A1 Dmaxx
L3-8A2 Chenara Dodge
L3-6A Amante
L3-31B Papper Street
L3-6B Avirate
Level 4
L4-3 Burger King
Level 6
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L6-16 ACH Education

WHERE TO GO
Kandy is known for its rich heritage, scenic hills, and iconic attractions such as the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, Kandy Lake, Royal Botanical Gardens, and Bahirawakanda Buddha statue. Visitors can also explore vibrant markets and enjoy nature escapes like Udawattakele Forest Reserve and the Hanthana Mountain Range.

Sri Dalada Maligawa
Sri Dalada Maligawa (Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic) is one of Sri Lanka's most revered Buddhist sites, situated in the historic city of Kandy. The temple enshrines the Sacred Tooth Relic of the Buddha and has long been closely associated with Sri Lanka's religious, cultural, and royal heritage. Set beside Kandy Lake within the former royal palace complex, the Maligawa is distinguished by its traditional Kandyan architecture, intricate carvings, richly decorated interiors, and ceremonial spaces.

Royal Botanic Gardens
The Royal Botanic Gardens in Peradeniya, located near Kandy along the Mahaweli River, is Sri Lanka's largest and most renowned botanical garden. Renowned for its scenic landscapes and rich botanical diversity, the gardens offer visitors a tranquil retreat amidst nature.

Katukelle Jumma Masjid
The Mosque stands as a prominent symbol of faith, heritage, and community life, fostering peace, education, and interfaith understanding for all who visit to Kandy.
396/16 Peradeniya Road, Kandy, +94 812 205 522 katukelejm@gmail.com

Recreational Sports
Victoria golf course, Digana
The Victoria golf club features a meticulously designed and well maintained 73 Par, 6933-yard championship, 18-hole course.
Digana; +94 71 737 6376. golfsrilanka.com

WHERE TO SHOP
Luxury Perfume
Pintanna Oud



Ehelepola Walawwa, Raja Veediya, Kandy +94 762 154 054; info.oud@pintanna.lk

Clothing
Thilakawardana



371 D S Senanayake Veediya, Kandy; +91 81 220 8308, Fax: 081-2208309

A stop for a tea break!
Mlesna Tea Fortress



The Mlesna Tea Fortress showcases its tea theme with black and white photos, wooden tea boxes, an antique weighing scale, and brass tea filters from Sri Lanka's colonial tea-growing era.
445, Kandy Road, Kiribathkumbura, Kandy. +94 76 24 82 416. mlesnateas.com

Mlesna Tea Center



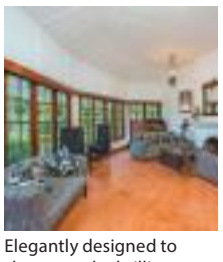
The charming Mlesna Tea Center is an old building that nestles the Mlesna Tea Center and restaurant.
Mlesna Tea Centre; 15, Dalada Veediya, Kandy; +94 81 222 8626 Mlesna Tea Centre; L2-18, Kandy City Centre, Kandy. +94 81 220 0255

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l3-26, Kandy City Centre, 5 Dalada Veediya, Kandy; +94 812 221 199 557, Peradeniya Road, Kandy; +94 812 200788 121/22, Kandy Road, Kegalle;+94 352 221 445 9, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Kurunegala; +94 37 222 1866 456.

WHERE TO STAY
Mountbatten Kandy – Thema Collection



Elegantly designed to showcase the brilliance of the Victorian era while harmoniously blending with the lush biodiversity of Kandy's mist-clad hills.
4, Spring Hill Estate, Bowalawatta, Kandy; +94 81 204 4400; themacollection.com/mountbatten-bungalow/

Wild Glamping Knuckles – Thema Collection



Nestled amid the breathtaking landscapes of the Knuckles Mountain Range, Wild Glamping Knuckles – Thema Collection offers a unique escape that combines the adventure of camping with the comforts of luxury accommodation.
Thangappuwa, Yangahapela; +94 81 566 7859; themacollection.com/wild-glamping-knuckles/

KALUTARA
WHERE TO STAY
Mermaid Hotel & Club



Escape to an all-inclusive tropical retreat nestled in the historic coastal town of Kalutara, along Sri Lanka's sun-kissed southwestern coastline. Surrounded by golden sandy beaches, swaying palms, and breathtaking ocean views, the resort offers an idyllic setting for relaxation and rejuvenation.
Mahawaskaduwa; Kalutara; +94 (0) 34 7200478; +94 (0) 34 223 7613; resv@mermaidhotelnclub.com; mermaidhotelnclub.com/

KANDALAMA
WHERE TO STAY
Amba Yaalu Kandalama – Thema Collection



Inspired by the strength, creativity, and spirit of women, the property celebrates female empowerment while paying tribute to Sri Lanka's rich cinematic heritage.
Pihilla Mookalana, Katupotha, Kandalama; +94 667 508 000; themacollection.com/amba-yaalu-kandalama/

KIRIBATHGODA
WHERE TO SHOP
Clothing
Thilakawardana



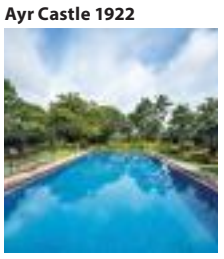
A well-known retail brand offering a wide range of affordable clothing for men, women, and children, including sarees, casual wear, and fabrics. It is popular as a "value-for-money" fashion destination, providing quality apparel and diverse styles to suit everyday and special occasions.
76/1 Kandy Road, Kiribathgoda; +94 112 910 512; +94 112 915 021; fax: 011-2917056; thilakawardhana.com 103 Dambulla Road, Kurunegala; +94 37 222 2666 502B, Kandy Road, Nittambuwa; +94 33 228 8705, Fax 033-2288428

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G-3, Udeshi City Shopping Complex, Makola Road, Kiribathgoda; +94 112 73 7 441

LABUGAMA
WHERE TO STAY
Ayr Castle 1922



Ayr Castle 1922 invites guests to escape the hustle and bustle of city life and experience a sanctuary where history and luxury beautifully intertwine.
Ayr Bungalow Road, Labugama; +94 77 376 5363; reservations@reveal.lk;revealthecollection.com/ayrcastle

MANNAR
WHERE TO GO
Wilpattu National Park
Wilpattu is one of the best national parks in Sri Lanka to spot leopards and other wildlife. Famous for its natural lakes called "villus."

National Shrine of Our Lady of Madhu
A famous Catholic pilgrimage church in Mannar District, known for its annual feast and peaceful surroundings, attracting pilgrims of many faiths.

MATARA
WHERE TO GO
Matara is renowned for its golden beaches, rich heritage, and scenic beauty. The Nilwala River flows through the city, while historic attractions such as Matara Fort and Paravi Duwa Temple reflect its cultural significance. Nearby Polhena Beach offers opportunities for swimming and snorkeling.

MIDIGAMA
Surfing spots
One of Sri Lanka's top surf hubs, known for consistent reef breaks like Lazy Left, Lazy Right, and Coconuts. Best suited for intermediate to advanced surfers, it also offers a lively beach vibe with cafés, surf schools, and a strong local surf culture.

MIRISSA
WHERE TO GO
Located along Sri Lanka's picturesque southern coast, Mirissa is a popular seaside destination renowned for its golden beaches, turquoise waters, and relaxed tropical atmosphere. Whale watching is one of its main attractions, offering visitors the opportunity to spot majestic blue whales, sperm whales, and dolphins in their natural habitat.

Surfing spots
Mirissa Beach is a laid-back surf spot with small to medium waves, making it ideal for both beginners and intermediate surfers. Its gentle conditions are perfect for learning, while the sandy beach invites relaxation between sessions.

WHERE TO STAY
Vis ta Vie Mirissa -Thema Collection



Vis ta Vie Mirissa is a luxurious boutique retreat that offers a relaxing holiday retreat. Combining contemporary elegance with tropical charm, the property provides a relaxing setting for guests seeking comfort, privacy, and rejuvenation.
Kappinnawatte, 1060, Matara Road (South), Kamburugamuwa; +94 412 239 240; themacollection.com/vis-ta-vie-mirissa/

Ubuntu Beach Villa



A contemporary villa designed to blend with its beautiful surroundings, featuring, modern interiors with artistic touches.
53A, Galle Road, Kamburugamuwa, Mirissa; +94 77 376 5363; reservations@reveal.lk; revealthecollection.com/ubuntu-beach-villas

The Beach House



Offers easy access to top attractions such as whale watching and Coconut Tree Hill, ensuring a holiday that's both relaxing and memorable.
41, Galle Road, Kamburugamuwa, Mirissa; +94 77 376 5363; reservations@reveal.lk; revealthecollection.com/thebeachhouse

NEGOMBO
WHERE TO GO
Located near Colombo and Katunayake Airport, Negombo is a vibrant beach town known for its sandy shores, sunsets, water sports, and rich cultural heritage. Highlights include Negombo Beach, the Dutch Canal, Negombo Lagoon, Lellama fish market, and landmarks such as St. Mary's Church and Angurukaramulla Temple.

WHERE TO SHOP
Tea
Mlesna Tea Centre



Tea Centre;
Airport Garden Hotel, Negombo Road, Katunayake; +94 72 235 4075

Fashion
Nolimit



424, Main Street, Negombo; +94 312 224 141 456, Main Street, Negombo; +94 31 222 4144

NUWARA ELIYA
WHERE TO GO
Nuwara Eliya, fondly known as "Little England," is a charming hill-country destination celebrated for its cool climate, rolling tea estates, mist-covered mountains, and colonial-era architecture. Surrounded by lush greenery and colorful gardens, the town offers a refreshing escape amid breathtaking natural beauty. Popular attractions include Gregory Lake, where visitors can enjoy boating and lakeside activities, Victoria Park, renowned for its beautifully landscaped gardens, and Hakgala Botanical Garden, home to an impressive collection of flowers and plants. Visitors can also explore picturesque waterfalls, visit tea plantations and factories, and experience the region's rich tea heritage. With its tranquil atmosphere, scenic landscapes, and old-world charm, Nuwara Eliya remains a favorite destination for nature lovers and holidaymakers.

Horton Plains National Park
A breathtaking natural sanctuary renowned for its rolling grasslands, mist-covered cloud forests, and rich biodiversity. Located primarily in the Nuwara Eliya District, the park offers scenic hiking trails leading to iconic attractions such as World's End, a dramatic escarpment with spectacular panoramic views, and the picturesque Baker's Falls.

Recreational Sports
Nuwara Golf Club
Located between lush green mountains with spectacular views was built in 1889.
+94 522 222 835, +94 522 224 104 nuwaraeliyagolfclub.com

Royal Turf Club
Launched to promote horse racing in Sri Lanka. The Royal Turf Club plans events where both local and tourists can take part in the premier sports.
+94 77 030 9090. royalturfclub.com

WHERE TO STAY
Scottish Planter Nuwara Eliya – Thema Collection



This 100-year-old stone bungalow honors the Scottish planters of 1880s Sri Lanka, showcasing awe-inspiring colonial architecture and design that reflect a lasting legacy.
Kandapola Road, Ragala, Nuwara Eliya;+94 522 265 050; themacollection.com/scottish-planter/

Tea & Experience
Mandaram Nuwara – Thema Collection



Tea and Experience Mandaram Nuwara offers an immersive tea country escape where guests can experience the art of tea-making, explore scenic plantations, and unwind amidst the tranquil beauty of Sri Lanka's mist-covered highlands. Combining authentic local experiences with comfortable accommodation, it is an ideal retreat for nature lovers and tea enthusiasts.
Kabaragalla Estate, Ellamulla, Mandaramnuwara; +94 817 599 599; themacollection.com/tea-and-experience-factory/

Transport Services
Train
Ella Odyssey
Colombo to Badulla Monday, Thursdays and Saturdays; 5.30am and Badulla to Colombo; Tuesday, Fridays and Sundays; 8am seatreservation.railway.gov.lk/mtktwebslr, traintimetable.lk/ella-odyssey-train-schedule/
Mobile M Ticketing Service
Dial 365 hotline.

Seethawaka Odyssey
Sunday, leaving Colombo at 7am.
Mobile M Ticketing *Service Dial 365 hotline.*
SLT – Dial 1265.
Sri Lanka Railways
+94 11 460 0111

Dunhinda Odyssey
Tuesday, Friday, Sunday; leaving Colombo fort at 6.30am. Online booking: seatreservation.railway.gov.lk/mtktwebslr
Mobile M Ticketing Service *Dial 365 hotline*

PASIKUDA

WHERE TO GO

Located along Sri Lanka's picturesque eastern coast, Pasikuda is a popular seaside destination renowned for its pristine golden beaches, crystal-clear shallow waters, and tranquil atmosphere.

WHERE TO STAY
Maalu Maalu Pasikuda – Thema Collection



Maalu Maalu is located on the pristine shores of Pasikuda, it features a charming 'wadiya'-style design inspired by a traditional Sri Lankan fishing village.
Coconut Development *Board Road, Pasikuda; +94 657 388 388; themacollection.com/maalu-maalu-resort/*

The Calm Resort and Spa



Offers elegant rooms, contemporary facilities, and breath-taking ocean views.
Coconut Cultivation Board Road, Pasikuda; +94 77 365 8992; reservations@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/calmpasikuda

POLONNARUWA

WHERE TO GO

Polonnaruwa is an ancient city in the North Central Province and the second capital after Anuradhapura. It became the capital in the 11th century under King Vijayabahu I. It is known for its temples, statues, reservoirs, and Gal Vihara Buddha statues.

Kaudulla National Park
Kaudulla is a wildlife national park located in the North Central Province, near Polonnaruwa.

Minneriya National Park
Famous for "The Gathering", where hundreds of elephants gather near Minneriya Tank during the dry season.

Flood Plains National Park
The park protects the Mahaweli River floodplains and is important for elephant migration, wetland wildlife, and natural lakes called villus.

Wasgamuwa National Park
Located in the Central and North Central Provinces, is known for its large elephant population, forests, and rich biodiversity.

PUSSELLAWA

WHERE TO STAY
Lavender House



Offers a tranquil hill-country retreat combining elegant accommodation, modern comforts, and warm Sri Lankan hospitality.
Helbodda, Pussellawa; +94 76 982 9581; reservations@reveal.lk; revealthecollection.com/the-lavender-house

RATNAPURA

WHERE TO GO

Ratnapura, known as the "City of Gems," is famous for its gem industry, lush landscapes, and natural attractions such as Sinharaja Forest Reserve, Bopath Ella, and the sacred Adam's Peak.

WHERE TO SHOP
Nolimit



36, Senanayake Mawatha, Ratnapura; +94 45 222 2987

SIGIRIYA

WHERE TO GO

Sigiriya, also known as Lion Rock, is one of Sri Lanka's most iconic UNESCO World Heritage Sites. This ancient rock fortress was built by King Kashyapa in the 5th century and is celebrated for its remarkable engineering, exquisite frescoes, landscaped water gardens, and the impressive ruins of a royal palace at its summit.

Pidurangala
An ancient rock temple near Sigiriya, famous for its reclining Buddha statue and breathtaking summit views of Sigiriya Rock .

WHERE TO STAY
Aliya Resort and Spa, Sigiriya – Thema Collection



Nestled in Sri Lanka's Cultural Triangle, Aliya Resort and Spa, Sigiriya – Thema Collection offers a tranquil retreat surrounded by lush greenery and breathtaking landscapes.
Audangawa, Sigiriya; +94 66 204 0400; info.aliya@themacollection.com themacollection.com/aliya-resort/

Ayurvie Sigiriya – Thema Collection



A tranquil Ayurveda retreat offering authentic Sri Lankan healing traditions and rejuvenating wellness experiences. Surrounded by lush greenery, the retreat combines traditional Ayurvedic therapies, holistic wellness practices, and peaceful surroundings, providing an ideal escape for relaxation and rejuvenation.
Avudangawa, Sigiriya; +94 117 386 386; info.ayurviesigiriya@themacollection. comthemacollection.com/ayurvie-sigiriya/

Ayurgiri Ayurveda Wellness Resort



A tranquil wellness retreat blending authentic Ayurveda amid Sigiriya's natural beauty, with personalised wellness, nourishing cuisine, and peaceful stays.
Pothana, Kimbissa, Sigiriya; +94 117 930 930, +94 664 960 900; reservation.ayugiri@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/ayugiriwellness

Hotel Sigiriya



Hotel Sigiriya offers a tranquil escape at the foot of the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress.
Sigiriya; +94 77 171 3886; reservations@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/hotelsigiriya

TALAWAKELE

WHERE TO SHOP
Tea
Mlesna Tea Castle



It houses the largest teashop in the world.
Patana, Talawakelle; +94 72 235 4079

TRINCOMALEE

WHERE TO GO

A coastal city, famous for its fort, natural harbor, beautiful beaches, and the Koneswaram Temple.

Pigeon Island National Park
Famous for coral reefs, reef fish, sea turtles, and blacktip reef sharks.

UDAWALAWE

WHERE TO GO
Udawalawe National Park
It is home to over 400 wild elephants, and wildlife, including water buffalo, deer, crocodiles, and a variety of birdlife, set against a backdrop of open grasslands and scenic reservoirs.
+94 473 475 892.

WHERE TO STAY
Waraka Udawalawe – Thema Collection



A nature-friendly boutique hotel, nestled amidst the lush surroundings near Udawalawe National Park.
224/B, Susil Mawatha, South Cannel, Udawalawe; +94 474 650 350; info.waraka@themacollection.com themacollection.com/waraka-udawalawe/

WHERE TO GO
Sinharaja Forest Reserve
Sinharaja Forest Reserve is Sri Lanka's last viable tropical rainforest and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, renowned for its exceptional biodiversity and endemic wildlife. Home to rare birds, mammals, reptiles, and lush vegetation, it offers visitors an unforgettable nature experience through guided rainforest trails, birdwatching, and immersive eco-adventures.

UNAWATUNA

WHERE TO GO

Unawatuna is a popular coastal destination near Galle, known for its crescent-shaped beach, calm turquoise waters, and relaxed seaside atmosphere. Fringed by palms and dotted with cafés and restaurants, it is a favorite for swimming, snorkeling, diving, and enjoying spectacular sunsets. Nearby attractions include the Japanese Peace Pagoda, Jungle Beach, and the historic Galle Fort.

Surfing spots
Unawatuna Beach
A sheltered south coast bay with gentle waves surrounded by palm trees, and relaxed beach cafés.

WAIKKAL

Club Hotel Dolphin



Club Hotel Dolphin is a beachfront hotel that offers a peaceful escape, with warm hospitality and modern comfort.
St Sebastian Mawatha, Kammala South, Waikkal; +94 77 372 0871; reservations_dolphin@brownshotels.com; brownshotels.com/clubhoteldolphin

Lunugamvehera National Park
An important corridor for elephants between Yala and Udawalawe National Parks.

WEERAWILA

DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila Rajawarna Resort



A serene lakeside retreat offering stylish stays, warm hospitality, and modern comforts amid stunning natural surroundings.
Weerawila Wattha, Weerawila, 82632; +94 472 030 100; DTWeerawila@hilton.com; hilton.com/en/brands/doubletree-by-hilton

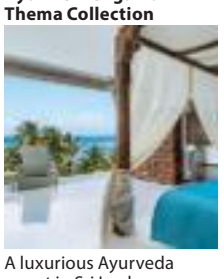
WELIGAMA

WHERE TO GO

Weligama is a laid-back coastal town on Sri Lanka's southern coast, known for its sweeping bay, sandy beach, and gentle waves. Popular for surfing, especially among beginners, Weligama also offers fishing traditions, seaside dining, and easy access to nearby Mirissa and other attractions along the southern coastline.

Surfing spots
A charming coastal town with long sandy beaches and gentle waves, ideal for beginner surfers.

WHERE TO STAY
Ayurvie Weligama – Thema Collection



A luxurious Ayurveda resort in Sri Lanka.
212, Sangananda Mawatha, Kapparatota, Weligama; +94 117 386 386; themacollection.com/ayurvieweligama/

Parangi Weligama – Thema Collection



A sought-after beachfront boutique hotel in southern Sri Lanka.
736, Matara Road, Weligama; +94 412 260 044; themacollection.com/parangiweligama/

YALA

WHERE TO GO
Yala National Park
Yala is famed for its high density of leopards, along with elephants, sloth bears, and rich birdlife, all set across diverse landscapes of forest, lagoons, and coastline.
+94 112 888 585

WHERE TO STAY
Hilton Yala Resort



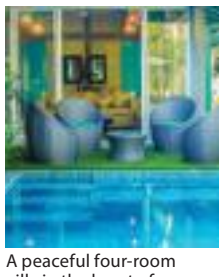
Offers a luxurious escape on Sri Lanka's southern coast, blending modern comfort with breathtaking wilderness and wildlife experiences.
Palatupana, Yala; +94 472 555 555 KDWYA_RES@hilton.com; hilton.com/en/hotels/kdwyahi-hilton-yala-resort

Kithala Tissa Yala – Thema Collection



An ideal Tissamaharama base for exploring ancient temples and thrilling safaris.
Kataragama Road, Tissamaharama; +94 47 223 7206; themacollection.com/kithala-resort/

Villa Blue Monk



A peaceful four-room villa in the heart of Tissamaharama, set amidst serene surroundings.
417/1/1, 2nd Canal, Yala; +94 74 218 7663; info@themacollection.com; themacollection.com/villa-blue-monk

Investor / Buyer Opportunity
BT Options Leisure in Arugambay







BT Options invites expressions of interest from buyers or investors for its beachfront leisure properties in Arugambay, one of Sri Lanka's most iconic coastal destinations.

The portfolio includes multiple established resorts and accommodations located directly on or near the surf points of Arugambay Main Point, Pottuvil Point and Whisky Point. Each property is fully operational, strategically positioned, and designed to capture the growing year-round demand for surf, eco, wildlife, and wellness tourism.

This is a rare opportunity to acquire or invest in a proven hospitality portfolio from a trusted Sri Lankan brand with decades of excellence in publishing, tourism, and lifestyle ventures.

Location: Arugambay and Whisky Point, Pottuvil, Sri Lanka
Assets: Fully operational beachfront and leisure resorts
Potential: Expansion, rebranding, or strategic investment partnerships

For more information or to express your interest, please contact: **Thanuja +94 710 102 101**