

# My Route du Bonheur... - Suggestions of itineraries to discover the world...



#### **ROUTES DU BONHEUR Sri Lanka - Tea, sea and safari**

Long before creating the first three Relais & Châteaux in Sri Lanka, Malik J. Fernando's family was cultivating its refinement with the production of Ceylon tea. Taking in their Dilmah tea plantations and discovering both the Indian Ocean and jungle safaris, this Route du Bonheur provides an extraordinary insight into the island's riches.



9 NIGHTS
from
US\$ 6,496.29\*

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<sup>\*</sup> Total price provided for illustrative purposes only, on 12/23/2024, calculated on the basis of two people sharing a double room for stays of a duration indicated on this page, per establishment, excluding recommended activities, properties that cannot be booked online and restaurants.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Price of a local call.

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The former trading post on the spice route has embraced merchants and mariners from all over the world since antiquity. The presence of Portuguese, Dutch, British and Indian people has helped shape the cosmopolitan character of the city. Churches, colonial mansions, Hindu temples, Buddhist stupas and skyscrapers exist side-by-side in joyful chaos. To really get into the spirit, take a ride on a tuk-tuk. Wind through the chaotic streets of the bazaar. Roam the historic Fort district, or the glamorous avenues of Cinnamon Gardens before returning to the ocean to watch the sunset.



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- Galle Face Green and the temples of Slave Island
- Masks and treasures of the National Museum of Colombo
- The Pettah bazaar





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# 2 HATTON — 3 NIGHTS

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# Ceylon Tea Trails

**Hotel and restaurant on a lake.** Tea Trails is perched at an altitude of 1,250 m in Sri Lanka's Ceylon tea region, bordering Sri Lanka's Central Highlands World Heritage site. Stay in one of five authentic tea planters' bungalows, each one of which has its own charm. Lakeside Castlereagh, Summerville and Dunkeld, Norwood with panoramic views, and Tientsin, the most traditionally colonial of the five; they are all decorated with period furniture. Observe life on a working tea estate, savour the gourmet cuisine, and be pampered by a personal butler. This is the ideal setting for trekking and biking against the breath-taking backdrop of mountains, lakes and waterfalls.



Member Relais & Châteaux since 2011 Ceylon Tea Trails Dunkeld Estate 22000, Hatton (Central Province)

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- Planter bungalows in the Bogowantalawa valley
- Climbing with pilgrims to Adam's Peak

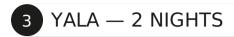




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## Wild Coast Tented Lodge

**Lodge and restaurant on the seafront.** In the southeast of Sri Lanka lies the Wild Coast Tented Lodge — a haven of twenty eight cocoon-like tents placed at the edge of the jungle and beach. Together they form the shape of a leopard's paw, a symbol of the Yala National Park whose wonders you can discover alongside the camp's naturalist guides on a safari adventure. At the outposts, the suites overlook the Indian Ocean. Each arched structure, stretched in canvas and bearing stylish colonial expedition decor, is dotted with a private watering hole. Entwined in bamboo, the main building resembles a rock along the shore. It houses the bar, library and restaurant where a modern take on traditional Sri Lankan cuisine is served.



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- Attending the Kataragama Festival
- Leopard encounters in the Yala Jungle

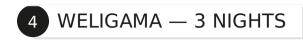




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# Cape Weligama

**Hotel and restaurant on the seafront.** The guest rooms open onto private gardens with vistas of palm trees swaying in the breeze against an ocean backdrop. Cape Weligama's residences and villas sit atop a promontory overlooking the Indian Ocean and enjoy stunning views of idyllic landscapes on all sides. At the seafront, the crescent-shaped infinity pool seems to float above the waves; alongside stone pathways leading to secluded coves where turtles flap about in the crystal-clear shallows. The terracotta-tiled rooftops of the accommodations, designed by renowned architect Lek Bunnag, create the illusion of a traditional Sri Lankan village with generously sized, stylishly furnished interiors.



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