

# Ceylon Tea Extension

*Natural and Refined*

March 11 to 14, 2025



Teal Trail Gardens  
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## SAFARI OVERVIEW

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Ceylon Tea Plantation, nestled in the picturesque landscape of Sri Lanka's UNESCO World Heritage Central Highlands, offers a captivating journey into the heart of tea culture. Rolling hills adorned with lush greenery showcase the meticulous artistry of tea cultivation, creating a picturesque tableau against the backdrop of the highlands. From the iconic mist-kissed plantations to the vibrant terraced fields, the scenery is a testament to the legacy of Ceylon tea. Explore the tea-making process from plucking the tender leaves to the intricacies of processing, and experience in the rich history and flavors that define Sri Lanka's tea heritage. Ceylon Tea Plantation provides a tranquil escape where the soothing aroma of freshly brewed tea harmonizes with the serenity of the surroundings, promising an enchanting sensory experience in the heart of Sri Lanka's renowned tea country.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Hike or bike the verdant tea trails.
- Kayak the Castlereagh Reservoir.
- Tour the Dunkeld Factory with the resident tea planter.

**TRIP OPTION:** This is a post-trip extension to our [Sri Lanka](#) trip from February 22 to March 12, 2025.

**LEADER:** TBD.

**DAYS:** 4, including estimated travel time.

**GROUP SIZE:** 6.

**COST:** \$2,275 per person, double occupancy, not including airfare, singles extra. See the *Costs* section on page 3.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**

You will stay in one of the five luxurious Ceylon Tea Trails bungalows.

Date	Description	Accommodation	Meals
Mar 11 - 12	Travel from Galle to Hatton and enjoy the beautiful tea plantation and surrounding area.	Ceylon Tea Trails	B,L,D
Mar 13	Depart for home.		B
Mar 14	Arrive home.		

**OPTIONS**

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Begin your journey early on our [Sri Lanka trip](#) from February 22 to March 12. Encounter compelling wildlife, ancient history, and intriguing culture in this Island nation.

**LEADER TBD**

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Cheesemans’ Ecology Safaris carefully selects leaders who are experts in their field to ensure that your experience is the best it can be.

**DETAILED ITINERARY**

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**Mar 11 – 12 ~ Explore Ceylon Tea Trails**

You will traverse the lovely hills of Hatton and arrive at Ceylon Tea Trails just in time for a sumptuous lunch. The agenda for your stay here is purposefully flexible so that you can enjoy your



Tea Fields  
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surroundings at leisure. You may choose from taking guided scenic hikes, mountain biking, kayaking in the Castlereagh Reservoir, or playing tennis or croquet.

On your second afternoon, you will take a guided tour of the Dunkeld Tea Factory which looks back at the early days of tea in Sri Lanka including the lifestyle of the early colonial settlers and the manufacturing process that turns ‘two leaves and a bud’ into a delicious cup of goodness.



Lunch at the Tea Trails  
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**Mar 13 ~ Depart Hatton after breakfast to return to Colombo for flights home.**

**May 14 ~ Arrive Home**

## **COSTS (ALL COSTS ARE IN US DOLLARS)**

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### **Cost**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Cost per Person</b>
Trip Cost, double occupancy	\$2,275
Single Supplement	\$850

Costs are per person, double occupancy, not including airfare, singles extra. See *Included* and *Not Included* sections for more details.

### **Payment Schedule**

Payment is due with your main trip’s final payment; see [Sri Lanka](#)’s itinerary for details.

### **Cancellations**

Cancellations are non-transferrable. No refunds are given after the Final Payment due date.

### **Included**

- Carbon offsets for the duration of this trip.
- All activities unless described as optional.
- Accommodations (double occupancy) for the nights of March 11 through March 12.
- Meals from breakfast on March 11 through breakfast on March 13.
- Beverages (including alcohol) while at Ceylon Tea Trails.
- Transfers on March 11 from Galle to Ceylon Tea Trails and March 13 to the Colombo airport.
- Trip Planning Materials – information about entry requirements, flights, packing, gratuities, etc.

### **Not Included**

- Carbon offsets for your flights to/from this trip.

- All airfare, airport and departure taxes, and excess baggage fees. Round-trip airfare is approximately \$1,000 to \$1,200 between the US and Colombo, depending on origin.
- Passport and visa fees.
- COVID tests.
- Divergent airport transfers (arranged by us) and extra hotel nights.
- Gratuities are not required at Ceylon Tea Trails, but feel free to leave a tip for the excellent service you will receive. We suggest tipping your driver to and from Hatton \$15 a day per person for 2 days for a total of \$30 person.
- Optional [trip cancellation insurance](#).
- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, medical costs or hospitalization, room service, items not on the regular menu, etc. If you have special dietary needs, please indicate them on your Traveler Form.

## SIGN UP

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Please contact us first to check availability, reserve your space, and obtain a Traveler Form. To confirm your reservation, we require a deposit and signed form from each participant.

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## OTHER DETAILS

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### Climate

The temperature in Hatton in March typically falls between lows around 70°f to highs around 80°f. There is a chance of some rain.

### Fitness Level

You can define your own activity level on this extension. You can choose to relax on the beautiful grounds of the tea plantation or go for hikes or bike rides.

### Accommodations

The all-inclusive stay at Tea Trails lets you enjoy everything the bungalow offers. From tasty meals and outdoor activities to spa treatments, comfy rooms, and top-notch service, there's a lot to savor and appreciate.

### Flights

Detailed logistical information is included in the Trip Planning Materials we will send you.

Flights you book

- **If you are arriving from our [Sri Lanka trip](#)**, see the *Flights* section in its itinerary for arrival information.
- Depart from Colobus, Sri Lanka (CMB) after 5pm on March 13.



## Terms and Conditions

Read our current [Terms and Conditions](#).

## Conservation

Our company ethos has always regarded conservation as inseparable from responsible tourism. We struggle with the dilemma that traveling worldwide expends climate-changing carbon. However, we wholeheartedly believe that traveling with us will cultivate your passion for conserving our beautiful world while stimulating each destination's local economy. We encourage you to explore the various ways in which Cheesemans' operates within this context:

- **Cheesemans' Trips are [Carbon Neutral](#).**
- **Offsetting your Travel to/from our Trip:** We ask you to pledge to offset the carbon emissions for your travel to and from our trips. You can purchase offsets with most airlines (Delta includes them automatically), use our handy [carbon calculator](#) and donate to Sustainable Travel International, or contribute to your favorite offsetting organization.

