SHANGRI-LA
HAMBANTOTA

10 Places
TO EXPLORE ON THE RUHUNU RING



1 BENTOTA

Sun-soaked sands or Bentota River mangrove safaris await. Experience an Ayurvedic spa and the majestic 17th-century Kande Vihara Temple.

To: Ambalangoda 24KM (35 minutes)



2 AMBALANGODA

Discover authentic mask-making, traditional puppetry, cultural museums and serene beaches.

To: Galle 33KM (53 minutes)



3 GALLE

Explore UNESCO-listed Galle Fort, with cobbled streets, Dutch-colonial architecture, stylish boutiques and vibrant cafés.

To: Weligama 28KM (50 minutes)



4 WELIGAMA

Experience the local fishing harbour and fresh seafood in Weligama, the 'Sandy Village'. Witness the stilt fishermen at sunrise or visit Taprobane Island.

To Mirissa 6KM (10 minutes)



5 MIRISSA

Embark on a whale watching cruise in Mirissa to see the majestic blue whales and dolphins.

To: Tangalle 45KM (51 minutes)



6 TANGALLE

Explore Mulkirigala Rock Temple, Kalametiya Bird Sanctuary, the dramatic Hummanaya Blowhole, and Tangalle's golden beaches.

To Hambantota: 44KM (58 minutes)



7 HAMBANTOTA

Visit Hambantota Lighthouse and sacred Sithulpawwa Raja Maha Vihara. Discover elephants in Udawalawe and migratory birds in Bundala National Park.

To Yala National Park 46KM (1 hour)



8 YALA NATIONAL PARK

The best place on Earth to spot elusive leopards in the wild. Embark on a thrilling jeep safari to encounter elephants, birds and crocodiles.

To: Ella 90KM (1.45 hours)



9 ELLA

Mist-covered mountains, tea plantations, scenic hikes and the iconic Nine Arches Bridge make Ella unforgettable.

To: Arugam Bay 135KM (2.45 hours)



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A world-class East Coast surf destination, known for perfect point breaks, bohemian charm, beach cafés and nearby wildlife.

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