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Life's milestones are moments to celebrate, occasions to never forget. Booking an Aman Resort exclusively for these significant events, grants individual access to intimate hideaways with boutique rooms and intuitive, personal service, creating the ideal private setting for your special group of family and friends. Whether celebrating birthdays, weddings or anniversaries, each Aman tells a story, rich in culture and redolent with the right atmosphere to mark a milestone occasion.

Host your next event at Amangalla in Sri Lanka to have a section of storied Galle Fort exclusively to yourself.

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Welcome to Amangalla

Within the banyan-draped walls of historic Galle Fort,
Amangalla is a portal to the past and a bastion of contemporary
comfort. A long history stretching back 300 years has seen the
hotel host illustrious guests and act as a witness to countless
significant events. Originally built as the governor's residence
for the Dutch East India Company in 1684, it was later
transformed to become the iconic New Oriental Hotel in 1865.
A new era began in 2005 as this grande dame of the east was
reborn as Amangalla, revealing the latest incarnation of one of
Sri Lanka's oldest hotels. Become part of this rich history by
hosting a special event in the ramparts of Unesco-listed Galle
Fort.



Venues

The multiple venues within Amangalla's listed walls – from the Great Hall to the alfresco Veranda Terrace – are an atmospheric setting for any celebration. Original period furniture, fine bone China and a touches that trace back to the golden age of travel and trade, all converge to set a timeless note.

Outside the hotel, Amangalla's scenic Paddy Island is a viridian open-air alternative of stitched rice fields, fringed with jungle and lit by hundreds of candles and lamps.

Beyond, the hotel acts as the perfect base for exploring Sri Lanka's surf-washed beaches, wildlife-rich parks, serene temples, scenic countryside and fragrant tea plantations.



Zaal - The Great Hall

Up to 80 guests at the Dining Room for a seated dinner Up to 100 guests at the Dining Room for cocktails Up to 120 guests if combined with the Veranda Furnished with period chairs and tables, crisp white linen and antique silverware, Amangalla's magnificent Great Hall, or Zaal, as it was known in Dutch times, converges in a high-ceilinged Dining Room at one end. Soaring *fin de siècle* ceilings, cooling overhead fans and candle-like chandeliers create the perfect setting for a feast of Sri Lankan and international cuisine. A jazz pianist, violinist or a quartet can also play for any celebration.

Through multiple arched doorways, The Great Hall can be connected with the adjoining Veranda Terrace to host larger gatherings and bigger groups.



The Veranda Terrace

Up to 40 guests at the Verandah Terrace for a seated dinner Up to 60 guests at the Veranda Terrace for cocktails Up to 120 guests is combined with the Great Hall Running the length of the hotel along Church Street, the Veranda is open throughout the day. An ideal spot for a traditional hopper breakfast while watching Galle Fort bristle into life, it is equally suited to a light lunch escaping the midday heat or a candlelit dinner. The Veranda can be used as a venue for smaller events or as a prelude venue for hosting cocktails.

Whether chosen as a setting for a breezy lunch or a candlelit dinner, the Veranda Terrace with its graceful arched windows and original period tiles evokes a feeling of laid-back timelessness.



The Poolside

Up to 80 guests at the poolside for a seated dinner Up to 100 guests at the garden terrace for cocktails Resting alongside the resort's serene swimming pool, in the shade of mature Tambili trees, the Pool Terrace offers breakfast and light lunches with verdant views, far removed from the bustle beyond the 200-year-old garden's walls. Spot birds as they flit through the treetops, savour a delicious traditional hopper or continental breakfast, then plan your day over coffee or Ayurvedic tea. In the evenings, dusk imbues the lush poolside with a magical feel, as a constellation of candles flickers into life and glowing ivy-filled walls create a remarkable setting for any celebration.



Paddy Island

Up to 20 guests at the pavilion for a seated dinner Up to 30 guests at the gardens for cocktails

A short drive away from Amangalla, Paddy Island is a magical setting for smaller, more intimate celebrations –set within a sea of emerald-green rice paddies.

As evening falls, sip Sri Lankan Arrack sours as the waning sun sets over the lush, bucolic landscape. Next, experience a traditional dinner serenaded by musicians or watch dance performances at Amangalla's rural open-sided *ambalama* pavilion. A true only-in-Sri Lanka setting.



Wedding Ceremonies and Receptions

Anthing is possible when it comes to weddings at Amangalla. Inside the walls of the Fort, there are six houses of worship: three churches, two mosques and one Buddhist temple, all living harmoniously side by side.

Just down the road, it is also possible to have a wedding or a blessing at the Anglican church of All Saints, a historic English-style place of worship, accented with stained-glass windows, wooden pews and vaulted ceilings. For a marriage service, both parties must be Anglicans and recommended by their priest at home. A blessing service is possible for all denominations.

For Catholic weddings, the spectacular St Mary's Catholic Cathedral is located on a hilltop overlooking the Fort. The priest can arrange a marriage and mass here, for a Catholic service only.

Civil ceremonies can also be arranged at the hotel, conducted by a registrar, with the chance to create your own vows with celebrant Hen Tathum – a unique addition to any wedding in Galle.

For smaller parties, a ceremony in the peaceful Garden Pavilion takes place in a wonderful open space with wooden floors, surrounded by the old garden. For larger parties, the poolside gardens provide a large, private area, fringed by beautiful trees.



Marriage License and Legal Requirements

To officially say "I do" in Amangalla, couples must process the required government documents in advance in their area of residence. For Christian weddings, Amangalla can assist in making arrangements for the priest, pastor or minister of the neighbouring Dutch Reformed Church, Anglican All Saints' Church and Methodist Church to officiate the marriage, provided that the necessary pre-wedding requirements and permissions have been secured.

A catholic church, mosque, Buddhist and Hindu temples are also nearby for blessings of other faiths and denominations, but it is encouraged that couples are either legally married before or have their legal marriage after their wedding blessing at Amangalla.

A wedding blessing in Amangalla 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 couples.



Rides, Fort Tour and Champagne Cocktails

Following the ceremony, we can arrange a vintage car to take the bride and groom around the Fort. Guests can join the procession or gather on the Veranda for canapés and mango bellinis, awaiting the happy couple's return.



Dining

Shaped by spices and honed by history, the culinary experiences in Sri Lanka are as exotic as they are diverse. Every spoonful in Amangalla speaks of the island's fragrant past, from authentic dishes found only on Sri Lankan's southern shores to the finest European cuisine, imbedded in this ancient trading crossroads for centuries – refined and perfectly over the years.

The culinary team at Amangalla can design and create unforgettable dishes, meals and menus, based on any tastes, to suit any occasion – including private dining.

Choose from a host of atmospheric settings: candlelit fine dining in the Great Hall, afternoon teas on the Veranda, long lazy lunches by the pool's canopy of coconut palms, or a mesmerising roti dinner in the rural *ambalama* pavilion...



Private Dining

Amangalla offers a sublime taste of Sri Lanka's legendary cuisine in a host of atmospheric settings. The elegance of candlelit fine dining in the Great Hall to the indulgence of afternoon teas on the sunny veranda and long lazy lunches by the pool,

Whether in a candle lit dinner under the stars and the canopy of coconut palms lit by a multitude of candles at the poolside lawn or a mesmerising roti dinner in a rural ambalama pavilion, Amangalla can create an unforgettable private dining experience.



Accommodation

Amangalla's serene Rooms and Signature Rooms are housed within the historic hotel that has welcomed guests for more than 150 years.

All rooms enjoy king-sized, four-poster antique beds, freestanding baths, and a living area with a writing desk and dining table. Sri Lankan-crafted Pettagama chests and planter's chairs add to the old-world ambience. Twin rooms are also available in each category.

A total of 29 rooms, chambers and suites are spread around the original wing, the gardens and the lush surroundings of Amangalla.

7 Bedrooms	430 sq ft
3 Garden Bedrooms	430 sq ft
6 Chambers	699 sq ft
4 Verandah Chambers	699 sq ft
4 Suites	861 sq ft
4 Amangalla Suites	861 sq ft
1 Garden House	1,630 sq ft

For resort buyouts, a minimum of 15 rooms is required to for entire exclusively. Amangalla sleeps up to 67 guests with extra beds in 7 rooms and we can cater up to 100 guests for a function, though 80 guests will be the ideal maximum. Please find below a summary of our exclusive room rates.





Bespoke Services

Whether it's narrowing down the perfect venue, curating menus and floral arrangements, or choosing meaningful musicians and cultural performances, Amangalla's expert team is on hand to assist.

Get in touch with the Celebrations and Events Team today to start planning your special occasion.

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