

# NEWSBITES

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*Captured an iconic image of Temple Tree Flowers Commonly known as plumeria and Frangipani*

# AUTHENTIC HOSPITALITY

## Sheraton Kosgoda Turtle Beach Resort



Discover the idyllic South Coast of Sri Lanka at Sheraton Kosgoda Turtle Beach Resort. The hotel is nestled in the picturesque town of Kosgoda, known for its sea turtle conservation project and an attractive beach with dreamy sunsets. Enjoy the sea breeze and stunning views while sipping a cocktail at the rooftop lounge, or indulge in a mouthwatering Mediterranean meal by the pool. The resort features a beautifully designed event space and a state-of-the-art fitness center, along with an expansive swimming pool and uninterrupted beach access.



# EXPERIENTIAL EPISODE

## Experience-Hot Air Balloon Ride



Enjoy a remarkable experience in Dambulla with Hot Air Balloon ride over the city due to its extremely calm and predictable nature and admire the attractive landscapes of Sri Lanka.

## Experience-King Coconut



King coconut is a variety of coconut, native to Sri Lanka where it is known as “Thambili” sweeter than normal coconuts has a delicious taste and has been used in traditional ayurvedic medicine for its nutritious.

# LATEST TRAVEL UPDATES



## **Three ships arrived in December 2022.**

Azamara Quest, carrying around 722 passengers arrived in Sri Lanka's port of Colombo on 03<sup>rd</sup> December 2022.

Le Champion, carrying 264 passengers, arrived on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

The Luxury cruise ship Silver Spirit, carrying 648 passengers arrived on Port of Colombo on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2022, and called on the port of Trincomalee on 26<sup>th</sup> of December 2022.



**Seventeen cruise ships are scheduled to arrive in Sri Lanka in 2023.**

Queen Mary 2, a 325-meter-long ship and one of the largest cruise ships in the world is also scheduled to call at Colombo in February. It can carry up to 3200 passengers.



**The Port City of Colombo – Beach area will be opened to the public by the end of December.**

The Port City infrastructure development is to be completed by Q3 of 2023.

**Duty-free shopping mall is expected to be open to the public by April 2023.**



**India's Alliance Air India's started direct flights from Chennai to Jaffna four days a week from the 12th of December onwards.**

Red Wings – Russian carrier started charter flight operations to Mattala International Airport in Sri Lanka, with effect from the 29<sup>th</sup> of December 2022.



**A passenger ferry service is scheduled to commence in January 2023 between India and Sri Lanka. It will connect the Kankesanthurai port and Puducherry, South India.**

# PORTRAIT OF PARADISE

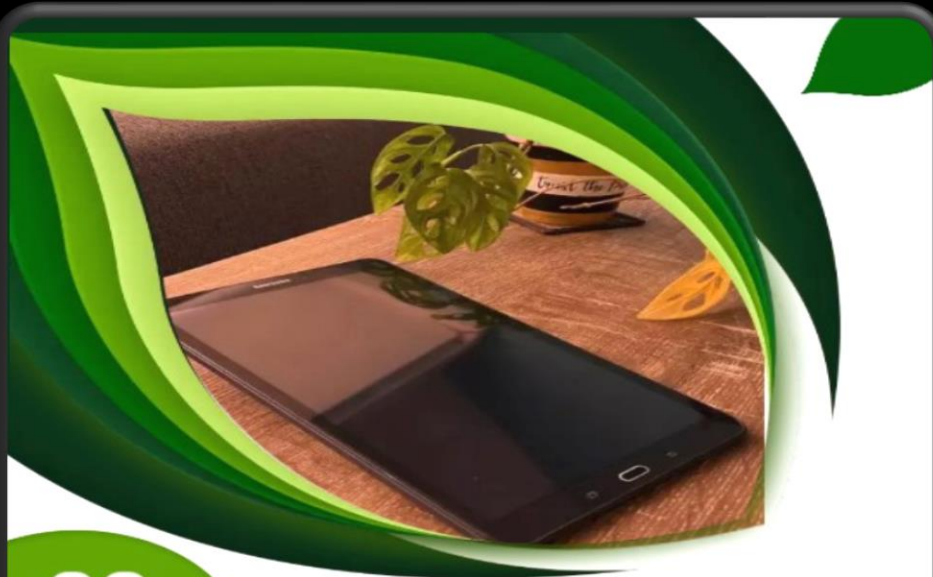
## Colombo Kovil Street



The stall with fragrant flower garlands of Jasmine and Marigold in Colombo street,  
next to the historic Hindu Temples.



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