



Holidays in Sri Lanka

For all programs

Please note that all the projects will be closed during the following public holidays except the Introduction week, Elephant Experience, Wild Elephant Experience and Trekking Week. During the New Year Holiday in April, no projects will be available. This document may not specify all public holidays for this country, only those that affect our programs.

During 2019

Public Holidays

Date	Weekday	Holiday Name	Remarks
Jan 15	Tuesday	Tamil Thai Pongal Day	No project activities
Feb 4	Monday	National Day	No project activities
Feb 19	Tuesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Mar 4	Monday	Mahasivarathri Day	No project activities
Mar 20	Wednesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Apr 15 - 19	Monday - Friday	Sinhala and Tamil New Year Holidays	All projects will be closed during this week as this is one of the biggest festivals in Sri Lanka. Participants are free to explore the country on their own during this time.
Apr 19	Friday	Full Moon Poya Day/Good Friday	No project activities

May 01	Wednesday	Labour Day	No project activities
May 18	Saturday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Jun 5	Wednesday	Id UI-Fitr	No project activities
July 16	Tuesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Aug 12	Monday	Id UI-Alha	No project activities
Aug 15	Thursday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Sep 13	Friday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Nov 12	Tuesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Dec 11	Wednesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Dec 25	Wednesday	Christmas	No project activities

School Holidays 2019

5 April – 22 April, 2019

1 Aug – 05 Sep, 2019

29 November – 02 January, 2020

Teaching monks will not be available during April, July, August and November.

*****Please note that these school holidays can be changed by the government without prior notice.*****

During 2020

Public Holidays

Date	Weekday	Holiday Name	Remarks
Jan 10	Friday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Jan 15	Wednesday	Tamil Thai Pongal Day	No project activities
Feb 4	Tuesday	National Day	No project activities
Feb 21	Friday	Mahasivarathri Day	No project activities
Mar 9	Monday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities

Apr 7	Tuesday	Full Moon Poya Day/Good Friday	No project activities
Apr 10	Friday	Good Friday	No project activities
Apr 11 - 17	Saturday - Friday	Sinhala and Tamil New Year Holidays	All projects will be closed during this week. No arrivals will be accepted for April 11 and 12.
May 01	Friday	Labour Day	No project activities
May 7	Thursday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
May 8	Friday	Day following to Vesak Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Jun 5	Friday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Jul 31	Friday	Id Ul-Alha	No project activities
Aug 3	Monday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Sep 1	Tuesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Oct 1	Thursday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Oct 29	Thursday	Milad un-Nabi	No project activities
Oct 30	Friday	Adhi Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities
Dec 25	Friday	Christmas	No project activities
Dec 29	Tuesday	Full Moon Poya Day	No project activities

*****Please note that during April New Year Holiday Week all the projects will be closed. New arrivals will not be accepted for this week.*****

School Holidays 2020

Beginning of April – End of April

Beginning of Aug – Beginning of September

End of November – Beginning of January, 2021

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