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## Volunteer Abroad Sri Lanka



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# Volunteer in Sri Lanka: Elephant Orphanage Project

**Location:** Pinnawela, Kegalla

**Project:** Elephant Orphanage

**Start Dates:** 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month

**Arrival and Departure Point:** Colombo International Airport

**Language Requirement:** Knowledge of English

**Accommodation/Meals:** Host family/hostel with Sri Lankan food three (3) times a day

**Working Hours:** 25-35 hours per week

## About Sri Lanka

With sunny beaches, ancient cities, beautiful wildlife, wondrous traditions, and smiling people, Sri Lanka is a true paradise for travelers and volunteers. In Sri Lanka, holding the palms of your hands close together against the chest is a gesture wishing goodbye, respect, devotion or loyalty - and it is also a polite welcome. As a volunteer, be sure to keep this friendly gesture in mind as you encounter some of the most welcoming people in the world - the Sri Lankans.

In Sri Lanka, most of our volunteer projects are located in Galle, a world famous tourist city known for its sunny and beautiful beaches, offering participants a wonderful opportunity of both volunteering and vacationing.

In Sri Lanka, we offer comprehensive volunteer programs which are comprised of two phases:

Phase I Language and Cultural Immersion Program (One week - Optional)

Phase II Volunteer Project (1-12 weeks)

## Phase I: Language and Cultural Immersion Program (1 week - Optional)

This week-long language and cultural immersion program features an informative and fascinating package which helps our volunteers to prepare for a successful, enriching volunteer experience. Participating volunteers learn basic Sinhalese phrases and verbs which help them to feel comfortable as well as to more optimally understand the Sri Lankan way of life. Volunteers also experience a multitude of immersion opportunities while visiting some of Sri Lanka's most spectacular, awe-inspiring sites and memorable, often life-changing attractions. You will join the volunteer service project after the completion of language and cultural program.

You can view the details at: <http://www.globalcrossroad.com/srilanka/culturelanguage.php>.

## Phase II: Volunteer at the Elephant Orphanage (1-12 weeks)

The Elephant orphanage is home to many young elephants that are lost or abandoned by their mothers. Here the elephants are fed, nursed and taken care of by the elephant handlers. This project is a rare opportunity for volunteers who are interested in working with elephants. The giant but innocent animals' sanctuaries are located near lush green forests and idyllic sceneries.



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## Role of a Volunteer

You will work as assistants to the "mahouts" (elephant handlers), getting involved in the following tasks:

- Bathing the elephants in the river twice a day
- Cleaning out and maintaining their enclosures in the morning
- Washing and feeding the baby elephants
- Other assistance in construction or maintenance work (as needed)
- Some work, such as the mental stimulation of the elephants, is usually left to the initiative of the volunteers with some guidance from the "mahouts"

## Dates

The Sri Lanka Volunteer Program starts on the first and third Monday of each month.

## Fees

Global Crossroad offers the most affordable and high quality volunteer abroad program. Our fee is 40-60% less than our competition.

### Program Fee

- 1 week : \$899
- 2 Week: \$999
- 3 week : \$1124
- 4 Week: \$1244
- 5 week : \$1364
- 6 Week: \$1484
- 7 week : \$1604
- 8 Week: \$1724
- 9 week : \$1844
- 10 Week: \$1964
- 11 week : \$2084
- 12 Week: \$2204



### Fee Covers

- Airport reception
- One way transfer to office/hostel
- One way transfer to the project
- Accommodation (host family/hostel)
- Food (local food 3 times a day)
- Travel Insurance
- Services of local field staff

### Fee Does Not Cover

- Airport drop-off
- Daily transportation (from accommodation to project)
- Bottled water, soft drinks
- Visa and visa extension fee
- Entry fee (of any kind of travel)
- Other personal expenses

*This information is generic - it may change according to the situation in the field. Please visit our web site for updated information and prices: <http://www.globalcrossroad.com/srilanka>*