

Keep an eye out for a Traveler Profile e-mail that contains a link from the Aggressor folks.



Sri Lanka Safari
March 30–April 5, 2025



Update July, 2024



Maldives Aggressor
April 6-13, 2025

Side Note: I booked a flight on Qatar, arriving early morning of March 29. I also booked the Goldi Sands Hotel in Negombo Beach for March 28-30 (2 nights) through Agoda. It appears to be pretty close to the Jetwing Beach Hotel, where we have to meet on March 30.

Hi all:

It's slowly getting time to think about flights to Bandaranaike International Airport (CMB), Katunayake, Sri Lanka. Then, for those also going on the Maldives Aggressor, flight from CMB to Male International Airport (MLE) and/or for those just going on the Maldives Aggressor, flights to MLE, and finally MLE to the USA. Remember, there are no flights included for this trip.

Time schedule

- March 30:** CMB. Transfers are from Jetwing Beach Hotel at 8:00am. It is highly recommended to arrive a day early, (March 29). *Transfers from CMB airport to Jetwing Beach Hotel is not included.* It may take 2-3 days to get to CMB. **Make sure you're at the transfer point-Jetwing Beach Hotel, by 8:00am on March 30. Double check your arrival date into CMB when you book a flight.**
- April 5:** CMB to MLE. Flights from CMB no earlier than 11:00am We will be transferred to CMB airport. (or the Jetwing Beach Hotel if you desire)
- April 6:** MLE. Transfers to the Maldives Aggressor live-a-board is at 4:00pm from the airport. It is highly recommended to arrive a day early (Apr. 5)
- April 13:** MLE to USA. Departures flights from MLE should be after 11:00am

On a side note...I'm going to see if we can't get some sort of group rate from CMB to MLE on one of the airlines that fly CMB-MLE.

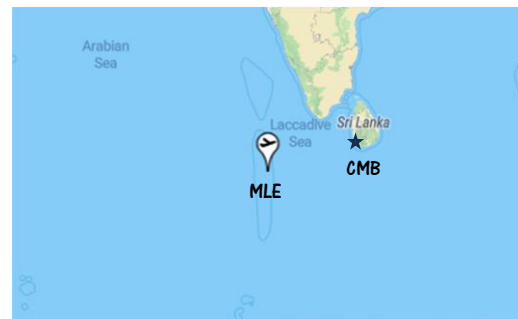
Click on the following link to see who has direct flights to CMB and from where:

[Colombo \(CMB\) flight index \(flightmapper.net\)](http://flightmapper.net)



Click on the following link to see who has direct flights to MLE and from where:

[Male \(MLE\) flight index \(flightmapper.net\)](http://flightmapper.net)



A review of some important items...Things that are not included that you will (may) need to book ahead of time:

- Flight to CMB
- A hotel room on March 29 in CMB
- Transfer to Jetwing Beach Hotel to meet transfer to the Sri Lanka safari lodge by March 30. Transfer leaves the Jetwing Beach Hotel at 8:00am March 30.
- Flight CMB-MLE on April 5 (flight after 11:00am)
- Hotel in MLE on April 5.
- Flight to MLE (included transfer from airport to water taxi to live-a-board boat is at 3:30pm April 6.)
- Flight home April 13 after 11:00am
- See trip flyers for other extra charges.

Here's a link to Sri Lanka Travel Information from Aggressor: [Know Before You Go | Aggressor Adventures™](#)

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Final payment for the trip(s) will be due in October.



Sri Lanka is very close to the Equator which means that temperatures remain fairly constant year-round. Coastal and lowland areas enjoy an average daytime temperature of 78-86°F / 26-30°C. Sri Lanka is unusual as it has two monsoon seasons with the wettest periods being December and January in the North. Humidity is high everywhere throughout the island.

Sri Lanka Facts:

Capital City: Colombo
Population: 22 million
Official Language: Sinhala and Tamil, but many of the people speak English
Local Currency: Sri Lankan Rupee

Getting There, Transfers To and From Lodge

Colombo (CMB) airport is the only international airport in Sri Lanka and all Aggressor Signature Lodge guests will fly in and out of Sri Lanka from Colombo. We recommend guests have 1 pre-night in Colombo. Transfer from the airport to the host hotel, Jetwing Beach Hotel is not included in the price, but can be arranged at the time of the reservation by our in-house travel department, Aggressor Adventure Travel, for an additional charge.

All pick ups are from the Jetwing Beach Hotel in Negombo at 8:00 am. Travel time to the Aggressor Safari Lodge is 2.5 hours and is included in your package.

Guests will be taken back to the Jetwing Beach Hotel if they are staying in Sri Lanka or to the airport.

Passports & Visa Documentation

Visitors must have a current passport, adequate funds to support themselves, and a return airline ticket. US citizens require a passport that must be valid for 6 months from date of entry. It is the travelers' responsibility to ensure they have the proper visa to travel into each country on his or her itinerary as well as for re-entry and return to their country. Since regulations vary by country, contact your consulate or embassy of your country for the requirement.

E-Visa ETA are required for all travelers: [E-Visa Application Link](#)

It takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and pay for online and is good for a 30 day stay in Sri Lanka. The cost is \$50 (subject to change without notice) and most airlines will want to see the printed and approved ETA upon check-in when flying to Sri Lanka. This is the responsibility of each traveler.

Local Fees/Taxes

Your daily Jeep Safari's and access to Wilpattu and Minneriya National Park are inclusive of your package at the Aggressor Signature Lodge, however, each guest must pay the following World Heritage entrance fees:

- Climbing Sigiriya Rock & Museum: \$36
- Anuradhapura Heritage Site: \$30
- Monkey Kingdom & Polonnaruwa Ancient Archeological Ruins: \$30
- Kalawewa National Park (applies to Birding Itinerary): \$15
- Sigiriya Bird Sanctuary (applies to Birding Itinerary): \$15
- *Note that all fees will be billed to the guest at the end of their stay and are payable by USD, Visa, MasterCard, and Sri Lanka Rupees.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities are not included at all Aggressor destinations. Tipping is voluntary and based on the service the staff has provided you. The Manager will provide envelopes for gratuities upon settling your account at the end of the week. Gratuities are shared equally among all staff. All Aggressors accept cash, Visa, and MasterCard payments for gratuities.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Shortly, each of you will be receiving from me a forwarded e-mail from the Aggressor people. This is GIS links (registration) for each individual traveling. There will be 2 links for those that are attending both the Sri Lanka and the Maldives trip, and only one link if you are just going on one of the trips. If you are getting two links, (one for each trip) always completely log out and close all browsers/windows before opening the second link.

There is a bunch of information that the Aggressor people need for you to complete (this info does not come back to me)

Everyone must be registered at by Feb. 15, 2025

Keep this e-mail/link somewhere you can retrieve it when you need to.

E-mail me back that you received the proper number of forwarded registration e-mails. (One if only going on 1 trip) or two if going on both trips. These e-mails are per person.

Again, make sure you keep the registration link somewhere on your computer so you can get back to it.