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Date	Day	Location	Highlights of the Day	Riding Time (Hrs)	Road Type
07/24/2025	1	Galle	Transfer to Hotel		
07/25/2025	2	Galle	Short ride	2.00	Paved
07/26/2025	3	Udawalawe	Long ride	5.40	Paved
07/27/2025	4	Ella	Long ride	5.40	Paved
07/28/2025	5	Nuwara Eliya	Sir Lipton Seat, Horton Plains	5.00	Paved
07/29/2025	6	Nuwara Eliya	Optional short ride	114	
07/30/2025	7	Kandy	Tea Factory	2.35	Paved
07/31/2025	8	Knuckles	Buddha Statue, City Market, Temple of the Tooth	1.20	Paved
08/01/2025	9	Dambulla	Knuckles, Cave Temples	4.05	Paved
08/02/2025	10	Dambulla	Sigiriya Rock Fortress		
08/03/2025	11	Anuradhapura	Avukana Statue	2.30	Paved
08/04/2025	12	Mannar	Anuradhapura Archeological Site	2.30	Paved
08/05/2025	13	Jaffna	Nallur Temple	4.00	Paved
08/06/2025	14	Nilaveli	Long ride	5.00	Paved
08/07/2025	15	Nilaveli	Snorkeling, Diving, Fishing, Koneswaram		
08/08/2025	16	Polonnaruwa	Long ride 70% paved / 30% dirt road	5.40	Paved & Dirt
08/09/2025	17	Gal Oya	Polonnaruwa Archeological site	2.30	Paved & Dirt
08/10/2025	18	Pottuvil	Gal Oya boat safari	2.30	Paved
08/11/2025	19	Yala	Long ride	3.00	Paved
08/12/2025	20	Tangalle	Yala Safari	1.30	Paved
08/13/2025	21	Galle	Short ride	2.00	Paved
08/14/2025	22	Onward travel	Transfer to Airport	4,210	A TOP S





DAY 1

GALLE

Transfer to your hotel in Galle. This will be our starting and finishing point. We will meet up in the early evening for the official first meeting and group dinner.

DAY 2

GALLE

DAY 3

UDAWALAWE



On the first long day of the tour, we ride through the lush countryside of the south, heading inland to Udawalawe, a national park situated on the edge of a large lake and home for elephant herds, water buffalo, and many other species. This scenic ride on excellent roads with minimal traffic makes for a fantastic start to the tour.



TERRAIN Paved



TRAFFIC Moderate



DURATIONS 6 Hrs



DISTANCE 180 km



DIFFICULTY

Moderately Demanding



Short ride around Galle to familiarise yourself with the motorcycle, the road and the traffic. After lunch we return to the hotel to refresh before heading for a walk in the colonial fort, characterised by its well-preserved ramparts, narrow streets lined with colonial buildings, and a picturesque setting overlooking the Indian Ocean.



TERRAIN Paved



TRAFFIC Busy



DURATIONS **2 Hrs**



DISTANCE 70 km



DIFFICULTY Easy





DAY 4 **ELLA**

After awakening to the sounds of the jungle, we set out after a hearty breakfast. Today's journey leads us past lakes and forests before ascending to 1500 metres into the tea country and highlands of Sri Lanka. This ride traverses jungle, hills, and plantations amidst a breathtaking backdrop of stunning scenery. Tonight we dine out, in the buzzy town of Ella, a charming hill station town in Sri Lanka's central highlands, known for its stunning views, lush tea plantations, and adventurous hiking trails.



TERRAIN **Paved**



TRAFFIC **Moderate**



DURATIONS 6 Hrs



DISTANCE 190 km



DIFFICULTY Moderately Demanding DAY 5

NUWARA ELIYA



Leaving the jungle behind, we first visit Sir Lipton's Seat, a viewpoint near Haputale that offers panoramic vistas of lush tea plantations and distant mountains, before continuing to Horton Plains, a high-altitude expanse of montane grasslands and cloud forests nestled beneath two of Sri Lanka's tallest peaks. From there, we journey onward to Nuwara Eliya, a colonial-era hill station often referred to as "Little England" due to its resemblance to an English countryside with its cool climate, Victorian architecture, and tea plantations reminiscent of rural England.



TERRAIN **Paved**



TRAFFIC **Peaks**



DURATIONS 5.5 Hrs



DISTANCE 110 km



DIFFICULTY

Moderately Demanding





DAY 6

FREE DAY

After 3 long riding days, we take a well deserved rest day. Nuwara Eliya offers diverse activities and attractions. Explore tea plantations, enjoy boating on Gregory Lake, hike nature trails to waterfalls, and stroll through Victoria Park's gardens. Golf at Nuwara Eliya Golf Club, admire colonial architecture, and visit Hakgala Botanical Garden or Adisham Bungalow. And don't forget to visit the local markets. Let us know if you need help to organise your free day.

DAY8

KNUCKLES

Another short riding day in preparation of the upcoming intense riding and sightseeing days. After a good breakfast, we check-out and ride to the Peradeniya botanical garden for a nice walk before lunch. After lunch we head to our destination, Madulkelle, an eco resort in the middle of a tea plantation. From there the adventure in the Knuckles Mountain Range begins.



TFRRAIN Paved

TRAFFIC Heavv/ Moderate

DURATIONS 3 Hrs

DISTANCE 72 km

DIFFICULTY Challenging in Cities DAY 7

KANDY



A short ride to Kandy, in central Sri Lanka, a city of profound cultural and historical significance, with a stop at a tea factory for a guided tour and tasting. After checking in at the hotel and refreshing, we visit the city by tuk tuks. Kandy is also renowned as a major religious centre housing the Temple of the Tooth Relic, which holds the sacred tooth of the Buddha and attracts pilgrims and tourists alike and the next morning, those who like can visit the temple and experience the celebration. Kandy is one of the busiest cities in Sri Lanka, be prepared for heavy traffic.



TERRAIN Paved



TRAFFIC Heavy



DURATIONS 2.5 Hrs



DISTANCE 78 km



DIFFICULTY

Challenging in Cities





DAY9

DAMBULLA

Leaving the tea plantations we ride north where we cross the Knuckles mountain range passing through Riverston at approx. 1400 mt.. The road through the mountain forest can be bumpy with potholes and close hairpins but the scenery once reached the higher altitude is breathtaking. After the Knuckles we descend onto the plains of the North East where we get the opportunity to open the throttle, heading to Dambulla, a part of the Cultural Triangle. This area of the country is truly ancient and home to some fascinating places dating back over 2000 years.



TERRAIN Paved



4 Hrs





TRAFFIC **Moderate**

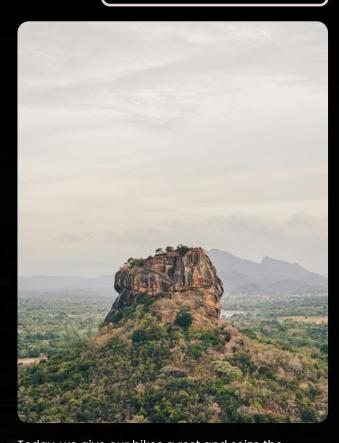


DISTANCE 111 km



DAY 10

SIGIRIYA ROCK FORTRESS



Today, we give our bikes a rest and seize the opportunity to visit Sigiriya, an ancient rock fortress in Sri Lanka celebrated for its well-preserved ruins of a 5th-century palace complex and vibrant frescoes depicting the 'Sigiriya Maidens.' To reach the breathtaking summit, which boasts panoramic views, we ascend approximately 1,200 steps. It's recommended to begin the climb early in the morning to avoid the intense midday heat. Following lunch, enjoy a relaxing afternoon by the resort swimming pool or treat yourself to a rejuvenating spa session.





DAY 11

ANURADHAPURA

Another day full of sightseeing. In the morning we visit the Dambulla Cave Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage, that comprises five caves filled with Buddhist murals and over 150 Buddha statues, showcasing a blend of art and spirituality spanning over 2,000 years. To get to the entrance there are approximately 400 steps. After visiting the temples we return to the resort and get back on the bikes. Our final destination is Anuradhapura, once a flourishing ancient capital from around the 4th century BC to the 11th century AD. Before arriving at the finish line, we make a stop to visit Avukana Buddha statue, sculpted around the 5th century AD during King Dhatusena's reign in Sri Lanka. The statue stands at 40 feet tall and is carved from granite rock.



TERRAIN Paved



DURATIONS 2 Hrs



DIFFICULTY Easy



Moderate



DISTANCE



87 km

DAY 12 MANNAR



During the first part of the day we will visit the archeological site of Anuradhapura on a guided motorcycle tour. Anuradhapura was abandoned around the 11th century AD due to repeated invasions to be rediscovered after 800 years during the British colonial period in the 19th century. The site is renowned for its impressive archaeological ruins, including massive dagobas (stupas) such as the Ruwanwelisaya and Jetavanaramaya, as well as ancient monasteries, palaces, and intricately carved stone sculptures. After lunch we head to Mannar, an island on the west coast, home to diverse wildlife, including birds, marine life, and reptiles. This time of the year can be a good time for bird watching as migratory birds start arriving in the area.



TERRAIN **Paved**



DURATIONS 3 Hrs + Site Tour



DIFFICULTY Easy



TRAFFIC Moderate



DISTANCE 133 km





DAY 13

JAFFNA

Today, we ride to Jaffna, a historic city in northern Sri Lanka renowned for its rich cultural heritage and significant role in Tamil civilization. Jaffna is home to important Hindu temples like Nallur Kandaswamy Kovil and offers a distinct cuisine featuring spicy dishes such as Jaffna crab curry. This region is relatively untouched by tourism, including nearby islands like Kayts, Delft, and Nagadeepa, which we explore on an islandhopping adventure before reaching our hotel. Please note, this area is part of the dry zone of the country and can get very hot, so remember to stay hydrated during our journey.



TERRAIN Paved

DURATIONS 4.5 Hrs



DIFFICULTY Easy



TRAFFIC **Moderate**



DISTANCE 173 km

DAY 14

TRINCOMALEE



One of the longest days before we reach our hotel in Nilaveli beach, just outside of Trincomalee, on Sri Lanka's northeast coast. Trincomalee is celebrated for its stunning natural beauty and rich historical heritage. Today we cover about 230 km going through areas that were afflicted by the 3 decade long civil war. Keep an eye out for signs of mine clearing fields but not to worry, the roads are safe.



TFRRAIN Paved



DURATIONS 5.5 Hrs



DIFFICULTY Easy



TRAFFIC **Moderate**



DISTANCE 230 km





DAY 15

FREE DAY

Free day on Nilaveli beach, ideal for swimming and relax but there are many options today. Snorkeling at Pigeon Island National Park with its vibrant coral reefs. Trincomalee's cultural tapestry is evident in landmarks such as the Koneswaram Temple and Fort Frederick, showcasing Tamil, Sinhalese, and colonial influences. Visitors can also enjoy whale watching during the season from or relax in the therapeutic Kanniya Hot Springs. Trincomalee offers a captivating blend of coastal allure, cultural diversity, and historical intrigue for travelers seeking an off-the-beaten-path experience in Sri Lanka. Let us know how we can help to organise your day.



POLONNARUWA



After a restful day, we embark on a 200 km journey southward, passing through Somawathiya National Park on a dirt road and then traversing the scenic and well-paved route through Minneriya National Park. Our destination is the ancient city of Polonnaruwa. Be vigilant for elephants along the way, as these areas are their natural habitats. Today we will also have a late lunch experience with some of the best rice and curry of the island.



TERRAIN Paved/Dirt



TRAFFIC Moderate



DURATIONS 5 Hrs



DISTANCE 200 km



DIFFICULTY Easy



Ride on the Edge of the World



DAY 17

GAL OYA NATIONAL PARK

A day filled with sightseeing and riding awaits us. In the morning, we embark on a guided tour of the ruins of Polonnaruwa, the ancient city that served as the country's second capital from the 11th to 13th centuries AD. This UNESCO World Heritage site features well-preserved archaeological ruins and monuments that highlight the architectural and artistic accomplishments of the Polonnaruwa period. After the tour, we return to the hotel before hitting the road again on our bikes, heading further south. Our journey involves a mix of well-maintained paved roads and dirt tracks as we make our way to Gal Oya National Park.



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TERRAIN Paved/Dirt



DURATIONS **2.5 Hrs**



DIFFICULTY **Easy**



TRAFFIC **Moderate**



DISTANCE 106 km



POTTUVIL



We have 140 km to cover today. During the initial part of our journey, we will ride alongside Gal Oya National Park to reach the starting point of a unique boat safari. This safari offers the opportunity to spot elephants and other wildlife, including water buffalo, deer, crocodiles, and various bird species along the reservoir shores. After concluding the safari and enjoying a quick lunch, we continue southeast to our destination, Pottuvil, renowned for its proximity to the world-renowned surfing destination of Arugam Bay.



TERRAIN
Paved



TRAFFIC

Moderate/
Heavy



DURATIONS
3 Hrs



DISTANCE 140 km



DIFFICULTY
Intermediate





DAY 20

TANGALLE

DAY 19

YALA NATIONAL PARK

A beautiful riding day, crossing different wildlife parks and with the opportunity to see more elephants on the road. The roads are in great condition and vary from windy to long fast stretches. We arrive at the Yala National Park in the early afternoon with enough time to rest. Tomorrow early morning we will adventure in the park on a jeep safari and try to spot some leopards.



A

TERRAIN Paved

DURATIONS
4 Hrs

DIFFICULTY Easy

TRAFFIC Moderate



DISTANCE 169 km



After returning from the safari in Yala National Park, we ride on the busy southern coastline for a couple of hours before we reach our beach hotel, just in time for a sumptuous lunch. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon dipping in the swimming pool or take a healthy walk on the 2 km long fishermen's beach.



TERRAIN
Paved



TRAFFIC Heavy



DURATIONS **2 Hrs**



DISTANCE **95 km**



DIFFICULTY Intermediate



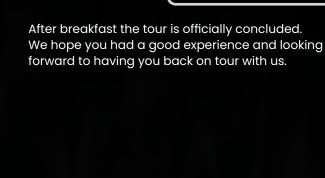
DAY 22

ONWARD TRAVELS

DAY 21

GALLE

Last short riding day on the coastline. Today you can enjoy the beach more as we get on the road in the late morning, with enough time to reach our beach spot for lunch. We arrive at the hotel in Galle in the early afternoon. In the evening we meet for the last group dinner.





TERRAIN **Paved**



TRAFFIC **Heavy**



DURATIONS **2.5 Hrs**



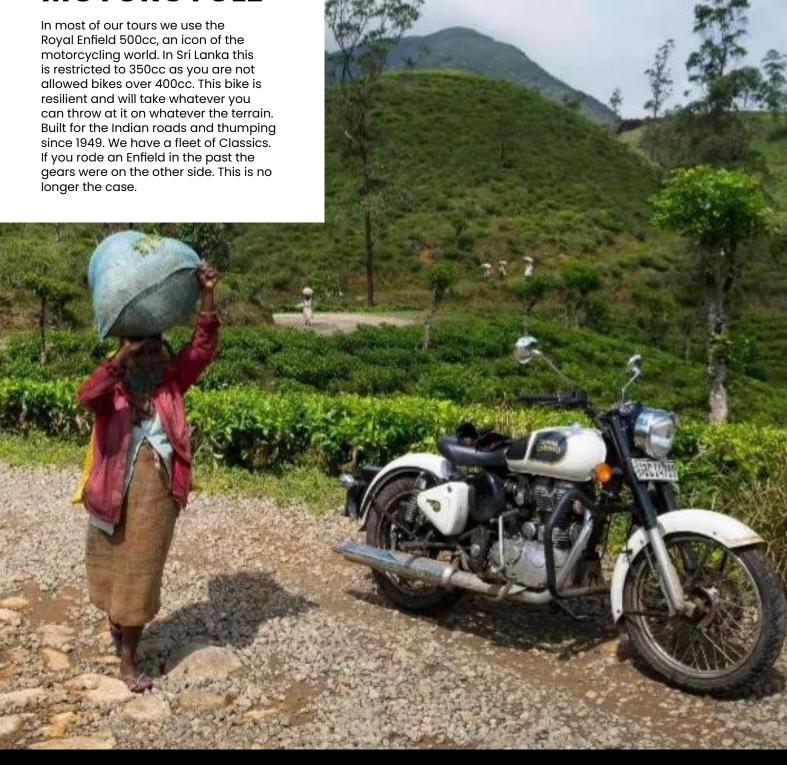
DISTANCE **75 km**



DIFFICULTY
Intermediate



MOTORCYCLE













FOOD

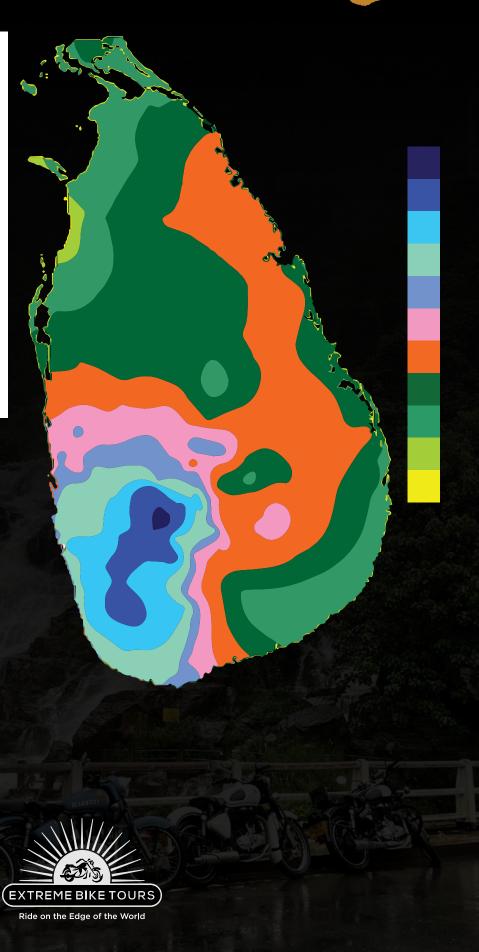
Sri Lanka offers a wonderful variety of traditional dishes and international cuisine. While breakfasts and most dinners are provided at the hotels, lunch is typically enjoyed on the road at selected restaurants and cafes that offer a taste of authentic Sri Lankan cuisine. Additionally, some dinners will take place outside of the hotel for a change of scenery. If you have any dietary requirements, such as being vegetarian, gluten intolerant, or have any other specific needs, please inform us in advance so that we can plan accordingly.





CLIMATE

The weather in Sri Lanka can be quite changeable, as is typical in tropical destinations, but generally, it is hot. Daytime temperatures range from 28°C to 31°C, although in the mountains, temperatures can drop significantly to around 15°C to 16°C. During July and August, Sri Lanka experiences the southwest monsoon season, especially affecting the southwestern part of the island. This period is characterised by frequent and sometimes heavy rainfall while the rest of the island is drier. Our itinerary is carefully planned to minimize exposure to rainy days; however, expect cloudy skies and afternoon rain showers amidst plenty of periods of sunshine. It's all part of the adventure.







GENERAL INFORMATION

We are arriving in Asia to ride so none of the normal rules will apply on the road. Your guide will brief you about what to watch out for such as cows, tuk tuks, dogs and crazy bus drivers. You will soon get used to it and by the end you will have grown to love the chaos. Once out of the towns the roads are great and the traffic light.

DIFFICULTY







FOR ALL LEVELS

The Grand Tour is a road based tour weaving through mountains, tea plantations and beaches with accommodation of excellent standards. It is rated with two bikes (Intermediate), meaning that some riding experience is required. The main challenges are the traffic, especially when entering cities, wildlife crossing roads and in a few cases close hairpins. In this tour there are also a couple of dirt roads.



DRIVING LICENCE

Please bring an international licence to Sri Lanka as well as your country licence. This is a prerequisite for riding here. We will need to endorse that licence with the AA Ceylon (Automobile Association) and we will request copies to request your local permits.



INSURANCE

You are responsible for your travel insurance that also covers motorcycle riding. We recommend that you opt for a policy that includes CFAR (Cancellation for any reason). For an extra cost your policy will refund most of your tour cost in case you need to cancel after having paid the non-refundable deposit and/or flight fares.



PASSPORTS

Your passport must be valid for a period of at least 6 months from when you intend to return home. It is always worthwhile to carry some passport photos with you just in case. After booking we will be needing a scanned copy of your passport.



VISAS

Entry visa for Sri Lanka is very easy to obtain online for most nationalities on the official website eta.gov.lk.



FLIGHTS & TRANSFERS

You will need to get your international flight to Colombo (CMB). All the transfers from and to the airport are included and arranged by us.



MONEY

The currency in Sri Lanka is the Sri Lankan Rupee. Cards are accepted widely, and in all the towns we pass through there will be ATMs. You will need some cash only for personal expenses such as buying souvenirs, alcohol or SPA sessions.



LUGGAGE

The support vehicle carries all the luggages so feel free to bring whatever you think is necessary for your comfort. Please consult the airline to find out information on your luggage allowance.







LOCAL CULTURE

Sri Lanka is a melting pot. A Buddhist country but also representing many other faiths such as Hindus and Muslims. Please respect the local culture. Your guide will make you aware of things to look out for. All the historical sites or wildlife park entrances are included in your tour price.



PILLIONS

The group will be followed by one or more Support Vehicles through the entire tour, so there is a chance to vary your journey and ride in the van should you need a break.



VACCINATIONS

Please consult your doctor to find out if you need any vaccinations for your trip or any boosters, or anything you personally might need for the tour.



FITNESS

You will know when choosing your tour whether you are fit enough for the tour. Some are more demanding than others due to distance or type of accommodation. Sri Lanka is not too physically demanding.



PAYMENTS & REFUNDS

We require a 30% deposit on any of the tours with the full amount paid 2 months before the start date. The deposit is non-refundable but we do realise that there are situations beyond our control and are happy to help come up with a solution. Accepted payments methods are bank transfer with the cost of the transfer picked up by you or online card payment subject to an extra 3% of processing fee.







INCLUSIONS



Fuel and oil

Accommodation

All meals & snacks

Non-alcoholic Beverages



Gal Oya boat safari

Yala jeep safari

Damage Coverage (up to US \$500)



Support Vehicle



English speaking guide



Local expert



Mechanic



Spare parts



First-aid equipment

All Entrance Fees



Lipton Seat



Polonnaruwa



Horton Plains



Anuradhapura



Dambulla Cave Temples



Gal Oya



Sigiriya



Yala

YOU NEED TO BRING



Goggles Goggles

Sunglasses

/ Lip Balm

High Factor Sun Cream (30+ minimum)

Waterproof bike boots, shin an ankle protection

Protective Trousers

Protective Jackets

Protective Gloves

Mosquito Repellent



Tourch



Windproof and Waterproof Trousers and Jacket



Scarf or Bandana to keep dues out of your nose and mouth

