

SRI LANKA



M	D	HOLIDAYS
1	14	Famil Thai Pongal Day
1	19	Duruthu Full Moon Poya Day
2	4	National Day
2	15	Milad-Un-Nabi (Birth of the Prophet)
2	18	Navam Full Moon Poya Day
3	3	Maha Shivratri (Great Night of Lord Shiva)
3	19	Medim Full Moon Poya Day
4	13-14	Sinhala and Tamil New Year Day (2Days)
4	18	Bak Full Moon Poya Day
4	22	Good Friday
5	1	Workers or Labour Day (May Day)
5	17	Wesak Full Moon Poya Day (2 Days)
6	15	Poson Full Moon Poya Day
7	15	Esala Full Moon Poya Day
8	13	Nikini Full Moon Poya Day
8	30	Eid ul-Fitr or Id-Ul-Fitr (End of Ramadan)
9	12	Binara Full Moon Poya Day
10	12	Vap Full Moon Poya Day
10	26	Diwali or Deepavali (Festival of Light)
11	6	Eid al-Adha (Feast of the Sacrifice)
11	10	Il Full Moon Poya Day
12	10	Unduvap Full Moon Poya Day
12	25	Christmas Day

CAPITAL	SRI JAYEWARDENEPURA KOTTE
CURRENCY	SRI LANKA RUPEE
POPULATION	20,238,000 (2009)
TIME ZONE (GMT)	+5.5
SUMMER TIME (GMT)	NONE
COUNTRY CODE	94
GDP:	US\$30.8 billion (2007)

Religion:

Buddhist majority (70%), with Hindu, Christian and Muslim minorities.

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Note:

Poya holidays are observed on the day of each full moon. In general, Hindu and Buddhist festivals are declared according to local astronomical observations and it is often only possible to forecast the approximate time of their occurrence.

Some public holidays are followed by an additional holiday for banks only.

Muslim festivals are timed according to local sightings of various phases of the moon and the dates given above are approximations. During the lunar month of Ramadan that precedes Eid al-Fitr, Muslims fast during the day and feast at night and normal business patterns may be interrupted; however, since Sri Lanka is not a predominantly Muslim country restrictions (which travellers may experience elsewhere) are unlikely to cause problems.