

LAOS AND CAMBODIA
8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS



7 night's accommodation based on twin share

Transfers as specified

Meals as per itinerary

English speaking guide

Entrance fees

Domestic flights as specified

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ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Luang Prabang

Your driver and tour guide welcome you at the airport and drive you to the hotel. Time to refresh and recover from your travel. Depending on time and your preferences, you may follow the guide on an orientation tour around the center town to get some first impressions of Luang Prabang. Evening at leisure.

Overnight at the Maison Dalabua in a Deluxe room

Day 2: Luang Prabang in style (B/L)

We have the possibility this morning to wake up very early to go witness the Tak Bat ceremony, when the monks process along the streets of the town to receive the daily alms from locals. We come back to our hotel for breakfast and then hop on a vintage tuk-tuk vehicle for a ride. The guide will point out the different things to see along the way and tell you more about the history and daily life of the people. We visit a temple en-route, the reputed most beautiful of the city Wat Xien Thong. We then get to the pier and take a short boat transfer to the botanical garden of Pha Tad Ke. Immerse in this lush green environment and learn about the great conservation efforts done by the expert botanists of the region. We attend a short conference at the orchid's nursery and then sit at the outdoor restaurant of the park. After lunch in this peaceful haven of nature, we transfer back to the hotel. You have the rest of the day at leisure.



Overnight at the Maison Dalabua in a Deluxe room

Day 3: Kuang Si waterfalls and Pak Ou caves (B/L)

After breakfast we take a 25-kilometer drive to the region of the Kuang Si waterfalls. We have the whole morning to explore at your pace the village, the butterfly garden and the magical falls. Opportunities to swim or to just soak up this very exotic environment. We then hop on a private boat and head upstream on the Mekong to the Pak Ou caves. A delicious lunch is served on the boat while we slide along wild and changing landscapes on the riverbanks. We discover the sacred caves that host thousands of Buddha statues. On our drive back to Luang Prabang, we may stop to some handicraft villages if you want to. Arrival at the hotel in the afternoon and end of the day at leisure.

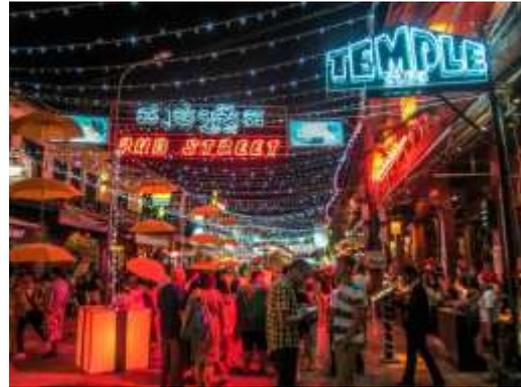


Overnight at the Maison Dalabua in a Deluxe room

Day 4: Luang Prabang – Siem Reap (B)

The morning is on your own for a last stroll around the charming streets and alleys of Luang Prabang. You may visit the Morning Market or go for a cup of coffee by the Nam Khan River. In the afternoon, we drive you to the airport for a flight to Siem Reap. You are welcomed in Siem Reap by your local guide and driver and driven to the hotel. Check-in and make yourself comfortable. End of the day at leisure, we advise you to visit the famous and lively Pub Street.

Overnight at the Saem Siem Reap in a Deluxe room



Day 5: Tonle Sap Lake and Angkor Temples (B/L)

After an early breakfast, we head out to Kompong Kleang “floating village”, which is, in fact, a stilt house settlement of over 20,000 people where structures can tower up to ten meters above the water. Greeted by waves of the friendly locals, here we can glimpse Cambodia’s countryside culture and traditional family lifestyle.

Back to Siem Reap and being pampered by our Chef and waiter for a very private lunch and watch the sky hues reflect in the water in Sras Srang lake.

Today afternoon is dedicated to the discovery of Angkor masterpiece. To travel around the temples complex, no better mean than a good local tuk-tuk. Let’s explore Angkor Wat, easily the most famous and best-preserved of all temples within the Angkor complex. It is a massive three-tiered structure crowned by five lotus-like towers rising 65 meters from ground level. We take the time to discover it in depth before getting back to hotel.

End of the day at leisure.

Overnight at the Saem Siem Reap in a Deluxe room



Day 6: Siem Reap, cookery experience and temples (B/L)

In the morning, we depart to Banteay Srei. It is a one-hour drive to the so-called citadel of women made of red sandstone magnificently carved, the jewel of Khmer art. There we meet our chef who takes us on a nice and fun cookery adventure. Visit the market, learn about ingredients and cook some traditional Khmer dishes in a beautiful garden villa. In the afternoon we visit the ancient city of Angkor Thom, surrounded by an 8m high wall. Angkor Thom was the last capital of the Great Khmer Empire under the reign of Jayavarman VII. We continue to Bayon Temple in the exact centre of the city. This 12th century masterpiece is a study in grandeur, its exterior gallery walls featuring extensive, superb bas-reliefs, particularly the East and South Galleries. We also see the Ta Prohm Temple, unlike most other Angkor temples, has been left just as it was when rediscovered: a photogenic and atmospheric maze of trees growing out of temple ruins amidst jungle surroundings, making it one of Angkor's most popular temples with visitors. We are back at the hotel in the late afternoon, evening at leisure.

Overnight at the Saem Siem Reap Hotel in a Deluxe Room



Day 7: Siem Reap – Phnom Penh (B)

Around noon time we then transfer to the airport to catch our flight to Cambodia's capital Phnom Penh.

After dropping the luggage at the airport, we hop **on a tuk-tuk** for a visit of Phnom Penh's classics including the Presidential Palace, Silver Pagoda and the National Museum (plan to wear long sleeves and long pants for these visits). We return to the hotel, end of the day at leisure.

Overnight at the Aquarius Hotel & Urban Resort

Day 8: Phnom Penh, departure (B)

Day at leisure until we pick you up to drive you to the airport to catch a flight to your following destination.