



LUXURY HOLIDAYS ON THE
SOUTHERN COAST OF SRI LANKA



RESPLENDENT CEYLON

RESORTS TRAILS & RESIDENCES



Resplendent Ceylon, the leisure arm of family tea company Dilmah, is creating a collection of small luxury resorts that offer a unique trail across Sri Lanka. The goal is to offer the upscale traveller a range of experiences linked to Sri Lanka's history, culture and nature. www.resplendenceyilon.com



Ceylon Tea Trails, Sri Lanka's first Relais & Chateaux resort, comprises twenty six rooms and suites in five colonial era tea planters' bungalows, connected by walking trails through stunningly beautiful Ceylon tea gardens. Follow the Tea Trail from one unique bungalow to the next, staying a night or two at each or just laze in one



Wild Coast Lodge, Yala end 2016

A luxurious camp on a secluded beach in the Yala National Park, a Leopard hotspot in southeastern Sri Lanka. 28 custom designed, air-conditioned 45m² tents with a 25m² deck, offer the adventure of a jungle camp with the comfort of a deluxe hotel room.



Sigiriya 2017

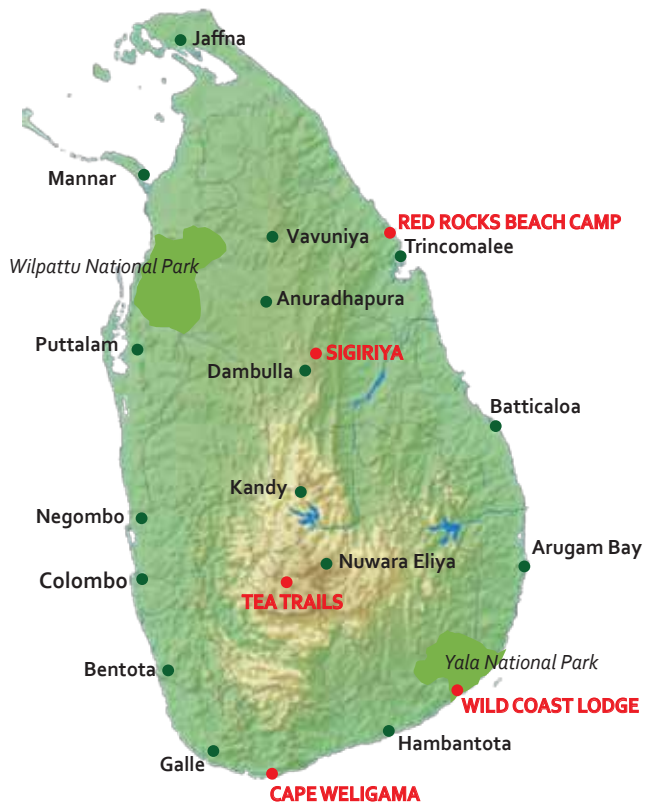
A 30 suite retreat designed by renowned architect Lek Bunnag, in an ancient forest, near the World Heritage Sigiriya Rock Fortress. The suites overlook a private lake and mountains.



Red Rocks Beach Camp, Trincomalee 2017

A family oriented, 28 room luxury resort that sits on a stunning stretch of flat white sand that runs 10km down the coast to Nilaveli, near the famed seaport of Trincomalee in northeastern Sri Lanka. The resort is inspired by organic forms to create amazing tensile membrane structures

Southern Sri Lanka



Emerald hues of the coconut palm frond dappled headlands meet the sapphire waters of the Indian Ocean here along this isle's curvaceous southern stretch. Just off the craggy coast, sarong clad fishermen perch acrobatically on their wooden stilts. Centuries old stone carved temples dot the lush undulating interior where elephants still inhabit the tropical jungle. A thirty-minute coastal drive leads to the massive granite ramparts of the 400-year-old Dutch colonial Galle Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and symbol of this region's strategic importance to maritime history. Nearby, the slender white Dondra Lighthouse, built by the British in 1890, marks this island's southernmost tip. Beyond, the vast cerulean sea churns unrelentingly all the way to Antarctica.

Welcome to Cape Weligama

Where trade winds carried legendary explorers like Marco Polo, Ibn Battuta and Fa-Hsien past Sri Lanka's soaring southern cliffs on some of history's most celebrated nautical journeys, October 1st 2014 marked the opening of the most anticipated resort yet along this fabled island's palm fringed shores. Thirty minutes east of Galle, Cape Weligama inhabits 12 manicured acres atop a singular promontory rising 36 metres above the Indian Ocean. Stunning panoramas naturally complement all 39 private retreats designed by one of Asia's most celebrated architects, Lek Bunnag. An array of international dining venues captures Weligama's iconic sunsets, as does the 60-metre crescent-shaped infinity pool that appears to flow seamlessly into the shimmering sea, while those timeless breezes ensure elegant swells unfurl onto the sun kissed sand.

Sri Lanka's most captivating Indian Ocean vistas, even from your bed, are just the first of every day's revelations around this relaxed waterfront property. While a diverse range of activities are on offer year round, from surfing lessons, scuba diving and lake kayaking to rice paddy bicycling and even leopard safaris, many of our guests find the greatest pleasure in simply unwinding on their private shaded terraces, with a pot of freshly brewed, single origin Ceylon tea for which this fabled isle is rightly famous. Curl up with a novel from your residence's private library, or amble barefoot to swim in your shimmering infinity pool. Dine on Western favourites or luscious Sri Lankan flavours anytime you like. Our wish is that you consider yourself at home along our headland. Whenever and whatever you desire, Cape Weligama's Swiss trained, dedicated butlers stand ready to make your dream holiday an effortless reality.







Accommodations

Strategically nestled into the natural slopes atop Weligama's striking headland, a collection of private Residences and Suites; offering 39 bedrooms in all, create the welcoming illusion of a traditional Sri Lankan village. Yet beneath local terracotta-tiled rooftops, stylish interiors unfold as generously sized contemporary living quarters, each one surrounded by manicured garden. The smallest measures 130 square metres or 1400 square feet. Accommodations enjoy private butler services, individual gardens, dining and spa facilities. Each is named for a distinguished explorer or writer whose historic Ceylon journey captures the spirit of Cape Weligama.



Entrance to a private Garden



The Cape Weligama Residence, a two bedroomed duplex with 15m pool on upper floor

- 1 RECEPTION PAVILION
- 2 CAPE WELIGAMA SPA
- 3 MOON POOL
- 4 MOON BAR & DECK
- 5 GYM, BELOW POOL
- 6 'HANDIYA' MAIN SQUARE
- 7 'POLA' SEAFOOD MARKET
- 8 DE MAUNY DINING PAVILION
- 9 TAYLOR LIVING PAVILION
- 10 MISAKI JAPANESE DINING
- 11 COVE POOL
- 12 COVE BAR
- 13 'KUMBUK' SRI LANKAN DINING
- 14 GATE TO EAST BEACH & BEACH CLUB
- 15 GATE TO WEST BEACH
- 16 CLIFF EDGE LOOKOUTS
- 17 CLIFF EDGE WALKWAY



RESIDENCES

The 20 Residences are set within 8 stone ringed private gardens. Each large garden, named after explorers of old Ceylon, comprises 2-3 freestanding Residences with a 15 metre swimming pool.

EH	ERNST HAECKEL
RK	ROBERT KNOX
MP	MARCO POLO
KV	KING VIJAYA
IB	IBN BATTUTA
FH	FA-HSIEN
JS	JORIS VAN SPILBERGEN
SB	SAMUEL BAKER

SUITES

The 16 Suites are set 2 per floor in two storey villas named after writers and poets who lived in Sri Lanka. They overlook the family friendly Cove Pool.

AC	ARTHUR C CLARKE
PN	PABLO NERUDA
JT	JAMES EMERSON TENNENT
LW	LEONARD WOOLF



The Residences

The twenty standalone Residences offer twenty three bedrooms, set within eight stone ringed private gardens. Each garden is named after a distinguished explorer of old Ceylon. A garden comprises two to three freestanding Residences with a 15 metre swimming pool. Imagine the intimacy of a boutique villa offering the benefits of a larger, world-class resort.

The three Cape Weligama Residences, our most breath-taking accommodation at 310m² or 3350ft², offer stunning Indian Ocean views from both bedrooms across two levels and the 15-metre infinity pool on the upper level.

► **7 Residences** 130m²/1400ft², king bed, verandah ► **8 Premier Residences** 180m²/1950ft², king bed, large verandah ► **3 Grand Residences** 200m²/2150ft², king bed, living room, large verandah ► **3 Cape Weligama Residences** - 310m²/3400ft², 2 bedroomed duplex. *Ground floor* – king bed, living room with bar, bathroom, large verandah. *Upper floor* – king bed, living deck with bar, 15 x 4m pool with panoramic ocean views.



Every bathroom features a stone tub and steam room



The 15m pool on the upper level of the Cape Weligama Residence



The Suites

The generously proportioned Cape Weligama Suites overlook the Cove pool and the sea, affording large terraces for living and dining. Each floor of the two storey villas, named after old Ceylon writers and poets, comprises a Junior Suite and Master Suite, which could be interconnected via a double door on the verandah.

The Junior Suite offers two queen sized beds suitable for 2 adults and 2 children or upto 4 children, with the parents in an adjacent king bedded Master Suite. Both Suite types have spacious bathrooms offering a stone tub and steam room facilities.

The Suites are especially well suited to families or friends traveling together, seeking the beach villa experience for which southern Sri Lanka has become synonymous, with the added amenities and activities of a five-star resort.

► **8 Junior Suites** - 130m²/1400ft² , 2 queen beds, large verandah

► **8 Master Suites** - 145m²/1600ft² , king bed, large verandah



The Suites overlook the Cove pool



Interconnecting door on the verandah





the oceanside De Mauny Dining Pavilion, set for dinner

Cuisine



A gourmet paradise, Cape Weligama pays homage to its location with the day's freshest catch selected by you at Pola (the Sinhalese word for 'market') and cooked to order in the ocean facing De Mauny restaurant. Eat with your hands, Sri Lankan style, at Kumbuk, a casual open-air spot showcasing this island's unique and spicy curries. Opt for authentic teppanyaki at Misaki, dramatically poised at the cliff's edge, with nothing but azure expanse as far as the eye can fathom. The resort's hand-picked wines, included in the rate, complements these extensive East to West menus. The waterfront Taylor Pavilion provides a relaxed yet refined venue for traditional Ceylon high tea, as well as to linger over sunset cocktails and after dinner nightcaps under the stars. Rise with the sun, or as late into the day as you like, to enjoy a copious breakfast spread served on your private sea-facing garden-fringed veranda. The Resplendent Ceylon "no bills to sign" rates include all meals, afternoon cream tea, all beverages around the clock, including spirits and wines, room service, a daily activity, laundry, taxes & service charges.



Summon a chef to whip up a BBQ in your garden



Kumbuk serves typical Sri Lankan village fare, al fresco



Innovative fare with a Sri Lankan touch



Eat like a local at Kumbuk



Breakfast at the oceanside De Mauny Dining Pavilion



The cliff edge Misaki for Japanese cuisine

Pampering “at home”

For the ultimate Ceylonese indulgence, Cape Weligama’s experienced therapists come to your Residence or Suite where dedicated spa facilities allow us to pamper you ‘at home’. Or visit the Cape Weligama Spa if you seek a respite from the kids. Organic home grown Sri Lankan spice scrubs made from clove, nutmeg, sweet orange and sandalwood relieve stress and naturally attend to travel weary muscles while bespoke, essential oil massage blends incorporate Ceylon tea, renowned for its antioxidant, anti-ageing and calming properties.

Beauty treatments use products from THÉMAÉ, a Parisian cosmetics and spa brand. Its revitalizing spa rituals and exclusive skincare products are created with extracts from four different kinds of teas. Unwind with a blissful massage on your veranda, or with a fragrant scrub followed by an invigorating herbal steam treatment in your shower room and finally a sleep inducing soak in your stone bathtub, with your bed just steps away.





Grand Residence, King Vijaya garden



Activities

Postcard perfect beaches, gently breaking waves and a kaleidoscopic underwater landscape sprinkled with historic wrecks, Sri Lanka's southern coastline does not lack for magnetic charms. Swim and snorkel in the aquamarine bay beneath Cape Weligama. Explore neighbouring coves by kayak or learn to surf on Weligama's legendary curls. The Beach Club, staffed by an experienced international team of professionals, offers a comprehensive range of PADI dive courses and other off shore activities including private sunset cruises, big game fishing, seasonal whale and dolphin-watching trips and banana boating.

Away from this idyllic coastline, explore Sri Lanka's lush rural hinterland of sleepy villages, paddy fields, meandering lagoons and ancient temples by guided bicycle ride. Take a boat or kayak out on nearby Koggala Lake, its tranquil lagoon edged by fragrant cinnamon gardens and tropical wildlife.

For adventures further afield, destinations include Mirissa's vibrant boat harbour, Matara's crumbling ruins and the historic Galle Fort where cobbled streets encased in coral and granite walls reveal ochre washed colonnaded houses, colonial churches, and renowned jewellery boutiques. Elephants, sloth bears, crocodiles, and even Sri Lanka's famous leopards may be spotted on day trips to the national parks of Uda Walawe and Yala.



at right, the iconic 60m/200ft Smiling Moon infinity pool hugs the edge of the promontory



Cape Weligama is part of Resplendent Ceylon, the luxury resort arm of Dilmah Tea.

BUSINESS IS A MATTER OF HUMAN SERVICE

Dilmah is the world's first ethically made tea; earnings from its global sales remain in Sri Lanka and are shared with workers and the community, and re-invested in the industry to make tea sustainable. The success of this family business has been in caring for the workers who produce Dilmah as much as it cares for its customers.



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MJF CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Funded by the Dilmah family and revenue from sales of Dilmah & our hotels, the MJF Foundation designs, funds and implements over 150 projects each year. Fulfilling Dilmah Founder Merrill J. Fernando's personal pledge to care and share, the Foundation changes the lives of over 10,000 people each year through education, housing, welfare and empowerment programmes. Its schools offer education, scholarships and care to over 6,500 children and the Foundation's Small Entrepreneur Programme has been hailed as an example of empowerment with dignity.




www.mjffoundation.org

DILMAH CONSERVATION

Fully funded by Dilmah and hotel revenues, Dilmah Conservation extends the credo that business must go beyond commercial objectives. Formed with the involvement of IUCN – the International Union for the Conservation of Nature – Dilmah Conservation strives to ensure the sustainable interaction of man and his natural environment. Through its programmes in the areas of habitat and species conservation, ecosystem restoration, environmental education and protection of biodiversity and indigenous communities, a firm commitment to sustainability in every part of the Dilmah business is complemented by a substantial effort to protect the environment.



www.dilmahconservation.org



*"Nothing lies between the
ocean off Ceylon's south coast
and the vast frozen mass of the
Antarctic." Count de Mauny*



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