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# Welcome to Amanwella

On Sri Lanka's south coast near the fishing town of Tangalle, Amanwella lies amid 37 acres of coconut palms next to a sweeping golden cove. Combining modernist lines and local island materials, guest suites are inspired by the work of famed Sri Lankan architect Geoffrey Bawa. Flooded with light, they each open on two sides to blend outside with in, revealing private plunge pools and large terraces overlooking the Indian Ocean.

Beyond Amanwella's private Beach Club, 47-metre pool and Ayurveda-inspired Spa, the area's diverse attractions include trips to tea plantations and temples, wildlife reserves and jungle treks, as well as year-round surf conditions. From December to April, the south coast also acts as one of the best places in the world to see blue whales, sperm whales and large pods of spinner dolphins.



## Venues

At the confluence of forest, sand and sea, Amanwella lingers amid whispering coconut palms and the golden sands of Silent Beach on the edge of the Indian Ocean.

This extraordinary setting acts as the perfect backdrop for a multitude of venues at Amanwella, where milestones can be marked and events celebrated, all while communing with nature.

From the feet-in-sand allure of the Beach Club to the commanding views of the Restaurant and Lounge, and the poolside with its spectacular sunsets, a diverse range of options can be enjoyed at Amanwella.



## The Restaurant

Up to 80 guests for a seated dinner Up to 100 guests for cocktails The Restaurant is a breezy and light-filled venue with an elevated ocean-facing terrace perched on the resort's best vantage point: overlooking Amanwella's palm-fringed bay. Sunsets are noteworthy here, as the merging sun, skies and sea create a daily spectacle of light and celebration.



## Bar Lounge & Courtyard

Up to 80 guests for a seated dinner Up to 100 guests for cocktails Next door to the Restaurant, the Lounge Bar is an airy, informal venue that shares a terrace with the Restaurant and claims the same panoramic views – reaching out towards the pool, beach and Indian Ocean. A convivial setting for sundowners as well as after-dinner drinks and cigars, it is open on two sides with a bar area at its heart.

Both The Restaurant and Lounge Bar open onto two leafy courtyards with manicured lawns and shady frangipani trees that are ideal as cocktail or primary venues.



## The Poolside

Up to 30 guests for a seated dinner Up to 60 guests for cocktails Amanwella's iconic infinity-edged swimming pool is a more intimate yet dramatic venue that acts as a snapshot of a modern tropical retreat. The poolside can accommodate smaller groups for a seated dinner or additional numbers for cocktails.

Dusk is the most magical hour, when the setting sun dapples the coast in a blaze of light and floating candles illuminate the pool's waters.



## The Beach and Beach Club

Up to 60 guests for a seated dinner Up to 100 guests for cocktails The open-sided Beach Club is shaded by coconut palms, with sleek, contemporary interiors that open up onto a large wooden deck. Beyond, the golden shoreline makes for a magical feet-in-the-sand setting.

The widest and most secluded stretch of Silent Beach lies adjacent to the Beach Club. Here, the sands and the coconut palms create a natural amphitheatre, as waves gently roll against the shore.



# Wedding Ceremonies and Receptions

Anything is possible when it comes to weddings at Amanwella. Within the Dutch-era walls of Tangalle Fort, the Christ Church and the Immanuel Church can be requested. A blessing service is possible for all denominations.

For Catholic weddings, the historic St Francis of Assisi Church is located not far from the Tangalle Harbour. The priest can arrange a marriage and mass here, for a Catholic service only.

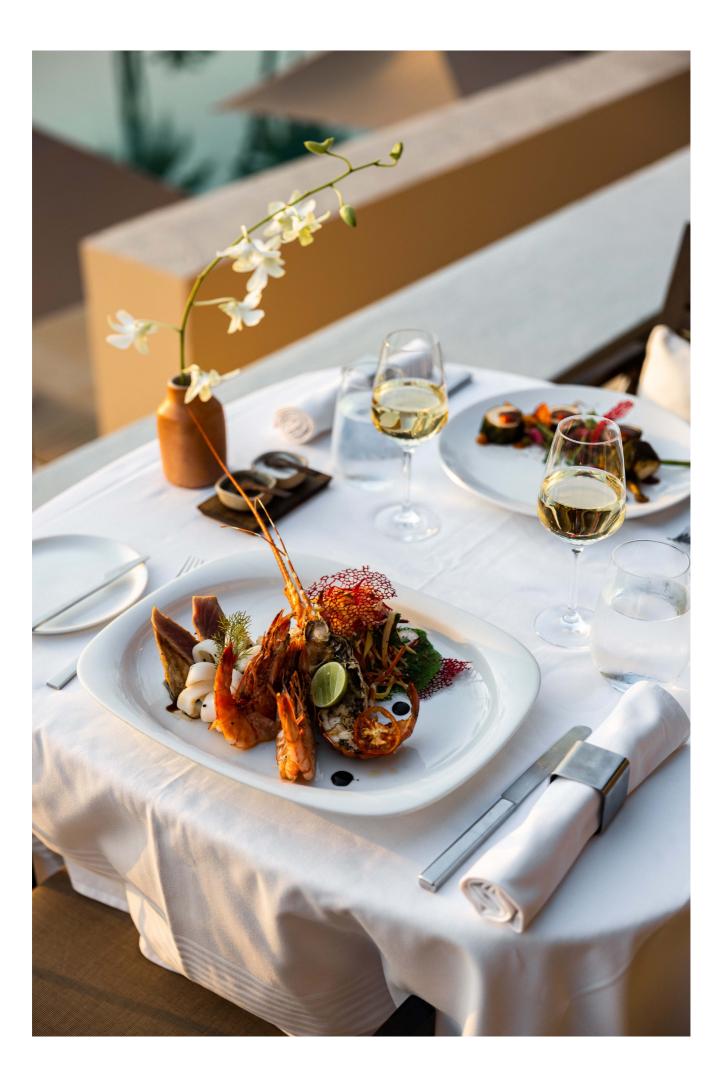
Buddhist rites are also possible at the 2,000-year-old Mulkirigala Rock Temple, where resident monks can perform simple blessings.

Civil ceremonies can also be arranged at the resort, conducted by a registrar, with the chance to create your own vows. For smaller groups, a ceremony by the beach or on the beach platform under the shade of coconut palms can be arranged. For larger parties, the Beach Club can be turned into a ceremonial venue, while the Bar Lounge and the adjoining courtyard provide a large, private area, fringed by beautiful frangipani trees.



Marriage License and Legal Requirements To officially say "I do" in Amanwella, couples must process the required government documents in advance in their country of residence. For Christian weddings, Amanwella can assist in making arrangements for the priest, pastor or minister of the multi-denominational churches in Tangalle to officiate the marriage, provided that the necessary pre-wedding requirements and permissions have been secured. An Islamic mosque, Buddhist and Hindu temples, as well as churches are also nearby for blessings of other faiths and denominations, but it is encouraged that couples are either legally married beforehand or have their legal marriage after their wedding blessing in Sri Lanka.

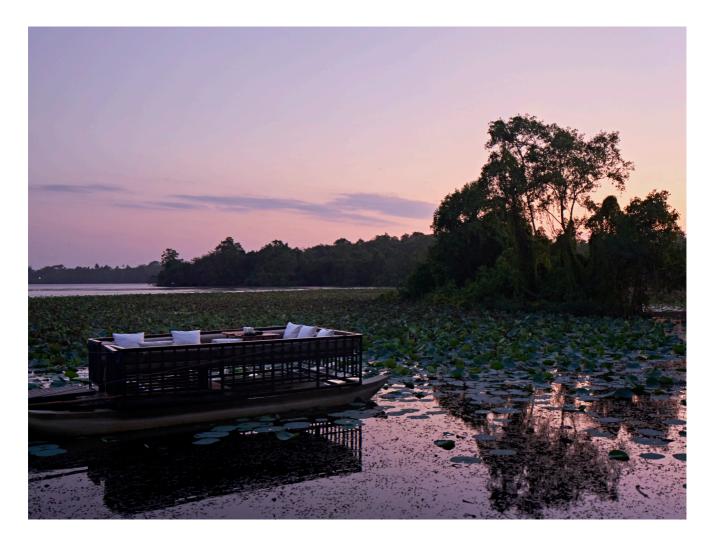
A wedding blessing in Amanwella is a non-binding, sentimental and poetic ceremony officiated by a Sri Lankan wedding officer, and is a symbol and celebration of mutual commitment between two people.



# Dining

Amanwella celebrates Sri Lanka's varied cuisine with a full menu of authentic dishes and specialities made from local, seasonal ingredients. In addition, the resort serves Asian and Mediterranean dishes, with a focus on fresh seafood, sourced from the surrounding bay. Amanwella also offers a number of unique culinary experiences both at the hotel and in the surrounding villages and countryside.

Our culinary team can also design and create bespoke dishes, meals and menus, based on any preferences and tastes, to suit any celebration.



### Private Dining

By the beach, in the village and even the privacy of your suite – Amanwella can offer a host of private dining experiences showcasing Sri Lanka's legendary cuisine in a range of atmospheric settings.

In either of two tranquil locations along the Indian Ocean's shores, enjoy a private seafood barbecue as candles and *ginipandans* (oil lamps) flicker on. There's also the option to enhance the experience with the performances by traditional fire dancers.

Further afield, explorations to Sri Lanka's wild corners can be coupled with a private safari or countryside picnic, while on the placid waters of the bird sanctuary in Mawella Lagoon, Amanwella can create an unforgettable private dining experience onboard a floating lounge surrounded by nature.

Finally, a village dinner – where a tuk-tuk whisks diners to a local Sri Lankan house for an authentic feast to remember – is also easily arranged.

# Accommodation

Open to the sights and sounds of Sri Lanka's spectacular south coast, Amanwella's Suites overlook the beach, ocean and coconut groves.

Identical in design and layout, Amanwella's terracottaroofed suites feature hand-hewn stone walls and terrazzo floors, with floor-to-ceiling glass and lattice panels opening on two sides to a private courtyard, a terrace and a six-metre pool.

Large sliding wooden screens divide the airy interiors into a combined sleeping and living room and a sumptuous bathroom. Some of the suites can be connected to accommodate larger groups or families.

8 Garden Pool Suites	100 m2
12 Ocean Hill Pool Suites	100 m2
10 Ocean Pool Suites	100 m2
5 Premium Ocean Pool Suites	100 m2

For resort buyouts, a minimum of 15 rooms is required to enjoy the entire resort exclusively. Amanwella sleeps up to 70 guests with extra beds in 10 rooms. Up to 100 guests can be catered for, though 80 is the ideal maximum.



# Spa and Wellness

The murmur of waves and rustle of coconut palms soothes all who come to Amanwella. Ayurvedic-inspired wellness treatments incorporate local island herbs, plants and flowers, and experienced therapists draw on ancient traditions to ensure that every massage, facial, body polish and wrap is tailored to suit individual needs.





#### Signature Treatment

Enjoy a traditional warm-oil Ayurvedic treatment such as the signature Abhyanga massage that helps to eliminate impurities from the body while rejuvenating body and mind. India's 5,000-year-old system of preventive medicine combines the Sanskrit word for 'life' with *veda* meaning 'science' and encourages balance in all things.

#### **In-suite Relaxation**

Spa treatments take place in the privacy of guest suites with massage beds set up in the pool courtyard or airconditioned indoors – depending on preference. Every treatment begins with a gentle head massage and herbal inhalation to relax and prepare you for the treatment.

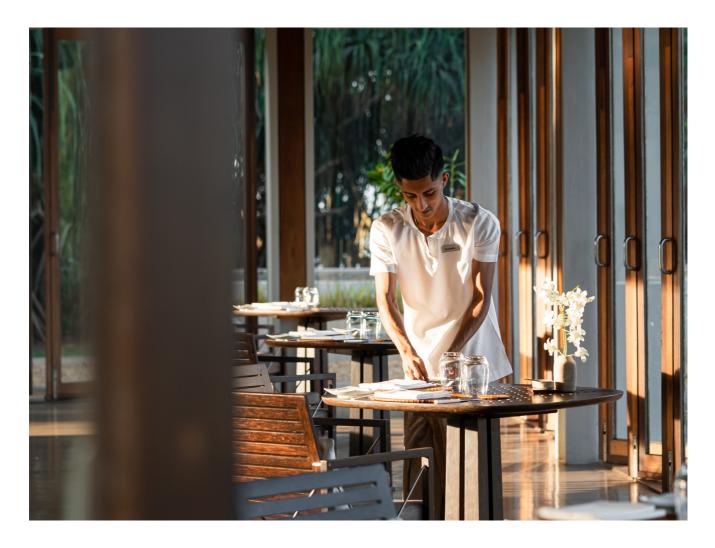
#### **Private Yoga**

Wake with the sun and join a personal yoga instructor on the beach or in a private glade. Sessions are tailored to suit individual needs, goals and fitness levels, and promise to create a rejuvenating endorphin rush brought on by exercising in nature.

#### Foot Massage on the Beach

Enjoy the ultimate in relaxation with our signature foot massage on the beach. Recline in the shade on Amanwella's comfortable chairs in the coconut grove, with a glass of champagne, while your feet are gently, yet deeply, massaged.





## **Bespoke Services**

Whether it's finding the perfect venue, curating menus and floral arrangements, or choosing musicians and cultural performances to accompany your milestones, our team is on hand to assist.

From designing an unforgettable celebration to creating unique experiences for your event, let Amanwella provide a home and a venue that will make your special occasion one to remember.

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