

DAY TRIPS IN LAOS

TOURS ESCAPE FROM LUANG PRABANG

OVERVIEW

Situated in northern Laos at the confluence of the Nam Khan and Mekong Rivers, the ancient town of Luang Prabang was declared as UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1995. The small city is an outstanding example of the fusion between traditional architecture and Lao urban structures with those built by the European colonial authorities.

Luang Prabang was the ancient royal capital of the Lan Xang Kingdom until 1545 when Vientiane was chosen the capital. The myriad temples, saffron-robed monks, sacred caves and colonial buildings, hill tribes, the well-recognized hand-woven silk and cotton textiles with local patterns which deeply reflect century-old tradition, cozy atmosphere and laid-back pace of life, all become the undeniable trademarks of this ancient town. Cascading waterfalls and the mighty Mekong River with plenty of opportunities to unwind and sail your way through the town are some of other highlights the town has on offer. Luang Prabang is simply a must for any first-time visitors to the country.

LUANG PRABANG – CITY TOUR WALKING

Tour code: LPQ-L04
Tour type: Historical & Cultural
City: Luang Prabang
Time: Morning or afternoon (08.30 - 12.30h. or 13.00 - 17.00h)

Overview:

This full day guided tour explores the rich culture and history of Luang Prabang as you visit temples, museums, arts centers and hidden laneways. Visit the gilded halls of temples such as Wat Xieng Thong, walk through the historic former Royal Palace and explore the diverse cultures and traditions of Laos' hill tribes at the Traditional Arts and Ethnology Center. This trip is perfect introduction of the city.

Itinerary:

Morning or afternoon, your private guide meet you at your hotel and together start a walking tour around the city. You will reach the Traditional Art and Ethnology Center to learn about Laos' many ethnic cultures. You head to the magnificent Wat Xiengthong with its roofs sweeping low to the ground, which represents classical Laotian architecture - the most beautiful temple in Luang Prabang with its mosaic decoration and the former royal carriage. Cross the road to the Royal Palace Museum which hosts a range of interesting artifacts and then stroll around the city to visit Big Brother Mouse, which is the most famous bookshop in Laos. The next stop is Ock Pop Tock, meaning East Meets West, where you can learn about the traditional weaving in Laos. Your tour would be incomplete without climbing up Mt Phousi overlooking the city of Luang Prabang for a beautiful sunset before passing by the night market, where you can find a lovely collection of handmade textiles made by local and hill-tribe people surrounding Luang Prabang. Walk back or you can choose to take taxi to your hotel

Group	1	2	3-4	5-6	7-9	10-12	13-15
Price	108	49	35	26	20	12	8

Included: Private English or French speaking guide/Entrance fee & mineral water