DNHG Four-day trip to the South of Sri Lanka with a full day Yala Natural Park Safari and visit to Bundala Natural Park

July 3 (evening) to July 8 (morning), 2014

The southern end of Sri Lanka is now accessible with Fly Dubai flying to the new Rajapakas airport in Mattala, Hambantota.

The DNHG is organizing a 4-day trip to Tissamaharama, Yala & Bundala Natural Parks and Ella.

Trip details are as follows:

Thursday, July 3:
- Departure from Dubai with Fly Dubai at 18.20 (from DWC)

Friday, July 4:
- Arrival to Mattala airport at 2.05 am
- Transfer to Lake View Cottage
- Visit to Tissamaharama Buddhist temple
- Afternoon trip to the coast and visit to Kirinda temple
- Evening bird watching tour on Tissa lake
- Overnight in Lake View Cottage

Saturday, July 5:
- Full day safari in Yala National Park

Sunday, July 6:
- Trip to Ella
- Stop at Buduruvagala, ancient Buddhist temple with 10th century rock carved statues
- Stop at Ravana Falls
- Evening walk to Little Adam’s Peak
- Overnight in Ella

Monday, July 7:
- Return to Tissa in the morning
- Visit to Bundala National Park
- Overnight in Lake View Cottage

Tuesday, July 8:
- Early morning transfer to Mattala airport
- Depart with Fly Dubai at 3.00 am
- Arrival to Dubai at 6.20 am

The group is limited to a maximum of 10 people due to limited lodging facilities.
Estimated cost of the trip per person:

- 360 USD twin/double room sharing
- 340 USD triple room sharing
- 390 USD single room

Above is including all food, hotels, transport, guides, Yala and Bundala entrance fees

Above is excluding:

- 30 USD Sri Lankan visa (can be bought on line)
- Approx. 1000 AED for air ticket with Fly Dubai.
- Extras and tips

If interested please contact Sonja at lavson@gmail.com
Four Day Tour

TOUR INFORMATION

Day one:  Fri July 4 - Airport to Mattala/Tissa
Day two:  Sat July 5 - Full day safari in Yala Park
Day three: Sun July 6 – Tissa To Ella, Little Adam’s Peak walk
Day four:  Mon July 7 - Day in Ella afternoon back to Tissa.
Day five:  Tue July 8 – Departure for airport
Day one: Fri July 4 Airport to Tissa

July 4 (2.05 am arrival) Fly Dubai Fz-551

Transfer to Tissa, book in the Lake View Cottage. Later in the day visit Tissa temples and Kirinda temple. Afternoon trip to the beach and evening bird watching tour.
Lake View Cottage

Lake View Cottage in Tissamaharama is located on the banks of Tissa Lake in a secluded/rural area where you will enjoy the view over the lake and the sound of the birds. From the Cottage terrace you can see the many birds of Tissa lake as well as observe water buffalos cooling in the water. The cottage has 5 air conditioned rooms and offers full board.
Visit Tissa temple

Tissamaharama Raja Maha Vihara

The Tissamaharama Raja Maha Vihara is a Buddhist temple in Tissamaharama, Sri Lanka. It was built in the 2nd century BC by King Kavan Tissa of Ruhuna.
Afternoon trip to Kirinda temple and the beach

Kirinda is a small but beautiful village on the southern coast of Sri Lanka close to Kataragama. Kirinda Rajamaha Viharaya is located on top of the rock at nine beaches. The area is also close to the Great and small Basses reefs which provide some of the most spectacular scuba diving in the country.
Evening bird watching tour on the Tissa lake
Day two: Sat July 5 - Full Day Safari Yala National Park

Yala National Park is the second largest and the most popular national park in Sri Lanka. The park consists of five blocks, two of which are now open to the public. The highlight of the park are the leopards and the rare black necked stork.
Buduruvagala
On the way to Ella you will stop in the jungle to visit Buduruvagala, an ancient Buddhist temple. The complex consists of seven statues and belongs to the Mahayana school. The statues date back to the 10th century
Another stop on the way will be at Ravana Falls. Ravana Falls are a popular sightseeing attraction. This is one of the widest falls in the country. This waterfall measures approximately 25 m in height and cascades from an oval-shaped concave rock.
Overnight at Sky Green Hotel Ella

Situated on a mountain ridge with breathtaking views of the Ella Gap, Sky Green Resort is a 9-roomed property. It has a cozy atmosphere, ideal for small groups. It is conveniently located at 1 km from Ella Town. Ella is situated in the mountains and the climate is cooler. Evening walk to Little Adam’s Peak.
Little Adam's Peak

The mountain range in the Badulla, Ella area which is considered for Small Sripada (Little Adam’s Peak) has become an attraction to local and foreign tourist. A large number of people visit the area to admire its scenic beauty. Small Sripada is located about 2 km from the Ella town. From this location Kataragama and the Hambantota beach which are hundreds of kilometers away can also be seen. The Namunukula, Poonagala and Narangala mountain ranges also located on near this place. The mount extent about 10 acres some of the Small Sripada is full of biodiversity.
Day Five: Mon July 7 Return to Tissa and Bundala Park

In the morning drive back to Tissa. Afternoon visit to Bundala Natural Park, famous for the quantity and variety of birds.
Night in Tissa (Lake View Cottage)

We will return to the hotel where we spent the first night, conveniently located in Tissa, about 40 min drive from the airport.
Day five:  Tue July 8 - Tissa to Airport

Early morning departure for airport Fly Dubai Fz-551
Estimated cost

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Above includes:
- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- All transportation & guides
- Entrance Fees to Yala and Bundala
- Bottled Water
- (Beer during barbecue evening)

Travel costs:
Fly Dubai Ticket: approx. 1000 AED
Sri Lanka Visa (obtainable on line: 30 USD)

NB: The group is limited to max 10 people.