

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 – PAK OU CAVES – BAN CHAN

Tour code: LPQ-L09
Tour type: Historical & Cultural
City: Luang Prabang
Time: 8:30-17:30

Overview:

About two hours upstream from Luang Prabang, the Pak Ou Caves are located in limestone cliffs overlooking the Mekong River. The caves are filled with many Buddha statues and still have been used as a pilgrimage site today. You will reach the site by a two-hour cruise along the Mekong, and view lots of beautiful river scenery. The trip also involves in stopping at local villages along the waterfront to see the handicrafts.

Itinerary:

Morning, you'll be picked up by your private guide and start a cruise upstream on the Mekong River, which gives us a panoramic view of the tranquil countryside as well as an interesting visit to the mysterious of Pak Ou Caves, two linked caves crammed with thousands of gold lacquered Buddha statues of various shapes and sizes left by pilgrims. Along the way, we stop at the village of Ban Xanghai, where they make the local rice wine. On our way back, we pass the local villages at Ban Chan continue to see the royal temple at Wat Longkhoun and Ban Phanom, a village well known for its hand weaving. Tour finishes at your hotel in Luang Prabang

Group	1	2	3-4	5-6	7-9	10-12	13-15
Price	253	134	94	72	56	42	36

Included: Private transportation with English or French speaking guide/Entrance fee & mineral water/
Private boat for sightseeing, Lunch