



Ecotourism & Adventure Specialist... is devoted to the love and understanding of Nature. Our work focuses on conservation and support to local cultures throughout the Sri Lanka. We take eco-oriented travelers on experiential adventures to unique destinations.

Join our expeditions and go jungle trekking and mountaineering... star gazing, whitewater rafting, caving or scuba diving... You may sign up for a specialist-led in depth experience in nature and go on unique archaeological adventures in our biodiversity-rich forests, while you meet the people of our country side.

Explore sanctuaries for the preservation of endangered species and the wonders of nature and ancient cities while you experience people, places and share our culture & life-work with us!

### **Our goals at Ecotourism & Adventure...**

...include providing real eco- travel opportunities for real eco- adventurers... but more than this... we are forming a network of people who appreciate the natural world and native cultures! If you are looking for a trip with a purpose and a hands-on approach... get in touch with us!

### **Eco-Projects**

Being involved in ecotourism means much more than taking people through the jungle... We do more than watch the flora and fauna or visit archaeological sites of great value... To us ecotourism is not a marketing strategy but a statement about our involvement and objectives... What it means to us is working for the conservation of the very ecosystems we visit, protecting the endangered species from irresponsible human behavior and its effects, as well as supporting and respecting local cultures in their own development the way they understand it and not the way western culture may dictate... We hope to be helping secure the areas we visit for the sons and daughters of nature to live in...

Ecotourism and Adventure Specialists is currently supporting hands-on projects where our partners are contributing to make a difference, however small, in the destinies of many people we know and work closely with in rural communities...

Our partners are preserving medicinal plants and want to share their knowledge about the great healing powers of plants, demonstrating the deep connection between our well-being and the magic of the natural world! They are showing they can make a living making an adequate use of the jungle and its resources and have asked us to help them commercialize their handicrafts and products... All of our staff are committed to help .

### Ec lodges & Hotels

Discover real people in real places and what they are doing to stop the destruction of life and nature all around them. All of our tours will take you to environmentally responsible lodges and ecological hotels, where you may learn about green practices that make a difference. At our ecolodges you will find all types of experiences... What we all have in common is that...

- we are actively involved in conservation of biodiversity around us, in the ecosystems in or around our ecolodges or the parks closest to each and every single one of us...
- we observe strict ecological principles and practices in the ecolodge's design and management...
- we train and employ local staff from nearby communities...
- we buy local produce and improve the opportunities and ecologic awareness of our neighbors and associates...
- Staying with us you will enjoy nature at its best while many other benefits are being derived:
  - you are helping us preserve our land by choosing sustainable tourism over the waste and pollution caused by a consumer oriented trip or hotel...
  - you will be allowing ecotourism to become a powerful ally for the local environment and for the local people's economy by providing jobs and opportunities in a setting that is truly appreciative of their local culture, tradition and expertise...

### Don't Forget to Bring...

...light clothing, good hiking boots, water-proof boots for the rainy season, sandals or comfortable shoes for camp sites and to wear around our lodges, a swimming suit, T-shirts, pants, shorts, enough socks and a sweater... (sometimes it's not that hot after all!). Bring your mosquito repellent (we recommend citronella), sun-blocking lotion, a cap or light weight hat, your photographic equipment, your video camera and lots of rolls of film!

If you want to know more about our ecolodges or make a reservation please write us an e-mail to: [info@responsibletravel.lk](mailto:info@responsibletravel.lk)