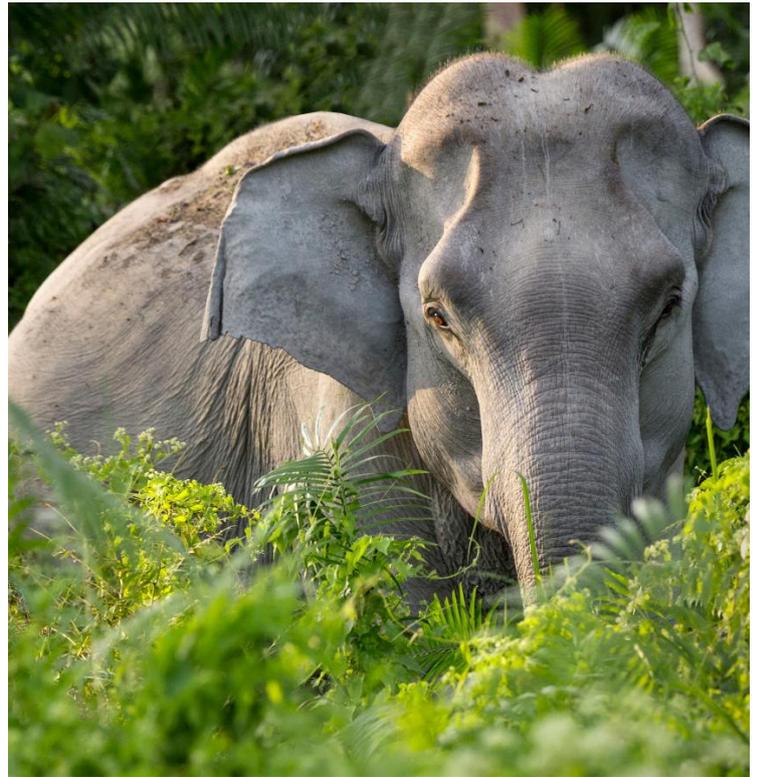


WHAT'S ON AT KARPAHA SANDS



AYURVEDIC SPA

Leave yourself in the hands of our expert therapists and indulge in a relaxing massage, an invigorating body scrub, or a century-old Ayurvedic treatment in one of our two private pavilions – alone or with a partner. See our spa menu for more details



COOKING CLASS

Head to the kitchen and toss on an apron to discover Sri Lankan cuisine with the chef in a fun 2-hour class. Learn to prepare a traditional curry suite with four different curries, or learn how to prepare a whole fish sourced directly from our beach, along with two side dishes. Enjoy what you've cooked after the lesson



HENNA PAINTING

Turn your body into a beautiful design as a local artist gives you a traditional henna tattoo



CATAMARAN CRUISE

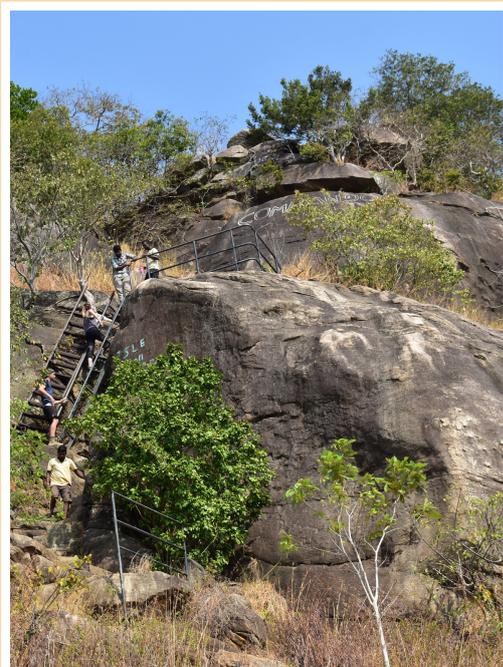
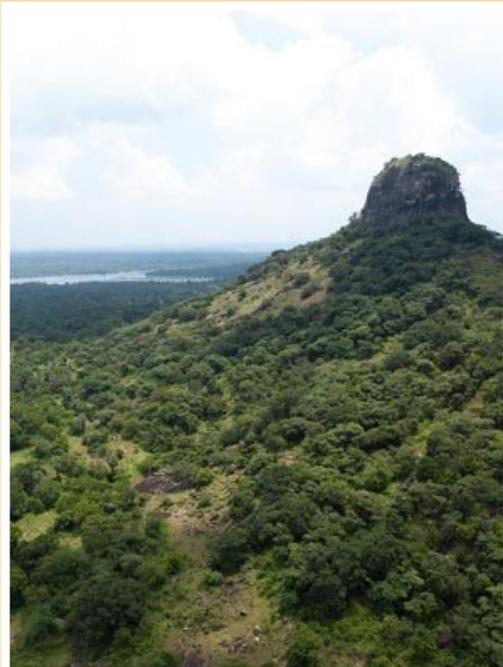
Admire the coastline and blue shades of the Indian Ocean while relaxing with drinks and snacks served by the crew.

The 48' catamaran anchors in the middle of the bay, allowing guests to enjoy a relaxing swim or try stand up paddle boarding and snorkelling. The cruise departs from Passikudah Beach and lasts about 3 hours. It is a shared boat with an average of 10 guests on board



KUDUMBIMALAI ROCK

Feeling sporty? Enjoy a guided hike to the top of this steep rocky outcrop, referred to as 'Baron's Cap' in the British colonial era. Due to its strategic location, Kudumbimalai was one of the last Tamil Tiger strongholds in the area. At 534 meters above sea level, the views of the paddy fields, forests and Palmyra palms below are spectacular. There's also a military museum to visit after the hike. Don't forget to wear sturdy walking shoes, a hat, and sunscreen. Enjoy a packed breakfast before or after the hike



W I L D L I F E S A F A R I

Spend a day in Maduru Oya or Minneriya, beautiful and wild national parks west of Karpaha Sands (the national park selection is decided based on the movement of the elephants). As you cruise in an open top safari Jeep with a guide, you'll spot herds of wild elephants, monitor lizards, buffalos, peacocks, monkeys and countless birds. Depart the hotel late morning to enjoy a picnic lunch and 2-3-hour safari, arriving back at Karpaha Sands in time for a late dinner



DEEP SEA FISHING BOTTOM FISHING

Haul in the catch of the day in the calm waters off the coast on a private 6.2 meter motorboat departing from Passikudah Beach. For deep sea fishing, trolling rods are used and you'll be at sea for about 4 hours; for bottom fishing, casting rods are used and you'll be at sea for about 2 hours. The chef will be happy to discuss cooking options for your big catch



WATER SPORTS IN PASSIKUDAH

For those up for an adventure, Passikudah Beach doesn't disappoint with its vast array of water sport activities such as diving, water skiing, jet skiing, wind surfing, water tubing, and more. Activities are available May – October, weather permitting. Head out early to enjoy calm seas



BATTICALOA CITY TOUR

Discover the vibrant city of Batticaloa on a half-day guided tour – visit Hindu temples, the old Dutch fort, Kallady Bridge, the Lighthouse, and perhaps a local market. End the afternoon with a paddle boat or kayak ride in the Batticaloa Lagoon to take in the views and observe the local birdlife



SECRET SPOTS

Explore the local area on a fun tuk-tuk excursion into neighbouring villages and nearby Passikudah. Check out colourful temples and hidden ruins in the jungle, followed by a visit to the old British harbour and the “spiritual art gallery”. Scramble to the top of Elephant Rock for a breath-taking view of Passikudah Bay



PALAMUNAI COLORS

Explore the southern part of Batticaloa, biking along the beach to check out the fish market and local organic gardens. You will also visit a Hindu temple, meet handloom weavers, enjoy lunch with a local family and ride back through Kattankudy, a Muslim town known for its history and numerous shops. Each guest receives a locally-made batik scarf at the end of the tour



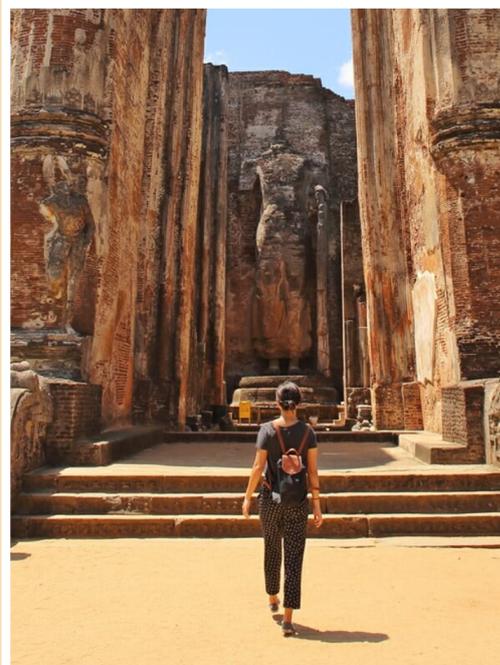
COOK AND FISH

Learn classic Sri Lankan recipes on a cycling trip to Batticaloa market and then cook lunch with a local family. Following this, you'll travel to the lagoon and enjoy a fishing lesson with local fishermen. Each guest receives a locally-made batik scarf at the end of the tour



POLONNARUWA

For an insight into Sri Lankan history, walk around the majestic ruins of temples, palaces, royal pools, and Buddha statues in Polonnaruwa. This was Sri Lanka's second capital city from the 11th-13th century and is classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site



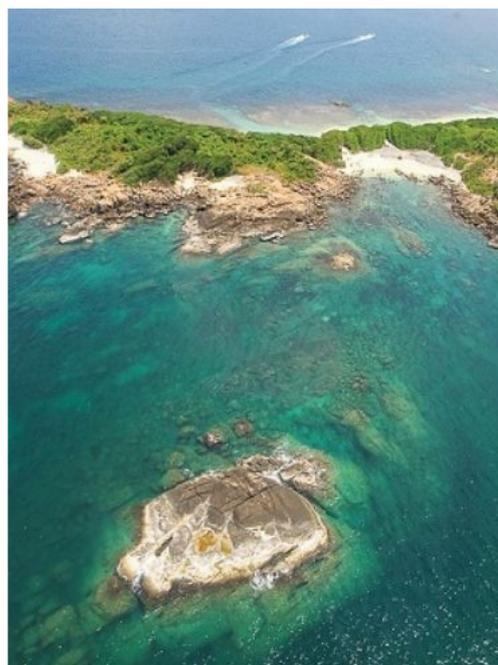
TRINCOMALEE

Located just over an hour north of Karpaha Sands, on one of the world's finest natural harbours, Trincomalee has much to offer. Take your time to discover the famous temples Koneswaram or Sri Pathrakali Amman, browse the Navy Museum and Fort Frederick, or simply meander through the waterfront areas



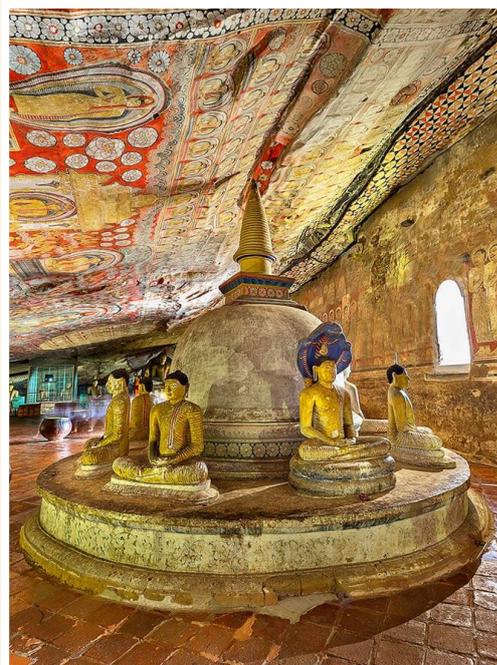
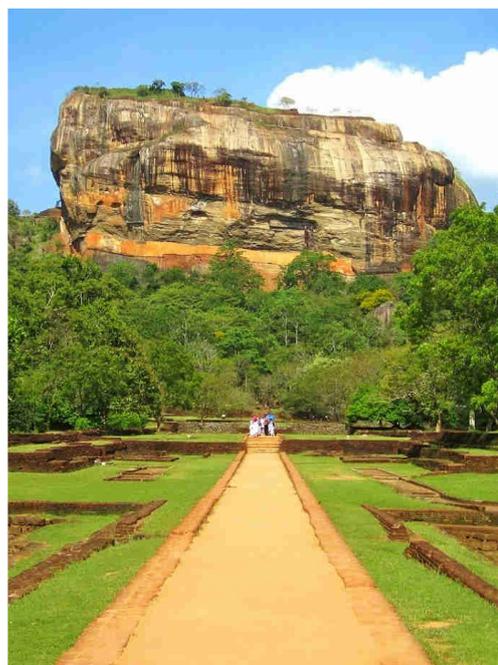
PIGEON ISLAND

Tantalizing with possibilities, Pigeon Island is a breathtaking destination near Trincomalee – its powdery white sands and glittering coral gardens allure travelers from around the world. We recommend a snorkelling trip to see the tropical fish. Snorkelling gear can be rented there



SIGIRIYA DAMBULLA

Considered the Eighth Wonder of the World by locals, a visit to Sigiriya is not to be missed! This UNESCO World Heritage Site consists of an ancient rock fortress and palace with stunning frescoes and the “mirror wall”, all situated 200 meters above the jungle. Climb to the top to see stunning views of the surrounding area. On your way back, stop to see the Rock Cave Temple in Dambulla – considered an ancient Buddhist holy place



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