

Vietnam & Cambodia Odyssey







TRIP OVERVIEW

A leisurely yet enthralling itinerary that takes its time to travel from the mountainous and humid north of Vietnam through to the wealthier colonial south then along the sultry Mekong Delta to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Encompassing five nights of cruising and four train journeys this tour covers all the iconic sights you'd expect with the added bonus of no internal flights.

ITINERARY & DETAILS

This document aims to give you all the information that you require for a smooth and comfortable trip to Vietnam & Cambodia. Please take the time to read this dossier to familiarise yourself with all the aspects of our tour. It includes important information such as travel insurance and visa requirements.

Your included meal guide:

B = Breakfast, BR = Brunch, L = Lunch, D = Dinner,

DAY 1: UK to Hanoi

Depart London on your scheduled overnight flight to Hanoi.

DAY 2: Hanoi D

You will be met by your local guide on arrival by your local guide who'll accompany through this bustling city to your hotel where there'll be some time to check-in and relax before joining the group again for dinner and a traditional Water Puppet Performance, a unique form of Vietnamese art derived from the wet rice civilisation in South East Asia.

DAY 3: Hanoi B/L/D

A full day tour of this historic city begins with the Ho Chi Minh Complex where the father of modern day Vietnam declared the nation's independence in 1945. Visit sites including the Presidential Palace built by the French colonialists in the early 20th century, Ho Chi Minh's House of Stilts and the One Pillar Pagoda. After lunch travel away from the centre of the city to learn about Vietnam's 54 ethnic groups in the Museum of Ethnology, built to conserve their rich cultural heritage. Later return to the heart of the lively Old Quarter to explore this bustling commercial centre on cyclo, a two person cycle carriage once the fashionable mode of transport for French elite and Vietnam's noblemen.

DAY 4: Hanoi to Halong Bay* B/L/D

This memorable day marks the start of your two-night cruise around the awe-inspiring Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage site and a vision of ethereal beauty. You'll explore these marvellous islands, intricate limestone rock formations and hidden wave-eroded grottoes on a luxury cruise boat. Enjoy lunch on board before sailing to the narrow arched Luon Cave and embark on a kayak or bamboo boat to get closer to this impressive formation which has a maximum height of 4 metres - depending on the tide! After, enjoy some swimming at Ti Top (Titov) beach. Back on board, finish your day with a local cookery demonstration before enjoying a delicious set dinner.

DAY 5: Halong Bay* B/L/D

Begin your day with some calming Tai Chi on the boat's deck or watch the sunrise from your cabin before setting off for a more active day on the water. Cruise to some of the bay's more untouched areas, making stops for swimming and sightseeing. In the afternoon, visit a Pearl Farm to experience the pearl-growing process on the bay. Spend the evening relaxing on board with a spa treatment (at a fee) or take part in some night-time squid fishing.

DAY 6: Halong Bay to Hue $\ensuremath{\mathsf{B/D}}$

After breakfast, explore Sung Sot cave - one of the largest and most beautiful caves in Ha Long Bay. The cave has some unique rock formations which couldn't be found anywhere else. Return back to port, and enjoy an early dinner back in Hanoi before boarding a sleeper train for an overnight journey to Hue.

DAY 7: Hue L/D

Enjoy the morning view from your window as the train approaches its final destination, passing verdant farmlands and local villages along the way. The first visit of the day is to the Citadel of Hue, a large fortress build in the 18th century whose architectural style takes inspiration from both the Forbidden City in Beijing and the military principles of the French army. Then continue to the partially ruined Dien Tho Residence before visiting Thai Hoa Palace, an ornate timber roofer hall that was the site of the Emperor's official receptions and finally to Thien Mu pagoda and the Imperial tomb of Emperor Minh Mang before retiring to your hotel for your overnight stay.

DAY 8: Hue to Hoi An B/D

Leaving Hue after breakfast, you'll board the train for a trip along the Reunification Railway to Danang that links Hanoi to Saigon. The train glides through the world class scenic route that runs along the South China Sea, snaking between jungle-covered cliffs and past white beaches and finally heading through lush green mountains via the Hai Van pass to reach Danang. You'll then continue south via the Marble Mountains, a range of five craggy marble outcrops all topped with pagodas. Take some time to relax at your Hoi An hotel and explore the local area this afternoon before reconvening for dinner.

DAY 9: Hoi An B/L

Your morning in Hoi An will begin with a walking tour of the town, taking you past traditional Japanese merchant houses, ancient Chinese tea warehouses and finishes at the Japanese Pagoda Bridge, an early 17th century Japanese templet that spans across the waterway. After lunch the rest of the day is free for you to explore the myriad of silk and tailor shops or simply take in the views over a coffee at one of the many waterside cafes.

DAY 10: Hoi An to Nha Trang ${\sf B}$

Following breakfast at your hotel, it's time to board the train for the daylong journey south to the coastal city of Nha Trang, widely considered to be home to one of the most beautiful bays in the word. Arrive in the late evening and check into your hotel.

DAY 11: Nha Trang B

Today is at leisure where you can take some time to kick back and relax on the beautiful beach in Nha Trang.

DAY 12: Nha Trang B/L/D

Today you will visit Ponagar Tower. This is an impressive Cham Temple situated 2 km north of Nha Trang. Enjoy lunch before boarding the overnight train to Saigon.

DAY 13: Saigon B/L/D

The train arrives into Saigon in the early hours so you'll be transferred straight to your hotel for an early check-in with time to enjoy breakfast and rest a little before the day's excursions. Spend the afternoon touring Saigon's highlights with a visit to the Reunification Palace as well as nearby Notre Dame Cathedral built between 1877 and 1883 in Neo-Romanesque form. Next travel to the French-style Saigon Post Office then finish at the Ben Thanh Market, a symbol of the busting city where colourful stalls are packed to the rafters with piles of fresh fruit, tourist kitsch and true bargains.

DAY 14: Saigon B/L

After breakfast travel to the Cu Chi Tunnels, an impressive network of



underground tunnels used by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. This immense labyrinth of 75 miles in length once housed hospitals, weapon factories and living quarters and proved to be crucial to the Tet Offensive in 1968. Return to Saigon for an afternoon and evening at leisure.

DAY 15: Saigon to Mekong Cruise $\ensuremath{\mathsf{B}/\mathsf{L}/\mathsf{D}}$

Leaving Saigon behind, embark on a three-night cruise along the fascinating network of rivers in the Mekong Delta that will journey all the way up to Phnom Penh in Cambodia. First visit Can Tho, the largest town on the Delta, cruising gently through picturesque canals and waterways, taking in the sultry scenery and daily activities of the small Mekong people. Continue to Cai Be where there'll be a guided walk to a rural village, passing lush green orchards and the chance to meet the locals and taste their home-grown exotic fruits. Return to the boat in the early evening to enjoy the sunset on the top deck before sitting down to dinner.

DAY 16: Mekong Cruise B/L/D

The boat will depart early in the morning with an excursion on long rowing sampan boats allowing you to meander through the small canals of Tan Phong islet and visit the local candy and cake making factories. This afternoon the boat moors at charming colonial town of Sa Dec. Famous for its beautiful flower gardens, the small, sleepy town is truly a hidden gem on the Mekong Delta where you'll explore the villa that once belonged to ancient traders as well as the main character in the novel "The Lover" by Marguerite Duras. Return to the vessel for a sunset cruise and dinner on board.

DAY 17: Mekong Cruise B/L/D

Arrive at Cao Lanh in the morning and after breakfast on the top deck, disembark for a morning excursion to Tan Thuan Dong islet where you can enjoy a gentle cycle around the winding roads or simply explore the area by foot. The off-the-beaten track islet is rarely visited by tourists and is famous for the annona squamosa, a small shrub that bears edible fruit called sugarapples. As the boat manoeuvres through Cho Vam canal, you are invited to a sunset cocktail party on the top deck, which also allows you to fully enjoy one of the most magnificent moments that Mekong river has to offer.

DAY 18: Mekong to Phnom Penh B/L/D

After an early breakfast on board it's time to check out and transfer to Phnom Penh by speedboat where you'll be met with the coach to begin

your tour of the capital of Cambodia. Begin with a visit to the Royal Palace, built by King Norodom in 1866, and marvel at the ornately gilded Khmer roofs, beguiling throne hall, solid gold-encrusted Buddha and Silver Pagoda made up of 5,000 silver tiles. Next visit the National Museum designed by a French archaeologist and painter that houses a collection of Khmer art, notably sculptures, throughout the ages. Check into your hotel and enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

DAY 19: Phnom Penh to Siem Reap B/D

This morning includes a guided tour of Toul Sleng Prison Museum and the Killing Fields of Choeung Ek, both grim reminders of Cambodia's bloody past that took 1.7 million victims under Pol Pot's gruesome regime. These excursions may prove distressing for some but are important pieces of Cambodia's historical and cultural puzzle. Later this afternoon continue by coach to Siem Reap arriving in time for dinner. *Journey from Phnom Penh to Siem Reap takes approximately 6 hours by coach.

DAY 20: Siem Reap B/L/D

This morning you will visit Angkor Thom, a group of buildings that somehow surpass Angkor Wat in splendour and grandiosity, not surprising given that it was the last great capital of the Khmer empire. Start at the Southern Gate, flanked by a row of 54 stone figures on each side, followed by the Bayon and its beautifully crafted central towers. From here you visit Baphoun, Phimeanakas and the Elephant Terrace, once used as a giant viewing stand for public ceremonies and the Terrace of the Leper King. Lastly see Ta Prohm, undoubtedly the most atmospheric ruin at Angkor. Unlike the other monuments of Angkor, it has been left to be swallowed by the jungle and is the perfect place to watch the sun set over Angkor Wat. Conclude the day with dinner and an Apsara dance performance.

DAY 21/22: Siem Reap to the UK or extension** B

Depart Siem Reap for your return flight back to the UK via Saigon, or continue on to your chosen extension.

*Please note: the Halong Bay cruise itinerary may change depending on the boat used. Depending on the weather and which beaches can be accessed, there is an opportunity to climb up the side of Titov Mountain. There are roughly 450 steps to reach the top to view Halong Bay. This is optional and not a guaranteed activity, but if you do wish to do it, you should pack suitable shoes just in case.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS & MAP

Accommodation

Your accommodation is selected for convenience, location, comfort or character, and can range from business hotels to guesthouses. Hotel accommodation is generally rated as local three to four-star standard, but please note there is no international classification system for hotels, and differences in facilities and quality do exist between the UK and Vietnam. All group tours hotels have private bathroom facilities and air-conditioning, where needed. Your overnight train will be a four or two berth cabin with shared bathroom facilities at either end of the carriage. Usually the facilities included a western toilet at one end and an Asian toilet at the other. If the train is fully booked it cannot be guaranteed that you will be allocated a cabin with fellow tour members or passengers of the same gender. These are basic government run Vietnamese trains and standards may not match what you are used to at home especially during busy times of the year.Rest assured that all accommodation used by Mercury Holidays is regularly inspected by our staff and partners to ensure that standards meet your needs.

Please note: final confirmation of your accommodation will be sent in a document, along with your final flight information, approximately 10 days before you travel.

Meals

Breakfast is always western style and served in the hotel each morning. Lunch and dinner where stated will be taken at local restaurants or at your hotel. A variety of restaurants are visited giving you the chance to experience a range of dishes.



*PLEASE NOTE: On the overnight trains, single travellers who have not chosen to upgrade to a private single cabin will be allocated a shared twin cabin. In this event, it is not guaranteed that single travellers will be allocated cabins with fellow tour members or with passengers of the same gender. Upgrade to a private cabin for an additional cost.

WHAT TO PACK

- · Insect repellent
- · Suncream and a hat with a big brim for sunny days
- · Comfortable walking shoes such as trainers
- Sunglasses
- Ruck sack or light bag per person
- Personal toiletries
- Loo paper for public WCs

- Binoculars
- A small overnight bag to take on your cruise of Halong Bay
- Camera and charger
- Personal first aid kit containing travel pills, rehydration powder, plasters, stomach settlers, antiseptic creams, aspirin etc
- Travel plug adapter the electricity in Vietnam/Cambodia is 220-240 V. You will need a 2 round pin plug or 2 flat pin plug adapter



ON YOUR ARRIVAL

On your arrival in Hanoi you will be met by a representative from our local agent, Lac Viet (LV) Travel, holding a sign displaying: "Mercury Holidays". The Mercury holidays/Vietnam Travel Service representative will show you to your transfer vehicle. Your guide will be able to answer any queries. However, if you need to contact LV Travel during your stay the details are:

Lac Viet Travel (LV) Head Office, Hanoi

Floor 18, VTC Online Building, No 18, Tam Trinh Str, Hai Ba Trung District, Hanoi, Vietnam

Telephone Number 0084 439 413 748 **e-mail** operation@lvtravel.vn

Emergency contact information

Please find below the 24 hour emergency contact details for **Lac Viet Travel**

Mr Len; 0084(0) 989 200 116 Anna Hanh; 0084(0)983096032

WHAT YOU NEED FOR YOUR TOUR

Visas

Vietnam: For all arrivals from the 15 August 23, a visa is not required for UK nationals, for stays up to 45 days. A visa is required for entry into Vietnam for all stays longer than 45 days. All departures before the 15 August 23, a visa is required for all stays longer than 15 days. If you have booked the Bali extension following your tour, you will need to purchase a multi entry visa for Vietnam. You can apply for an e-visa online at https://evisa. xuatnhapcanh. gov.vn. Alternatively, we work closely with The Travel Visa Company who will be able to arrange your visa for you on your behalf. Please call them on 01270 250 590 and quote "Mercury Holidays". The visas take around 10 working days to issue and are only valid for 3 months from the date of entry. We therefore recommend that you apply for your visa 8 weeks before travel, however please be aware that your passport will be required for the application so make sure that you will not need it during this time. You can also visit the Embassy of Vietnam in London: 12-14 Victoria Road, London, W8 5RD. This visa information is a guide line only and is subject to change; up-to-date information regarding the process and fees will be advised at the time of calling the Travel Visa Company. **Please note** the exit point in Vietnam is Song Tien Landport. A visa is required when travelling to **Cambodia** and can be purchased on arrival. The cost of this is approximately USD \$30 per person and you will be required to bring a passport photo with you as well. Please note that it is important that is plenty of space left in the passport, as a Cambodian visa alone takes up one page. A visa will need to be paid for again if entering Cambodia a second time, at the same cost of USD \$30 (for example if you are taking both the Laos extension and the Cambodia extension). Visa is only available for purchase upon arrival at the border. E-Visas are only valid for airport arrivals, so not valid on our tours. A visa is required for entry into Laos and this can be purchased on arrival at the airport in Luang Prabang. The cost of this is approximately USD \$35 per person and you will need to bring the money in cash in order to apply for your visa on arrival into Laos, you will also be required to bring two passport photos.

Visa requirements are subject to change and obtaining a visa is the responsibility of the traveller and not Mercury Holidays. We recommend you check with your destinations' Tourist Board or Embassy prior to departure for the most up to date guidelines regarding visas and passport validity.

Accommodation/Hotel Voucher

We do not produce a separate Accommodation/Hotel voucher; simply ensure that you take your Confirmation Invoice with you because it doubles as your voucher. If you have not yet received an Invoice please call our Administration Department on 0333 003 0522 or email us using the "Contact us" option on our website: www.mercuryholidays.co.uk. Please note that it is not necessary for you to have an Invoice showing your balance paid; your original invoice will suffice for the hotel.

Tour Guides

This is a fully escorted tour meaning that you will be met by a local guide in each of the cities that you visit, ensuring that you have first-hand knowledge at all times

Private Tour

If you have booked a private tour then you will be accompanied by a Driver Guide or a Driver and Local Guides. These will be available to you during all scheduled sightseeing. Private Tours can depart on any day of the week depending on flight and train schedules and the opening days of the attractions. They will follow the itinerary as described in the brochure unless you have been advised otherwise and you will still have all of the same meals, sightseeing and local excursions included.

Tipping

It is customary to tip both your driver and guide. We would recommend to tip approximately \$6/7 per person per day. This is a total of \$140 per person to budget for tips on your trip. Tips are accepted in the local currency. An additional \$15 tip is recommended at the Vietnam and Cambodia border.

Currency Exchange

The currency in Vietnam is the Vietnamese Dong (VND). You can exchange your currency in Vietnam, however US Dollars are widely accepted in Vietnam should you wish to keep an alternative currency on you. The currency in

Cambodia is the Cambodian Riel (KHM). We recommend that you take some US Dollars (USD) with you and exchange this currency whilst you are travelling. US dollar notes must be in good condition, not tatty or torn, or they may not be accepted.

Personal Expenses

You will need to take money with you to cover any personal purchases such as souvenirs, laundry, any meals not included in the itinerary as well as drinks and any additional snacks. Approximately $\pounds600$ – $\pounds700$ per person will be sufficient for the duration of the tour. It is a good idea to try and maintain a supply of small notes and change in the local currency for tipping or small purchases.

Group Size

The minimum number of travellers in your group will be 10, and the maximum will be 40. If in the unlikely event there are less than 10 people booked on your tour date, we will endeavour to reduce any disruption to your holiday and try to operate your tour with lower passenger numbers. If we are not able to operate your departure date, then you may be asked to change to a different date and a full refund will be made available to you should this alternative not be suitable.

Itinerary Changes

The order of events and sightseeing may vary according to local conditions or for operational purposes. The schedules of the regional flights within and between South-East Asian countries are subject to frequent changes. For this reason, we have indicated approximate times only. Your local guide will inform you of any schedule changes as they are informed of them. Some road construction and/or weather conditions may lengthen the driving times. Our intention is to adhere to the day-to-day itinerary as printed; however, order of events and sightseeing may vary according to local conditions.

Insurance

We strongly recommend that you and all members of your party are suitably insured as soon as you book your holiday. It is a condition of booking that you must have suitable travel insurance. It is important that you purchase travel insurance that suitably covers your participation in whatever activities you may undertake at the time that you make your booking. To assist you with this, we have arranged travel insurance in partnership with Holiday Extras. To arrange your travel insurance with Holiday Extras, please call **0800 781 4237** and quote '**WK830**' for preferential rates. Please ensure you provide us with the name of your insurer, policy number and their 24 hour emergency contact number as soon as possible. Mercury Holidays will not be liable for any costs incurred by you due to your failure to take out suitable travel insurance from the date of booking

Health and Vaccinations

It is your responsibility to check any health and vaccination requirements applicable to your booked arrangements. We can only provide general information about this. Health and hygiene facilities and disease risks vary from country to country. You should take health advice about your own needs as early as possible and in good time before your departure. Sources of information include; www.fco.gov.uk, www.travelhealthpro.org.uk, www.hpa.org.uk, your General Practitioner or a specialist clinic.

Physical Accessibility

This tour is accessible to most people with a good level of fitness and normal mobility. It involves climbing of steep stairs and getting on and off coaches. This tour is not suitable for anyone with walking difficulties. All our tours feature a "Tour Pace" to help find the right holiday for you. To travel on any of our tours requires unaided mobility and the ability to stroll around the sights, climb stairs and get on and off coaches and boats. The tour pace for Vietnam & Cambodia Odyssey is Advanced. A higher level of fitness as required as you may be on your feet for most of the day though this will be interspersed with regular breaks and vary from day to day. You will be walking around the sights, getting on and off coaches, trains, boats and climbing steps which may be irregular. There may be some time spend at high altitude. You will stay in variety of hotels, possibly including overnight trains, and accommodation standards may not match those you are used to at home. Our guides will always endeavour to provide the highest level of service and assistance; however, they cannot be expected to cater for customers who are unfit to complete the itinerary.



Public Holidays - Vietnam

If you are travelling within the below Vietnamese Public Holidays please note that celebrations can last a couple of days and during these times some businesses will be closed and coach, air and train travel may be affected. Tourist attractions will be open but may be crowded. Tet Holiday is between 10th-12th February 2024, International Labour Day is on 1st May every year, Reunification Day is on 30th April every year and National Independence Day is

on 2nd September every year.

Credit Card Information

As normal practice you may be asked for your credit card details on check-in at the hotel in order to cover any extras incurred during your stay. If you do not have a credit card, you may be asked for a cash deposit. MasterCard and Visa are widely accepted in hotels.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: Please note that final flight details, including terminal, airline and baggage allowance, will be confirmed on your final documentation which will be sent to you approximately 10 days before departure. A printed E-ticket is no longer required at check-in, all you need to do is present your passport to the staff at the desk and your boarding pass will be given to you.

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If you wish to arrange Airport car parking, lounges or accommodation at preferential rates, we recommend you book this in advance with Holiday Extras Tel. 0871 360 2000, quoting HX313.

WEATHER AND CLIMATE

Weather can vary quite considerably throughout the year, so please familiarise yourself with the climate charts below.



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Laos Adventure Extension

If you have not yet booked this fabulous extension, there is still time to do so. Please contact 0333 003 0522







TRIP OVERVIEW

Surrounded by the Mekong and Khan rivers, Laos' ancient cities are rich in history, culture and cuisine. This 5 night mini tour visiting Luang Prabang and Vientaine is the ideal way to conclude your tour of Vietnam and Cambodia.

ITINERARY & DETAILS

This document aims to give you all the information which you will require during your extension to Laos.

DAY 21: Siem Reap to Luang Prabang D

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Luang Prabang. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check in. The rest of the day is at leisure and dinner is included in a local Laos Restaurant.

DAY 22: Luang Prabang B/L/D

Visit the Royal Palace Museum, which hosts a range of interesting artefacts before embarking on a cruise upstream along the Mekong River, take in the breath-taking views of the tranquil countryside, before reaching the mysterious Pak Ou Caves. Here find two linked caves crammed with thousands of gold lacquered Buddha statues of various shapes and sizes left by pilgrims. Next, stop at the village of Ban Xanghai, where they make the local rice wine. On arrival, back into the city visit the magnificent Wat Xiengthong, Temple of the Golden City, with its roof sweeping low to the ground, representing classical Laotian architecture. Continue to the Traditional Art and Ethnology centre to learn about Laos many ethnic cultures followed by a visit to Wat Prabeth to enjoy the magical sunset. Your tour ends after a visit to the famous Night Market, where you can admire the handmade textiles crafted by local and hill tribe people surrounding Luang Prabang.

DAY 23: Luang Prabang B/L/D

Start your morning with the option to participate in the daily morning rituals of saffron-clad monks collecting offerings of Alms, sticky rice, from the faithful residents. This tradition is unique to Laos, as it is the only Buddhist nation still preserving the procession. From there visit a local market near the Royal Palace, a perfect opportunity to experience the real flavour of local culture. After breakfast ascend the 329 steps to the top of Phousi Hill for a panoramic view of the city and Mekong River. We then visit Wat Visoun, Luang Prabangs oldest temple and once home to the Prabang Buddhas. Continue to the beautiful Khouangsi Waterfall where you can choose to take a dip in the turquoise pools or walk along the forest paths. En route back to Luang Prabang admire the Kuang Si Falls Butterfly Park, a must see visit whilst in Laos. The final stop is Ock Pop Tock, meaning East Meets West, where you will learn about the traditional weaving in Laos.

DAY 24: Luang Prabang to Vientiane B/L/D

After breakfast enjoy a visit to the Elephant Village. On arrival you will be greeted by the Camp Manager who will provide you with a short briefing, before taking a boat trip to the Tad Sae Waterfall where you can swim in crystal clear waters. Lunch is provided in the Elephant Village Restaurant. Later today you will board a high speed train and enjoy picturesque scenery en route to Vientiane, where you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

DAY 25: Vientiane B/L/D

Following breakfast, visit Wat Si Muang famous for its supernatural power before continuing to the Buddha Park to admire an enchanting collection of Buddhist and Hindu sculptures situated on the riverside of the Mekong River close to Friendship Bridge. In the afternoon take a city tour of the capital of Laos visiting the oldest Wat Sisaket which is surrounded by thousands of miniature Buddhas and the former royal temple of Wat Prakeo which previously housed the famous Emerald Buddha image. Continue to Laos national icon the famous and sacred structure of That Luang Stupa and stop to take pictures of the imposing Patuxay monument before enjoying a spectacular sunset over the Mekong River.

DAY 26: Vientiane to the UK B

Enjoy th morning at leisure before you transfer to the airport for your return flight back to the UK.

Personal Expenses

You will need to take money with you to cover personal purchases, laundry service, souvenirs, drinks plus any meals not included.

Tour Guides

This is a fully escorted tour extension, meaning that you will be met on arrival by your guide who will remain with you for the duration of your trip ensuring that you have first-hand knowledge at all times.

Currency exchange

The currency in Laos is the Laotian Kit (LAO). We recommend that you take some US Dollars (USD) with you and exchange this currency whilst you are travelling.

Please note

This extension takes place after your main tour.

Hotel information

Luang Prabang (3 nights): 4★ Santi Resort & Spa Deluxe Ban Na Duey, Na Duey Road, Luang Prabang 06000, Laos. Contact number: 00856 7125 3470

Vientiane (2 nights): 4★ Laotel Vientiane

XH9V+GQC, Vientiane, Laos. Contact number: 00856 21 213 570

Please note: the hotels listed are provided for guidance only and final confirmation of your accommodation will be sent in a document, along with your final flight information, approximately 10 days before you travel.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Please note: Final hotel and flight details will be confirmed on your final documentation which will be sent to you approximately 10 days before departure.



Siem Reap City Stay Extension

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TRIP OVERVIEW

Spend 3 extra nights in Cambodia to further explore Siem Reap or Angkor Wat at your own pace.

ITINERARY & DETAILS

This document aims to give you all the information which you will require during your extension to Siem Reap.

Hotel information

Your stay will take place at the 4★ Tara Angkor on Bed & Breakfast. Conveniently situated just 6km from the World Heritage site of Angkor Wat Temples, and a few minutes walk to the Angkor National Museum, this stylish property comprises 206 rooms and suites. The hotel also offers good facilities and is a short ride to the city town centre for shopping, souvenirs and culture.

Hotel address: Krong Siem Reap, Cambodia, 17254, Charles De Gaulle, Krong Siem Reap, Cambodia. Contact number: 00855 63 966 661

Any alternative hotels or board basis will have been confirmed at booking. Please speak to our reservations department if you are unsure.

Please note: the hotels listed are provided for guidance only and final confirmation of your accommodation will be sent in a document, along with your final flight information, approximately 10 days before you travel.

Personal Expenses

You will need to take money with you to cover personal purchases such as lunches, dinners and drinks, laundry service and souvenirs plus money for any attractions you wish to visit during your stay.

Tour Guides

Your stay in Siem Reap is not escorted by a tour guide. All internal transfers are included

Currency

The currency in Cambodia is the Cambodian Riel, known as AHR. You can exchange your currency in Cambodia, however US Dollars are widely accepted in Cambodia should you wish to keep an alternative currency on you.

Visas

You will need to purchase a visa for Cambodia costing USD \$30 on arrival at the airport in Siem Reap. Please note that you will be required to bring a passport photo with you as well as USD \$30 cash in order to apply for your visa on arrival in Cambodia.

Please note

This extension takes place after your main tour.





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