

OZO Kandy Celebrates Its Official Opening



OZO Kandy celebrated its official opening in the presence of business partners, distinguished guests and key stakeholders. The opening ceremony was officiated by joint venture partners Sanjeev Gardiner and Bob Kundanmal, Joint Chairmen of Suisse Hotel Kandy. Peter Henley, President and CEO – ONYX Hospitality Group and the management company behind the OZO brand was present.

OZO Kandy is located just minutes from the town centre and offers uninterrupted vistas of Kandy Lake and the surrounding hills, including the Knuckles Mountain range.

With 122 cosy guest rooms, each smartly designed to keep travellers well connected including free Wi-Fi and a multimedia connectivity panel for gadgets, the hotel offers visitors everything they could wish for after a full day of exploration. OZO's sleep promise ensures feather soft pillows, signature beds, blackout curtains and even a sheep counting screen saver on the IPTV to assist in falling asleep with ease.

In addition to connecting guests to their lives back home, OZO also aims to connect guests to the locale. Friendly staff, known as vocal locals is on hand to provide insider tips on what to see and do nearby. Further, information is readily available

on the in room IPTVs and at the guest lectern located by the Spot giving itinerary suggestions tailored to length of stay, whether it be 24, 48 or 72 hours plus. Free time at the hotel can be spent working out at fitness room, 'Tone' or chilling at the rooftop pool, 'Splash'.

Guests can ensure they wake bright with a breakfast 'boost' at EAT, the hotel's signature restaurant serving breakfast lunch and dinner. Each evening, EAT will showcase the best of Sri Lankan and international cuisine with a variety of tempting buffets. BOMMU, the rooftop lounge is ideal for cooling drinks and poolside bites all day long alongside the best view of the surrounding hills. Guests with early starts or long journeys can make the most of the grab and go outlet EAT2GO, which is always on hand for fresh and tasty snacks 24 hours a day.

Alexandre Glauser, Area General Manager of OZO Sri Lanka commented, "We are very excited to welcome our first guests to experience the OZO philosophy of great sleep and good connectivity in this much loved town. Kandy is a destination with huge potential for local and international visitors, and by adding a quality hotel product like OZO, we hope to be able to introduce a new type of visitor to the destination who will in turn help to boost the local economy. Following the successful launch of OZO Colombo in 2014, the team and I are confident that OZO Kandy will soon become the most sought-after property in the area by both locals and international visitors."

OZO Kandy is the second property in Sri Lanka by the ONYX Group. ONYX, alongside joint venture partners Sino Lanka Hotels Colombo and Suisse Hotel Kandy identified Kandy as a potential destination to develop a midmarket property, and as such, the end result is OZO Kandy.

The hotel is now welcoming guests to enjoy a special opening offer with rates starting at 85 USD per night. The offer includes breakfast, an upgrade to the next room category (subject to availability) and early check-in and late check-out. The offer is exclusive of taxes and service charges and is valid until the 30th of July.



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Our History

- Founded in 1965 with Nipa Lodge in Pattaya
- 1992- the company rebrands itself as Onyx Hotels & Resorts
- 2010- ONYX Hospitality Group - new brands are introduced
- 2010- ONYX acquires the Shama serviced apartment brand
- 2013- first OZO property opens, OZO Wesley Hong Kong
- 2014- a record year with 9 hotel openings in China, Sri Lanka, Bangkok

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