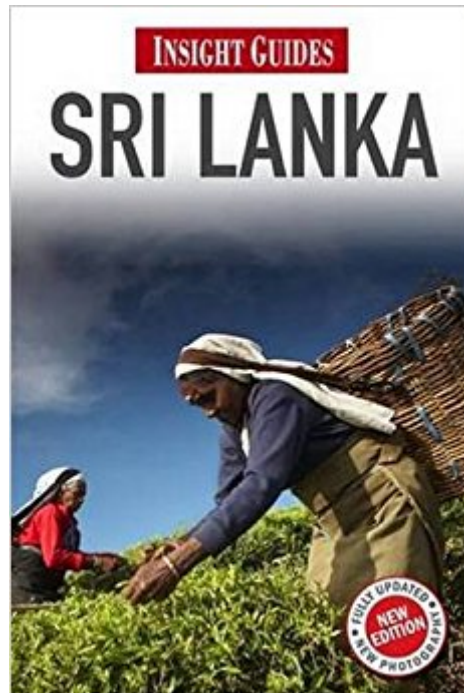




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Gavin Thomas, a former editor, has been a freelance travel journalist since 2005 and can lay claim to extensive experience of traveling in Sri Lanka. Among the many Insight titles Gavin has authored are guides to India and the Middle East.

Great introduction to Sri Lanka and its customs. Perhaps too much space is dedicated to to

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Good information to plan a trip or remember the places you have traveled

A great overview of a fantastic country. I am really looking forward to my travels here next year.

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