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FROM TOP Ocean views at Cape Weligama; HFM shopping editor Laura at Lake Koggala; the hotel's glam entrance; a traditional Sri Lankan dinner

DREAM DESTINATION

SRI LANKA

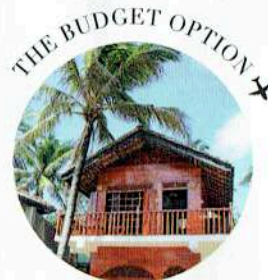
Sri Lanka's serene south coast boasts palm-dotted bays, jungle safaris and top-notch food. You won't want to leave...

STAY Perched on a spectacular cliff-top, just 40 minutes from Galle Fort on Sri Lanka's south coast sits the luxurious Cape Weligama, an undeniably romantic setting with uninterrupted views of the Indian Ocean. Each palatial villa sits within a flower-scented garden, steps away from a cooling pool. For the Jungle Janes among us, a stay at Chena Huts in Yala National Park is a must. With its stylish mod-safari decor, eco palm-thatched cabins, private plunge pools and daily game drives, this is the idyllic spot to unwind with the wildlife. **DO** The bays and beaches that sit beside Cape Weligama are a surfer's paradise, so make the most of the on-site sports centre and book yourself a lesson. If you're in need of some TLC afterwards, head to the spa for an organic spice scrub or Ceylon tea massage. Finish the day with an unbeatable sunset whale-watching tour, or a sun-downer at the Surf Bar. For a culture fix, take a day trip to the colonial town of Galle, an exotic old trading port blessed with ancient mosques and churches, stylish cafes and quirky boutiques. Visit Stick No Bills, a

gallery space located in a Dutch townhouse, where you can buy retro Sri Lankan travel posters. **EXPLORE** Sri Lanka's Yala National Park, a ten-minute drive from Chena Huts where you'll get the chance to see elephants, sloth bears and leopards. The hotel offers morning and evening guided safaris with knowledgeable rangers, which make the experience that little bit more exciting. **EAT** Sri Lanka boasts unique gastronomic heritage, from the fiery curries to the now-trendy hopper snacks. Take your pick from the three restaurants located within the Cape Weligama resort to cover all of your culinary needs – highlights include daily afternoon tea at Cape Club and an intimate dinner at the chef's table in the Ocean House restaurant. While exploring Galle Fort, make sure to visit The Tuna & The Crab restaurant for sensational sushi, or Poonie's Kitchen for clean eating with a Sri Lankan twist. **PRICES** Cape Weligama, from £340 per night B&B, plus one activity per day. Chena Huts, doubles from £800 per night, full board plus a daily safari.



TOP TO BOTTOM Cabins at Chena Huts; overlooking the lagoon at Chena Huts; spotting leopards at Yala National Park



THE GREEN ROOMS

Situated in the fishing town of Weligama, this eco guesthouse is the perfect rustic beachside hideaway. A week's package includes accommodation, breakfast, lunch and three hours of surfing per day, from £450. Visit thegreenrooms.srilanka.com