

# 12 DAYS \_ TRAILS OF CAMBODIA, LAOS, THAILAND & TO THE BEACH

**Cambodia (Siem Reap) Laos (Luang Prabang) Thailand (Bangkok, Phuket)**

## **1. OVERVIEW:**

*From old temples and relics to quaint and tranquil countryside, from the chaotic city to the pristine beaches, this trip has it all the ingredients for a lifetime holiday in Southeast Asia. If the UNESCO-listed heritage sites of Angkor Wat and Luang Prabang are a must, then present some books to children and play with them in a village school in Laos will make your trip more meaningful than ever. A long list of interesting sites like the red sandstone Banteay Srey with intricate carvings, the sacred Wat Xieng Thong, a river boat trip to the Pak Ou caves or Lao traditional cuisines are all on offer. In Thailand, explore Bangkok with local expert guide, take a break with Thai traditional massage and call on to Ayuthaya once was the world's leading capital with myriad temples and palaces glittered from miles away. And what is the better way to end the 12 day trip than spending some days relaxing in the idyllic sandy beaches of Phuket?*

## **2. ITINERARY IN BRIEF**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>ITINERARY</b>
1	SIEM REAP ARRIVAL
2	FULL DAY ANGKOR TOUR
3	FULL DAY BENG MEALEA AND BANTEAY SREI
4	SIEM REAP - LUANG PRABANG
5	LUANG PRABANG FULL DAY CITY TOUR
6	LUANG PRABANG - BIG BROTHER MOUSE - BAN KHIA LUANG - PAK OU CAVE
7	LUANG PRABANG - BANGKOK
8	BANGKOK FULL DAY HIGHLIGHTS
9	BANGKOK FULL DAY AYUTHAYA BY COACH & CRUISE
10	BANGKOK - PHUKET
11	FREE AT YOUR LEISURE
12	PHUKET DEPARTURE

### **DAY 1: SIEM REAP ARRIVAL**

Welcome to Siem Reap! When you're arrival at Siem Reap international airport, please go to custom desk as your first point of entry to get visa-on-arrival into the country and pay stamping fees directly by cash to custom office there.

Your guide will greet you and escort you to the hotel in Siem Reap. The driving distance is approximately 30 minutes. Check in hotel and leisure

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Siem Reap (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

## **DAY 2: FULL DAY ANGKOR THOM & ANGKOR WAT TOUR**

In the morning, visit to the antique capital of Angkor Thom, built in the 12th century: the South Gate with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean of milk, the Bayon Temple, unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara, the Phimeanakas, the Royal Enclosure, the Elephants Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King.

After a short your rest, you will visit the most famous of all the temples on the plain of Angkor: Angkor Wat. The temple complex covers 81 hectares and is comparable in size to the Imperial Palace in Beijing. Its distinctive five towers are emblazoned on the Cambodian flag. This masterpiece is considered by art historians to be the prime example of classical Khmer art and architecture. Angkor Wat's five towers symbolize Meru's five peaks - the enclosed wall represents the mountains at the edge of the world and the surrounding moat, the ocean beyond. End of day take a relaxing stopover at Prasat Chrung visiting Tadev Hole and temple with the best Sunset. Return to your hotel and end of the tour

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Siem Reap (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

## **DAY 3: FULL DAY BENG MEALEA AND BANTEAY SREI**

Morning, start your tour at 8:00AM, visit an ancient Hindu temple at the countryside, BANTEAY SREY (citadel of women, 35Km north of Siem Reap), building began in the year 968- and was completed in the year 1,001 AD. Dedicated to Shiva God. In Cambodia, it is a unique pink sandstone temple which has most beautiful deep carvings.

Afternoon, visit Beng Mealea built in the 12th century, the layout and style of Beng Mealea is very similar to Angkor Wat. It's current state, however, is dominated by jungle. Trees have grown out of the towers and vines entangle columns. Lintels and others building blocks lay around in a tumble and require visitors to climb up and down as they approach the completely collapsed central towers. Ancient capital of Khmer Empire of Rolouse group such as Lolei, Bakong and Preah Ko temples.

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Siem Reap (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

## **DAY 4: SIEM REAP - LUANG PRABANG**

You are free at leisure until transfer to the airport for flight from Siem Reap to Luang Prabang- Laos

Arrival airport, please go to custom desk as your first point of entry to get visa-on-arrival into the country and pay stamping fees directly by cash to custom office there then guide will pick you up outside and transfer to the city for check in

Your private vehicle and guide transfer you to hotel for check in. The driving distance is approximately 30 minutes.

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Luang Prabang (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### **DAY 5: LUANG PRABANG FULL DAY CITY TOUR**

Morning, explore Luang Prabang including the former royal temples, Wat Visun where one can see the Biggest statue, Wat Xieng Thong the most beautiful temple in Luang Prabang with its mosaic decoration and the former royal carriage. Next, visit the Museum (former king's palace).

Afternoon, continue a visit at Photisak silver shop, and Minority Art centre. You also learn how different type of minority groups in Laos, their ways of living, and their survival. End of tour, climb up Mt Phousi overlooking the city of Luang Prabang before passing by the night market. Back to your hotel

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Luang Prabang (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### **DAY 6: LUANG PRABANG - BIG BROTHER MOUSE - BAN KHIA LUANG - PAK OU CAVE**

Morning, your guide bring you to the Big Brother Mouse shop to select some books for the village visit. Then head northward along route 13, before taking a unpaved road to Ban Khia Luang village. There spend most of time to visit the school, play with the kids and watch them enjoy their new books. We'll also spend some time to explore the rest of the village, where you can see weaving and visit the local temple. Lunch at the village (not included in the tour price) which can either be a western picnic lunch, or traditional Laos food such as sticky rice; laap and fresh vegetables cooked by the villagers.

Afternoon, drive through beautiful sceneries of paddy fields and mountains to reach Ban Khoklin where you board on a private boat on Nam Ou River for 30 minutes to visit Pak Ou Caves, two linked caves crammed with thousands of gold lacquered Buddha statues of various shapes and sizes left by pilgrims and continue down the Mekong River return to Luang Prabang late afternoon.

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Luang Prabang (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### **DAY 7: LUANG PRABANG - BANGKOK**

You are free at leisure until transfer to the airport for flight to Bangkok. Meet your driver for an airport transfer to hotel.

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Bangkok (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### **DAY 8: BANGKOK FULL DAY HIGHLIGHTS**

Today, enjoy a full day city tour including the Royal Grand Palace, the nation's landmark and most praised royal monument in Thailand, the enclosed and dazzling Wat Phra Keo with its revered Emerald Buddha, the Golden Chedi, the Pantheon of the Chakri Kings and the Eight Coloured Towers, all are must-see highlights in Bangkok. It is considered to be a living example of classical Siamese Court, being the former residence of the kings of Thailand.

Next, you'll visit Wat Pho – the first centre of public education and 'Thailand's first university' where you will find mural paintings, inscriptions, and statues placed in the temple-educated people on different subjects such as literature, warfare, archaeology, astronomy, geology, meditation. You're then offered the Thai traditional massage with a 30-minutes treatment as an excellent break after a morning tour.

In the afternoon, experience a trip along the bustling Chao Phya River and the quiet Klongs (canals) in a long tail boat. The tour shows you more scenes of life by water, more local traditional way of living that totally away from all the high-rise and modern buildings of Bangkok City. As we gently pass Thonburi residential areas, a stop will be made at the "Temple of Dawn" (officially named Wat Arun). Next, visit the Flower and vegetable market that closed to the Chao Phraya River, this part brings you to a rural piece of Bangkok where there is a vast selection of all kinds of flowers, orchids and tropical flowers. You also see how the merchants create very special flower garlands. This Bangkok day ends at the Golden Mountain. Photography is permitted in the Royal Palace Grounds and in the compounds of the Emerald Buddha Temple, but not inside the buildings.

Note: Please dress respectfully by not wearing sleeveless, shorts or sandals, when visiting the Grand Palace and temple complex.

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Bangkok (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### **DAY 9: BANGKOK FULL DAY AYUTHAYA BY COACH & CRUISE**

Morning, visit the former capital of Thailand, Ayuthaya, located approximately 75km north of Bangkok. The mixing cultures in Ayuthaya began in the mid-16<sup>th</sup> century when ships from Ayuthaya plied the Asian seas and traded with neighboring countries. Ayuthaya became a port city and trading routes extended to China, Japan, Indonesia, Portugal, Holland and France and up to the Scandinavian when the Dutch showed up in the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

Although the ancient villages of foreign traders lining the Chao Phraya riverbanks were abandoned when the city was sacked by Burmese troops in 1767, some remnants survive to showcase the cities past glory. Arrival, start at the Summer Palace of the late King Rama V, commonly known as "Bang Pa-In". Move on to the magnificent ruins of early splendor that Ayuthaya is famous for all over the world. We will pass all the most impressive ruins of this World Heritage Site for taking sufficient pictures. We then return to Bangkok by cruising down the Chao Phraya River on a comfortable, air-conditioned cruise ship, while enjoying a sumptuous buffet lunch on board. Upon arrival at the disembarkation point in Bangkok in the late afternoon, we drive you back to your hotel.

Note: Kindly be aware that proper attire is required to enter the Summer Palace compounds; staff will be pleased to advise you accordingly

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Bangkok (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### **DAY 10: BANGKOK - PHUKET**

After breakfast, you will check- out the hotel and then transfer to the airport for flight to Phuket. When arrival at the Phuket airport, meet our guide & transfer to your hotel to check in.

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Phuket (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### DAY 11: FREE AT YOUR LEISURE

Full day free at leisure on beach

**Meal: Breakfast**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Phuket (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### DAY 12: PHUKET DEPARTURE

After breakfast, you will check out the hotel and then transfer to the airport for departure flight with guide. Thank you for travelling with us!

**Meals: Breakfast.**

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### **4. EXTENSION TOURS:**

Add-on beach relaxation or tours to neighbor countries; Laos, Vietnam & Myanmar

**5. PRICE: All rates are per person sharing DBL or TWN/FB Basis, in US dollar, net and non-commissionable.**

**Date: 01 Oct - 30 Apr**

Description	2 pax	3-4 pax	5-6 pax	7-8 pax	9-10 pax	Single Supp
First Class	1,467	1,307	1,259	1,153	1,133	+481
Superior packages	1,720	1,560	1,512	1,406	1,386	+736
Deluxe packages	2,256	2,095	2,047	1,941	1,922	+1252

**Date: 01 May - 30 Sep**

Description	2 pax	3-4 pax	5-6 pax	7-8 pax	9-10 pax	Single Supp
First Class	1,276	1,115	1,067	961	942	+292
Superior packages	1,636	1,475	1,427	1,321	1,302	+652
Deluxe packages	2,141	1,980	1,932	1,826	1,807	+1137

**Date: 01 Oct - 31 Dec**

Description	2 pax	3-4 pax	5-6 pax	7-8 pax	9-10 pax	Single Supp
First Class	1,323	1,163	1,114	1,008	989	+339
Superior packages	1,740	1,579	1,531	1,425	1,406	+756
Deluxe packages	2,374	2,214	2,166	2,060	2,041	+1371

### **SURCHARGE FOR FLIGHT TICKET**

**Note:** Subject to be changed without prior noticed

- From Siem Reap (REP) - Luang Prabang (LPQ): US\$ 218 per person
- From Luang Prabang - Bangkok (BKK): US\$ 240 per person

- From Bangkok (BKK) – Phuket (PKK):

US\$ 155 per person

### **WHAT IS INCLUDED**

- Accommodation in a twin or double room with daily breakfast
- Lunch or dinner as specified in the itinerary
- Services of a driver and private air-conditioned vehicle during all tours and transfers.
- Experienced English-speaking guide during all tours and transfers
- Private board for sightseeing as mentioned in the program, Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Mineral water is available as complementary

### **WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED**

- International & Domestic flight tickets
- Meals, if not specified in the itinerary
- Gratuities for guides and drivers
- Visa stamping fee at the airport in Siem reap (US\$ 30 in Cambodia, US\$ 30 in Laos, paid by cash at the airport)
- Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance)
- Personal expenses, such as laundry, telephone, drinks, etc. All other services not specified in the itinerary
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### **LIST OF HOTELS USED:**

<b>Destination</b>	<b>First Class – 3 star</b>	<b>Superior packages – 4 star</b>	<b>Deluxe packages – 5 star</b>
<b>Siem Reap</b>	<b>Steung Siem Reap</b> <i>Superior Room</i> <a href="http://www.steungsiemreaphotel.com">www.steungsiemreaphotel.com</a>	<b>Somadevi Angkor Hotel</b> <i>Superior Room</i> <a href="http://www.somadeviangkor.com">www.somadeviangkor.com</a>	<b>Borei Angkor Resort</b> <i>Deluxe Room</i> <a href="http://www.boreiangkor.com">www.boreiangkor.com</a>
<b>Luang Prabang</b>	<b>My Dream Resort</b> <i>Classic Room</i> <a href="http://www.mydreamresort.com">www.mydreamresort.com</a>	<b>Villa Santi Resort</b> <i>Deluxe Room</i> <a href="http://www.villasantihotel.com">www.villasantihotel.com</a>	<b>Kiridara Hotel</b> <i>Deluxe Mountain View Room</i> <a href="http://www.snhcollection.com/kiridara/">www.snhcollection.com/kiridara/</a>
<b>Bangkok</b>	<b>A-One Bangkok</b> <i>Superior Room incl ABF</i> <a href="http://www.a-onehotel.com/bangkok/">www.a-onehotel.com/bangkok/</a>	<b>Amari Watergate Hotel</b> <i>Deluxe Room incl. ABF</i> <a href="http://www.amari.com/watergate/">www.amari.com/watergate/</a>	<b>Centara Grand at Central World</b> <i>Superior World Room incl. ABF</i> <a href="http://www.centarahotelsresorts.com">www.centarahotelsresorts.com</a>
<b>Phuket</b>	<b>Andaman Cannacia Resort &amp; Spa</b> <i>Deluxe Room incl. ABF</i> <a href="http://www.phuket-cannacia.com/">www.phuket-cannacia.com/</a>	<b>Anantara Vacation Club Phuket</b> <i>Apartment Suite (One Bedroom)</i> <a href="http://www.anantaravacationclub.com">www.anantaravacationclub.com</a>	<b>Anantara Phuket Layan Resort &amp; Spa (Former Bundarika)</b> <i>Premier Room incl . ABF</i> <a href="http://www.phuket-layan.anantara.com">www.phuket-layan.anantara.com</a>

### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

- All prices are quoted in USD/ per person, based on Double/Twin occupancy
- Supplement for standard Thailand, Laos & Cambodia menu meals: US\$ 14 for lunch & US\$ 18 for dinner

- Private services & daily departure
- Quotation is quoted based on English speaking guide: Surcharge for other guide
  - Supplement for German Speaking guide: USD 15/day per group
  - Supplement for Spanish Speaking guide: USD 20/day per group
  - Supplement for Italian Speaking guide: USD 35/day per group
- Surcharge for Compulsory dinner for Xmas and New Year Eve
- Surcharge for Peak Season at above mentioned hotels (if have)