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Foreword

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It is with great pleasure that I pen a few words to acknowledge the efforts made to enhance the growth and development of ASEAN tourism through the publication of this online 'ASEAN Tourism Packages'.

ASEAN tourism is heading towards a very exciting period of vast potential development. The World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) has projected that Asia Pacific will gain a major market share of new arrivals in tourism – an additional of 331 million beginning 2010 to reach 535 million by 2030. It is noteworthy that the Southeast Asia region is anticipated to grow at a faster rate compared with the global average during this period.

Given this promising landscape of tourism, it is critical that ASEAN member nations work together to strengthen the region as one tourism destination. With ASEAN members advancing, enhancing and deepening strategic partnerships with one another, the integration will certainly bring about a more attractive and dynamic tourism industry. Subsequently, these efforts will also bring the peoples of ASEAN closer and lay a firm foundation for a more peaceful, stable and prosperous region.

I am confident that given our long history of friendship together, we will advance ASEAN as a special community for tourism in the region to flourish.

In this regard, I take the opportunity to thank and congratulate everyone involved in realising the ASEAN Tourism Packages, an important step towards an integrated tourism region.

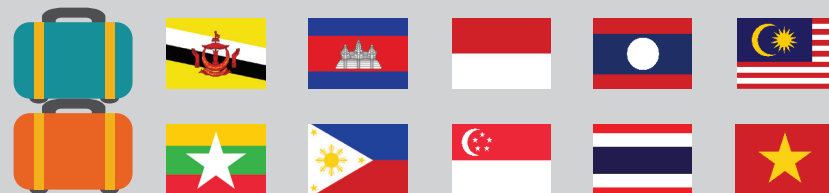
Thank you.

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Message

TAN SRI DR. ONG HONG PENG
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On behalf of the Ministry of Tourism and Culture, Malaysia, I would like to express my deepest appreciation to all the ASEAN National Tourism Organisations (NTOs) and travel agents from ASEAN Member States for their support and cooperation in the publication of this online 'ASEAN Tourism Packages'. This is indeed an excellent guide for tourists from ASEAN countries and it will promote the region as a brand in the international market.

These online packages, offered by travel agents from ten ASEAN countries and made available on the ASEAN Tourism website, consist of attractive tour packages that promote dual and triple destinations in a single package. Tourists can choose to visit UNESCO World Heritage Sites, join cruises or homestay programmes, or experience the unique cultural heritage of the people of ASEAN countries. Therefore, I believe the 'ASEAN Tourism Packages' will benefit the economies of ASEAN and the local communities.

The 'ASEAN Tourism Packages' is a collective effort to promote the ASEAN region as a single tourism destination. It also aims to instil a culture of travel within ASEAN countries among tourists in the region and globally. In addition, the online packages also complement the GOASEAN channel, the first 24-hour travel channel focusing on ASEAN countries. The channel, which is broadcasted on satellite network Astro, highlights the top attractions, such as shopping, sports, music, festivals and food, in each ASEAN country.

In conclusion, once again, I would like to thank all those who have given their cooperation and support in ensuring the success of the 'ASEAN Tourism Packages'.

Thank you.

Tan Sri Dr. Ong Hong Peng

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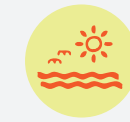
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5D4N BRUNEI & KOTA KINABALU EXPERIENCE PACKAGE

Day 1

SGN – BRUNEI

Arrive in Bandar Seri Begawan on Royal Brunei Airlines

SGN-BWN BI384 ETA 20:20 - 23:15

Arrive in Brunei, meet and proceed to Hotel

Check in and overnight at The Centrepont Hotel

0800 hours ~ Breakfast at hotel.

0830 hours ~ Check out

0900 hours ~ Proceed for Full-Day City & Water Village tour

On this full-day tour you will visit many renowned places of interest. You will visit the Tamu (Open Market), visit the Regalia Centre, the Sultan's Palace (Istana Nurul Iman) and take a water taxi ride to the water village and visit a house there, where local cakes and tea will be served. You will visit the new mosque - Jame' Asr Hassanil Bolkiah Mosque.

0915 hours ~ Visit open Market

1000 hours ~ Visit Malay Technology Museum

1045 hours ~ Visit Water Village

1145 hours ~ Visit Omar Ali Saifuddin Mosque

1230 hours ~ Lunch at local restaurant

1330 hours ~ Visit Royal Regalia

1430 hours ~ Visit Jame Mosque

1500 hours ~ Photo stop at Sultan's Palace

1530 hours ~ Last minute Souvenir Hunting

1700 hours ~ Transfer to Airport

1905 hours ~ BWN - BKI BI827 ETA 19:05 -19:45

Meet upon arrival. Meet and proceed to Dinner at local restaurant

Overnight at Ming Garden Hotel or similar hotel



Day 2

SAPI ISLAND / CT TOUR (B/L/D)

Breakfast at Hotel

0900 hours – Pick-up from hotel lobby and transfer to jetty. Board boat for a 10-15 minute ride to Sapi island. Sapi is one of the popular islands in Tunku Abdul Rahman Park & is the smallest among the five. It is also one of the most well-known islands for snorkeling. Spend the day at leisure: Swimming, Snorkeling and just lazing, or get a tan at the white sandy beach.

Short and simple trails are available if you are feeling adventurous. A sumptuous BBQ will be served for you to enjoy your lunch on the island. After lunch, continue at leisure (Optional: Water sports available at any time)

1400 hours –Depart to mainland & continue with Kota Kinabalu City Tour

The city, formerly known as “Singgahmata” or “the Place where the Eye Lingers”, has risen from the destruction of the last World War to become a vibrant and modern city that still retains its traditional charms. See many places of interest in the city centre such as the Wisma Tun Mustapha (Sabah Foundation Building), University Malaysia Sabah, Sabah State and City Mosque and the Sabah Museum for the historical and cultural aspects of the indigenous people. A chance to stop at a handicraft centre for shopping.



Day 3

MARI-MARI CULTURAL VILLAGE / SHOP / AIRPORT (B/L)

Breakfast at Hotel

Check out and proceed to

0900 hours, depart from your hotel lobby. The Mari Mari Cultural Village is situated amidst a remote forest setting in Kionsom, Inanam; 25 minutes away from the hustling and bustling city. Its surrounding atmosphere may faintly remind you of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle’s ‘The Lost World’; in a Sabahan sense. In the village, you will be introduced to various traditional homes of Sabahan ethnic communities - the Bajau, Lundayeh, Murut, Rungus and Dusun - which are built by descendants of the tribes. Your friendly excursion guide will also give thorough introductions to the houses, making it a highly educational experience.

Visitors will also get chance to sample Sabahan traditional delicacies from each ethnic group. A visit to the Mari Mari Cultural Village will be a cultural excursion of a lifetime! See, taste and feel the essence of Sabah presented to you as it was and as it is.

After tour, stop by at the Filipino market for shopping, thereafter transfer to airport for departure flight back home.

BWN BI826 ETA 17:35 – 18:15

1815 hours ~ Arrive in Brunei, meet and proceed to Local restaurant for Dinner

2015 hours ~ Short photo stop at Omar Ali Saifuddin Mosque and Jame Mosque

2045 hours ~ Visit Gadong Night Market

2115 hours ~ Check in at The Centerpoint Hotel and overnight



Day 3

BKI/BWN-SGN ~ BKI – BWN BI822 EAT

08:30 - 09:30 hours ~ BWN-SGN BI381 EAT 12:30 – 13:20

0600 hours ~ Breakfast at Hotel

0830 hours ~ Transfer to Airport flight to Brunei

0930 hours ~ Arrive Brunei and transit to Saigon

1230 hours ~ Depart flight to Saigon





4D3N BRUNEI DARUSSALAM & MIRI, SARAWAK

Day 1

SGN – BRUNEI

Arrive in Bandar Seri Begawan on Royal Brunei Airlines
 BI 382 *SGN/BWN ETA 1405/1700 hrs
 Meet upon arrival. Meet and proceed to Hotel or similar
 Dinner at Local restaurant
 Overnight at Orchid Garden Hotel or similar



Day 2

BSB-KUB-MIRI (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel
 Check out
 Proceed to Miri via Seria (OGDC)
 Lunch
 Continue to Miri
 Visit Taoist Temple
 Check in
 Dinner
 Overnight at Imperial Hotel or similar



Day 3

MIRI, SARAWAK-BSB ~ (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel
 Check out
 Short City tour of Miri (Morning Market, Canada Hill, Sarawak Handicraft Centre)
 Free time for Shopping at Bintang Mall
 Lunch at local restaurant
 Back to Brunei
 Dinner at local restaurant



Day 4

BRUNEI/SAIGON ~ B/L

0800 hours ~ Breakfast at hotel.
 0800 hours ~ Check out and proceed to City Tour
 On this full-day tour you will visit many renowned places of interest. You will visit the Tamu (Open Market), visit the Regalia Centre, the Sultan's Palace (Istana Nurul Iman) and take a water taxi ride to the water village and visit a house there, where local cakes and tea will be served. You will visit to the new mosque - Jame' Asr Hassanil Bolkiah Mosque.
 0830 hours ~ Visit Tamu Kianggeh – Open Market
 0945 hours ~ Visit Malay Technology Museum
 1100 hours ~ Visit Water Village
 1200 hours ~ Photo Stop at Omar Ali Saifuddin Mosque
 1230 hours ~ Lunch at local restaurant
 1400 hours ~ Visit Royal Regalia Centre
 1500 hours ~ Last minute souvenir hunting at Rahmans
 1600 hours ~ Transfer to Airport
 1855 hours ~ Fly to BWN/SGN by BI1845/1935 hours







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ITINERARY-005:

8D7N SIEM REAP, ANGKOR, PHNOM PENH CAPITAL (CAMBODIA) & SAIGON, HANOI (VIET NAM)

Day 1

ARRIVAL - SIEM REAP (L, D)

Meet and greet with our friendly guide upon arrival at Siem Reap International Airport then transfer to hotel for check-in. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. Afternoon, commence your tour to visit floating and fishing villages in Tonle Sap Great Lake, which is one of the world's most productive bodies of fresh water. Each year, millions of fish come to spawn in the seasonally flooded



forest surrounding the lake, attracting myriad water birds as well as people, who have settled in villages along the shores and who live with the rhythms of the water. This ecosystem of extraordinary biological richness and balance between humans and nature was recently designated as a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO. It is this fusion of water and forest, this dense and intertwined world of fish, birds and people which we invite you to immerse yourself in, then back to town to visit Artisan d' Angkor (wood and stone carving) where you will find the art of Khmer traditional carving and shopping at old market or night market. Dinner will be served at local restaurant. Overnight stays at hotel in Siem Reap.



Day 2

SIEM REAP (B, L, D)

Morning programme: after breakfast at the hotel, continue your wonderful temple tour to visit the lost city of the Khmer Empire: South Gate of Angkor Thom, Giant faces of famous Bayon and Baphuon Temples, Terraces of Elephants and Leper King and the unforgettable jungle temple of Ta Prohm. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. Afternoon programme: visit the World Heritage of Angkor Wat Temple; study both the splendid architecture and bas-relief until late evening, sunset at Pre Rup temple where is an excellent place for countryside view. Dinner will be served at local restaurant with classical dance show. Overnight stays at Hotel in Siem Reap.



Day 3

SIEM REAP – PHNOM PENH (B, L, D)

/ distance: 314km, 6 – 7 hours driving

Morning, breakfast at hotel transfer to Phnom Penh, the capital of Cambodia and located on the west bank of Chatomuk River, near the conjunction of the upper Mekong, Tonle Sap, Bassak and lower Mekong rivers. Lying along the Tonle Sap river, which reverses its current twice yearly. It serves as the centre of economy, culture, politics and society of Cambodia. Visit Royal Palace with Silver Pagoda, a unique structure among pagodas. So named for its silver tiled floor, it is where it houses a collection of priceless Buddhist and historical objects including the "Emerald Buddha" and Toul Sleng Museum (S-21), which was the largest centre of incarceration and torture in the country during the Khmer Rouge regime. Continue to Central Market, a unique, art deco building in Phnom Penh built in 1935. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight at hotel in Phnom Penh.



Cambodia

Day 4

PHNOM PENH – SAIGON (B, L, D)

/ Border crossing

Morning, breakfast at hotel. Transfer to Bavet / Moc Bai border to cross to Vietnam. Pick up at Bavet / Moc Bai border, transfer to local restaurant for lunch. Visit Cu Chi tunnels where human knowledge has been enriched by experiencing a web-like tunnels system of more than 200km in length which used to be the shelters of guerrillas during the war against Americans, transfer to Ho Chi Minh. Dinner and Overnight at Ho Chi Minh.



Day 5

SAIGON CITY TOUR (B, L, D)

After breakfast, City tour: visit Binh Tay Market, Thien Hau Temple, Giac Lam Pagoda and a lacquer workshop or silk shop, lunch at local restaurant, have a half-day city tour of dynamic Ho Chi Minh City, Photo-stop at Neo-Roman Notre Dame Cathedral - one of the most splendid and typical of the beautiful French-built churches in Ho Chi Minh city, next Municipal Post Office - Saigon's French-style main post office to admire and take photos of its nice architecture that is one of the Ho Chi Minh City's iconic images, continue to visit War Museum, Reunification Palace, lacquerware factory, shopping at Saigon Square or BenThanh Market. Dinner at local Restaurant. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.



Day 6

SAIGON – HANOI CITY TOUR (B, L, D)

After breakfast in hotel, proceed to airport for flight to Hanoi. Arrive Hanoi, meet our representative, then transfer to Hotel for check-in, lunch at local restaurant, City tour: Ba Dinh Square (Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One pillar pagoda, house on stilts...) Temple of literature, visit Hoan Kiem Lake, Ngoc Son Temple. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Hanoi.



Day 7

HANOI – HALONG BAY- HANOI (B, L, D)

After breakfast, Transfer to Halong - Halong Bay. Lunch of fresh seafood is served on board. Board a private boat for a cruise in Halong Bay, a world heritage site recognised by UNESCO in 1994. Explore Thien Cung Grotto, round over Tuan Chau Island, Dinh Huong Island, Ga Choi Island, Dog Island and Sail Island. Return to Hanoi with stop-overs at ceramic and hand embroidery workshops en route. Arrive Hanoi, dinner at local restaurant. Free time for shopping. Overnight in Hanoi.



Day 7

HANOI – DEPARTURE (B)

Transferring to airport for flight to your next destination.

END OF TOUR PROGRAMME.





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ITINERARY-007:

9D8N BANGKOK, PATTAYA (THAILAND) & SIEM REAP, ANGKOR, PHNOM PENH (CAMBODIA) & SAIGON (VIET NAM)

Day 1

ARRIVAL – BANGKOK - NANTA SHOW + DINNER (D)

Arrive at the Bangkok International Airport, warm welcome and proceed to Hotel for check in. Relax. Then join for Nanta Show

'The world best comedy musical show in Bangkok'. Back to Hotel. Overnight in Bangkok (Hotel).



Day 2

CANAL TOUR - WAT ARUN - ASIATIQUE RIVERFRONT NIGHT MARKET (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Today visit to Canal Tour - Cruise in a comfortable Long-tail motor boat along the Chao Phraya River and canals in Thonburi area. You will be treated to spectacular and colourful scenery of Thai life along the river banks. The Bangkok people still depend on the waterways to transport their merchandise. En route you can see many magnificent temples and architectural buildings, including Grand Palace, Wat Arun or The Temple of Dawn, the Royal Thai Navy Dockyard, the Thai Maritime Navigation Company, the Old Customs House and Royal Barges Museum. Then, visit to Wat Arun - Temple of Dawn. Lunch at restaurant. Enjoy shopping. Dinner and enjoy evening time at Asiatique Riverfront Night Market. Enjoy the time. Overnight in Bangkok (Hotel).



Day 3

BANGKOK – PATTAYA (B, L, D)/ MINI SIAM & MINI WORLD - NONG NOOCH GARDEN - PATTAYA WALKING STREET

Breakfast at hotel. Depart to Pattaya, on the way visit to Mini Siam + Mini World (Mini Europe). Then visit to Nong Nooch Tropical Garden, the award-winning Tropical Garden where you can see junior elephants show and other lovely well-trained animal performances. Have Lunch and proceed to hotel for check in. At night, dinner at restaurant and enjoy Pattaya Walking Street. Enjoy the time. Overnight in Pattaya (Hotel).



Day 4

PATTAYA – SIEM REAP (B, L, D)

Breakfast at hotel. Today depart to Poi Pet Border to cross border to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Meet and greet with our friendly guide upon arrival at Poi Pet border. Lunch at Tropicana Hotel & Casino. Transfer to Siem Reap. Check-in at hotel upon arrival. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight stays at hotel in Siem Reap.



Day 5

SIEM REAP (B, L, D)

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Day 9

Departure (B)

Transfer to airport for flight to your next destination







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6D5N BALI - GENTING

Day 1

ULUWATU (D)

Arrive at Ngurah Rai Airport of Bali. Meet & Greet directly to visit "Uluwatu Tour + Beach Tour". After that BBQ dinner at Jimbaran beach. Transfer to hotel for your accommodation.



Day 2

BEDUGUL – TANAH LOT (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Full day tour, visit: Taman Ayun, Ulun Danu, Alas Kedaton, Tanah Lot. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.



Day 3

KINTAMANI + BARONG DANCE (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Full-day tour, visit: Barong Dance of Batubalan, Galuh Batik Factory, Holy Spring Water of Tampak Siring, Mount Batur of Kintamani. Sukawati Art Market shopping centre. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.



Day 4

DENPASAR – KUALA LUMPUR (B/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Then transfer out to airport for your flight to Kuala Lumpur. Arrive at Kuala Lumpur International Airport. Visit National Monument & ASEAN Garden Sculpture, Gates of the King's Palace, Independence Square, Drive pass and photostop at the Petronas Twin Towers, Moghul style railway station building, National Mosque, Islamic Arts Centre, National Museum, Jamek Mosque, House of Parliament, Police Museum and Lake Gardens. Visit Jadi Batek Handicrafts Centre. Transfer to hotel for your accommodation. Dinner at local restaurant. Free programme.



Indonesia



Day 5

GENTING HIGHLANDS (B/L/D)

Return transfer from hotel to Genting Highlands. Free time to explore Genting Highlands. Maximum car usage including travel duration from hotel to Genting is 8 hours. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.

****Note:** Genting outdoor theme park is currently closed for renovation.



Day 6

Transfer to KLIA for your onward flight.



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6D5N JOGJAKARTA - MELAKA



Day 1

ARRIVE IN YOGYAKARTA (D):

Arrive at Asdi Sucipto Airport of Yogyakarta. Transfer to hotel for your accommodation. Dinner at local restaurant. Free programme.



Day 2

YOGYAKARTA FULL – DAY TOUR (B,L,D)

Breakfast at hotel. Proceed for Borobodur temple full day tour. Afterwards, back to Yogyakarta city for shopping programme. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant. Back to hotel.



Day 3

YOGYAKARTA FULL – DAY TOUR (B,L,D)

Breakfast at hotel. Proceed to Prambanan Temple. Afterwards, back to Yogyakarta city for visiting: The Sultan Palace and Taman Sari. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant. Back to hotel.



Day 4

YOGYAKARTA – KUALA LUMPUR (D)

Transfer out to airport for your flight to Kuala Lumpur. Arrive at Kuala Lumpur International Airport. Visit the National Monument & ASEAN Sculpture Garden, Gates of the King's Palace, Independence Square, Drive pass and photostop at the Petronas Twin Towers, Moghul-style Railway Station Building, National Mosque, Islamic Arts Centre, National Museum, Jamek Mosque, House of Parliament, Police Museum and KL Botanical Gardens. Visit Jadi Batek Handicrafts Centre. Transfer to hotel for your accommodation. Dinner at local restaurant. Free programme.



Day 5

MELAKA FULL DAY TOUR (B,L,D)

Visit Porta De Santiago cir. 1512, Ruins of St.Paul's Church cir.1571, Dutch Square – with guided sightseeing to the Stadthuys, Christ Church, Clock Tower, The Queen Victoria Fountain, The Cheng Hoon Teng Temple. Take a stroll along Jonker Street. Enjoy an authentic Peranakan lunch & dinner. Back to hotel.



Day 6

Transfer to KLIA for your onward flight.





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8D7N THAILAND – INDONESIA

Day 1

ARRIVE IN BANGKOK – ASIATIQUE THE RIVERFRONT (-/L/-)

Arrive in Bangkok Airport by morning flight. Meet & Greetings at Bangkok airport by our tour guide. Lunch at Local Restaurant Transfer to check in – And transfer to visit, free time at Asiatique The Riverfront, the newest Bangkok Night Market, opened in May 2012. Ever since the closure of the Lumpini night market there have been

different places that tried to “fill the gap” – and this finally is it. It's popular not just with tourists, but also with Thais, but it definitely is the most upscale night market in Bangkok. One of the first things you'll see when you walk from the river to the market is a huge iStore. Free programme. Overnight Bangkok



Day 2

WAT ARUN – GRAND PALACE (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Meet with tour guide. Proceed to Chaopraya River Tour and visiting Wat Arun Temple (Temple of Dawn). It is among the best known of Thailand's landmarks and the first light of the morning reflects off the surface of the temple with pearly iridescence. Lunch at local restaurant. After that transfer to visit The Grand Palace, one of the most beautiful samples of an ancient Siamese court. It used to be the residence of the Kings of Thailand. Here you will see palaces which were used for different occasions: the Funeral Palace, the Reception Palace, the Throne Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Royal Guest House, and the beautiful Emerald Buddha Temple. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Bangkok.



Day 3

SHOPPING SIAM PARAGON – WORLD TRADE CENTER – PLATIUM PATUNAM (B/-/-)

Breakfast at hotel. Shopping Day - SHOPPING SIAM PARAGON - World Trade Center – Platium Patunam Overnight at Bangkok.



Day 4

BANGKOK - AIRPORT BANGKOK - YOGYAKARTA (B/L/-)

and check out. Transfer to shopping at Siam Parakon Center Bangkok. Lunch at Local Restaurant. Transfer to Bangkok Airport and return departure. BKK-CGKbGA867 (1410-1745) // CGK-JOGGA218 (1935-2050) Arrive JOG, transfer to hotel for check in



Day 5

YOGYAKARTA TOUR – PRAMBANAN – BOROBUDUR TEMPLE (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel, visit Sultan Palace, Water Palace, Prambanan Temple, Lunch at local Restaurant, visit Borobudur Temple, Batik Maker, Kota Gede Gold & Silver, Dinner at local restaurant, shopping at Malioboro street, back to hotel.





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Day 6 YOGYAKARTA – BALI (B/L/D)

Breakfast box from hotel, transfer to airport for flight JOG-DPS (GA250/0755-1015), proceed to Bedugul-Lake Bratan, Lunch, visit Ulun Danu Bratan Temple, shopping at Kuta Area, dinner at local restaurant, transfer to hotel for check-in.



Day 7 BARONG – KINTAMANI – TANAH LOT B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel ,Barong Dance, Kintamanee (Mt. Batur-Lake Batur), Lunch at Kintamani, visit Tampak Siring-Tirta Empul Temple, Tanah Lot, dinner at Jimbaran Beach, back to hotel. Dinner at Jimbaran Beach



Day 8 DEPARTURE (B/-/-)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to airport, Tour has completed



8D7N SINGAPORE – INDONESIA

Day 1

ARRIVE IN SINGAPORE (-/L/D)

Arrive in Changi Airport. After Lunch, Night Safari Tour with Tram Ride and Show. Transfer to Hotel.



Day 2

CITY TOURS (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. 09: 00hrs City tour - Merlion Park, Chinatown, Gems Stone Factory & Little India
14:00hrs Sentosa Tour - Cable Car, Underwater World + Dolphin Lagoon & Wings of Time



Day 3

FULL DAY TOUR (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. 10.00hrs Full day Universal Studios with Multiple ride on operational ride



Day 4

SINGAPORE – INDONESIA (B/L/D)

Departure GA823 SIN CGK 07:25 08:15 / GA206 CGK JOG 10:05 11:20

Arrive JOG, Lunch at Local Restaurant, Prambanan Temple, Silver Maker, Dinner, transfer to hotel for check in.



Day 5

YOGYAKARTA TOUR – BOROBUDUR – BALI (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel, B'fast at hotel, Borobudur Temple, Pawon Temple, Mendut Temple, Lunch, Sultan Temple, Water Palace, Shopping Malioboro Street, Dinner, trsf to airport GA254JOG-DPS (2030-2250), check in at hotel



Day 6

KINTAMANI – UBUD (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel, Barong Dance, Batik Maker, Kintamani, Lunch, Coffee Factory, Tempak Siring, Ubud Shopping, Dinner, back to hotel



Day 7

MENGWI – BEDUGUL – TANAH LOT (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel, Mengwi Temple, Bedugul, Lunch, Ulundanu Bratan Temple, Tanah Lot, shopping Kuta, Dinner at Jimbaran, back to hotel.



Day 8

DEPARTURE (B/-/-)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to airport, Tour has completed



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7D6N SINGAPORE - BALI



Day 1

ARRIVE IN SINGAPORE

Arrival in Singapore. Free program.



Day 2

UNIVERSAL STUDIO SINGAPORE

Today, you can play at Universal Studio. Enjoying the game as Revenge of the Mummy, Jurassic Park adventure, The Ultimate 3D Battle of Transformer etc. (arranged by your own)



Day 3

SINGAPORE - LEGOLAND THEME PARK SINGAPORE

Transfer from Singapore Flyer to Legoland theme park at Johor Baru. Enjoying many kind game in theme park. After that back to Singapore flyer, then back to hotel in Singapore. (arranged by own)



Day 4

DEPARTURE SINGAPORE - ARRIVAL BALI (D)

Transfer to airport with arranged by own and flight Bali. Upon arrival, meet & greet by local representative. Transfer in to hotel for check in, Uluwatu temple: the holly ancient temple, this temple located at the level of 250 feet above sea level on the cliff south point or pura luhur. Nyang-Nyang beach tea time: top of the hill beach. The beach is a "secret paradise" for surfer. We could see the waves. It could be great place for pro surfers.. Dinner will be provided at local restaurant.



Day 5

KINTAMANI VOLCANO-PENGLIPURAN VILLAGE-KEHEN TEMPLE (B/L/D)

Rice terrace field: Terrace is one of the more popular rice terrace to visit. The rice terrace is designed very beautiful with exquisite hollowing rice field and precisely located on the hill bank. Kintamani volcano with a beautiful panorama with view to mount and lake Batur with a cold temperature. Kehen Temple is beautiful Hindu temple located in a foothills, It is one temple of monarchi temple, the temple under the aegis king while ceremony execution and construction is delivered to lokal countryside custom as a sanctum which is used as a altar(oath) for empire functionary who disloyal to his obligation will incur the sapata or very horrible anathema

Penglipuran village is a traditional country side owning unique characteristic life, socializing and culture. The natural nature and environment of country side is designating the pittance touch of modernization influence. Lunch and Dinner served at the Local restaurant.



Day 6

GLASS BOTTOM+TURTLE ISLAND-BIRD NEST FACTORY-MONKEY FOREST-TANAH LOT (B/L/D)

Glass bottom + Turtle Island: can see the first glass bottom boat is a boat with sections of glass, or other suitable transparent material, below the waterline allowing passengers to observe the underwater environment from within the boat. The view through the glass bottom is better than simply looking into the water from above, because one does not have to look through optically erratic surface disturbances.

During on the way to turtle island home made coffee factory:

The tastes of coffee depend on where it is planted and how it is processed and prepared. Therefore, prior to serving, coffee has to go through lengthy processing and special recipes help generate excellent flavours to enable consumers to identify their favourite coffee, coffee producers acquire a trademark which guarantees consumer satisfaction bird nest factory.



Day 7

DEPARTURE BALI (B/ D)

After breakfast at your hotel, free at own leisure or optional tour until time for hotel check out. Transfer to airport Bali and flight to your home.



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7D6N SINGAPORE - BANDUNG

Day 1

ARRIVE IN SINGAPORE

Arrival in Singapore. Free program.



Day 2

UNIVERSAL STUDIO SINGAPORE

Today, you can play at Universal Studio. Enjoying the game as Revenge of the Mummy, Jurassic Park adventure, The Ultimate 3D Battle of Transformer etc. (arranged by your own)



Day 3

SINGAPORE - LEGOLAND THEME PARK SINGAPORE

Transfer from Singapore Flyer to Legoland theme park at Johor Baru. Enjoying many kind game in theme park. After that back to Singapore flyer, then back to hotel in Singapore. (arranged by own)



Day 4

DEPARTURE SINGAPORE - ARRIVAL JAKARTA (D)

Transfer to airport with arranged by own and flight Jakarta.

Arrival in Jakarta International Airport. Meet & greet with our tour guide. Program in the afternoon

Jakarta city tour by visiting Sunda Kelapa Old Harbour and Fatahillah Museum, Glodok China Town and Photostop at National Monument. Dinner will be served at local restaurant. Transfer to the hotel



Day 5

JAKARTA - BANDUNG (B/L/D)

In the morning breakfast at the hotel. Afterward direct transfer to Bandung via new Highway toll, on the way will visit Miniature Indonesia Park, Lunch at local rest. Arrive Bandung, shopping program to some

Factory Outlet, such as, Rumah Mode, Heritage, Summit, etc and dinner at local restaurant. Back to hotel.



Day 6

BANDUNG FULLDAY (B/L/D)

Breakfast at the hotel. Today will continue to fullday Bandung, visiting White Crater volcano and Ranca

Upas Hotspring + Ciwidey strawberry farm. lunch at local rest. Back to Bandung. We'll shopping at

Factory Outlet or Cihampelas jeans centre, afterwards dinner at local rest then free program



Day 7

BANDUNG DEPARTURE - JAKARTA ARRIVAL (B/ D)

Breakfast at the hotel then free program until time for transfer to Bandung/Jakarta airport for your next flight.







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15D GRAND TOUR SIMPLY BEAUTY LAOS & VIET NAM



Day 1

ARRIVAL LUANG PRABANG – HALF DAY CITY TOUR

After breakfast we visit the Royal Palace Museum which hosts a range of interesting artefacts and a guided audio tour. We then begin our temple tour taking in some of the city's most beautiful, including the nearby Wat Mai, next the magnificent Wat Xiengthong, with its roofs sweeping low to the ground, representing the classical Luang Prabang style, as well as Wat Visoun, known as 'The Water Melon Stupa' due to its shape. Then climb up Phousi Mountain for sunset.

Overnight in Luang Prabang

Meals: Breakfast/_/_



Day 2

LUANG PRABANG – PAK OU – MINORITY VILLAGES AND KUANG SI WATERFALL

After breakfast take the traditional boat up the Mighty Mekong to visit mysterious Buddha cave and then across to Ban Pak Ou for lunch. Afterward we drive to visit Ban Thinko, a Hmong minority village to learn their culture and traditions, then take us to the beautiful Kuang Si Waterfall where you can cool off with a refreshing swim in the pools or walk along the forest trails.

Overnight in Luang Prabang

Meals: Breakfast



Day 4

VANG VIENG – VIENTIANE (BY ROAD)

This morning we visit the picturesque Tham Jang cave that offers stunning views of over the Nam Song River and surrounding karst scenery. We then set out on the road towards Vientiane. En route we stop at Tha Heua, a small village that specializes in dried fish, which you will see hanging in front of the houses. We then continue to Nam Ngum, a picturesque lake created by damming the Nam Ngum River. Following lunch overlooking the lake, we stop over at Ban Keun, which is famous for its salt mine. Here you can learn about the daily working life of the local people. Just outside of Vientiane we make a final stop at the interesting Don Makai Market, an insect market, where the adventurous can try some of the tasty snacks on offer! Return to Vientiane by early evening. (The road journey today takes approximately 4-5 hours including stops on the way)

Overnight in Vientiane

Meals: Breakfast/_/_





Day 5

VIENTIANE - HALF DAY CITY TOUR

Your half day city tour, begin with the oldest, Wat Sisaket with thousands of miniature Buddha statues and the former royal temple of Wat Prakeo, which previously housed the famous Emerald Buddha Image. Enroute to Lao's national precious heritage, the famous and sacred structure of That Luang Stupa, you will have the opportunity to take some pictures of the imposing Patuxay Monument, which is well-known as Vientiane's own Arc de Triumph. Wat Si Muang, site of the *lak meuang* (pillar-stone) of Vientiane, Si Muang temple is home to the guardian spirit of the statues. You have the option to visit the excellent COPE Exhibition Centre, highlighting a much overlooked aspect of Laos and a major problem many of the local people face on a day to day basis in the form of unexploded ordnance as a result of heavy bombing campaigns during the Vietnam War era.

Overnight in Vientiane

Meals: Breakfast/_/_



Day 6

VIENTIANE – PAKSE – TADLO (BY AIR)

You will be transferred to the airport early this morning for the flight to Pakse.

Flight from Vientiane to Pakse with Lao airlines on QV301 departs at 08:35, arrives at 09:50. (Note: the flight schedules are subject to change without prior notice from the airlines)

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred by road east into the Bolaven Plateau. The Bolaven Plateau is known for its cooler temperature being located high above the Mekong Valley. Our first stop is to visit Ban Lak Sipkao (Kilometre 19), a Laven village specialising in knife-making. We then stop tea plantation, followed by a stop at Tad Fan Waterfall, a picturesque twin chute waterfall. We then make a stop at a coffee plantation, en route to Tha Teng Market, a colourful ethnic minority food market. Next we explore another interesting minority village, Kok Puong Katu minority, that boasts a sacrificial alter we arrive at the beautiful Tadlo Waterfall in the late afternoon, where you have the rest of the day at leisure. You also have the option of a short elephant ride (not included) to take in the beautiful scenery.

Overnight at TadLo

Meals: Breakfast/_/_



Day 7

TADLO – PAKSE – WAT PHOU – KHONG ISLAND

After breakfast, we head out of the plateau, stopping first at the attractive Paxuam Waterfall. We then transfer to Champassak and onto Wat Phou, another World Heritage Site in Laos, which became recognised by UNESCO in 2002. Wat Phou is the site of ruins which were once part of a temple built some time before Angkor Wat in Siem Reap. It contains some of the most Ancient Khmer architectures which date back to between the 7-11th centuries. In the late afternoon you will drive to Don Khong, an area of the 4000 islands which is the widest point of the Mekong River during the rainy season, although during the dry months the river recedes, leaving behind thousands of islands and islets. Arrive at Khong Island via ferry early evening.

Overnight on Khong Islands

Meals: Breakfast/_/_



Day 8

KHONG ISLAND – KHONE ISLAND

Following breakfast, we enjoy a visit to the surrounding countryside, and embark on a long tail boat tour to Don Khone, where we disembark and have the option of exploring the island by Tuk-tuk which takes you to visit the remains of the French period and Lphi Waterfall or "the Corridor of the Devil" and enjoy the local life along 4000 islands

Overnight @ Khone Island

Meals: Breakfast/_/_





Day 9

ISLAND – PAKSE

We return to the mainland at the fishing village of Ban Nakasang and drive further south to visit Khone Phapheng Waterfall. Khone Phapheng is considered the largest waterfall by volume in South East Asia; this is a really impressive site near the Lao-Cambodian border, set within an area which is teeming with wildlife, making this area one of the most breath-taking destinations in Laos. Then we drive back to Pakse for O/N



Day 10

PAKSE – HO CHI MINH

Free morning then transfer to airport for flight to HCMC, welcome and transfer to hotel Free around Saigon, in the evening pick up and transfer for dinner at CO DO



Day 11

HO CHI MINH CITY TOUR

Breakfast at the hotel then pick up and transfer to visit Reunification palace, war museum, Notre Dam Cathedral. Lunch at Lion and then visit Phouang Nam Lacquer ware factory. Ben Thanh Market back to the hotel for refreshment and then transfer for dinner at Saigon cruise



Day 12

HO CHI MINH – MEKONG DELTA

Transfer to MEKONG DELTA, on arrival welcome by boat crew and take around to visit the floating market, local fruit garden, ancient house, lunch at Xeo May and then back to HCMC Dinner at Saigon cruise



Day 13

HO CHI MINH – PHAN THIET

Transfer to Phan Thiet, Mui Ne- check in and easy free at the beach



Day 14

HO CHI MINH – PHAN THIET

A second day at leisure at the fantastic beach



Day 15

PHAN THIET – HCMC

Pick up and transfer back to HCMC and then transfer to the airport for departure

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27D JOURNEY IN NORTH THAILAND - LAOS AND CAMBODIA

Thailand portion:

Day 1

BANGKOK – CHIANG MAI (L/D) APPR. 50 KM TRIP DURATION

Upon arrival at Chiang Mai at 12:00 noon (TG 2106) meet representative, have lunch and go to visit Doi Suthep. Return to Chiang Mai to check into the hotel. In the evening, welcome Khantoke dinner, typical dinner of the North accompanied with music and traditional dances. Overnight in Chiang Mai at De Naga hotel



Day 2

CHIANG MAI (B/L) APPR. 140 KM TRIP DURATION

Your guide and driver will meet you at the hotel at 0830. Drive to Mae Tang Elephant Park. Watch elephant bathing and watch the elephant show. Elephants will demonstrate their skills in handling heavy teak logs. After the show make a bamboo raft trip on the Ping River. It is time for lunch which we will enjoy at local restaurant. After lunch, drive to Baan Tong Luang. This is a settlement where people of various hilltribes live. Although this is not a real village it is a good chance to see the traditional dress of Lahu, Hmong, Karen and Palong people in a village setting. Greatest attraction though is the famous Long Neck Karen women. Head back to Chiang Mai where we will arrive late in the afternoon. We can make a stop at an orchid nursery on the way back. We will arrive back in Chiang Mai in the late afternoon. Overnight in Chiang Mai at the same hotel



Day 3

CHIANG MAI – CHIANG RAI – GOLDEN TRIANGLE (B/L) APPR. 320 KM DURATION

Early depart from hotel around 07.30, drive to Chiang Rai along a wildy route via Doi Saket through scenic hills, valleys and villages. A short break is made at Mae Khachan Hot Spring. Proceed to Chiang Rai province. Before arriving in Chiang Rai we will visit Wat Rong Kun, the famous 'White Temple'. Continue to visit Akha & Yao hill tribe villages in Mae Chan area. View around taking pictures of tribal villages & people who still dress up in their traditional costume as well as purchasing some cheap crafts from them. Visit Long Neck Tribe. Lunch will be at local restaurant. Continue to the ancient town of Chiang Saen. Visit Wat Chedi Luang, almost 800 years old temple, also one of the most important temples in Chiang Saen. Further drive along the Mekong's River Bank to the world renowned, Golden Triangle. Drive up a small hill to a scenic point at Wat Pu Kao for a picturesque view over the Mekong River and the meeting point of 3 different countries; Thailand – Laos – Myanmar. Then, take a short walk from the temple down to the Opium Museum where questions and curiosity about the Opium are replied. After that, visit the Golden Triangle where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet before check in to the hotel. Overnight in Chiang Rai at the Legend hotel



Day 4

CHIANG RAI – GOLDEN TRIANGLE – CHIANG KHONG (B/L) APPR. 160 KM DURATION

Departs from hotel around 0800 for a short boat trip on the Mekong river. Visit the island Don Sao, which is Lao territory. Walk around the market and try a Bia Lao if you want. Enjoy the border atmosphere before drive to Mae Sai, the bustling border town. Cross the border into Myanmar. By tuk tuk we will explore Tachilek. You will visit the Temple of the Enrobened Elephant and the Mahamyatmuni Temple, a fine example of typical Burmese temple architecture. Continue to Tachilek's own Shwedagon Pagoda, a smaller copy of the Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon. After this we will enjoy an authentic Burmese lunch in a local restaurant. After lunch there will be time to visit the interesting border market, a favorite destination for Thai day-trippers. Continue to Doi Tung, visit the Mae Fah Luang botanic gardens and learn about the Royal Project on Doi Tung before we transfer you to Chiang Khong where we arrive late afternoon. Overnight in Chiang Khong at Chiang Khong Teak Garden hotel



2-Laos portion:

Day 5

CHIANG KHONG - HOUAY XAI – LUANG NAMTHA – MUANG SING (./L) (HUAYXAY – MUANGSING: 220 KM 5 – 6 HRS)

Breakfast in Hotel 06:30 Meeting with our Guide and transfer to Thai/Lao Friendship Bridge Following your completion of border formalities, meet by local guide and heading to the North-East of Laos to the town to Luang Namtha. This road has recently been improved and is now a very smooth and comfortable drive. We visit hill tribe villages along the road at Muang Phouka and other surrounding area. Luang Namtha, which is located on the banks of the Namtha River, is a land of rugged mountains and beautiful tropical forests and shares its border with China and Myanmar. Then we continue our way to Muang Sing- the first capital of Lu's principality, which is also home to various hill tribe communities in the afternoon. There is a significant Chinese population and a lot of trade goes on between here and China. We stop along the way at the Akha hill tribe village. This ethnic group originally lived in China but immigrated into Laos over a century ago. They are very poor, but have a vibrant culture and an interesting history. Overnight at Muang Sing at Phou lou (Bungalow room)



Day 6

MUANG SING – VISIT THE SURROUNDING (B/L)

Breakfast in the hotel

The remote mountainous area is beautiful and Muang Sing is ideal for adventurous trekking expedition. After breakfast we walk around this town observing the daily activities of ethnic minorities in the village and see the small vendors sell local textiles and crafts in the streets. We leave the village and take a short drive north before taking a half day trek by using the local tracks.

We cross some mountain landscape breathtaking in hill tribe villages Yao, Akha and Lanten, where we are sure to attract the attention of many ethnic minorities, as visitors do not frequently encounter this remote part of the country. 2nd night in Muang Sing



Day 7

MUANG SING - LUANG NUMTHA – OUDOMXAY (B/L) – BY ROAD

(Muangsing – Luangnamtha - Oudomxay: 174 KM 4.30 – 5 Hrs driving)

After breakfast, say goodbye to Muang Sing and we continue our adventure trip in the mountainous region and distance in northern Laos. The landscape of verdant and rugged mountain scenery combined with the colorful local population makes this an unforgettable experience.

Oudomxay province is home for a mixture of 23 ethnic minority groups. We make a few stops along the way, giving us the opportunity to see the Hmong ethnic minority groups, Khmu, Akha and Taidam.

The Mountaineers are always welcome us sympathetic shaking hands and smiling faces.

Overnight in Oudomxay at Charmong Lao hotel



Day 8

OUDOMXAY – BOUNTAI – PHONGSALY (B/L) – BY ROAD

(Oudomxay – Bountai – Phongsaly 248KM 5.30-6 Hrs driving)

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit the local market of pf the city, then continue by road up noth and making several stops in the vil-lages of ethnic minorities: Ikor, Yao, Hmong and Khmu to see their different lifestyles. Visit Wat Phra Xack Kham temple which houses a sacred Buddha image. We will pass the town of Muang La, the village of Pak Namnoy, Bountai Ban Yo. Arrival in the town of Phongsaly in the after noon and installation in local hotel

Overnight at local hotel in Phongsaly at Phoufa hotel

Phoufa hotel

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Website: <http://www.tuanlinhtravel.com/Laos/hoteldetail/2263/Phoufa-Hotel.htm>



Day 9

PHONGSALY – VISIT THE SURROUNDINGS (B/L)

Breakfast at the hotel a walking visit to the outskirts of the capital, including the local market, exploring the beautiful nature around Phongsaly and enjoy the beautiful area of tea on the mountains. During this day trip you can visit the communities of Phounoi or Laoseng, Akkha, villages.

Overnight at hotel in Phongsaly



Day 10

PAK NAMNOY – MUANGKHUA (B/L) BY ROAD

(Phongsaly – Muangkhoa 197 around 5 hours KM)

After breakfast return by road to the village of Pak Namnoy through mountainous region, then turn left on the direction of Muang Khua district, which is located on the bank of the Nam Ou river.

Today Muang Khua plays an important role of stopover for passengers travelling between northeastern Laos and Dien Bien Phu and Spa in Vietnam. Upon arrival check-in at the hotel in Muangkhoa at Senerly hotel.



Day 11

MUANGKHUA – NONG KHIW (B/L) BY BOAT 5 HOURS

After breakfast, then board the private local boat for an unforgettable cruise on the Nam Ou River to Nong Khiaw. This particular section provides amazing limestone karst scenery and remote villages, including Ban Sob Jaem, Khmu and Hmong village, which can only be reached by boat. We stop to explore a few sites before reaching our accommodation in Nong Khiaw in the afternoon.

Upon our arrival at the hotel, we will have the opportunity to make a bike ride through the picturesque local limestone caves nearby. Overnight at Nong khiaw riverside hotel



Day 12

NONGKHIW – LUANG PRABANG (B/L) BY BOAT 6 HOURS

After breakfast at the hotel, drive southward to Done Nguen village, where the dam construction takes place. Afterward we continue our journey quietly downstream on the Nam Ou River till the Mekong, enjoying the lush forests and landscapes. On the way we stop to visit the mysterious Pak Ou Caves, crammed thousands of statues of gold lacquered Buddha in various shapes and sizes left by devoted pilgrims.

We continue our journey to the World Heritage town of Luang Prabang UNESCO. This former royal capital with its gleaming temple roofs, fading colonial architecture and stunning mountain backdrop retains a unique charm rarely found in modern Asia. Transfer to the hotel in the early evening.

For those who love shopping the night bazaar offers a beautiful collection of textiles and hand-made by people of different tribes and ethnic minorities in the country hills surrounding Luang Prabang.

Overnight in Luang Prabang at Le Sen boutique



Day 13

LUANG PRABANG – SIGHTSEEING TOUR (B/L)

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit to the National Museum at the former Royal Palace, which displays a lovely collection of the artifacts reflecting the richness of Lao culture dating from the days of the early kings right through the last sovereign. Today we explore some of the main sights of this fabulous city, including the impressive stupa of Wat Visoun, Wat Aham, the oldest temple of the city: Wat Sene and Wat Mai and the most magnificent temple of Wat Xiengthong. Then climb up 329 steps to the top of Mount Phou Si for an enjoyable exploration of the sacred, gilded stupa and enjoy a beautiful view of the city and its glowing reflection on the Mekong River. Overnight in Luang Prabang



Day 14

LUANG PRABANG – KUANG SI WATERFALL (B/L) 35 KM

Watch Tagbat, the monks' rounds, early in the morning. It is a ritual that is truly part of Lao people's life and offers a memorable experience and great snapshots. Your guide will explain how to follow the strict customs and rules involved and visit the fresh local market. Return to your hotel for breakfast. First we visit the morning Phousi Market, where you will see such diverse offerings as dried buffalo skin, local tea and saltpeter among the chickens, vegetables and hill-tribe weavings. Laos is also known for its traditional crafts, and today you will visit local villages of Lao ethnic minority groups at Ban Ouay, a Hmong village, Ban Ou a Laoloum village and Ban Thapene, a Khmu village. This then takes us to the beautiful Khuang Si Waterfall where you can cool off with a refreshing swim in the pools or walk along the forest trails. We then return to Luang Prabang.

In the afternoon we drive back to Luang Prabang by early evening in time for a sunset view over the Mekong. Overnight in Luang Prabang



Day 15

LUANG PRABANG – VANG VIENG (B/L)

(Luang Prabang – Vang Vieng 238 KM 5 - 6 HRS driving)

After breakfast, today we start early this morning, around 8 AM for the drive of 306km uphill a mountain surrounded by wonderful natural scenery to Vang Vieng. The road follows a twisty but very scenic mountain route, so you should have your camera ready. We make our first stop at the M'Hongs village at Kiu Kacham, which offers great views of the surrounding mountains. We then continue crossroad of Phoukhoun, before arriving at Phou Phueng Fa viewpoint, offering some of the best views in the whole of Laos (weather permitting) and a café for a lunch stop.

After lunch we continue further south to Vang Vieng, a small and tranquil town, which is nestled on a bend of the Nam Song River. Its stunning scenery with a mixture of quiet water and limestone outcrops remains unspoiled, despite recent developments with the advent of tourism.

We then visit the cave of Tham Jang, which was used in the early 19th century in defense against the Chinese invaders and other caves. Overnight in Vang Vieng Villa Namsong hotel



Day 16

VANG VIENG – VIENTIANE BY ROAD (B/L)

(Vang Vieng – Vientiane 160KM 3.30 – 4 Hrs Driving)

Breakfast in the hotel, We then set out on the road towards Vientiane. En route we stop at Tha Heua, a small village that specializes in dried fish, which you will see hanging in front of the houses. We then continue to Nam Ngum, a picturesque lake created by damming the Nam Ngum River. Following lunch overlooking the lake, we stop over at Ban Keun, which is famous for its salt mine. Here you can learn about the daily working life of the local people. Just outside of Vientiane we make a final stop at the interesting Don Makai Market, an insect market, where, the adventurous can try some of the tasty snacks on offer.

In the afternoon, we start visiting some the major sights; including the oldest temple Wat Sisaket, an amazing structure featuring remarkable frescoes and Buddha images. We also visit the former royal temple of Wat Prakeo, which previously housed the famous Emerald Buddha Image. Enroute to Lao's national precious heritage, the famous and sacred structure of That Luang Stupa, you will have the opportunity to take some pictures of the imposing Patuxay Monument, which is well known as Vientiane's own Arc de Triumph.

Observing the spectacular view of over the Mekong River at sunset from one of the riverside bars is a perfect way to finish the day. Overnight in Vientiane Ansara hotel (Savvy room)



Day 17

VIENTIANE – PAKSE – BOLOVENS (TAD LO) (B/L)

Breakfast in the hotel

You will be transferred to the airport early this morning for the flight QV 512 0630-0745 to Pakse. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred by road east into the Bolaven Plateau (130 Km). The Bolaven Plateau is known for its cooler temperature being located high above the Mekong Valley. Our first stop is to visit Houey Ten, a Katu village specializing in knifemaking. We then stop tea plantation, followed by a stop at Tad Fan Waterfall, a picturesque twin chute waterfall. We then make a stop at a coffee plantation, en route to Tha Teng Market, a colourful ethnic minority food market. Next we explore another interesting minority village, Ban Bong Neua, an Alak village, that boasts a sacrificial alters. We arrive at the beautiful Tadlo Waterfall in the afternoon, where you have the rest of the day at leisure. You also have the option of a short elephant ride to take in the beautiful scenery. Overnight at Tadlo Lodge:



Day 18

TADLO – PAKSE – WAT PHOU –KHONG ISLAND (B/L) 250 KM

After breakfast, we head out of the plateau, stopping first at the attractive Paxuam Waterfall. We then transfer to Champassak and onto Wat Phou, another World Heritage Site in Laos, which became recognized by UNESCO in 2002. Wat Phou is the site of ruins which were once part of a temple built some time before Angkor Wat in Siem Reap. It contains some of the most Ancient Khmer architectures which date back to between the 7-11th centuries. In the late afternoon you will drive to Don Khong, an area of the 4000 islands which is the widest point of the Mekong River during the rainy season, although during the dry months the river recedes, leaving behind thousands of islands and islets. Arrive at Khong Island via ferry early evening. Senesothxuen hotel:



Day 19

KHONG ISLAND – KHONE ISLAND – PHAPHENG – STUNG TRENG – BANLUNG (B/L)

After an early breakfast, we enjoy a visit to the surrounding countryside, and embark on a long tail boat tour to Don Khone, where we disembark and have the option of exploring the island by bicycle, which takes you to visit the remains of the French period and Lphi Waterfall or "the Corridor of the Devil". We return to the mainland at the fishing village of Ban Nakasang and drive further south to visit Khone Phapheng. Khone Phapheng is considered the largest waterfall by volume in South East Asia; this is a really impressive site near the Lao-Cambodian border, set within an area which is teeming with wildlife, making this area one of the most breathtaking destinations in Laos.

Lunch in local restaurant

Note: Nakasang-Border Lao/Cambodia 25 Km. We should leave the hotel before 8:00 AM.

And we should arrive at the border not later than noon.



Cambodian portion:

Day 19

KHONG ISLAND – KHONE ISLAND – TRAPEANG - RATTANAKARI (B/L)

Welcome by your guide on the Cambodian side and departure to Stung Treng (50 km, new laterite road, 1 hour drive). Arrive in Stung Treng, lunch at local restaurant.

Then, departure by road to Banlung, capital of Rattanakiri, nicknamed "The Red City" because of the omnipresent laterite (177km, 3 hours drive). Check-in at Terres Rouges Lodge. Settle in and enjoy the evening at your leisure. Overnight at Terre Rouge Lodge (Standard Room)

Banlung: Terres Rouges Lodge (STD) Tel: (855) 75 974 051; (855) 12 770 650



Day 20

BANLUNG (B/L/-)

Breakfast, Ratanakiri region of Cambodia is a very isolated and little visited. Tribes of different ethnic groups in village particular constructions, roads or dirt tracks off a lot of red dust, or become filled with ruts and very slippery in the rain. forest rubber and pepper plantations, In the morning, early, visit with the guide of Banlung market, a particular market who start every morning very early, different ethnicities (Kroeung, Tompuon, Jarai), to sell or exchange their products, vegetables, gathering in forest, game, etc.. These ethnic groups are very recognizable with a small round wicker basket that women wear on their backs or in front of them for the market. Then starting with car and guide for the village of Voeune Sai a track uncomfortable. This village is composed of several communities, Chinese, Laotian and Tompuon. Departure by boat on the river Se San, to visit a village tribe where Tompuon practice funeral statuary (Totem wooden statue in the likeness of the deceased, installed in a "graveyard") Back to Banlung Terre Rouge Lodge (Standard Room)



Day 21

BANLUNG (B/L/-)

Breakfast, Departure by private car to meet the different ethnic groups in their villages, they are still small villages, some with single houses curiously mounted on bamboo poles several meters high. These ethnic groups are very poor and live in an ancestral way; village leader directs the life of the village. Visit waterfalls a few miles from the city, including that of Katieng (during the dry season, several waterfalls no longer work) and plantations of rubber trees. In the main street of Banlung you can watch the working of semi-precious stones Zircon extracted in quantity from remote mines in the deep district. Ratanakiri is a region that has little real change for decades. She was also isolated by the shelter of some Khmer Rouge leaders who hid there for several years.

Terre Rouge Lodge (Standard Room)



Day 22

BANLUNG – KRATIE – PHNOM PENH (B/L/-)

Breakfast, Departure by private car and English speaking guide to Phnom Penh (496km, 8hours) without any stop for visit

Arrive in Phnom Penh at the end of afternoon. Lunch on the way

Riverside Suites (Junior Suite)

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Day 23

PHNOM PENH – SIHANOUKVILLE (B/ L -)

This morning overland transfer from Phnom Penh to Sihanoukville on a scenic 240km journey through the Cardamom Mountains, On arrival in Sihanoukville check into your beachside accommodations and enjoy the remainder of the day and evening at leisure. There are 4 main beaches to explore round here and some fantastic trips to islands just off shore. There is also fantastic seafood to be had. In season, diving is also possible. Sokha Beach Resort (Deluxe Ocean Wing Room)



Day 24

SIHANOUKVILLE (B/-/-)

Free at leisure in Sihanoukville. Sokha Beach Resort (Deluxe Ocean Wing Room)

Sihanoukville: Sokha Beach (DLX Ocean wing) or equivalence



Day 25

SIHANOUKVILLE (B/-/-)

Take a boat trip to Koh Tas Island for snorkelling. Enjoy the rest of the day on the beach with seafood lunch on the island, swimming & other activities on your own. Then, come back to Sihanoukville in the afternoon. Note: Swimming equipment is at own arrangement.

Sokha Beach Resort (Deluxe Ocean Wing Room)



Day 26

SIHANOUKVILLE – PHNOM PENH (B/ L -)

In the morning, free at leisure in Sihanoukville.

Afternoon continue to drive to Phnom Penh the capital of the country.

Riverside Suites (Junior Suite)



Day 27

PHNOM PENH – DEPARTURE (B/-/-)

Breakfast, Free till transfer to Phnom Penh International Airport without guide

End of our services.





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Day 1

HANOI ARRIVAL

Welcome at the airport on arrival in Ha Noi and transfer to hotel for check-in. Afternoon visit the Ethnology Museum, then continue to visit the Hoan Kiem Lake with Ngoc Son Temple One hour cyclo ride in the Old Quarter of Ha Noi with over one thousand years of history to visit the ancient house (38 Hang Dao or 87 Ma May road) to experience how the local people life. Enjoy the Water Puppet Show . Overnight in Ha Noi.



Day 2

HANOI – NINH BINH

Breakfast at hotel. Morning transfer to Ninh Binh to visit Hoa Lu ancient town with two temples dedicated to Dinh and Early Le Dynasties which founded this first capital of the feudal Vietnam in 10th and 11th centuries. Afternoon continue to enjoy a hand-rowed sampan ride on Ngo Dong River with limestone cliffs jutting out of wet rice paddies to visit Tam Coc caves and Bai Dinh Pagoda – Dien Tam The . Overnight in Ninh Binh.



Day 3

HANOI-HALONG

Breakfast at hotel . Morning drive to Ha Long (250km away from Ninh Binh) where the wonderful Ha Long Bay is situated.

The estimated cruise schedule as below.

* This itinerary is based on the Halong Majestic Cruise, it can be changed if other cruise confirmed:

07:30 - 08:30 Our tour guide and bus pick you up at your hotel in Hanoi old quarter.

08:30 Departure to Halong Bay for 3.5 Hours. **10:00** Arrive in Hai Duong province, and have 20 minute short break. **12:00** Arrive Bai Chay harbor, Halong Bay. **12:15** Welcome to Majestic Cruise and enjoy Welcome drink, Enjoy welcome drink get a brief introduction about cruise and safety guidelines. Check-in your cabin. **12:30** Have Vietnamese seafood and vegetarian lunch, while cruising in the magnificent Halong Bay, admiring the fascinating rock formations in the bay. **14:30** arrival in Van Gia floating fishing village, take rowing boat through the village or kayaking to visiting around the floating fishing village. **15:30** Continued exploration the bay. **16:00** Visiting Halong Pearl Farm Village, and Swimming in the bay. **17:30** Back Majestic cruise and relax. **18:00** Join cooking class guided directly by Chef of Majestic Cruise. You have chance to practice Vietnamese traditional dishes such as spring roll or famous cuisine of Vietnam. **19:30** Time for dinner enjoying special BBQ seafood on the cruise.

21:00 Evening entertainments: play game on the cruise: cards game, chess, karaoke, squid fishing, Overnight on Ha Long Bay



Day 4

HALONG-HANOI – NIGHT TRAIN TO SAPA

06:30 Early morning sun risers can enjoy Tai Chi lesson on sundeck. **07:00** Morning view of bay's landscape with a cup of tea or coffee. Have breakfast.

08:00 Arrive Sung Sot Cave (Amazing Cave) and joining with guide to visiting and explore the cave.

10:00 Check-out and enjoy a fantastic cruise on the bay.

11:00 Enjoy the lunch on cruise.

12:00 Majestic Cruise are landing Halong Bay harbor, tourist say goodbye to sailors and finish the cruise. Drive back Hanoi, via Dong Trieu ceramic workshop. On arrival, free time for take a rest and then transfer to the train station for night train to Sapa Overnight on train



Day 5

ARRIVAL – LAO CAI – BAC HA.SAPA

Welcome on arrival and transfer upwards to Bac Ha town for visiting the Coc Ly (on Tue) or Sunday Market (on Sun) – the biggest and most colourful market of ethnic minority peoples in the mountainous north-west of Vietnam. Afterward driving up to Sapa (105 km away). Hotel check-in. Afternoon drive to the vicinity of Sapa town (around 13km) and enjoy some more walk (around 2km) off the main road to visit Ta Phin village of Zao and H'mong ethnic minority peoples. Overnight in Sapa



Day 6

SAPA – PHONG THO (new capital of Lai Chau Province)

Breakfast at hotel

Morning transfer to Muong Hoa valley where is home to many ethnic minority peoples such as H'mong, Zao, Zay, Tay and Xapho. The landscapes are very beautiful with terraced rice fields and local homes of ethnic minority peoples scattered on the mountain side. Walk visiting Ta Van village of Zay people. Afternoon driving to Phong Tho, via Tam Duong, Binh Lu with stops on the way to visit some ethnic people villages. The short drive winding over the mountain range offers the most beautiful landscapes and also the chance to enjoy a dramatic change of climate over the two sides of Tram Tom mountain pass. Hotel check-in and free time afterward, Overnight in Phong Tho



Day 7

PHONG THO – DIEN BIEN PHU (186KM)

Breakfast at hotel

Morning drive from Phong Tho to Dien Bien town near the border of Vietnam & Lao on Road No. 12.

Enjoy a spectacular drive along Nam Na River Dien Bien by the Road No. 4D. On the way, visiting some ethnic minority villages such as Paso, Pa Tan of Dzao, H'mong, Thai...

Hotel check-in and free time afterward, Overnight in Dien Bien



Day 8

DIEN BIEN PHU – MUANGKHUA

Breakfast at hotel/ Morning sightseeing tour in Dien Bien town upon arrival including visits to the former battlefields and Army Museum. Transfer to the Laos and Vietnam Border for departure. Picking up by lao guide and transfer to Muangkhoa. Overnight at guest



Day 9

MUANGKHUA – SOPCHAM VILLAGE

Breakfast . Boarding of our motorized canoes. Sailing day on the Nam Ou to a mixed village Tai het and kamu and arrive at ban Sopchem . Installation at our guests. Visit the village , the school , join activities. Prepare meals with villagers and in the evening, dine with the village chief . Evening around the campfire with the villagers: traditional songs and dances, donated notebooks and pens to school children of the village.



Day 10

SOPCHAM – PHAYONG

Breakfast. Hike through the forest to the Hmong village of Ban Pha Yong where we spend the night. Visit the village and lunch with the villagers. Depending on the season, participation in daily activities in the village. Dinner and overnight in the village



Laos

Day 11

PHAYONG – SOPKHAN – NONGKHIEW

Breakfast. Short hike to the village of Sop Khan and the pier where our boat awaits us. Short descent to Nong Khiew and stopping on a beach for swimming and picnicking. Arrival in Nong Khiew in the afternoon and rest of the day free.



Day 12

NONGKHIEW – LUANG PRABANG

By car to the Pak Ou caves. This has been a Buddhist place of worship since the sixteenth century. Over the years worshipers donated statues accumulating nowadays to several hundred, large and tiny. From the caves we head to the former capitol of Luang Prabang. En-route over the Mekong we stop at a Village of Lao Loum people to see how they make rice wine/whiskey and time permitting a stop to visit a Temple along the Mekong banks. Arriving in Luang Prabang and check into our hotel in the Heritage city center. We overnight in Luang Prabang.



Day 13

LUANG PRABANG

After breakfast around 09.00 hours we leave the hotel to explore the city on foot. Walking through old picturesque ally's and taking in the atmosphere of the French colonial style buildings including visits of the most influential Temples such as Xieng Thong, Sene, Visounnarath , Aham and Wat Mai Temple, the Royal Palace Museum



Day 14

LUANG PRABANG

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Day 15

Free at leisure until transfer to the airport for departure.



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Day 1

ARRIVAL YANGON

Arrive Yangon ,Our guide will meet you at Yang gon International Airport
and transfer to hotel.



Day 2

YANGON SIGHTSEEING (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Then explore the colonial city center. Transfer to the pagoda Botataung in which there are many precious objects of Buddhist religion. Transfer to the pagoda Chaukhtatkyi , where you can admire the monumental statue lying Buddha measuring 70 meters . Visit Colorful Bogyoke market (Monday Closed) Then go to the monumental gilded Shwedagon Pagoda - a symbol of Burmese Buddhism , the largest stupa in the world. The entrance (down the escalator) To the second floor and walk among the dozens of chapels with statues of the Buddha. Admiring decorated with thousands of precious stones of the chapel , where hundreds of pilgrims praying . Overnight in Yangon.



Day 3

YANGON – HEHO – INLE BY FLIGHT (B)

Transfer to the airport . Breakfast on flight. Fly to Heho . From the airport hour drive to Nyaung Shwe , a village lying on Lake Inle . The lake is located 900 meters above sea level , is 22 km long and 11 km wide. Along the way, numerous villages, scenic views. Transfer to a traditional long boat and cruise around the lake. Stop in the manufacture of silk. Then stop at the workshop , where he formed the traditional boats and Burmese cigars - called cheroot . A visit to the monastery standing on stilts Chung Nga Hpe . Walking Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda , which is located five sacred Buddha images constantly adorned with gold leaf by the faithful . During the trip to see the floating gardens water hyacinths and fishermen rowing a unique method of using the legs . Overnight at hotel



Day 4

INDEIN SIGHTSEEING (B)

After breakfast boat trip to amazing Indein Village its idyllic 17th century pagodas. Excursion around Indein and morning market , visit black smith, local silk weaving factory on the lake and where they still use old style hand looms. Overnight at hotel.



Laos

Day 5

MINE THOUK SOFT TREKKING (HALF DAY)(B,)

Breakfast at hotel. Then take a walk through to Eastern part of Hle Lake. Firstly we're heading to small hillock to Htat Eain village which has famous for natural lime stone cave and near by monastery. (Taungyoe Tribe village) After that we are going to climb up seven stupes hill and Lwekin village. The village people grows cheroot plants (which for traditional cigar leaves) Corn & beans to see their daily live in the farms. We also walk pass the small reservoir and the natural spring which make fresh up to every body. That spring also supply fresh water for village people.



Day 6

MORNING FREE – HEHO – BAGAN (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Free and leisure till transfer to airport for flight to Bagan. Afternoon flight to Bagan. Arrive and transfer to hotel. Overnight at hotel



Day 7

BAGAN SIGHTSEEING + HORSE CARD RIDE(B)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to airport for flight to Bagan(Ancient city of Myanmar 11-13 century). Arrive Bagan before check in at hotel, Visit Shwezigon Pagoda, Gubyaukgyi Temple (Wetkyiinn), Ananda Temple & Sulamani Temple. Afternoon sightseeing including Nanphaya Temple, Evening, 1 Hour horse cart ride around Old Bagan temples and Sunset at Shwe sandaw Pagoda. Overnight at Hotel in Bagan.



Day 8

BAGAN-PAKOKKU – MONYWA(B)

Breakfast at hotel. Ferry ride across the river Ayeyarwaddy from Bagan, Then drive to Pakokku . On the way, stop in the nineteenth -century city Pakhangyi , the walled old town . There is one of the oldest wooden monasteries in Burma. Transfer to Chindwin river trip and explore fascinating caves After Pho Win Taung and Shwe Ba Taung , where you can admire the stone statues of the Buddha. Overnight at Hotel,



Day 9

MONYWA – SAGAING – MANDALAY(B)

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the very attractively decorated , colorful pagoda Thanbuddhay . Then the time for photo stop at the second largest Buddha statue in the country - Hlaung Daw Mu . Drive to Mandalay (approx 3 hours). On the way, visit Sagaing sightseeing included Kaunghmudaw Pagoda, Sagaing Hill, On the way Sunset at U Bein Bridge . Arrive Mandalay. Overnight at hotel



Day 10

MANDALAY – AMARAPURA-MANDALAY (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Visit Amarapura,Mahagandayone Monastery , Mahamuni Buddha Image (Exalted Saint Buddha Image heavily gilded with gold leaf brought over from Arakan State in 1784), Kuthodaw Pagoda (the world biggest book, world UNESCO site), ShweKyaung (Golden Monastery. Sunset at Mandalay Hill. Drive back to Mandalay . Transfer to hotel. Overnight at Hotel,



Day 11

MINGUN – AVA SIGHTSEEING (B)

Boat excursion to Mingun (01 hour) along the Ayeyarwaddy River. During the river cruise, we may enjoy the fascinating landscapes of the river as well as the daily life of the people living along the Ayeyarwaddy. Visit Mingun pagoda – unfinished pagoda & the biggest ringing bell of 90 tons, the unusual Myatheindan pagoda. After this beautiful spectacle, continue to Ava, the capital from 14th to 18th centuries and travel by horse and carriage through the area stopping to visit the old wooden Bagaya Monastery and the remains of the Royal Palace and Fort.



Day 12

DEPARTURE TO THE BORDER THACHILEK (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to airport for flight to Thachilek then transfer to the Mae Sai border. Picking up and transfer to hotel in Chiang Saen



Day 13

TRIANGLE D'OR / TREK WITH ELEPHANT (JOIN GROUP)

Your trip departs in the morning via long-tail boat to the Karen Ruam Mitr village for the elephant safari. The hilly terrain of the elephant's path shall excite you while you are enjoying the spectacular view of the surrounding mountains. Once you have descended the ridge, you will experience the people of the Lahu village of Yapau. Then continue your trekking approximately one hour to Huay Mae Sai waterfall, where you can enjoy a swim, and the forest breeze. Then visit Akha village before your return trip to town by local bus. (L)



Day 14

TRIANGLE D'OR / LUANG NAMTHA (B)

Transfer to the Thai/Lao border. Handling of the visa procedures and crossing by bus over the bridge into Huay Xay. In Laos our English speaking tour guide awaits you as soon as you have got your Lao visa arranged (the immigration officers in Lao do not allow our guides to assist the guests with the Visa procedures). At 09:30 hours we set off by car to travel overland to Luang Namtha where we will arrive at roughly 14:00 hours. Along the way we see/visit villages of the various ethnical groups that populate this region. Once in Luang Namtha we settle into our Express Guesthouse. The afternoon will be spent visiting the various villages around Luang Namtha. We will spend the night in Guesthouse.



Day 15

LUANG NAMTHA – MUANGSING – LUANG NAMTHA (B)

Today we will be visiting and learning more in the several villages of different ethnicity about the Hmong, Akha and Tai Lu. The region between Luang Namtha and Muang Sing (a distance is about an hour's drive), we can also visit markets and do some light trekking. Return to Luang Namtha in the late afternoon.



Day 16

LUANG NAMTHA – OUDOMXAY – MUANGKHUA (B)

We will depart from our guesthouse early morning after breakfast to start our excursions through villages and markets we encounter along the way. A short stop in Oudomxai, time permitting, interesting for the ethnic groups from the area of Muang La, about 30 km from Muang Khua Oudomxai, where we will arrive around 17:00 hours. Check into our guesthouse to freshen up and later spend the night at Muang Khua



Day 17

MUANGKHUA – MUANG NGOI – NONGKHIEW (B)

After breakfast we will embark early morning our boat on the Ou River heading for Muang Ngoi Neua. Just before arriving to Muang Ngoi we will stop to explore a village of Lao Theung people. Once in Muang Ngoi we go for a short hike to visit the caves (total hike around 2 hours), the whole trip is surrounded by beautiful and impressive vegetation and rock formations. From Nong Khiaw to Muang Ngoi the boat ride is less than an hour. Check into our hotel and time permitting we can visit yet another cave. We will overnight in bungalows overlooking the river at peaceful Nong Khiaw.



Day 18

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Day 21

LUANG PRABANG – DEPART (B)

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10D9N NATURE PARKS, RIVERS & FORESTS

Day 1

DAY 01: ARRIVAL TRANSFER / KUALA LUMPUR (-/-/-)

Upon arrival at KLIA/KLIA2, meet and greet by our representative and transfer to hotel for check-in. At your own leisure for the rest of the day or join an optional tour in the afternoon (if time permits)



OPTIONAL: CITY & LANDMARKS TOUR:

Discover the old and the new on this half-day tour which is designed to give you the best possible introduction to this bustling city. Highlights: King's Palace, National Mosque, National Monument, National Museum, Independence Square, House of Parliament, Petronas Twin Towers, Handicraft Centre and Chocolate Boutique.



Day 2

KUALA LUMPUR (B/-/-)

Morning, depart for Nature Countryside Delights. From its earlier days of settlement, Kuala Lumpur has enjoyed a legendary reputation for its origins in tin mining. Head out of the metropolis and visit the extraordinary Batu Caves, a limestone hill riddled with caves and cave temples. Climb the 272 steps to the shrine of Hindu Lord Muruga, visited by over a million pilgrims every year on the annual Thaipusam festival. In the afternoon, at leisure or join an optional tour.



OPTIONAL: KUALA SELANGOR FIREFLIES

This tour takes you on a short drive to the coast. En route, you may have the opportunity to see Silvered Leaf Monkeys in their "playground". After dark, take a boat ride upriver to see thousands of folded winged fireflies flashing on the mangroves' Berembang trees, lighting them like twinkling Christmas trees. (Dinner is provided at a local restaurant / Note: Advisable to bring along insect repellent / Subject to weather conditions).



Day 3

Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR (B/-/-)

Breakfast.

For many, Kuala Lumpur is a modern, world-class city of shimmering skyscrapers and striking architecture. But look a little closer and you will find there is more than meets the eye. Escape from the heat and noise and head to the tranquil Botanical Gardens (KL Lake Garden), where you will find a stunning Orchid Garden, Butterfly Park and Bird Park. With all these 3 parks combined into this fun-filled half-day tour, you will be able to observe these magnificent wing creatures and floral beauty up close. Entrance tickets for all these 3 parks are included. Afternoon, free day or join an optional tour.



OPTIONAL: KL BY NIGHT:

Get a taste of Kuala Lumpur's buzzing nightlife and visit Chinatown, known to be the best place to pick-up a bargain - clothing, souvenirs and almost as-good-as-genuine designer items. Later, take your reserved seats at a charming local restaurant for an authentic Malay dinner, complete with cultural performances. After dinner, enjoy a short drive through the city and admire some beautiful night views. Dinner is included.

Please note: Shorts, sleeveless shirts and slippers are not allowed during the dinner



Day 4

KUALA LUMPUR (B/-/-)

Breakfast.

Morning, Enjoy an exciting day out as you set off for Forest Research Institute Malaysia or FRIM, and discover the wonders of the tropical rainforest. Founded by the British colonial forest scientist in 1929, FRIM offers a back-to-nature experience whilst enjoying the flora and fauna in a natural ecosystem. Within this fascinating institute, there are jungle trails, canopy walkway, waterfalls, a library and a museum, housing a small collection of the nation's rich forest heritage. Leaving the forest behind, travel to Aborigines Museum and learn more about Malaysia's indigenous peoples' lifestyle and culture. The museum's vast collection of arts, costumes, musical instruments and agricultural tools are artfully presented in cutting edge exhibits, relaying the cultural heritages and histories of the local native tribes. Afternoon, free or join an evening optional tour.

Please note: As there is quite a bit of walking on this tour, a good pair of walking shoes is indispensable.



OPTIONAL: DINE IN THE SKY AT KL TOWER:

Looking to dine in a sophisticated environment, filled with sweet memories and unwavering service? Look no further but look up to dine in the sky instead! From the Atmosphere 360° KL Tower revolving restaurant, see how KL is transformed into a garden city of lights when dusk sets in while indulging yourself to a brand new fine dining experience.

Offering an exclusive buffet style dining with uninterrupted revolving views of the city, this Asia's tallest communication tower provides the perfect relaxed dining environment with an unbeatable backdrop. Buffet-style dinner is included.



Day 5

KUALA LUMPUR / VIENTIANE, LAOS (B/-/-)

Welcome by local guide on your arrival. After check in and a short rest, set out to visit the city. Highlights include: Vat Phra Keo - built in 1565 celebrates the Emerald Buddha it shelters. It was rebuilt identically in 1942. Located in a pretty garden, it shelters the Buddha under sloping, superb carved wood panels. Pha That Louang - a cloister guarding a large stupa that was saved when the city was raided by the Siamese. Damaged by the plunderers Ho in 1873, it was restored by the French in 1930. It has become the symbol of the nation, representing both Buddhism and Lao's sovereignty. This large relic is a masterpiece of Laotian architecture. Patuxay - a monument established in memory of the war with France. A panoramic view of Vientiane can be seen from the top.

Afterwards, you will have chance to visit the Cope museum - a museum opening in 2008 which presents the action undertaken by Cope - an organisation in partnership with the government to help the invalid victims of the Indochina war and open up awareness about the UXOs (unexploded ordnance) situation in Laos. The Cope Centre presents the action undertaken by Cope in an interactive way. As part of the exhibition, you can watch a number of excellent documentary films about UXOs and Cope in the projection room, try to walk with a prosthetic, enter into a reproduction of a Lao house, and enjoy arts and sculptures with the mines. The Cope Centre museum succeeds in presenting a sensitive subject in an amusing way which will give you a very enriching experience with deep insight into an important part of Laos history. At the end of the afternoon, walk along the Mekong River. Overnight at the hotel. Remark: The programme will alter depending on your arrival flight."



Day 6

VIENTIANE / HINBOUN, KHAM-MOUNE (B/-/-)

Leave Vientiane for a leisurely drive south east to Hinboun, Khammouane (275km ~ 6 hour driving), which has many dramatic karst limestone formations - one of Laos's most picturesque, yet least visited province. Visits along the way will include a 15th century stupa, a hill-tribe market and plenty of photo opportunities! In the late afternoon, arrive in Hinboun where you will be spending the night here, a remote & charming riverside lodge set amongst dramatic limestone scenery. Time to relax or explore the area. Meals on your own. Overnight at the hotel.



Day 7

HINBOUN / KONG LOR CAVE / THAKAEK (B/L/-)

Breakfast.

Depart by boat for an exploration of the incredible Kong Lor Cave – a 7.5km long cavern, up to 100m high, with spectacular stalactite formations and an underground river running from end to end.

Travel by long tail boat using lamps for sight. Once you arrive at the other side, take a short trek to a nearby village where you can have your lunch on the river bank and enjoy a swim. This area is home to a variety of wildlife, such as monkeys and several large cats including the Clouded Leopard, Civet Cat and Tiger. Local Fauna includes many different types of Ferns, rare orchids, Cycads and a variety of Epiphytes.

In the later afternoon, take a brief land transfer of 1 hour to Thakaek - capital city of the Khammouane province which is located in South-Central Laos, halfway between Vientiane and the Champasak province. Formerly an important administrative and trading platform under the French occupation, the city of Thakhek still boasts the remains of former colonial houses and wide avenues typical of this era, which make it its main attraction. In addition to this, its geographic location makes it a necessary stopover for travellers wishing to discover the central southern region of Laos by land.

Dinner on your own. Overnight in Thakaek."





Day 8

THAKAEK / SAVANAKHET (B/-/-)

A fascinating day trip through the area's awesome limestone landscapes including a forest hike where local guides will show you traditional forest food and medicines collected by the local inhabitants; a walk around the serene Nong Thao Lake to discover local fishing techniques, stop-offs in rarely visited villages and a visit to a secret 300 year old cave temple, only discovered in 2004. Later this afternoon, drive to Savannakhet (3 hour driving) - another important colonial period town – for spending the night. Overnight in Savannakhet.



Day 9

SAVANAKHET / PAKSE (B/-/-)

Continue south along the Mekong to another old river port, Pakse (280km - 4 hour driving). Upon arrival and short time for lunch break, set off to explore Pakse - the capital of Champasak province in Southern Laos with a stop at Wat Luang - the most beautiful temple in Pakse and it is also the place where the Buddhist Monk school is located. Keep on our journey to visit the Heritage Museum. Overnight at the hotel.



Day 10

WEAVING VILLAGE / PAKSE (B/-/-)

In the morning, transfer to the North of Pakse and then take a local boat to cross the Mekong River to reach Don Kho weaving village - a nice place to visit for people interested in Lao traditional handicrafts. There are no cars on Don Kho and you will feel like you are stepping back to a more simple time even though electricity has been introduced recently. The 300 or so residents live in villages on the border of this 800m wide island and on rice farms at the centre, you can see some women working on large looms underneath their homes producing distinctive silk and cotton phaa salong, and long sarongs for men. Back to Pakse and transfer directly to the airport for your departure flight. Meals on your own.

End of Services





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9D8N MALAYSIA-PENANG + ROYAL BELUM STATE RAINFOREST RESORT, PERAK + THAILAND-DANOK + KRABI + PHUKET + MU KO SURIN NATIONAL PARK



Attraction:

PENANG: A fascinating fusion of the East and West, Penang embraces modernity while retaining its traditions and old-world charm. These are reflected in its harmonious multiracial populace and well-preserved heritage buildings which led to George Town being accorded a listing as a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site recently. Long regarded as the food capital of Malaysia, Penang also entices visitors with its beautiful coasts and scrumptious cuisines. Penang Hill, National Park (Muka Head), The Weld Quay Clan Jetties.



THE ROYAL BELUM STATE PARK

The Royal Belum State Park is a huge park in the northern part of Peninsular Malaysia. It is part of the even bigger Belum-Temengor Forest Complex (BTFC) that is shared with Thailand. Together with Taman Negara National Park, it is one of the oldest rainforest in world, dating back over 130 million years. Within the state park you can do wonderful nature tours (mainly boat cruises) to spot wildlife like elephants, deer, wild boars, birds, insects and many tropical trees and plants. There are also quite a few endangered animal species that live within the state park; Malaysian tigers, Malaysian sun bear, tapirs and the white-handed gibbon. Chances on an encounter with these great animals are however very slim. It is said to be the only place in Malaysia where you are able to spot all species of the hornbills. Besides, this is also one of the places to visit if you want 'experience' the Rafflesia as there are three species of this enormous flower.



DANOK IS THE BORDER OF MALAYSIA-THAILAND, IT IS SITUATED IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THAILAND.

Attraction: The Asian Cultural Village, Dinosaur Park, Nightlife.

Krabi is a wonderland. Over the years it has grown in popularity, attracting visitors due to its unspoilt natural landscape that has the advantage of beautiful attractions both on land and offshore. Tours around the area generally take in some of the truly beautiful islands and usually feature a combination of destinations. This is a fun and memorable arrangement with uncrowded beaches, pure white sands and great snorkelling.

Phuket Island is immensely rewarding to those who take the time to explore its many attractions. There is something to see for virtually anyone, including nature at its most jaw-dropping and man-made structures at their most intricate and inspiring.



MU KO SURIN NATIONAL PARK

The park covers an area of 141km² of which 76% is sea. The islands are a popular destination for divers from all around the world for its various coral reef life and white beaches.

The main islands are Ko Surin Nuea and Ko Surin Tai, the other three small islands are Ko Ri, Ko Khai and Ko Klang. Although being outside the national park boundaries, Richelieu Rock is part of the park.

Headquarters are located at Ko Surin Nuea.

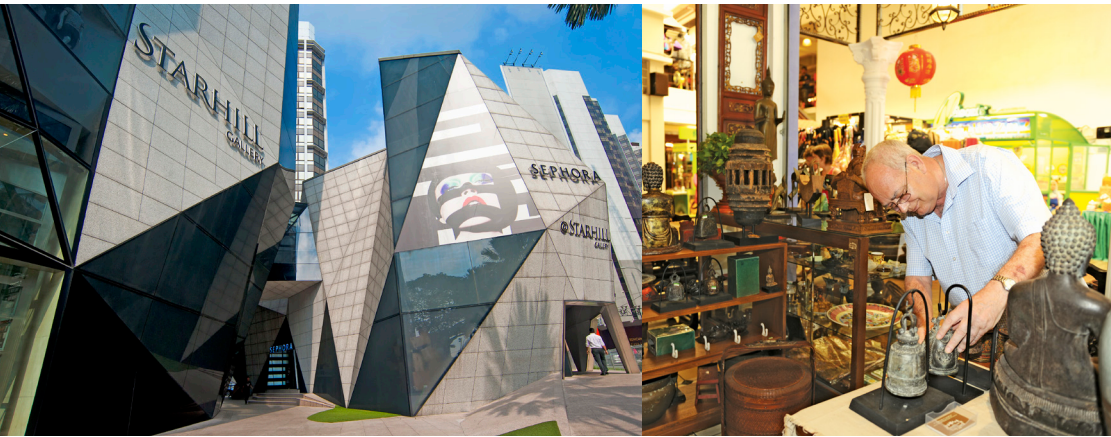




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MALAYSIA KUALA LUMPUR, IPOH, TAIPING & PENANG. + CAMBODIA ANGKOR WAT



Attraction KUALA LUMPUR

The copper-domed Sultan Abdul Samad Building on Merdeka Square in the heart of the city is probably KL's most recognizable landmark. Together with its neighbouring heritage buildings this is one of the capital's top tourist attractions. An equally famous historic landmark is the old Kuala Lumpur Railway Station built in 1910 in Anglo-Mughal architectural style and designed by AB Hubback who was also the architect for many other famous buildings in Malaysia. Railway enthusiasts and heritage lovers will appreciate the station building which contains a modest railway museum. The bustling heart of old KL, the so-called Chinatown district includes Petaling Street, famous for its street market, together with temples, restaurants, herbal remedy shops and so on. A few streets away is Central Market, a heritage building where you can find an extensive selection of Malaysian handicrafts, wood carvings, batik, art works and other gift and souvenir items. There are also some popular restaurants here. Batu Caves—This is one of my personal favourites. It is a massive cave temple on the northern fringes of the city. Be prepared to climb a lot of stairs to see the main cave.



IPOH

Kellie's Castle is situated near Batu Gajah in Perak. It is about 20 minutes drive from the city of Ipoh, the capital of Perak. The castle is an unfinished mansion that was built by a Scottish planter by the name of William Kellie Smith. The castle was built according to some are either as a gift to his wife or a home for his son. The Ipoh Railway Station. This attractive old colonial building was designed by A. B. Hubback. It was opened in 1935. The building also houses the Majestic Hotel with its station bar. On the platform side there was a little cafe called the monorail cafe. Ipoh locals have nicknamed the station the Taj Mahal of Ipoh. Ipoh Town Hall is an attractive old colonial building facing the railway station and the station square. At one time this building was also Ipoh's post office but this has moved to the other end of station square. Across the road from the town hall is Ipoh Magistrates court another lovely old colonial building.





KUALA SEPATANG - World acclaimed best managed coastal wetlands. The 40,000-hectare Matang Mangrove Forest was gazetted as a Permanent Forest Reserve in 1906. Today, it is recognized as the best managed sustainable mangrove ecosystem in the world. Charcoal Factory, Boat Ride to Mangrove Forest, Firefly, Eagle Feeding.

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ANGKOR, IN CAMBODIA'S northern province of Siem Reap, is one of the most important archaeological sites of Southeast Asia. Stretching over some 400 km², including forested area, Angkor Archaeological Park contains the magnificent remains of the different capitals of the Khmer Empire, from the 9th to the 15th century. They include the famous Temple of Angkor Wat and, at Angkor Thom, the Bayon Temple with its countless sculptural decorations. UNESCO has set up a wide-ranging programme to safeguard this symbolic site and its surroundings.





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PENANG, MELAKA, MALAYSIA & BOROBODUR, INDONESIA



Day 1

"SELAMAT DATANG" – WELCOME!

Arrival at Kuala Lumpur International Airport, direct connecting
domestic flight to Penang
Upon arrival, meet & greet, transfer to hotel
Overnight in Penang.



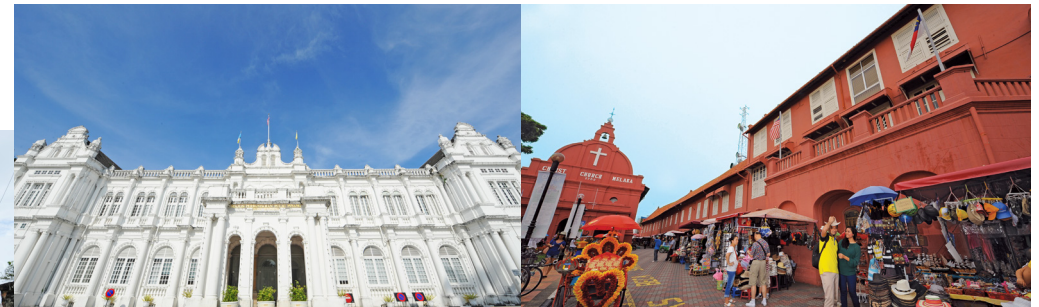
Day 2

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE CITY – PENANG

Breakfast at hotel. Penang Heritage City Tour
Visit Fort Cornwallis – the place where Francis
Light first set foot on when he arrived a Penang
Island in the year 1786. City Hall of Penang – a
typical British Palladian architectural style building
built in 1903. Old City Hall has been listed
since 1982 as a national monument under the
Antiquities Act 1976. Khoo Kongsi – The Kongsi is
both an ancestral clan house and a temple.
Kapitan Kling Mosque – it is the oldest & largest
mosque in Penang. Built in 1800. Cheong Fatt Tze
Mansion.



This elegant Chinese house is an authoritative
representation of Chinese architecture from the
18th and 19th century. It was built according
to "Feng Shui" in the 1880s. After lunch, visit the
local products shop for Malaysia's famous local
products such as nutmeg. Reclining Buddha
(Wat Chayamankalaram) - the temple is built in
the 19th century and inside lies the third largest
Reclining Buddha. The rest of afternoon is for your
own exploration of this old town – George Town.
Overnight in Penang.



Day 3

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE CITY – MELAKA

Proceed to airport for the flight back to Kuala Lumpur. Arrive in Kuala
Lumpur, transfer to Melaka – UNESCO World Heritage City. Upon arrival in
Melaka, proceed to restaurant for lunch.

- Historical tour. Portugese era – A'Famosa & St Paul's Church, Dutch Era –
Dutch Square & Stadthuys & Christ Church, Portuguese settlement, Chinese
arrival – Bukit Cina, Cheng Hoong Temple, Baba & Nyonya Heritage Museum,
Jonker Street. After dinner proceed to hotel
Overnight in Melaka.



Day 4

CITY OF MALAYSIA TRULY ASIA – KUALA LUMPUR

Proceed for Putrajaya tour, Putrajaya Square, Putrajaya Mosque, Taman Warisan Pertanian, Lunch, Visit Kuala Lumpur (Istana Negara – King's Palace, National Monument, Independence Square, KLCC photostop, Suria KLCC, Royal Selangor Pewter & Factory, Chocolate Boutique)
Overnight in Kuala Lumpur.



Day 5

JOGJAKARTA OF CENTRAL JAVA, INDONESIA

Transfer to Kuala Lumpur International Airport for your flight to Jogjakarta. Upon arrival, meet & greet by your local guide. Proceed for lunch and Jogjakarta City Tour (Keraton, Taman Sari Water Castle, Batik factory, Silver factory).
Overnight in Jogjakarta.



Day 6

WORLD HERITAGE SITES – BOROBODUR & PRAMBANAN

Breakfast at hotel and proceed to visit to Borobodur, the magnificent Buddhist Temple also known as one of the 7 wonders of the world. After lunch proceed to the Prambanan Hindu's temple and shopping at Malioboro Street.
Overnight in Jogjakarta.



Day 7

BON VOYAGE!

- Breakfast at hotel.
- Transfer to airport for your homebound flight via Kuala Lumpur.



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10D 9N INDONESIA - THAILAND – CAMBODIA

(3 nights in Bali / 3 nights in Krabi / 3 nights in Siem Reap)

Day 1

Upon arrival at Ngurah Rai International Airport, meet & greet by our local representative and depart for Ubud. The journey takes an approximate 01 hour. Upon arrival, visit to Ubud Palace, an Ubud Kingdom Palace with beautiful Balinese traditional houses as a residence of Ubud King. It is set in the center of Ubud Bali with traditional art market just in front of it and a brief stop at Ubud Traditional Market, the art crafting are sold in this art market consisted of various crafting, from traditional to contemporary crafting at a relatively cheap price. Lunch will be served at Lotus Cafe and thereafter, drop off at hotel for check in and free at own leisure.

Alternatively, you may explore the village by bicycle provided by the resort & be amazed by what nature has to offer. Overnight in Ubud. (Maximum waiting time at the airport will be 30 minutes after the scheduled flight landed) (Note: Only valid for morning flight arrival before 1200hrs to match the sightseeing arrangement)



Day 2

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for a full day tour. First stop is the Barong Dance performance & it is a sacred dance representing the eternal fight between good and evil. Next we will visit the Celuk & Mas Art Village. Mas Village is one of villages in Bali fundamentally identified as an artistic countryside by focusing in artistic of wood carving. Tampak Siring on the other hand is a place to purify our self from the bad influences in life where we can discover the traditional showers sourced from the springs at this temple & the water that comes out from the shower is believed to eliminate all kind of diseases including adverse effect in the human life and give the new holy spirits.

Next on is Mt. Kintamani which is the one of the favorite tourist destinations in Bali with the active volcano of mount Batur and its beautiful lake. Buffet lunch will be served at Madu Sari Restaurant. After lunch, we will be visiting the Sebato Coffee Plantation to catch a glance on coffee making and it's plantation. Kopi luwak or civet coffee is a coffee made from the beans of coffee berries which have been eaten by the Asian Palm Civet and other related civets, then passed through its digestive tract. Lastly, we will visit the Tegalalang Ricefield, one of the famous tourist objects in Bali featured by the amazing rice terrace set the cliff.

In the evening, enjoy your set dinner at Kemangi Restaurant with Balinese Performance (Except Sundays, will switch to Day 03). Thereafter, drop off at hotel for check in and overnight in Bali.



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Day 3

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for full day tour. Taman Ayun Mengwi, an impressive complex stands on an island in a river, its inner temple surrounded by a moat. Next on is Bedugul, one of the most interesting places in Bali with its captivating nature and lake. Buffet lunch at Labhagga Restaurant. Next, we will be visiting the Ulun Danu Temple, set at lakeside of Beratan with beautiful lake view and hills surrounded it. Another not to be missed site in Bali is the Tanah Lot Temple, it is an exciting tour to visit the temple on the rock with breathtaking view of sunset view as a backdrop. Our final stop will bring you to Jimbaran Beach and follow by sumptuous BBQ seafood set dinner at Caviar Cafe. Return to hotel and overnight in Bali.



Day 4

After breakfast at the hotel, check out & depart to Bali International Airport for flight departure to Krabi, Thailand. Upon arrival in Krabi, meet & greet by our representative & transfer to your respective hotel for check in. Free at your own leisure & overnight

Proposed Flight:

Denpasar, Ngurah Rai (DPS)	Thai Air Asia	Bangkok, Don Mueang (DMK)	Thai Air Asia	Krabi (KBV)
12:00 12:00 pm	FD397	15:15 3:15 pm	17:20 5:20 pm	18:35 6:35 pm

Day 5

After breakfast at the hotel, transfer from hotel to pier and by long tail boat to white sandy linkage: Poda Island, Majestic rock cliffs, long, beautiful beach; Tub Island, if the tide is low one can walk along the "parted sea" & you can see at least some of the incredible sandbank (normally covered over at high tide) that stretches from one island to the others. Chicken Island, where you can swimming & snorkeling among coral reef and fish. A visit to Phranang Cave to learn the history which is the sacred image for the local people. Return to pier and transfer to hotel. Free at own leisure and overnight in Krabi.



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Day 6

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for a full day tour. Choose 01 of the option from below:-

Option A: Full Day Kayaking Tour at Ao Thalane with Set Lunch

Enjoy the natural beauty of limestone cliffs, fantastic lasts, canyon, mangrove forests, animals like monkeys, mud keepers, beautiful small canyon and lagoon. Kayaking will make the journey even more interesting and fun as you're able to learn more about the abundant mangrove area and sand bank during low tide. To end the program with swimming in the fresh water is simply amazing!

Option B: Full Day Hong Island Kayaking & Snorkeling Tour with Picnic Lunch Box by Long tail Boat

By long tail boat to Hong Island and follow by kayaking to Hong Lagoon, a gorgeous place and fantastic Lagoon of green and blue waters. Enjoy swimming or sunbathing on the beach. Fish feeding at shallow sea water is also a good option.

Option C: Full Day Jungle Tour + 30 Minutes Elephant Trekking With Set Lunch

Hot Spring by natural mineral salt in shaded rainforest with an approximately temperature about 40 - 50 the degree Celsius; Crystal Pool, a warm water crystal clear pool in the middle of the rainforest, good for relaxing; Enjoy 30 minutes elephant riding in the tropical jungle trail.

After the tour, back to your hotel & overnight



Day 7

After breakfast at the hotel, check out & depart to Krabi airport for your flight departure to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Upon arrival in Siem Reap, meet & greet by our representative & transfer to your hotel for check in

Free at your own leisure & overnight

Proposed Flight:

Krabi (KBV)		Bangkok, Suvarnabhumi (BKK)		Siem Reap, Angkor (REP)	
15:10	3:10 pm	16:30	4:30 pm	18:45	6:45 pm
Thai Airways International TG252		Bangkok Airways PG909			
		19:55	7:55 pm		



Day 8

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for visit to the ancient city of Angkor Thom (12th c.), see 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 Elephants Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. After lunch at The Palmboo Restaurant, continue your visit to Ta Prohm Temple of similar design to the Jayavarman VII temples, this quiet sprawling monastic complex is only partially cleared of jungle overgrowth and follow by visit to 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 and the 12th Century masterpiece is considered by art historians to be the prime example of classical Khmer art and architecture. Dinner at Sophea Restaurant with Apsara dancing show. Overnight in Siem Reap.



Day 9

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for visit to the Cambodia Cultural Village, this 1/2 day tour takes in all the miniature famous historical buildings and structures, local customs and practices of all races. There are 11 unique villages, which represent different cultural heritages and characteristics of 19 races. At each village, visitors will see wooden houses, carving, and traditional performances in different styles such as Apsara Dancing, performance of ethnic minorities from the Northeast of Cambodia, a traditional wedding ceremony, a circus, popular games, peacock dancing. After lunch at Sampheap Restaurant, return to hotel and free at own leisure. Overnight



Day 10

After breakfast at the hotel, free at own leisure until time to check out and transfer to Siem Reap International Airport for flight departure

- TOUR END -





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7D6N INDONESIA - VIET NAM

Day 1

Upon arrival at Ngurah Rai International Airport, meet & greet by local representative and transfer for a half day Bali Tour which includes: Pandawa Beach, also known as The Secret Beach with a mesmerizing natural landscape, ancient religious structures and multiple cultural activities; Then, proceed to the cliff top of Uluwatu, the inner sanctum of the pura is perched majestically on the edge of a steep cliff that towers above the legendary surf breaks of southern Bali. Thereafter, transfer to Jimbaran Beach for beautiful sunset and follow by sumptuous BBQ seafood set dinner at Caviar Cafe. Drop off at hotel for check in and free at own leisure. Overnight in Bali. (Maximum waiting time at the airport will be 30 minutes after the scheduled flight landed) (Note: Only valid for morning / afternoon flight arrival before 1400hrs to match the sightseeing arrangement)



Day 2

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Day 4

After breakfast at the hotel, free at own leisure & depart to Bali airport for your flight departure to Hanoi, Vietnam. Upon arrival in Hanoi airport, meet & greet by our representative and transfer to your respective hotel for check in. Overnight in Hanoi.

Proposed flight

Denpasar, Ngurah Rai (DPS)	SilkAir	Singapore, Changi (SIN)	SilkAir	Hanoi, Noi Bai (HAN)
10:30		13:05	15:05	17:25
10:30 am	MI175	1:05 pm	MI654	5:25 pm



Day 5

After breakfast at the hotel, proceed for Hanoi City Tour which covers Ba Dinh Square, Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum & Residence (exterior only) - (closed on Mondays, Fridays & whole month of October & November), and Temple of Literature (The 1st University of Vietnam). After lunch, depart overland to Ha Long City. Ha Long Bay was awarded by UNESCO as a natural heritage in 1994. This 04-hour drive will show you the diversity of the North Vietnam Villages and rice fields, peaceful villages along the way. Upon arrival at Ha Long City in the late afternoon, transfer to hotel for check in and dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Ha Long City.



Day 6

After breakfast at the hotel, proceed for a half day boat trip to discover wonderful Ha Long Bay. Admire hundreds of wonderful limestone formations arising from emerald green water, visit the dramatic caves, grottos such as: Paradise Grotto. Lunch will be served on boat with the fresh seafood. Then, return to Hanoi and en-route to visit the Dong Trieu Pottery Village, follow by Hoan Kiem Lake, 36 Ancient Streets (Hanoi Old Quarter) and Dong Xuan Market for shopping. Check in to hotel and free at own leisure. Overnight in Hanoi.



Day 7

After breakfast at the hotel, free at own leisure until time to check out and transfer Noi Bai International Airport for your flight departure
- TOUR END -







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10D9N YANGON – THANLYIN – BANGKOK – PATTAYA - SIEM REAP – PHNOM PENH



Day 1

ARRIVAL DAY IN YANGON (-/L/D)

Arrive at Yangon International Airport by morning flight, meet by our representative and transfer to hotel for check in. Proceed for Yangon sightseeing visit: Kaba Aye (World Peace) Pagoda Maha Pasana Cave : Buddha Tooth Relic Pagoda, Sule Pagoda to take a photo shot for a panoramic view of city; Mahabandoola Park with Independent Monument , have a memorable scene of Colonial Building; Lunch at local restaurant. Afternoon sightseeing at Chaukhtatkyi Reclining Buddha; Nga Htut Gyi Pagoda, Wood, Ruby and Jade carving workshop ; have pleasant walk around the bank of Lake Inya to enjoy local people way of life and with lush greenery and gentle breeze. Visit Shri Kali Temple , its a Hindu temple located



in the undefined Little India in downtown Yangon , Burma . It was built by Tamil migrants whilst Burma Province was part of British India . The temple is noted for its colorful architecture, especially its roof, which contains images and stone carvings of many Hindu gods. The temple is maintained by the local Indian community. Early evening visit to Shwedagon Pagoda (Land mark of Yangon) - 2500 years old the world famous sputa having a beautiful sun-set. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Yangon.



Day 2

YANGON / THANLYIN / YANGON (B/L/D)

After breakfast, proceed to Thanlyin (Syriam) across the Yangon River via Thanlyin Bridge built by Chinese Engineers, an opportunity to see the countryside around Yangon . Visit fascinating local market in Thanlyin. Drive to Kyauk Tan, visit Yele Phaya (Pagoda on a small island in the middle of the river) , a popular place of pilgrimages. Drive back to Yangon having lunch. After lunch, visit Nan Thida Jetty, and free time shopping at Bogyoke (Scott) market. After that, drive to Royal Kandawgyi Garden and take a photo shot from the sun-set terrace with Karaweik Barge and the Shadow of Shwedagon Pagoda is an amazing before dinner at Karaweik Palace Floating Restaurant with cultural show . Hotel : Central Hotel*** or Similar



Day 3

YANGON - BANGKOK BY FLIGHT (- /L/D)

Upon arrival at airport in Bangkok, you are picked up by local tour guide and transfer to Pattaya then have lunch at local restaurant. Then you are free at your leisure and have dinner at local restaurant. Overnight at hotel in Pattaya.



Day 4

PATTAYA -CORAL ISLAND -NONG NOOCH TROPICAL GARDEN (B/L/D)

Breakfast at the hotel, after that departure from hotel to Coral Island Sail across the sparkling aqua-blue water of the Gulf of Thailand to the Coral Island (Koh Lan). Here under the brilliant tropical sun, you can relax, swim, or snorkel or simply bronze yourself on the island's golden beaches. Then return to Pattaya Bay after a delicious buffet lunch. Afternoon visit Nong Nooch Tropical Garden has emerged as a fascinating tourist destination renowned for its wide-ranging orchid species, a palm garden, various flower-



ing and decorative plants from all corners of the world. The highlight of our program and every body's favourite is the elephant show. You'll see these gentle giants, the symbols of Siam, perform various tricks such as riding bikes, playing football and they'll even invite you to a tug of war. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight at hotel in Pattaya.



Day 5

PATTAYA – BANGKOK (B/L/D)

After breakfast at hotel, check out and transfer back to Bangkok to take a city tour with visiting two of the most unusual Buddhist temples in Bangkok: Wat Trimit with its invaluable Golden Buddha (5 1/2 tons of solid gold) - Wat Po, the most extensive temple in Bangkok, with its colossal Reclining Buddha and the Chedis of the Kings. Visit the Grand Palace is one of the most beautiful samples of an ancient Siamese court. It used to be the residence of the Kings of Bangkok. Here you will see palaces which were used for different occasions: the Funeral Palace, the Reception Palace, the Throne Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Royal Guest House, and the beautiful Emerald Buddha Temple. (Note: The Grand Palace is closed during special royal ceremonies and during visiting heads of state). Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight at hotel in Bangkok.



Day 6

BANGKOK – SIEMREAP BY FLIGHT (B/L/D) (AFTERNOON FLIGHT)

Morning half day free shopping tour in Bangkok, afternoon, drive to airport for your Cambodia trip. Arrive in Siem Reap; Meet and greeted by your local tour guide then transfer to check in hotel. Free day at leisure. Dinner and overnight at hotel, Siem Reap.



Day 7

SIEM REAP – ANGKOR WAT (B/L/D)

Breakfast, this morning we commence visiting the South Gate of Angkor Thom (Great Angkor or Great City). Angkor Thom is a 13km walled and moated royal city and was the last capital of the Angkorian Empire. The ancient walled city of Angkor Thom contains the famous Bayon Temple with its more than 200 enormous, mysterious smiling faces. Next, visit to the Terrace of the Elephants. Impressive, two and half-meter tall wall spanning the heart of Angkor Thom in the front of Baphoun and Phimeanakas, Carved elephants and giant garudas adorn the wall. Terrace of the Leper King – a double terrace at the north end of the Terrace of the Elephants with deeply carved nagas, demons and other mythological beings. After lunch, visit ANGKOR WAT – one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Angkor Wat, the largest temples in the world, with a volume of stone equalling that of the Cheops pyramid in Egypt/ The temples of Angkor,

built from 879-1191AD, when the Khmer civilization was at the height of its development, represent one of humankind's most astonishing and enduring architectural achievements. Overnight at hotel,



Day 8

SIEMREAP (B/L/D)

After breakfast at hotel. Start excursion to visit Floating Village at Tonle Sap Lake, the biggest lake in Asia to experience the fisherman's life. Afternoon, visit Cambodia Cultural Villages, See Wax Museum, Traditional Dancing Show, Wedding Ceremony, Cambodian living style, etc learn more about the culture and traditional of Cambodia. Evening visit Pub Street and overnight in Hotel.



Day 9

SIEM REAP PHNOM PENH (JOINT PUBLIC BUS) (B/L/D)

SIEM REAP – PHNOM PENH (JOINT PUBLIC BUS) (NO GUIDES, REP & PNH) (B/-/-)

Early breakfast, today you are transferred to the private public bus station for your departure trip for Phnom Penh. The trip will take about 6.5hrs. On the way you will stop at the Kampong Thom province – half way for short break, during your break you will have a time for little shopping to see the real local people life and their business. You will see the seller of variety of fried spider, serving, as a snack for local people, if you dare you can taste it, yummy! Later, continue until Phnom Penh. Arrive in Phnom Penh; meet and welcome by your tour guide then transfer to the restaurant for lunch before continuing to check-in hotel. Free day at leisure & Overnight at hotel,



Day 10

PHNOM PENH – DEPARTURE (B/-/-)

PHNOM PENH – DEPARTURE (CAR ONLY) (B/-/-)

Breakfast, today you are free at own leisure until time for transfer to airport for your flight home.





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9D YANGON – BANGKOK - VIET NAM

Day 1

ARRIVAL YANGON (D)

Arrive at Yangon International Airport by morning flight, meet by our representative and transfer to hotel for check in. After check in, dinner at Royal Kandawgyi Garden and take a photo shot from the sun-set terrace with Karaweik Barge and the Shadow of Shwedagon Pagoda is an amazing before dinner at Karaweik Palace Floating Restaurant with cultural show. Overnight in Yangon.



Day 2

YANGON – FULL DAY SIGHTSEEING (B/L/D)

After breakfast, today we will start Yangon City tour to Kaba Aye (World Peace) Pagoda Maha Pasana Cave : Buddha Tooth Relic Pagoda, Sule Pagoda to take a photo shot for a panoramic view of city; Mahabandoola Park with Independent Monument, have a memorable scene of Colonial Building; Lunch at local restaurant. Afternoon sightseeing at Chaukhtatkyi Reclining Buddha; Nga Htut Gyi Pagoda, Wood, Ruby and Jade carving workshop; have pleasant walk around the bank of Lake Inya to enjoy local people way of life and with lush greenery and gentle breeze. Visit Shri Kali Temple, its a Hindu temple located in the undefined Little India in downtown Yangon, Burma. It was built by Tamil migrants whilst Burma Province was part of British India. The temple is noted for its colorful architecture, especially its roof, which contains images and stone carvings of many Hindu gods. The temple is maintained by the local Indian community. Early evening visit to Shwedagon Pagoda (Land mark of Yangon) - 2500 years old the world famous sputa having a beautiful sun-set. Evening dinner to Coriander Leaf Restaurant for India meal. Overnight in Yangon.



Day 3

YANGON – THANLYIN – YANGON (B/L/D)

After breakfast, pick up by guide and visit to Thanlyin (Syriam) across the Yangon River via Thanlyin Bridge built by Chinese Engineers, an opportunity to see the countryside around Yangon. Visit fascinating local market in Thanlyin. Drive to Kyauk Tan, visit Yele Phaya (Pagoda on a small island in the middle of the river), a popular place of pilgrimages. Drive back to Yangon having lunch. After lunch, visit Nan Thida Jetty. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Yangon. Hotel : Central Hotel*** or Similar



Day 4

YANGON – BANGKOK BY FLIGHT (-/-/D)

Arrive at Bangkok and meet guide and driver. Transfer to hotel. Check in at hotel. Free time. Evening enjoy Siam niramit Show. A world class spectacular performance of Thai art and cultural Heritage with amazing state of the art special effects. Travel back through time into the history and culture of A20 the Kingdom of Siam. You will be amazed and captivated by journey back into History, journey beyond imagination and journey through joyous festivals. You can also find yourself at the Thai village where the unique architecture, music and costumes are revived. Not only can you see how Thailand delicate and ornate handicrafts are made, you can try to create them yourselves! International buffet dinner is served before the show. Back to hotel and overnight at Bangkok.



Day 5

CITY & TEMPLE TOUR BANGKOK (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Breakfast at hotel. This tour includes three of the most unusual Buddhist temples in Bangkok: Wat Trimitr with its invaluable Golden Buddha (5 ½ tons of solid gold) – Wat Po, the most extensive temple in Bangkok, with its colossal Reclining Buddha and the Chedis of the Kings. The Grand Palace is one of the most beautiful samples of an ancient Siamese court. It used to be the residence of the Kings of Thailand. Here you will see palaces which were used for different occasions: the Funeral Palace, the Reception Palace the Throne Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Royal Guest House, and the beautiful Emerald Buddha Temple. Also visit Wat Arun or Temple of Dawn and Wat Trimit. Back to hotel and free time for leisure. Lunch at local restaurant. Hotel and overnight at Bangkok.



Day 6

AYUTHAYA DAY TRIP JOIN TOUR (B/L/-)

Breakfast at hotel. Depart from Bangkok to Ayuthaya, former capital of Thailand. Among the “must see” attractions in Thailand is a visit to Ayuthaya, the former capital of Thailand situated 90 kms north of Bangkok. The principal sights are the gigantic bronze statues of Wat Mongkol Borphith, Wat Phra Srisanpetch and Wat Yai Chai Mongkol. This tour also includes a boat trip to Bang-Pa-In, the former Royal Summer Residence, which represents a fine example of Thai architecture. Lunch will also be served during this tour. Return to Bangkok by cruise and overnight at Bangkok. *join tour



Day 7

BANGKOK – HANOI FLIGHT (B/L/D)

Arrival in Hanoi, meet at the airport then transfer to hotel (Check-in time: 14h00). Afternoon is Hanoi short sightseeing at the following main sites (if time permits). Visit the Temple of Literature - site of Vietnam's first university, dating back to the 11th century. In 1076, Vietnam's first university Quoc Tu Giam was established within a temple to educate Vietnam's royalty, mandarins and members of the elite. The university functioned for an incredible 700 years and its gardens and well-preserved architecture offers a fascinating glimpse into Vietnam's past. Head to Hoan Kiem Lake, located in heart of Hanoi, which contains an islet with the tiny Tortoise Pagoda. Walking and shopping around 36 old quarters and ancient streets of Hanoi concentrated around Hoan Kiem Lake where you can find most shops of boutiques, art galleries, handicrafts and antiques, souvenirs and see how daily life unfolds. Evening: Enjoy Water Puppet show - a fantastic art form originating in the Northern Vietnam, best seen in Hanoi. Over night in Hanoi.



Day 8

HANOI – HALONG (B/L/D)

Early in the morning, we transfer by road to the famous Halong Bay - listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site and is one of Vietnam's most spectacular natural wonders. Take a chance to witness the diversity of the North Vietnam Villages and the rice fields during the 3 hour journey to Halong. On arrival, we board a traditional junk for a 4 hour cruise around the 2000 thousand tiny limestone islands that makes up mystical Halong Bay. Enjoy a delicious seafood lunch on board. Soprover to discovery Dau Go and Thien Cung caves that are the most beautiful caves in bay with great stalactites and stalagmite. Come back harbor by another way to see Fighting cock, Sea dog, Tortoise, Sail islands and stop for swimming in blue bay or gazing sunset on sunny day (weather permitting). After a fantastic day so far at Ha Long, disembark the board. Check in Halong hotel and have a rest.



Day 9

HALONG – HANOI - DEPARTURE (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel, after that check out and drive back to Hanoi, arrive at Hanoi, proceed drive to airport for your departure.





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10D9N ANDAMAN 2 COUNTRIES 1 DIVE CRUISE RANONG AND MERGUI TOUR (RANONG - KOH TACHAI - KOH BON - SIMILAN ISLAND & RICHELIEU ROCK - KAWTHAUNG -TAUNG, LA BO - 115 ISLAND - 254 ISLAND - 256 ISLAND - NGA MAN ISLAND - KYUN PHILA - BO YWAE ISLAND - MYAUK NI ISLAND -THA YAE ISLAND - KAWTHAUNG - RANONG)

Day 1

Departure time from Ranong is around **04:00 PM** on Mergui Princess or similar boat. After pick up one of our diving instructor and our guests in Koh Payam at **06:30 PM**, we will leave Saphan-phlar jetty to Koh Tachai island.



Day 2

First day is the day for touch to the blue. We will start our check dive in Koh Tachai which is home for leopard sharks, and nurse sharks. Then we will leave to Koh Bon . Koh Bon and the Pinnacle close with Koh Bon are right spots for Manta Rays. Where we will make our second dive. Last season the mantas were spotted year around and sometime we'd seen three and more mantas in a single dive. After second dive we will leave to Similan island, the most famous dive site in Thailand and the home of beautiful coral reef and reef fishes. We will make one fun dive and one night dive in two different dives of northern part of Similan. There will be a good chance to see Manta Ray, Reef Sharks, Napoleons, Barracudas and a lot of small stuff.



Day 3

Second day is the day for big fishes like sharks and rays. We will dive four dive at south and middle of Similan. In evening before sunset we will visit to beautiful beach of Similan island.



Day 4

Third day is the day with the mantas. We will make two quite enjoyable drift dives at very nice dive sites where we can see most attractive coral life in northern part of Similan. Then we go back to Koh Bon pinnacle to see manta rays. And then we will be way back to Koh Tachai pinnacle where we will make our last dive for that day, the dive for Mantas and Whale Sharks.



Day 5

The last day in Thailand is to go to big aquarium. Richcheliu rock is just the remote rock in the middle of sea but it is home to some of the largest marine life species in Thailand and sightings of whale shark, manta ray and sharks are common. We have also chance to see tiny things like sea horse, ghost pipefish, many species of nudibranch. We will make three dives before continue to Kawthaung.



Day 6

Visa process at the immigration point in Kawthaung.* After arrival to Kawthaung, board onto the boat. Depart to Taung La Bo island. And enjoy the activity of snorkeling and swimming near the island for 1 hour. Take a rest while the cook prepares lunch. Enjoy lunch onboard. Continue to H 5 Island. Arrived at 115 island and then free at leisure to explore the beauties of the virgin island. Exciting activities are sea kayaking around the island, snorkeling, fishing, jungle trekking, swimming and sun bathing on the beach. Enjoy the dinner and overnight onboard near 115 island.



Day 7

Enjoy your breakfast prepared by the Chef of Mergui Princess. After breakfast, continue to 254 Island which is small but beautiful with its white sand and semi-circle shaped beach, it is one of the most popular places among tourists. Besides, it is the most beautiful site in the area. There are full of coral reefs in Lamp Island. Various kinds of fish species can be found while snorkeling. Enjoy your dinner onboard and overnight.



Day 8

After breakfast onboard, explore nearby. Depart to Nga Mann Kyunn which has both beautiful hard and soft corals as well as Nurse Shark. A Cave is under water where many kinds of fish can be seen. After lunch on board, continue to Kyun Phila (Great Swinton) which is one of the most popular and beautiful islands in Mergui Archipelago with its beautiful corals for snorkeling. Enjoy Swimming, Fishing and Sun Bathing on the beach. Dinner and overnight onboard nearby Kyun Phila.



Day 9

After breakfast. depart to Bo Yale Island where enjoy snorkeling. And then depart to Myauk Ni Island where you can enjoy the activities such as swimming, sun bathing on the beach, snorkeling around the corals, sea kayaking and fishing along the beautiful long beach. And then depart to Tha Yae Island. You can go kayaking around Mangrove Forest, sunbathing, camping and overnight on board nearby.



Day 10

Enjoy your breakfast onboard. Then the trip starts back to Kawthaung. Cheers up for your exploration with complementary beer or soft drinks before arriving back to Kawthaung. Then return to Ranong.

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10D9N THAI MYANMAR CROSSCOUNTRY CARAVAN TOUR PROGRAMME

Day 1

BANGKOK – AYUTTHAYA

Meet our staff in your hotel's lobby. Depart for Ayutthaya by your own car. Visit the Bang Pa-In Summer Palace. The Palace consists of many royal buildings, built in contrasting architectural styles. Thai, Chinese, Italian and Victorian styles predominate. Wat Phanchoeng. This monastery is the most revered by the inhabitants of Ayutthaya, was built in A.D. 1325. Visit Wat Yai Chaimongkhon, one can see the large pagodas, built to celebrate the victory of his single-handed combat on the elephant's back during Ayutthaya capital. Lunch will be provided at riverside restaurant. Wihan Phramongkhon Bophit a large bronze cast buddha image was originally enshrined. Wat Phra Si Sanphet. This important and most outstanding monastery is located in grand palace compound used as a residential palace. It became a monastery in the reign of King Ramathibodi I. Departure from Ayutthaya to Mae Sot.



Day 2

AYUTTHAYA – MAE SOT

After the breakfast, we will depart to Mae Sot, driving time is about 8 hrs.
Over night at Hotel.



Day 3

MAE SOT – MYAWADDY – SETSE BEACH

Start border crossing to Myanmar. Arrived at Myawaddy, I suggested morning while the gate of bridge opening and you have to line up to check and stamp by immigration department at there. Transportation authorized person will put their temporary car number at your cars. After finished check point, we will drive to Kawkarite by passing through Mt. Dawna Range about 1 and half hour (if valley route is not traffic jam) or about 2 hours. Take a lunch on the way from Kawkarite to Mudon about 2 and

half hour drive which we visit Kyauktalon Taung is an interesting flat rock formation 300 feet in height with a Buddhist shrine situated on top. Proceed to Thanphyuzayat about 40 minutes drive which has a Death Railway (Burma-Siam railway) linking Thailand with Myanmar during the Japanese occupation in World War II. And then we will arrive late evening at Setse Beach where take a dinner and overnight at there.



Day 4

SETSE BEACH – MAWLAMYAING SIGHTSEEING – BAGO

After breakfast, drive to Kyaukkhami was a small coastal resort and missionary center known as Amherst during the British era. The main focus of Kyaukkhami is Yele Paya, a metal-roofed Buddhist shrine complex perched over the sea and reached via a long two-level causeway; the tower level is submerged during high tide. Along with 11 Buddha hair relics, the shrine chamber beneath Yele Paya reportedly contains a Buddha image that supposedly floated here on a raft from Sri Lanka in ancient times. The largest reclining Buddha image in the world, Win Sein Taw Ya (reclining Buddha), is situated about 20 km south of Mawlamyine on the main road to Mudon. After across Thaton which take a lunch and on the way visit Nwa La bo Pagoda. Proceed to Bago and visit Shwemawdaw Pagoda and Four Faces Pagoda and check in hotel. Take a dinner at the local restaurant near the hotel and Overnight at the hotel in Bago.



Day 5

After breakfast, start excursion to Bago sightseeing to Traditional Bago Market, Kanbawzathadi Palace; the palace site of Bayinnaung (founder of Myanmar 2nd Dynasty), Shwethalyaung Pagoda (Reclining Buddha). Drive to Thaton city, visit the biggest Buddha Statue by Bamboo Shan traditional style and Shwesaryan Pagoda. After lunch, pass across the bridge over the Thanlwin river between Thaton and Hpa-an. On the way visit to Bayintnyin caves, lime stone cave and has cold & hot spring lake. And then, visit to Shwe -yinmyaw Pagoda. Check in Hotel and take a dinner near the hotel. Overnight at hotel in Hpa Ann.



Day 6

HPA AN – MAWLAMYAING

After breakfast at the restaurant near the hotel, drive to the Mt. Zwegabin with Lumbini Garden with thousands of Buddha images provides a dramatic backdrop for Hpa An, Saddan Cave, Saddan means Royal Elephant and there are 2 stone elephants at the base of the stairway leading up to the cave. The entrance chamber has a large reclining Buddha as well as other statues and gold tablets on the walls. From here steps lead up into the main cave passage which is more or less a single passage with a short side passage almost half way through. There is an impressive chamber at the end with a huge stalagmite illuminated by daylight, and a nice view out. Visit to Kawgoon Cave – an invaluable cultural heritage questionably dates back to 7-AD. Then, visit is made in this small town and continues to KyaukKaLatt which is a small rock hill formed look like a wine glass. Pass through Mawlamyaing Bridge and check in hotel. Overnight at the hotel in Mawlamyaing.



Day 7

HPA AN – MAWLAMYAING SIGHTSEEING

After breakfast, Visit Mahamuni Pagoda, this typical Mon- style pagoda is the largest and most beautiful pagoda in the city.. After lunch, visit St. Patrick Church, Mon Museum and Kyaukthanlan Pagoda (known as the Kipling Pagoda) where you can see the view of Mawlamyaing city. Overnight at the hotel in Mawlamyaing.



Day 8

MAWLAMYAING – MYAWADDY

After breakfast, visit local market, Seindon Mibaya Kyaung called Yatana Bon Myint Monastery, where King Mindon's wife sought refuge built from the strictly Myanmar style of constructing monasteries to incorporation of foreign influences in these buildings. Kyaukmaraw Pagoda was the temple built by Queen Shin Saw Pu in 1455 in Mon regional style. After lunch, drive to Myawaddy.



Day 9

MYAWADDY – MAE SOT-TAK

After the breakfast, We will depart to Mae Sot. Over night at Hotel.



Day 10

TAK – BANGKOK

After the breakfast, We will depart to Tak than continuously to Bangkok.

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7D/6N SINGAPORE – MALAYSIA TOUR



Day 1

YANGON / SINGAPORE – PENINSULA PLAZA (--/--/D)

Welcome guest at Singapore Changi International Airport. Sightseeing around City Hall, pass by Suntec City, Merlion Park & Peninsula Plaza (Little Myanmar). Have a Signature dinner "Whole Fish jump over the fire". Overnight at 4* Hotel.

*** Guest can join for Optional Singapore By Night + "Feng Shui Tour" (3.5hrs duration) – Experiences the old way of Bumboat River Cruise along Singapore River. Feel the faster & most convenience ride with Subway MRT & Last stop will be bringing your Hope/ Health/ Luck and Prosperity @ Marina Bay Sands... Rate: SGD\$45/Adult & SGD\$35/Child (Tour Leader commission is SGD\$5/pax).



Day 2

UNIVERSAL STUDIOS – WINGS OF TIME (B/L/D)

Buffet B'fast at Hotel. Visit the biggest Diamond Industry, Medicated Oil & Beauty Products Gallery before heading down to Universal Studios Singapore (Include all games, 7 theme park & 24 rides) + Lunch at USS (Meal coupon \$10/pax). Follow by international buffet dinner @ Arches restaurant.
Entertainment with Wings of Time show (Former known as Songs of the Sea). Overnight at 4* Hotel.



Day 3

JURONG BIRD PARK – GARDENS BY THE BAY (B/L/D)

Buffet B'fast at Hotel. Proceed to Jurong Bird Park is home to the colors of the world, as Asia's largest bird park with a collection of more than 5,000 birds across 400 species... Have a Korean BBQ Buffet Lunch at Seoul Garden restaurant. Shopping @Orchard Road--- The paradise shop hoppers..
Visit Gardens by the Bay which include 2 Conservatories tickets – FLOWER DOME & CLOUD FOREST. Dinner @ "The BEST Singapore Hainanese Chicken Rice House". Overnight at 4* Hotel.



Day 4

SINGAPORE – JOHOR BAHRU – MALAKA (B/L/D)

Enjoy Breakfast at Hotel & check out. Transfer to MALACCA via TUAS 2nd LINK – the border line between Singapore & Malaysia "JOHOR BAHRU". After having lunch, discover an old City with more than 600 historical years, Cheng Hood Temple, Jonkers Old Street, Finland Square, St. Paul's Church....
Dinner and Enjoy overnight at 3* OR 4* Malaka.



Day 5

MALAKA – KUALA LUMPUR – GENTING HIGHLANDS (B/L/D)

Enjoy Breakfast at Hotel, check out. Transfer to Genting Highlands. Lunch on the way. Then, City Tour in Genting and visit Genting Casino. Dinner and enjoy overnight at 3* OR 5* Genting Hotel.



Day 6

KUALA LUMPUR – PUTRAJAYA NEW CITY (B/L/D)

Enjoy Breakfast at Hotel & check out. Transfer to Kuala Lumpur. After lunch, City Tour: pass by Royal Palace, Independence Square, Putrajaya and Photo stop at PETRONAS TWIN TOWERS. Visit Chocolate shop – Beryl's. Free and easy shopping at KLCC. Dinner and Enjoy overnight at 3* / 4* Kuala Lumpur.



Day 7

KUALA LUMPUR – YANGON (MYANMAR) (B/--/--)

Enjoy Breakfast at Hotel, check out and then transfer to Sepang Airport for departure. End of tour.

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# 7D6N YANGON-SAIGON(HO CHI MINH) - SIEM REAP- HANOI-HALONG BAY-HANOI-YANGON

## Day 1

### DAY 01 – YANGON – SAIGON (HO CHI MINH)

On arrival at Tan Son Nhat airport in Saigon. You will meet and transfer to hotel. Ho Chi Minh City, still called Saigon by many locals, is a center of commerce, finance, culture and tourism in Vietnam. This bustling metropolis, contradiction of its northern counterpart, is crowded with bikes and motorbikes, excited by numerous shopping area and sidewalk café. The rest time will be free.

Dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight at hotel in Saigon.



## Day 2

### SAIGON – MOCBAI BORDER – SIEM REAP

Breakfast at hotel.

After 2 hours driving we arrive Moc Bai border (in Tay Ninh), a border gate city in southern west of Vietnam. Proceed to the border checkpoint in Moc Bai. After the customs clearance in Vietnam and Cambodia border. You will be welcomed by Cambodia friendly tour guide and driver then transfer direct to Siem Reap. Lunch at local restaurant. On the way, you will explore the pre-Angkorian temples of Sambor Prei Kuk, "The City of Shiva in the Forest of Towers", are located 25 km north-east of Kampong Thom, near the west bank of the Saen River. Researchers recovered dikes which framed a nearly square city, 2 by 2 km. It was the capital of a regional kingdom, featuring some 50 temples. Continue to visit Naga Bridge "Spean Kampong Kdei". Dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 3

### SIEM REAP TOUR

Breakfast at hotel.

Start your visit with your professional guide, the "Great City" of Angkor Thom; visits include the famous Bayon Temple, Phimeanakas Temple within the Royal Palace enclosure, Baphuon Temple, the Terrace of the Elephants, the Terrace of the Leper King and Ta Prohm with a part of the jungle. Lunch at local restaurant. Afternoon dedicated to visit the most famous & magnificent Angkor Wat temple. This architectural masterpiece was constructed in the 12th century and covers an area of about 210 hectares. With many galleries with columns, libraries, pavilions, courtyards and ponds full of water, carved low-reliefs about Ramayana Story and day-to-day life at the time of Angkor's construction. At the end of afternoon, following the season, since the Mountain Bakheng, the sunset on all the temples, with spectacular views over Angkor Wat. Dinner at local restaurant with Apsara dance show.

Overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 4

### SIEM REAP – HANOI

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning we will visit the enchanting Banteay Srei. It appears that the temple was designed to leave no space undecorated, and the fine carvings in pink sandstone are unique. Lunch at local restaurant. Visit to Kampong Pluk Floating Village. Kampong Pluk is about 20 Km locates on the Southeast of Siem Reap Town. Just one hour by car, upon arrival at dock meet a boatman drives a long a small stream to the village. In dry period we can drive motorbike or car all the way to the village because the road is clear. Over 3000 inhabitants are real Khmers, their households made of wood and bamboo built on stilts of about 6m to 7m high. During dry season when the lake is low and lack of water those buildings look like the skyscrapers. At this time of the year many of villagers move out onto the lake and build provisional stilted houses.





## Day 5

### HANOI – HALONG BAY

After breakfast at hotel.

We depart for Halong City. We make our way through the green and peaceful Red River Delta to Halong Bay, the Vietnam's most impressive world heritage site. There are plenty of photo opportunities of the Vietnam countryside throughout this journey. Upon arrival at the Halong's dock, we board our junk boat to cruise Halong Bay with a delicious seafood lunch being served on board. Enjoy stunning views of the Fighting Cock Islet, Finger Island and bask in the sunshine of this magnificent place. Lunch at local restaurant. After lunch we'll stretch our legs and take a short walk to Ti Top Beach where we can enjoy a swim or more hiking up to the islet's summit for panoramic views of the bay. A seafood dinner will be served on the boat. We finish our day with optional squid night-fishing before retiring to our cabin for a good night's sleep. Dinner on boat. Overnight on cruise.



## Day 6

### HALONG BAY – HANOI

Breakfast at hotel.

This morning we wake up and continue our trip in Halong Bay and walk to explore Sung Sot Cave. Once we return to our boat, we'll proceed. We then return to our boat to check out and enjoy another meal on board while our captain takes us through the formations on our way back to port. At the pier our awaiting driver will take us directly to Hanoi airport, and snacks will be provided. On the way back, we'll also make a stop at the pottery village of Dong Trieu, to learn about the art of pottery or stop at handicraft shop. On arrival Hanoi we'll check in to hotel. Take a walk to explore Hanoi's Old Quarter streets and watch Hanoi traditional water puppet performance. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Hanoi.



## Day 7

### HANOI – YANGON

Breakfast at hotel.

This morning we will visit Ho Chi Minh complex area, Ho Chi Minh mausoleum (Close on Monday), President's resident on stilts, One Pillar pagoda and the Temple of Literature, the first university of Vietnam and Tran Quoc pagoda. Lunch at local restaurant and then transfer to airport for your flight home.



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## 6D5N - 2015 YANGON - SINGAPORE - KUALA LUMPUR - GENTING HIGHLANDS-YANGON

### Day 1

#### YANGON – SINGAPORE

Welcome arrival at Changi International Airport by flight- (TBA). City tour: Merlion Park, Fountain of Wealth Suntec City, Parliament House, Esplanade.

Dinner.

Overnight at hotel.



## Day 2

### SINGAPORE

Breakfast.

Visit Mount Faber, Shopping at Diamond Industry, Harbourmart. Visit Universal Studios. (Black Out date – Need to order dated tickets in advance – Non refundable) (Opening hours 10am -7 pm) (SGD 10 meal voucher inside Universal Studios). Dinner. Wings of Time Show.

Overnight at hotel.



## Day 3

### SINGAPORE – KUALA LUMPUR

Breakfast. Visit River Safari (Included Cruise). Lunch. Transfer to Kuala Lumpur (2nd Link). After clearing Customs & Immigrations, be meet and greet by Malaysian representative at the Arrival Hall.

Dinner will be served at local restaurant. Transfer to hotel for check in and free at leisure.

Overnight at Kuala Lumpur Hotel.



## Day 4

### KUALA LUMPUR

Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel in the morning. Then, the tour will take you through the Heritage Trails of the early cultures in Malaysia – an insight into Malaysia's multicultural society. Kuala Lumpur offers a variety of historic sites and monuments, including the National Monument, which was built in dedication to the fallen heroes, Independence Square, Supreme Court with its unique Victorian & Moorish architecture. You will also pass through the Parliament House, King's Palace and catch a glimpse of the National Mosque. Next, proceed to Chocolate House. The next stop will be at the famous landmark of Malaysia, Petronas Twin Towers, free for shopping after taking a group photo at twin towers dinner will be served at a local restaurant. Transfer to hotel for check in and free at leisure. Overnight at Hotel.



## Day 5

### KUALA LUMPUR – GENTING HIGHLANDS

Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel in the morning. Depart towards Batu Caves, a series of sacred caverns for the Hindus of Malaysia. You will be greeted by the world's largest statue of Lord Muruga, an important deity in the Hindu pantheon. Make the journey up the 272 steps to fully appreciate this Hindu temple. Then to a Duty Free Shop – Cheapest Watches in town and Malaysia's famous Local Products. Then, proceed to Batik Factory. Lunch at local restaurant. Start your journey to Genting Highlands– the only Casino Resort in Malaysia, which is situated 2000 meters above sea level. Take a ride on the fastest and longest cable car in Southeast. After check in to the hotel, enjoy your buffet dinner in the hotel. The remainder of the day will be at your own leisure. You can enjoy the glitter & excitement of the casino by trying your luck with the famous international games. You also can go shopping at First World Plaza, visit the indoor theme parks and feast on a wide range of delicious food at the many restaurants. Overnight at Genting Hotel.

Remarks: Tour fare exclude entrance ticket of Theme Park Genting.



## Day 6

### GENTING HIGHLANDS – PUTRAJAYA – KUALA LUMPUR – YANGON

Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel in the morning. Proceed to Putrajaya for half day tour. The tour begins with a nice panoramic view from one of the most modern bridge (Wawasan Bridge) located overlooking the Putrajaya's lake. Walking around this lake and you will arrive at the Putra Square. The Putra Mosque built with pink marble is inspired by and from the classic Islamic architecture. Another eye-catching building is the Prime Minister's office and Prime Minister's residence. Then, proceed to Airport for your flight back to Myanmar.

END OF THE PROGRAM







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# MYANMAR – THAILAND – CAMBODIA COMBINED TOUR

## Day 1

### YANGON ARRIVAL

Arrival at Yangon international airport and be welcomed by your personal tour guide. Dinner at local restaurant by own and transfer to the hotel for check in. Start Yangon sightseeing with a visit to Chauk Htat Gyi Pagoda (one of the largest reclining image of Buddha in Myanmar) to see a huge reclining Buddha image. Then, enjoy the sunset at Shwedagon Pagoda (its golden stupa covered with 60 tons of pure gold), famous worldwide – its golden stupa is the 'Heart' of Buddhism Myanmar. The Pagoda is believed to be 2,500 years old and the central stupa is surrounded by dozens of intricately decorated buildings and statues. There are always many Myanmar People praying and making offerings at Shwedagon, and its fascinating place to spend time watching the world go by. Overnight at hotel in Yangon.



## Day 2

### YANGON – BAGO – YANGON

After breakfast, drive to Bago. Visit Shwemawdaw Pagoda, originally built by the Mons to a height of 23 meters in the 8th century and was rebuilt higher several times until it finally reached its present 114 meter stature in 1954. Proceed to "Kanbawzathardi Palace" the famous palace of the Emperor of the Second Myanmar Kingdom (1551-1581 A.D). Visit the reclining ShweThaLyaung Buddha Images, built in 994 AD by King Mingadippa, 55 meters long and 16 meters high, another biggest reclining Buddha image in Myanmar built during 9th Century. Lunch at local restaurant by own in Bago. Visit Bago Market, where we can see the ways of life local people and buy local products. Extend visit to Kyaik Pun, four gigantic Buddha images all in sitting posture facing the four cardinal points of the compass, built by King Dhammazedi in 1476 A.D. After touring at Bago, return back to Yangon. On the way, observe the World War Two Cemetery – 27,000 tombstones of allied soldiers who lost their lives in Myanmar during the World War II at Htaukkyant. The cemetery is peaceful and beautifully tended. Arrive Yangon, visit Kyauk Taw Gyi – this sitting Buddha image which is carved out from single marble stone. Dinner at Karaweik Palace with cultural show and transfer to the hotel for check in. Overnight at hotel in Yangon.



## Day 3

### YANGON – BAGAN

After breakfast, early morning flight to Bagan (domestic schedule flight, ~ 1 ½ hour flying) situated in Central Myanmar, on the East bank of the mighty Ayeyarwaddy River, to discover its glorious past and histories. Arrive Nyaung U Airport and check in at the hotel. Whole day sightseeing of Bagan's most important temples and pagodas ranging from the temples with the earliest wall paintings to the prototype pagoda that influenced the designs of later Buddhist monuments. Tour highlights include colorful Nyaung Oo Market, and Shwezigon Pagoda – built by King Anawrahta in the early 11th century as a religious shrine, then go to Ananda Temple – King Kyansittha's masterpiece and the crowning achievement of the early style temple of architecture, next is Thatbyinnyu Temple – the highest building on the Bagan plain, after that visit to Htilominlo Temple – the largest temple of Bagan – noted for its fine

plaster carvings and glazed sandstone decorations. In the afternoon observe the process of traditional lacquer ware, one of Myanmar's best known handicrafts and a specialty of Bagan. Then visit Manuha Temple, Myingabar Gubyaugyi Temple – an early period Pyu-style temple of Hindu influence with some of the oldest mural paintings in Bagan and Dhamanyangyi Temple noted for its remarkable brickwork. Lastly watch sunset over the Ayeyarwaddy River from Buphaya or Shwesandaw Pagoda. Overnight at hotel in Bagan.



## Day 4

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After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to the airport for flight back to Yangon (Domestic schedule flight, 1 ½ hour flying). On the way to the hotel, visit Kabar Aye (the World Peace pagoda) and Maha Pasana (the great cave for Buddhist synod) and check in at the hotel. And then shopping at Bogyoke Market (Scott's Market) of hundreds of shops where you can find local products such as Gems & Jewelry, slippers, cloth, and so on. Evening stroll along the China Town and study the ways of living of Yangon citizens (which can observe the tradition and modern costume). Overnight at hotel.



## Day 5

### YANGON – BANGKOK CITY SIGHTSEEING (THAILAND)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to the Yangon International Airport for the departure flight to Bangkok and when you arrived, personal tour guide will be waiting to assist you to hotel check in. Then you'll begin your tour of Bangkok with a long tail boat ride along the Chao Phraya River to see many lively inner canals which provide some fantastic views of the local life. Along the way you will stop over at Wat Arun, the temple of dawn, before continuing to the Grand Palace which dedicated to the Thai Royal Family's ceremonies. Nearby is the magnificent Wat Phra Kaew, which is famous for the Emerald Buddha Image. After seeing this complex, you will drive through the many vibrant streets of China Town to some of the most significant temples in Bangkok. The landmark of Wat Traimit is well known as the Golden Buddha Temple while Wat Po houses a gigantic Reclining Buddha. You will spend the night in Bangkok.



## Day 6

### BANGKOK – PHUKET BEACH

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for flight departure to Phuket. Arrive at Phuket airport, meet and greet with our local guide and then transfer to hotel for check in, have a short rest. After that, sightseeing visit to Phuket City take in the island's natural beauty as we drive along the beach roads through Patong, Karon, Kata and Rawai. Visit to View Point where you can witness the beautiful bays of Kata Noi, Kata, Karon and Kho Poo Island, one of the island's best scenic spot. This tour gives an insight into the highlights of the "Pearl of the Andaman". Leisurely drive around Phuket town to view the Sino-Portuguese style buildings. Other attractions visited are Wang Thalang Lapidary gem factory, Wat Chalong, Phuket's most beautiful and renowned monastery, the Gypsy Village at Rawai Beach, a Cashew Nut Factory where you may sample the culinary delights on offer and the famous sunset viewpoint at Phromthep Cape one of the most beautiful panoramas on the island. Dinner on your own. Overnight in Phuket.



## Day 7

### FULL DAY PHI PHI ISLAND TOUR

Breakfast at hotel, and then transfer to the pier to take a boat trip to Phi Phi Island. Take a boat visit to Phi Phi Ley Island, exploring scenic beauty, next visit to Long Beach, Phi Phi Don Island. Change to a small boat to go for snorkeling activity near Long Beach. Enjoy crystal clear water and rich marine life. Return to Long Beach. Enjoy a buffet lunch at on Phi Phi Don Island. After lunch, free at leisure for snorkeling, swimming or relaxing on the beach, till time transfer back to hotel in Phuket. Dinner on your own. Overnight in Phuket.



## Day 8

### PHUKET – SIEM REAP (CAMBODIA)

Breakfast at hotel, then free at leisure till time transfer to Phuket airport flight to Siem Reap. On arrival, you'll be picked up to the hotel. Have an afternoon sightseeing tour. Evening: enjoy buffet dinner with Apsara Dancing Show. Tonight free at your own leisure to visit night market or the famous Pub Street.



## Day 9

### SIEM REAP SIGHTSEEING

Spend this day exploring exquisite brick sculptures of temples in the "small & grand circuits": Ta Prohm temple, one of the most beautiful temples in the area and a filming site of Lara Croft's adventures in "The Tomb Raider": Preah Khan temple, a place of towered enclosures and shoulder hugging corridors that was built by the King Jayavarman VII; Prasat Ta Som, built in the end of the 12th century dedicated to the father of the King (Buddhist), replica to Bayon style of art; Neak Pean, a fountain built in the middle of a pool (representing the paradisiacal Himalayan mountain-lake; Eastern Mebon temple with five towers that represent the five peaks of the mythical Mount Meru; and Pre Rup temple, a work of great dignity and impeccable proportions, dedicated to the god Siva. . Visit the Siem Reap Market and les Artisans D' Angkor; then walk up to the top of the western Baray and Angkor Wat at sunset. Stay overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 10

### SIEM REAP FULL DAY

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## Day 11

### Departure from Siem Reap

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Day 5

YANGON – HANOI SIGHTSEEING (VIETNAM)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to the Yangon International Airport for the departure flight to Hanoi and when you arrived, personal tour guide will greet and pick you up at Noi Bai airport in Hanoi. Located on the banks of the Red River, Vietnam's capital is a stylish and gracious city that retains a unique old world charm and has some of Asia's most striking colonial architecture. Transfer to your hotel for check in. Enjoy an evening water puppet show, a theatrical genre reflecting the agricultural civilization of thousands of years ago. Stay overnight in Hanoi.



Day 6

HANOI – BAT TRANG – DONG GIAO – HALONG

Enjoy the morning sightseeing tour which features Hanoi's cultural and historical highlights, comprising Lake of Restored Sword, Ngoc Son Temple, the Temple of Literature, the Ethnology Museum (closed on Monday) and a downtown pedicab ride (1 hour) round the old quarters of Hanoi, a collection of narrow streets each named after the product sold. Afternoon drive to famous Bat Trang pottery village with a history of 500 years. Observe the artisans forming, painting and glazing their products, which are then baked for several days in huge kilns. Leave for Dong Giao wood-carving village in Hai Dong. Then proceed to Ha Long. Stay overnight in Halong.



Day 7

HALONG – HANOI – HO CHI MINH CITY

Embark a traditional-style wooden boat at a nearby wharf for a 4-hour cruise around the wondrous Halong Bay, a World Heritage site listed by UNESCO in 1994. Visit some magical grottoes, marvel at odd shaped islands and relax in the best scenic beauty of Vietnam. Lunch of fresh seafood is served on board. Transfer to Noi Bai airport for an evening flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Pick up on arrival at Tan Son Nhat Airport and transfer to hotel. Stay overnight at Ho Chi Minh City.



Day 8

HO CHI MINH CITY – CU CHI – HO CHI MINH CITY

Drive 73km to Cu Chi, famed for its elaborate network of over 200km of three-story underground tunnels hand-dug by local people during the Vietnam War. Crawl down a tunnel to feel the underground life, and then test your marksmanship with an AK at a local rifle range (optional with surcharge). Have an afternoon sightseeing tour of Ho Chi Minh City. Visit the History Museum (closed on Monday), the Reunification Palace (the former Presidential Palace), the Central Post Office, then have a short walk along the shopping Dong Khoi Street from Notre Dame Cathedral to the Municipal Theatre. Drive to bustling Cho Lon (Chinatown). Drop into the lively Binh Tay wholesale market before visiting Thein Hau Temple, dedicated to the Goddess of the Sea. Stop over at a lacquer workshop on the way back to your hotel. Stay overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.



Day 9

HO CHI MINH – SIEM REAP (CAMBODIA)

Breakfast at hotel, spend last minutes shopping (cinemas, silver-carvings, silk, etc..) before check out. Then transfer to airport flight to Siem Reap. On arrival, you'll be picked up to the hotel. Have an afternoon sightseeing tour. Visit the Seim Reap Market and les Artisams D'Angkor; then walk up to the top of the western Baray and Angkor Wat at sunset. Evening: enjoy buffet dinner with Apsara Dancing Show. Tonight free at your own leisure to visit night market or the famous Pub Street.



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~~~End of our program~~~





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# 9D8N YANGON – SINGAPORE – BALI - YOGYAKARTA

## Day 1

Yangon City Tour (B, L, D)

Pick up Yangon International port and then sightseeing to the Yangon city tour. City Hall, Maha Bandoola Park, Independence Monument, Sule Pagoda (a landmark of the city center). Visit Botahtaung Pagoda and Bogyoke Market (in the downtown area, with hundreds of stores selling from lacquer ware to silk) Shwe Dagon pagoda (one of the ancient wonders of the world). And then we visit Kandawgyi Garden. After that transfer to your Hotel



## Day 2

After breakfast transfer to Yangon International Airport. Go to Bali. Arrival, meeting and greeting service with our guide, dinner at local restaurant (B, L, D)



## Day 3

Breakfast at Hotel, Transfer to Celuk, Mas, Ubud with lunch, Kintamani with volcano view, tampakiring, and dinner at Jimbaran with sea food menu (B, L, D)



## Day 4

Breakfast at Hotel, Transfer to Tanjung Benoa, have a fabulous water sport activities: banana boat, jet ski, fly fish, parasailing and other water sport (own expenses), continue enjoy to Nusa Dua beach, lunch at local restaurant, next to Uluwatu temple, is a Hindu temple set on the cliff bank in south part of Bali Peninsula, and transfer to local rest for dinner (B, L, D).



## Day 5

Breakfast at Hotel. Free, transfer to airport, arrival, dinner at local restaurant, check in to the hotel (B, D)



## Day 6

Sultan Palace of Jogjakarta, Tamansari Water Castle, Mendut Temple, Borobudur Temple, Malioboro Street (B / L / D)



## Day 7

Tirtodipuran Batik Village, Vredenburg Fortress, Kotagede Silversmith, Prambanan Temple, Sewu Temple, transfer out to the airport (B / L). Upon arrival at Singapore, coach will pick you up from Airport and transfer to Hotel for Check in. Enjoy over night at Hotel, Singapore



## Day 8

This morning transfer to Universal Studio (with S\$10 coupon), then, Underwater World plus dolphin show, enjoy dinner at Arches buffet dinner follow by Wings of Time show at 7:40pm show. Transfer back to hotel & enjoy overnight



## Day 9

After breakfast, Free and Easy till transfer back to airport. "Home sweet home".







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## 7D6N YANGON – CHIANG MAI – CHIANG RAI

### Day 1

#### YANGON CITY TOUR (L, L)

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### Day 2

#### ARRIVAL CHIANG MAI (B, ,D)

Yangon to Chiang Mai PG-724(13:10/15:05) Arrive Chiang Mai and transfer to hotel. Free and easy time. Afternoon visit to Doi Suthep Temple. After that Khantoke dinner and see the Hilltribes Show. Transfer back and over night at hotel.



### Day 3

#### CHIANG MAI FULL DAY TOUR ELEPHANT SAFARI (B,L,)

Breakfast at hotel, and then transfer to the Elephant safari tour - elephant show, elephant riding, ox-cart riding, lunch, bamboo rafting and orchid farm. Over night in Chiang Mai.



### Day 4

#### CHIANG MAI-CHIANG RAI (B, ,)

Breakfast at hotel, and then transfer to visit Home industries and depart to Chiang Rai. Visit handicraft factories in the morning. In the afternoon drive to Chiang Rai, can stop at hot spring and White temple. Over night in Chiang Rai.



### Day 5

#### CHIANG RAI-CHIANG MAI (B, ,)

Breakfast at hotel and drive to visit Long necked tribes, Golden triangle. In afternoon visit Doi Tung, and return to Chiang Mai. Over night in Chiang Mai.



### Day 6

#### CHIANG MAI-ROYAL FLORA-SHOPPING –NIGHT SAFARI (B, ,)

Breakfast at hotel. Visit to the Royal Flora (Park Rajap). And then go to shopping. Free and easy time. After that go to the Night Safari. Come back and over night in Chiang Mai.



### Day 7

#### CHIANG MAI-DEPARTURE (B, ,)

Breakfast at hotel and transfer to the Airport. Departure to your Home land. "Home sweet home."









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# 7D6N PHILIPPINES - VIET NAM - CAMBODIA



## Day 1

### ARRIVAL MANILA ( , , D)

Arrive at Ninoy Aquino International Airport. Meet and greet assistance. Drive to Tagaytay, check-in at the hotel. Dinner and overnight accommodation in Tagaytay.



## Day 2

### TAGAYTAY/TAAL BATANGAS HERITAGE TOUR (B/L/D)

Early breakfast in the hotel. In Tagaytay, pass by at fruit and vegetable plantation, stop at a ledge to relax and enjoy the view of one of the smallest volcanoes, while taking the native Buco ice cream. Continue drive down to Taal Batangas, known for its old Spanish-style houses and churches. Visit some of the local folks' backyard industries such as piña embroidery and sweet delicacies. Lunch at local restaurant. Drive back to Manila passing Las Piñas, take a stop at St Joseph's church which houses the famous "Bamboo Organ", the first-of-its-kind in the world yet is still being used during church services and international competition. Arrive, check-in and freshen up. Dinner with cultural show. Overnight accommodation in Manila.



## Day 3

### MANILA/SAIGON (B/L)

Packed breakfast in the hotel. Early morning flight to Ho Chi Minh via Philippine Airlines (PR). Meet and assist at the airport. Onto Cu Chi Tunnels, which is 70km North West of downtown Ho Chi Minh City. The Cu Chi Tunnels system was created around 1948 to assist Viet Minh in their combat with the French. Building continued over the next 25 years until it was an underground city with living areas, kitchens, storage, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centers. In places, it could house up to 10,000 people who virtually lived underground for years.... getting married, raising children. From 1988, two sections of tunnels have been opened up for visitors.

Late lunch at local restaurant in Saigon.

In the afternoon, city tour to see the Independent Palace, Museums, Notre Dame Church, The Main Post office, City Hall, Shopping at Ben Thanh Market to see how the commerce goes at a local market then to Dong Khoi Street known for luxury shops.

Overnight accommodation in Saigon.



## Day 4

### SAIGON/PHNOM PENH (B/D)

Breakfast in the hotel. Flight to Phnom Penh City. Upon Arrival, proceed to visit Royal Palace, built by King Norodom in 1866 on the site of the old town, and the Silver Pagoda, Raung Damrei Museum. The Palace building and Silver Pagoda are located within the same walled ground. The Silver Pagoda is so named because of its floor, which is made up of 5000 silver tiles. The treasures include a solid gold Buddha, encrusted and weighing 90 kilos and a small 17th century emerald and baccarat crystal Buddha. And then move to National Museum of Fine Arts, next to the Royal Palace which was dedicated by King Sisowath in 1920. Over 5,000 objects are on display including Angkorian era statues, lingas and other artefacts, most notable being the legendary statue of the "Leper King" Though the emphasis is on Angkorian artefacts, there is also a good collection of pieces from later periods, including a special exhibition of post-Angkorian Buddha figures. Dinner will be at local restaurant & overnight at hotel in Phnom Penh.



## Day 5

### PHNOM PENH/SIEM REAP (B/D)

Breakfast in the hotel. Transfer to the airport for flight to Siem Reap. Upon arrival, proceed to visit the floating village of Chong Khneas, located 10 kilometers south of Siem Reap. Take a traditional wooden boat for a ride on the Tonle Sap Lake, the "Great Lake" of Cambodia, one of the largest in Asia and flows into Tonle Sap River, joining the Mekong in Phnom Penh. We will explore the different Khmer, Muslim and Vietnamese floating households and the floating markets, fisheries, clinics, schools, basketball course, pigsty and other boatloads of tourists. It is same as a big village floating on the lake, and the "village" moves from place to place following water levels and current. Dinner will be at a local restaurant. Overnight at hotel in Siem Reap.



## Day 6

### SIEM REAP/ANGKOR WAT (B/L/D)

Breakfast in the hotel. In the morning, we will visit the South Gate (with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean of milk) the ancient capital of Angkor Thom (12th century) and visit Bayon Temple (unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara), the Royal Enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Elephants Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King and visit the fabulous Ta Prohm



Temple, embraced by the roots of enormous fig trees. Lunch will be at a local restaurant. In the afternoon, Wat Thmei (New Wat) The wat contains a unique glass-walled stupa containing the bones of victims of the Khmer Rouge. Some of the bones were recovered from a nearby well while others are the remains of soldiers who died on a nearby battlefield. 500m west of the road to Angkor about 1.5km north of town. Then continue to visit the 7th World Heritage, Angkor Wat a unique and stunning blend of spirituality and symmetry, an enduring example of man's devotion to his Gods. It is the largest and undoubtedly the most breathtaking of the monuments of Angkor and it is widely believed that it is the largest religious structure in the world. Dinner will be at a local restaurant. Overnight Siem Reap.



## Day 7

### Departure ( , , B)

Breakfast at hotel. At leisure until time to transfer to Airport for your onward flight.







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## 7D6N PHILLIPINES - MALAYSIA - SINGAPORE



### Day 1

**ARRIVE AT NINYO AQUINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONNECTING FLIGHT TO PUERTO PRINCESA AIRPORT UPON ARRIVAL PROCEED FOR PUERTO PRINCESA CITY TOUR (SIC)**

Puerto Princesa is considered one of the cleanest cities in the Philippines and is approximately an hour and fifteen minutes from Manila by air. The tour starts with a visit to the Crocodile Farm Institute which is a joint project with the Japanese government to preserve the endangered crocodile species. The next stop is the unique Iwahig Penal Colony which is also known as a "prison without walls." The penal colony is unique in that the inmates are not jailed in cells but are encouraged to promote self-sufficiency. The tour proceeds to the Rurungan sa Tubod which is a community for women who engage in the weaving of indigenous fibers, pineapple especially, for its industry. Finally, the tour takes visitors to the sprawling Mitra Ranch which has a splendid view of Puerto Princesa as well as Honda Bay.

Transfer to hotel for check-in

Rest of the day is free at leisure

Overnight stay at hotel



### Day 2

Breakfast at hotel. Proceed for Underground River Tour w/ lunch (SIC)

One of the world's longest underground rivers, the St. Paul's Underground River is located within what has been designated as the Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park, situated about 81 kilometers from Puerto Princesa City or approximately 3 hours by land, passing through the picturesque countryside and through the town of Sabang. From there, it is a 20-minute outrigger boat ride to the park where guests board smaller outrigger canoes for the journey inside the underground river. The boat travels three kilometers into the cave and one is treated to a spectacular display of rock formations and cathedral-like chambers which Mother Nature has sculpted for millions of years. The river has also been recently declared as a World Heritage Site. Visitors are requested to bring their swimming attires.

Return to hotel

Free at leisure

Overnight stay at hotel



### Day 3

Breakfast at hotel. Proceed for Honda Bay Island Hopping Tour w/lunch (SIC)

Just thirty minutes from the city proper, Honda Bay awaits visitors with an island-hopping tour. From the city, the coach heads for Sta. Lourdes pier where outrigger boats await its passengers for the day's trip. The itinerary includes a running tour of Bat, Luli, Meara Marina and Pandan Islands. Lunch is then served at Pandan Island where the rest of the day is spent swimming, snorkelling, and fish feeding or just plain relaxing.

Return to hotel

Free at leisure

Overnight stay at hotel



### Day 4

Breakfast at hotel

Check out

Transfer to Puerto Princesa Airport

Connecting flight to Malaysia

Arrive in Malaysia

Transfer to hotel for check-in

Rest of the day is free at leisure

Overnight stay at hotel





## Day 5

Breakfast at hotel

Proceed for Genting Tour with cable car ride

Transfer back to hotel

Free at leisure

Overnight stay at hotel



## Day 6

Breakfast at hotel

Meet our representative at Hotel lobby

Transfer to Kuala Lumpur Bus Station for coach to Singapore.

Arrive at Singapore Bus Station

Meet our representative then transfer to hotel

Rest of the day is free at leisure

Overnight stay at Singapore



## Day 7

Breakfast at hotel

Rest of the day is free on leisure.

Meet our representative

Transfer to Singapore Airport

Depart Singapore









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# 10 DAYS WORLD HERITAGE TOUR THAILAND - LAOS - CAMBODIA 2015

## Day 1

### BANGKOK – AYUTTHAYA

Meet your private guide at the lobby of your hotel and depart to Bang Pa In. Visit the former summer palace of Thai royalties, then continue to Ayutthaya by motorized long-tail boat. Disembark at Wat Panan Choeng and continue by van to visit Wat Yai Chaimongkol. After lunch, visit some of the outstanding historical sites, such as Wat Chaiwatthanaram, Wat Phra Si Sanpeth, and Wat Phra Mahathat. Also included is a visit to the interesting Boat Museum. Dinner and overnight at KANTARY HOTEL.

### WAT PANAN CHOENG

Overlooking the river on the opposite bank from the main city, Wat Phanan Choeng was founded shortly before the establishment of Ayutthaya as the Kingdoms capital. Its main building enshrines a huge, seated Buddha image, that is 57 feet tall an object of particular devotion to Thais of Chinese origin. This principal image called Phrachao Phananchoen was built of stucco in the attitude of subduing evil in 1325.

### WAT YAI CHAIMONGKOL

The monastery was built in 1900 by King U-thong who granted the temple with the name Wat Pa Kaew. The present name was given granted to the temple by King Naresuan. Within the complex is a huge image of a reclining Buddha in brick and stucco. The chedi is bell-shaped, about 60 meters high, constructed on a mound of raised ground (15 X 32.4 X 32.4 m.) with steps going up to the Buddhist image placed midway to the top. The chedi itself now has a distinct tilt, but still can be entered via the stairs. The Ubosot or ordination hall is windowless but ventilated by pierced holes stretching down the roof on both walls. Also situated in the compound is King Naresuans statue, which is highly revered by Thais.

### WAT CHAIWATTHANARAM

Built in 1630 by King Prasat Thong to honor his mother, Wat Chai Wattanaram was conceived as a replica of the Angkor temple. A Royal monastery, the temples unique feature is a huge prang which is surrounded by smaller prangs. This symbolizes Mount Meru, the abode of the heavenly gods.

### WAT PHRA SI SANPETH

In 1491, Wat Phra Si Sanphet was located inside the compound of the Grand Palace-the foundations of which are still visible-and served as the royal chapel, as Wat Phra Kaew does in Bangkok. This Wang Lung Palace (Royal Palace) was built by King U-Thong upon the founding of the city. Used as a residential palace, it became a monastery in the reign of King Ramathibodi I. When King Borom Trai Lokanat commanded the construction of new living quarters, this residential palace was transformed into a temple, and the establishment of Wat Phra Si Sanphet. In Ayutthaya's heyday, this was the largest temple in the city. The three main chedis which have been restored contain the ashes of three Ayutthaya kings.

### WAT PHRA MAHATHAT

The temple is believed to be one of Ayutthaya's oldest temples, possibly built by King Boromaraja I (1370-88). Its central prang, of which only the base remains, once rose to a height of 165 feet. Traces of the original stucco decorations can still be seen on some of the surrounding chedis.

### THAI BOAT MUSEUM

The museum is located at the residence of its founder, Mr. Phaithun Khaomala, a renowned Thai boat modeler and former boat builder. Inspired by their beauty and relationship to the lives of Thai people, Mr. Phaithun dedicated a part of his residence to preserving what he holds to be fine examples of the country's treasured traditions. On display are a wide range of models from his large and exquisite collection, made in teak. Included in the collection are more than 100 models boats delicately made by hand. They range from Thai and Chinese junks to other traditional Thai boats and ocean liners. Among the most impressive items in the collection are models of Thailand's famous Royal Barges. As some of them are rarely seen nowadays, the museum is considered a must-visit.







## Day 2

### AYUTTHAYA – KHAMPHENG PHET – SUKHOTHAI

Breakfast at the hotel. Depart for Khampheng Phet (290 km). Visit Khampheng Phet National Museum (closed on MON & TUE) or the Kamphang Phet Province Museum. Tour Khampheng Phet Historical Park (Aranyik & Khampheng Phet area). Upon arrival in Sukhothai, visit Wat Si Chum, and then continue on back-roads local style on an ox-cart, passing rice fields and rural homes to Wat Chang Lom. Dinner and overnight at THE LEGENDHA SUKHOTHAI RESORT or LE CHARME SUKHOTHAI RESORT.

Khampheng Phet National Museum (closed on MON & TUE): houses ancient objects and other antique arts articles from various eras found in the provincial town. These include sculptured and earthen designs, heads of Buddha statues, traditional celadon products, sculptures of demons and celestial and human beings used to decorate Chedi bases or Vihans. Kamphang Phet Province Museum: houses exhibitions on the local history with replicas of the city, lifestyle and urban and hill tribal customs and traditions. It also displays the development

of Kamphaeng Phet votive tablets and other resources.

Wat Chang Rop: A large temple situated on a high hill. The base is adorned with 68 half-elephants between which are Bhoti-shaped designs. There are also traces of demon and female dancers' figures remaining.

Wat Phra Si Ariyabot, also known as Wat Yuen, houses Buddha statues in four postures-walking, sitting, standing and reclining in the Sukhothai artistic style. Today only the statue in the standing posture still remains.

Wat Phra Kaew: A large royal temple in town centre near a site believed to have been a palace. The temple itself was used on important city events and had no monks in residence. Major features include the principal chedi with lion-adorned base and a round chedi with elephant-adorned base. There are also other chedis of different bases and remains of several chapels. Its boundary is marked off by laterite walls.

Wat Si Chum (Sukhothai): The impressive mondop houses a massive Buddha almost touching the ground with an incredibly tapered set of fingers. The image is 11m across the waist and the walls of the mondop are three metres thick.

Wat Chang Lom (Sukhothai): A bell-shaped chedi of Ceylonese influence standing as the centre. The chedi is situated on a 3-tiered square base with a platform decorated with a row of elephants seen by their front halves supporting the round chedi.



## Day 3

### SUKHOTHAI

Breakfast at the hotel. Spend the morning touring the Sukhothai Historical Park on bicycle (if you do not wish to ride a bicycle, our van will take you to the various sites instead). Lunch at local restaurant. In the afternoon, visit Sangkhalok Museum and if you wish, continue sightseeing of the sites in the historical park (Wat Saphan Hin, Wat Chetupon). Alternatively, spend the remainder of the afternoon relaxing at your resort's pool and garden. Dinner and overnight at THE LEGENDHA SUKHOTHAI RESORT or LE CHARME SUKHOTHAI RESORT.

Sukhothai Historical Park: The city wall is located in the centre of the historical park and surrounded by earthen ramparts. The city has a rectangular shape with 1,300 metres width and 1,800 metres long. The walls contain four main gates. A stone inscription mentions that King Ramkhamhaeng set up a bell at one of the gates. If his subjects needed help, they would ring the bell and the King would come out to settle disputes and dispense justice.

The Royal Palace: The royal palace lies in the centre of the town and covers an area of 160,000 square metres. This area is surrounded by a moat and contains two main compounds; the royal building and the sanctuary in the palace. In the royal compound exist the ruins of the royal building called Noen Phrasat. Here, the famous stone inscription of King Ramkhamhaeng was found by King Mongkut (Rama IV) in the 19th century together with a piece of the stone throne called Manangkhasila-at. King Ramkhamhaeng set up the throne in the midst of a sugar-palm grove where, at his request, a monk preached on

Buddhist Sabbath days and the King conducted the affairs of state on other days. This throne was later installed in Bangkok's Temple of the Emerald Buddha.

Wat Mahathat: Sukhothai's largest temple with a customary main chedi in lotus-bud shape and a ruined viharn. At the base of the chedi stands Buddhist disciples in adoration, and on the pedestal are seated Buddha images. In front of this reliquary is a large viharn formerly containing a remarkable seated bronze Buddha image of the Sukhothai style, which was cast and installed by King Lithai of Sukhothai in 1362. At the end of the 18th century, the image was removed to the Viharn Luang of Wat Suthat in Bangkok by the order of King Rama I and has since been named Phra Si Sakaya Muni. In front of the large viharn is another smaller viharn which was probably built during the Ayutthaya period. Its main Buddha image (8 metres high) was installed inside a separate building. On the south stands a pedestal of a large chedi built up in steps, the lowest platform is adorned with beautiful stucco figures of demons, elephants and lions with angles riding on their backs. Mural painting adorns this chedi.

Wat Si Sawai: Situated among magnificent scenery southwest of Wat Mahathat is Wat Si Sawai. Three prangs (pagodas) are surrounded by a laterite wall. Inside the wall, the viharn in the west, built of laterite, is separated from the main prang which was constructed in the Lop Buri or Hindu-style, but the other also constructed beside the prangs are Buddhist viharns. The Crown Prince of that time who later became King Rama VI found a trace of the Hindu sculpture Sayomphu, the greatest Hindu God in this sanctuary. In his opinion, this ruin was once a Hindu shrine, but was later converted into a Buddhist monastery.



**Sangkhlok Museum:** Sangkhlok is the name of ceramic wares produced in the old city of Sukhothai. The museum displays the collection of Sangkhlok and ceramic wares produced some 700 years ago in the Lanna Kingdom (now the northern region of Thailand).

**Wat Saphan Hin:** Situated on a hill 200 metres high. A pathway of slate slabs leads to the sanctuary yard. Climbing the hill requires good physical strength and suitable footwear! During the rainy season, the rocks might become too slippery and dangerous to climb uphill.

**Wat Chetupon:** A mondop enshrines four Buddha images in different postures: sitting, standing, walking, and reclining. The outer walls of the mondop still retains a section in the form of a slate pillar-balustraded window. There is an entrance to the mondop to the north. Just behind the mondop is a small sanctuary which contains a Buddha image known locally as Phra Si Ariya Maitreya, the Lord Buddha of the Future.



## Day 4

### SUKHOTHAI – SI SATCHANALAI – CHIANG MAI (320 KM)

Breakfast at the resort. Excursion to Si Satchanalai Historical Park and Celadon Kiln Site Study and Conservation Centre. Lunch at Gaeng Luang Restaurant. Onward transfer to Chiang Mai – approx. 240 km / 3.5-4 hours drive. Dinner and overnight at THE EMPRESS HOTEL.

**Si Satchanalai Historical Park:** The ancient town, formerly called Muang Chaliang, was named Si Satchanalai during the reign of Phra Ruang when a new administrative centre was established to replace Chaliang. Ruins of 134 monuments have been discovered within the park.

**Khao Phanom Phloeng Temple** is a hilltop temple within the old town of Si Satchanalai. A laterite chedi in the centre, a large viharn or image hall in front, and a small sanctuary behind all lie in ruins. Some laterite pillars and a damaged Buddha's image constructed of laterite slabs and coated with mortar are seen.

**Khao Suwan Khiri Temple** is also a hilltop temple situated 200 metres away from Phanom Phloeng Hill. A huge bell-shaped chedi on a 5-tiered base marks the centre of the temple. Ruins of a viharn and chedi, and fragments of huge stucco figures lie scattered on the ground. The similarity between some figures here and those at Wat Chang Lom in the old town of Sukhothai leads to the belief that it was King Ramkhamhaeng the Great of the Sukhothai Kingdom who had this temple constructed.

**Chang Lom Temple** is an important monument within the old town of Si Satchanalai. A huge bell-shaped chedi supported by 39 elephants, with 4 of them at 4 cardinal points elaborately decorated, marks the centre of the temple. Above the chedis base, there are niches enshrining images of the Buddha subduing Mara. Chedi Chet Thaeo Temple is one of the most beautiful temples in Sukhothai Province. Chedis of different artistic styles and influence were built within the area of this temple. Mural paintings, seriously damaged, are still to be seen in some chedis.

**Nang Phaya Temple** is famous for its delicate stucco reliefs on the remains of the northwestern wall of the 7 roomed viharn or image hall. The pillars of this viharn are decorated with unglazed ceramic designs. The central laterite chedi is surrounded by lampposts and accessible by a set of narrow stairs.

**Suan Kao Utthayan Noi Temple** is the only temple within the old town of Si Satchanalai with a brick building in front. The ruins of this temple consist of a whole laterite image hall with a laterite roof. Celadon Kiln Site Study and Conservation Centre, located at Ban Ko Noi, some 4 kilometres to the north of Si Satchanalai. More than 500 kilns have been excavated up to now. Numerous celadon wares in perfect condition as well as pot have been discovered. The kiln is oval in shape with a curved roof and is 7-8 metres wide.



## Day 5

### CHIANG MAI – LUANG PRABANG

Breakfast at hotel.

City tour: Visit Woraros Market, Wat Phra Singh and Wat Doi Suthep. Return to the hotel to freshen up and lunch. Transfer from hotel in Chiang Mai to the airport for your onward flight to Luang Prabang.

The crown jewel of Laos and former Lanexang, Luang Prabang, is perhaps the best-preserved traditional city in South East Asia. Magical and charming, it has preserved its long-standing reputation as a stronghold of Lao culture with its splendid natural scenery and sense of timelessness. In 1995 UNESCO voted Luang Prabang as a World Heritage City. Upon arrival in Luang Prabang, transfer to VILLA MAYDOU in Luang Prabang. Dinner and overnight.



## Day 6

### LUANG PRABANG

Breakfast at the hotel. Climb Vat Phousi hill for an outstanding view over the city. Continue to Vat Visoun, the site of an impressive stupa, That Makmo, stylistically more Sri Lankan than Lao. Then walk to the nearby Vat Aham, which is one of the city's major tutelary shrines, dedicated to Deveta Luang (spirit) Pu Gneu Ya Gneu (ancestors). Continue to visit Vat Mai, built in 1796, famous for the five – tiered roof of its wooden sim built in the standard of Luang Prabang style.

After lunch, visit Vat Xieng Thong, considered as the most beautiful temple in Luang Prabang. The sim of the Vat represents the classic Luang Prabang temple architecture with roofs that sweep low to the ground. In the compound stand several small chapels housing bronze Buddha images, which were displayed in Paris in 1911. Near the East gate stands the Royal Funeral Chapel. Inside are an impressive 12-meter high funeral chariot and various funeral urns of each Royal Family's member.





The gilt panel on the exterior of the chapel depicts a semi-erotic episode from Ramayana. Then board a traditional riverboat for a trip upstream the Mekong River to visit the famous caves of Pak Ou, housing thousands of statues representing Lord Buddha. Dinner at local restaurant and overnight at VILLA MAYDOU.



## Day 7

### LUANG PRABANG – SIEM REAP

Early morning, watch the procession of monks on their morning alms round. Then transfer to the airport for departure to Siem Reap. Home of Angkor Wat, one of the greatest religious monuments in the world, Siem Reap is a charming tree-lined city with a narrow river flowing through the center of town. While most visitors spend their time exploring the ancient temple ruins, there are plenty of other diversions in town. The Tonle Sap Lake (and river), considered the heart of Cambodia, is located near here and boat tours offer visitors a glimpse into the traditional Khmer way of life. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. Dinner and overnight at TARA ANGKOR RESORT.



## Day 8

### SIEM REAP

Breakfast at hotel. In the morning, visit Prasat Kravan with its unique brick sculptures and Srah Srang (The Royal Baths), undoubtedly used in the past for ritual bathing. Next visit Neak Pean, a fountain built in the middle of a pool and representing the paradisiacal Himalayan mountain-lake, then continue to Preah Khan temple.

Lunch at hotel. In the afternoon, drive to Banteay Srei temple (10th century), regarded as the jewel in the crown of classical Khmer art. Built under Jayavarman V, Banteay Srei is regarded as the jewel in the crown of classical Khmer art. Its rose-colored sandstone walls are decorated with carvings and bas-reliefs, which are among the most accomplished art that Angkor has to offer. Stop at a local village to visit families who are producing palm sugar. Visit Banteay Samre, one of the most complete complexes at Angkor due to restoration using the method of "anastylosis". Sunset at Pre Rup.

Dinner at local restaurant and accommodation at TARA ANGKOR RESORT.

Prasat Kravan: built during the reign of Hashavarman I, it is composed of five brick towers. Two of them are decorated with bas-reliefs, representing Vishnu and Lakshmi, cut into bricks on the interior walls.

Srah Srang: The Srah Srang is a man-made reservoir (Baray) 700 by 350 m dug in mid-10th century. Known as "The Royal Baths" it was once used for ritual bathing.

Neak Pean: Composed of a square pool with four smaller square pools arranged on each axis. In the center of the main one is a circular island encircled by two nagas. It was built by Jayavarman VII and was used for rites of ritual purification.

Preah Khan: Named "Sacred Sword", this temple was built by Jayavarman VII who dedicated it to his father. It covers a very large area, 700 by 800 meters, and is surrounded by a moat. Elaborate lintels and panels are richly decorated with bas-reliefs depicting Buddhist motifs and Hindu epics.

Banteay Samre: One of the most complete complexes at Angkor due to restoration using the method of "anastylosis". The name Samre refers to an ethnic group of mountain people, who inhabited the region at the base of Phnom Kulen and were probably related to the Khmers. No inscriptions have been found for this temple, but the style of most of the architecture is of the classic art of the middle period similar to Angkor Wat. The proportions of Banteay Samre are splendid. A unique feature is an interior moat with laterite paving, which when filled with water must have given an ethereal atmosphere to the temple.



## Day 9

### SIEM REAP

Breakfast at hotel. In the morning, visit the ancient capital of Angkor Thom (12th century). See the South Gate with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean of milk, Bayon temple, Baphuon (recently re-opened after years of restoration), the Royal Enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Elephants Terrace, the Terrace of the Leper King and Chau Say Tevoda and Thommanon temples.

Lunch at hotel.

Afternoon, visit Ta Prohm, then visit the most famous of all the temples on the plain of Angkor: Angkor Wat.

Dinner at local restaurant and accommodation at TARA ANGKOR RESORT.

Bayon: Built by Jayavarman VII in the exact center of the city of Angkor Thom, it is unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avalokiteshvara. Its very well preserved bas-reliefs depict everyday life in the 12th century.

Baphuon: Built in the mid-11th century, it is a three-tiered mountain temple. A 9 meter tall by 70 meter long statue of a reclining Buddha was built and is still visible on the west side's second level. In April 2011, after 51 years, the archaeologists finished the restoration of the temple.

Elephants Terrace: Measuring 350 meters in width, it is decorated with carvings, including elephants in hunting scenes, garudas and lions. Built under Jayavarman VII, it was a viewing platform from which kings and their courts watched military displays of pomp and pageantry.

Terrace Of The Leper King: At the top of this 7-meter-high platform stands a statue of what was thought to be the Leper King. It is in fact Yama, the god and judge of the dead. Stunning carvings adorning the walls on both sides cover the walkway. It was also built under Jayavarman VII.

Phimeanakas: This small mountain temple lies in the middle of the Royal Enclosure. Its name means "Celestial Palace". Rajendravarman built the pyramid and its gallery was later added by Suryavarman I.

Ta Prohm: One of the area's most beautiful temples, Ta Prohm has been relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Its appeal lies in the fact that, unlike the other monuments of Angkor, it was abandoned and swallowed by the jungle, looking very much the ways most of the Angkor temples appeared when European explorers first stumbled upon them.



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 and the 12th century 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.



## Day 10

### SIEM REAP – DEPARTURE

Breakfast at hotel. Visit a floating village and take a traditional wooden boat for a ride on the Tonle Sap Lake, the "Great Lake" of Cambodia, one of the largest in Asia. Visit Senteurs D'Angkor and experience the authentic scents and tastes of Cambodia through a range of traditional handmade products that help create jobs and incomes for impoverished rural communities. Delicatessen delights include spices, traditional teas, highland coffees and local rice liquors. There are also medical balms and natural massage oils as well as perfumed candles and incense. Lunch at hotel.

Visit "Les Artisans d'Angkor - Chantiers Ecoles"; this centre is working with young artisans; the team creates, produce and market a unique collection of ornamental sculpture, lacquer ware, silk weaving and silk painting. The company promotes fair, sustainable development in order to provide benefits to the rural communities. Time at leisure at the local market (if time permits). Transfer to Siem Reap International Airport for departure flight to the next destination.



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## 6 DAYS KHMER ENCOUNTERS (THAILAND-CAMBODIA OVERLAND)

## Day 1

### BANGKOK – AYUTTHAYA – PIMAI – KORAT

Depart from Bangkok to Ayutthaya, which is beautifully located on an island at the confluence of three rivers. Visit Wat Chaiwathanaram occupying a magnificent position on the West bank of the Chao Phraya River. Drive through the historical part of this former capital of Siam and then continue to Pimai. En route short stop the local fruit market at Klang Dong. Continue to the charming little town of Pimai northeast of Korat, known for the magnificent Khmer sanctuary of Prasat Hin. Visit the museum (closed on MON & TUE), and Historical Park. Return to Korat with a short stop at one of the biggest Banyan Trees in Thailand. Dinner and overnight at hotel.



## Day 2

### KORAT – DAN KWIAN – PHANOM RUNG – ARANYAPRATHET

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the pottery village of Dan Kwian. The region of Korat is famous for its beautifully crafted pottery. Continue to Phanom Rung, which is the finest Khmer Temple in Thailand and gives more than only a good idea of Angkor Wat in Cambodia. Similar in layout to Pimai, both monuments are believed to have been the prototype for the famous Angkor Wat. Close by there is Muang Tam, another impressive Khmer temple predating Phanom Rung by about 120 years. After lunch, continue to the border town of Aranyaprathet with stops at ancient Khmer ruins along the Thai-Cambodian border. Dinner and overnight at ARAN MERMAID HOTEL.





## Day 3

### ARANYAPRATHET – SIEM REAP (CAMBODIA)

Breakfast at hotel. This morning cross the border to Cambodia and travel via Sisophon to Siem Reap. Lunch at a local restaurant. Visit “Les Artisans d’Angkor - Chantiers Ecoles”, a centre working with young artisans; the team creates, produces and markets a unique collection of ornamental sculptures, lacquer ware, woven silk and silk paintings. The company promotes fair, sustainable development in order to provide benefits to the rural communities. Visit Wat Bo Pagoda. Watch the sunset at Angkor Wat (not before 5pm).



Afternoon, 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 and the 12th century 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. Dinner at Bopha Angkor restaurant and overnight.



## Day 4

### SIEM REAP

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the Roluos Group. The monuments of Roluos, which served as the capital of Indravarman I (reigned 877-89), are among the earliest large, permanent temples built by the Khmers and mark the beginning of Khmer classical art. Preah Ko erected by Indravarman I in the late 9th century dedicated by the King to his ancestors in 880. Bakong, the largest and most interesting of the Roluos group temples, with his active Buddhist monastery just to the north of the east entrance. Lolei, built on an islet in the center of a large reservoir (now rice fields) by Yasovarman I, the founder to the first city at Angkor. Return to your hotel for lunch.

In the afternoon, continue your temple tour to the unique interior brick sculptures of Prasat Kravan, Srah Srang (“The Royal Baths” was once used for ritual bathing), Banteay Kdei (surrounded by 4 concentric walls), Eastern Mebon, (guarded at its corner by stone figures of harnessed elephants, some of which are still in a reasonable state of preservation) and the mountain-temple of Pre Rup. Dinner at Viroth’s Restaurant and overnight.



## Day 6

### SIEM REAP – DEPARTURE

Breakfast at hotel. Morning, transfer to Banteay Srei temple (10th century), regarded as the jewel in the crown of classical Khmer Art. Visit Banteay Srei, then continue to Banteay Samre, built in the third quarter of the 12th century. It consists of a central temple with four wings preceded by a hall and accompanied by two libraries, the southern example remarkably well preserved.

Return to your hotel for lunch. In the afternoon, you will continue your temple visits to Neak Pean, a fountain built in the middle of a pool (representing the paradisiacal Himalayan mountain-lake), Ta Som and Preah Khan. Built by the King Jayavarman VII, Preah Khan is, like Ta Prohm, a place of towered enclosures and shoulder-hugging corridors. Unlike Ta Prohm, however, the temple of Preah Khan is in a reasonable state of preservation and ongoing restoration efforts should maintain and even improve this situation. Then, visit Ta Prohm. One of the area’s most beautiful temples, Ta Prohm has been relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Transfer to Siem Reap airport for departure flight to the next destination.



## Day 5

### SIEM REAP

Breakfast at hotel. In the morning, visit the ancient capital of Angkor Thom (12th century). See the South Gate with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean of milk, Bayon temple (unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara), Baphuon (recently re-opened after years of restoration), the Royal Enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Elephants Terrace, the Terrace of the Leper King and Chau Say Tevoda and Thommanon temples. Lunch at hotel.



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# 13D THAILAND AND LAOS EXPLORER

## BANGKOK - CHIANG MAI – CHIANG RAI - LUANG PRABANG - VANG VIENG - VIENTIANE

### *Day 1*

#### **BANGKOK**

Arrive into bustling Bangkok and transfer to your hotel. Relax at your hotel and this evening see Bangkok from a different perspective and enjoy a sunset drink at one of the many roof top bars.



### *Day 2*

#### **BANGKOK**

Explore the city of Bangkok one of the most cosmopolitan and contrasting cities in Asia. Visit the Jim Thompson House and Textile Museum to see the art and textiles of a man who was credited with reviving and revitalizing the Thai silk industry. See the glittering Grand Palace, former home of the Thai king and take a ride along the Chao Phraya for a different perspective of the city.



### *Day 3*

#### **BANGKOK – CHIANG MAI**

Fly to Chiang Mai, an ancient walled city nestled in the northern mountains. Visit the beautiful and historic Buddhist temples that give Chiang Mai its character and try the regional specialty Khao Soi, a curried noodle dish.



### *Day 4*

#### **CHIANG MAI – CHIANG RAI**

Drive through beautiful mountain scenery to the quiet town of Chiang Rai that sits on the border with Burma and Laos otherwise known as the Golden Triangle, notorious for its opium production. Wander through the town and if you like, pop into the Opium House a museum that documents the history of opium in the region.



### *Day 5*

#### **CHIANG RAI – PAKBENG**

Cross the border into Laos and cruise down the Mekong River to Pakbeng. On the way visit a village of the Yao or Lu tribes and enjoy a picnic lunch on the river bank, and dock overnight in the small riverside town of Pakbeng.





## Day 6

### PAKBENG – LUANG PRABANG

Continue down river and see the Pak Ou Caves, where devotees leave statues of Buddha to make merit and bring good luck. Arrive in the laid-back town of Luang Prabang, full of golden temples and where hundreds of monks walk the streets.



## Day 7

### LUANG PRABANG

Take a guided tour of Luang Prabang with a visit to the temples Wat Xieng Thong and Wat Mai. See the former Royal Palace which is now the National Museum, and its halls containing rare religious and cultural artefacts. Then walk up the 328 steps to the top of Mount Phousi, for panoramic views of the city.



## Day 8

### KUANG SI WATERFALL

In the afternoon grab your swimsuit and head to the beautiful Kuang Si Waterfall. The falls cascade over many calcified tiers giving the water a magical and wondrous look. Enjoy a refreshing dip in one of the cool, turquoise pools.



## Day 9

### LUANG PRABANG

Learn the delicious secrets of Laotian cuisine with a hands-on cooking class. Start with a wander through the local produce market with your chef who will help you choose your ingredients. Then its aprons on and time to start cooking!



## Day 10

### LUANG PRABANG – VANG VIENG

Travel along picturesque winding roads for about six hours to reach Vang Vieng, with stunning views of towering limestone karsts around every turn. Once a quiet little town, Vang Vieng is firmly on the map as a stopover point for many backpackers with many small bars and cafes now dotting the main street.



## Day 11

### VANG VIENG

Spend the day as you choose as there are a lot of activities you can do in Vang Vieng. Try tubing down the river, kayaking, or explore the nearby caves of Tham Phu Kham with its deep lagoon and Buddhist images. For more cultural activities take a walk to one of the many ethnic minority villages.



## Day 12

### VANG VIENG – VIENTIANE

Drive three hours to Vientiane and take a whirlwind city tour including all the highlights. See Wat Sisaket Vientiane's oldest-surviving monastery and its thousands of Buddha statues and Hor Pha Ke, a museum with a turbulent history. Admire the golden stupa of Pha That Luang and Patouxai, Vientiane's arc de triomphe, and a window into its French-colonial history.



## Day 13

### DEPART VIENTIANE

Take the opportunity for some last minute shopping before transferring to the airport for your onward flight.





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# 15D GOLF TOUR PACKAGE ITINERARY FOR THE MALAYSIA & THAILAND GOLF TOUR

This golf tour package can be customized according to your preferences.

## DAY 1 - ARRIVAL

Arrival at Kuala Lumpur International Airport and transfer to your hotel.



## DAY 2 - GOLF AT KUALA LUMPUR GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, EAST COURSE

Golf at Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, East Course (4th best golf course in Malaysia).

## DAY 3 - GOLF AT KOTA PERMAI GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

Golf at Kota Permai Golf & Country Club (site of the 2008 Malaysian Open).

## DAY 4 - SIGHTSEEING

"Best of Kuala Lumpur" sightseeing including Twin Towers, Chinatown, Little India, and other city highlights.



## DAY 5 - GOLF AT SAUJANA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, BUNGA RAYA COURSE

Golf at Saujana Golf & Country Club, Bunga Raya Course (2nd course at the exclusive Saujana Golf & Country Club).

## DAY 6 - GOLF AT THE MINES RESORT & GOLF CLUB

Golf at The Mines Resort & Golf Club (one of Malaysia's best golf course).

## DAY 7 - TRANSFER TO THAILAND

Check-out and transfer to Kuala Lumpur International Airport.  
Flight to Bangkok, land transfer to Hua Hin, check-in at your hotel.



## DAY 8 - GOLF AT BANYAN GOLF CLUB

Golf at Banyan Golf Club (2009 Best New Course In Asia: scenic & challenging).



## DAY 9 - GOLF AT BLACK MOUNTAIN GOLF CLUB

Golf at Black Mountain Golf Club (1st class European Tour & Royal Trophy venue).

## DAY 10 - FREE

Free day at leisure on the beach or at the pool.



## DAY 11 - GOLF AT SUWAN GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB // TRANSFER TO BANGKOK

Golf at Suwan Golf & Country Club (excellent well conditioned course; site of 2011 Thailand Open).  
After golf transfer to Bangkok and check-in at your hotel.

## DAY 12 - GOLF AT THANA CITY GOLF & SPORTS CLUB

Golf at Thana City Golf & Sports Club (Greg Norman design with lots of variety & emphasis on shot making).

## DAY 13 - SIGHTSEEING

"Best of Bangkok" sightseeing tour including the Grand Palace, Emerald Buddha, Bangkok waterways by long-tailed boat, and the Royal's Way.



## DAY 14 - GOLF AT THAI COUNTRY CLUB

Golf at Thai Country Club (prestigious club has hosted PGA wins by Tiger Woods & Vijay Singh).

## DAY 15 - DEPARTURE

Check-out and transfer to Suvarnabhumi Airport for departure.







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## 18 DAYS SOUTHEAST ASIA DISCOVERY

### Day 1

#### BANGKOK – ARRIVAL

Arrive in Bangkok and transfer to hotel. Then free at leisure. Overnight in Bangkok.



### Day 2

#### BANGKOK – SIGHTSEEING

After breakfast at the hotel, The Royal Grand Palace is the nation's landmark and the most revered royal monument. You will see palaces that were used for different occasions – the Funeral Palace, the Reception Palace, the Throne Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Royal Guest House, and the mysterious Emerald Buddha which is most revered Buddha image in Thailand. Appropriate dress is required (or can be rented on site). Continue your visit to Wat Po, the home of Thai massage and the Reclining Buddha. This afternoon stroll through Chinatown where you visit interesting shops, tea shop, markets and temples to get a first-hand feel for old Bangkok. Continue to The Bangkok Folk Museum\*\*, a seventy-year-old Thai house converted into a small but fascinating museum. Then hop on a long tail boat for a ride along the bustling Chao Phraya River and the quiet klongs (canals) of Thonburi where you see how Thai people have lived next to the water for centuries. Last stop is the magnificent Wat Arun or Temple of Dawn.

\*\* The Bangkok Folk Museum is closed on Mondays & Tuesdays.

Overnight in Bangkok



### Day 3

#### BANGKOK – SUKHOTHAI

After breakfast, transfer to airport for your flight to Sukhothai. Upon arrival, your guide will meet you at the airport and take you to Sukhothai Historical Park which was once a walled city surrounded by a moat. Lunch possible in supplement if morning arrival. Sukhothai, a name meaning dawn of happiness, was founded in the 13th century and became the kingdom's first capital, overseeing a period known as the golden age of Thai history. The park contains almost 200 ruined chedis in remarkable condition. See the main sites of Wat Mahathat, Wat Si Chum, Wat Sri Sawai and War Sra Sri and Wat Trapang Ngoen and Ramkamhaeng Museum before checking into your hotel. Bike ride is possible in supplement in the historical park. A nice and easy way to stroll around the ruins!

Overnight in Sukhothai.



### Day 4

#### SUKHOTHAI – LAMPANG – CHIANG MAI

After breakfast, drive north to Si Satchanalai Historical Park on the bank of the Yom River north of Sukhothai. The ancient town, formerly called "Muang Chaliang," was named "Si Satchanalai" during the reign of Phra Ruang and 134 ruined monuments have been discovered within the park. Visit the main sites of Wat Phra Si Rattana Mahathat, Wat Khao Suwan Khiri, Wat Chang Lom, Wat Chedi Chet Thaeo, Wat Suan Kao Utthayan Yai, Wat Nang Phaya, Wat Suan Kao Utthayan Noi and Celadon Kiln Site Study and Conservation Center at Ban Ko Noi, some 4 kilometres to the north of Si Satchanalai. Drive to Chiang Mai via Lampang, with a stop to visit Phra That Lampang Luang, and arrive in Chiang Mai in the late afternoon. Overnight in Chiang Mai.



## Day 5

### CHIANG MAI – SIGHTSEEING

Travel thirty minutes by vehicle north of Chiangmai city to a long-tail dock, where you will take a leisurely stroll around the grounds with herbal garden. Then board a long-tail boat and enjoy a 30-minute cruise along the rural Mae Ping River. Along the river banks, you will see traditional wooden houses and modern residences. Arrive at a boat landing and walk for about 10 minutes from the landing to Waroros fresh food market for a visit, experiencing the Northern Thai way of life. From the market you take a trishaw ride along Tapae Road past City Walls and along Ratchadamnoen Road to Wat Phra Singh.

In the afternoon, explore ancient Chiang Mai, including its old city walls, gates, moat and markets. After visiting Wat Suan Dok, where the ashes of Chiang Mai's royal family are interred, you continue to Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, the temple on the mountain, and the most sacred in Northern Thailand. Your experienced guide will explain the story of the temple, the white elephant and lead you around its impressive chedi and show its beautiful murals. In the late afternoon, the tourist masses have already left the temple grounds and dusk will give a very special atmosphere. After your private blessing ceremony, witness the magical evening chanting of the monks. End with the spectacularly romantic evening view over Chiang Mai with its millions of glittering lights.

Overnight in Chiang Mai.



## Day 6

### CHIANG MAI – LUANG PRABANG

After breakfast, free at leisure until transfer to Chiang Mai airport for your flight to Luang Prabang.

On arrival in Luang Prabang transfer to hotel.

Free time this afternoon at your leisure.

Overnight in Luang Prabang



## Day 7

### LUANG PRABANG

After your breakfast, your guide will pick you up at your hotel.

Your city tour begins with a visit to the former Royal Palace, now the National Museum, where you will explore the history of Laos. Continue on foot to Wat Mai, a temple renowned for its golden bas-relief, and Wat Sensoukarahm, which features a beautiful dazzling golden façade. Finish this morning with a visit to the beautiful Wat Xieng Thong, one of the most important temples in Laos. Then transfer back to your hotel/restaurant (lunch at your convenience). Your guide will pick you up at 1400 from your hotel in Luang Prabang for a short transfer by tuk tuk to our electric powered bike station. After a short briefing to explain you the use of your new vehicle, it will be time to start your discovery of our "responsible Luang

Prabang"... in a quiet way! These electric bikes are an emissions-free mode of transportation and allow the user to either pedal the bike by their own power or to coast along using the bike's battery-powered, rechargeable motor.

Begin with a short ride to the Traditional Art & Ethnology Center, your first stop of the day. The Traditional Arts & Ethnology Centre is dedicated to exploring the rich diversity of Laos' ethnic minorities. Traditional costumes, tools, and artifacts are on display alongside in-depth descriptions and written histories. It is a great opportunity to gain insight in to the Lao people (note: closed on Monday).

Continue to the Phousi Market where you can join the locals and support vendors by buying fresh products or fruit. Your guide will be here to encourage you to taste some of the exotic flavors of the local fruits, helping to identify new items not found in your grocery store back home!



Then, it will be time to return the bike to the station and transfer to a stunning country side location for your evening cooking course. Lao cuisine relies heavily on the freshest produce and incorporates a range of intriguing flavors, many unfamiliar to the western palate. A cooking class at 'Tamarind' restaurant starts with an introduction to these main ingredients and how they are used in Lao cuisine.

Then you will start preparing and cooking an assortment of dishes under supervision- a cheerful chef who will teach you the traditional techniques as well as information about Lao culture. A cooking class is an ideal way to experience a culture from inside as Lao people take pride in sharing their love for their cuisine with some introduction to distinctive Lao dishes in a relaxed atmosphere.

Recipes are provided for you to take back home.

Overnight in Luang Prabang

## Day 8

### LUANG PRABANG – PAK OU CAVES – LUANG PRABANG

For early risers, there is a very special dawn visit to watch the monks collecting the alms. As the sun begins to rise, long lines of orange-robed monks leave their pagodas and walk barefoot down the streets collecting offerings from Luang Prabang residents. It is a beautiful, serene ceremony that highlights the spiritualism of the Laos people. Return to the hotel for breakfast.

You will then board a traditional wooden boat, Nava Mekong, for a relaxing cruise on the mighty Mekong River. Enjoy stunning mountain scenery and witness the simple rural lifestyles which rely on the river as you make your way upstream for 1.5 – 2 hours. You will reach Pak Ou caves at the confluence of the Mekong and Nam Ou Rivers. In these 2 caves are displayed hundreds of sacred centuries-old Buddha images which are the object of pilgrimages during the Lao New Year festivities around mid April. The boat then keeps cruising in the vicinity of the caves and will moor during lunch time at the foot of beautiful limestone cliffs. A selection of typical Lao dishes will be served onboard. Cruise back to Luang Prabang and return in the early afternoon.





This afternoon you will have a chance to participate in a unique, traditional Lao ceremony. The Baci is performed in celebration of an important event such as weddings, births, or for welcoming guests and is a means of expressing good will and good luck to others. During the Baci, special flower trays and food treats are prepared which are then touch by the participants while a Buddhist mantra is chanted. After the chanting is completed, cotton threads are tied around the participants' wrist whilst they receive an individual blessing.

Continue to climb the 328 steps to the top of Mount Phousi to enjoy a panoramic view of the city and the surrounding countryside. Stop at the evening hill tribe market.

Enjoy a delicious Lao set menu at the 3 Nagas Hotel.

Overnight in Luang Prabang.



## Day 9

### LUANG PRABANG - HANOI

After breakfast, free time at leisure before transferring to the airport. Arrive in Hanoi where you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Overnight in Hanoi.



## Day 10

### HANOI - HALONG BAY CRUISE

Following breakfast leave Hanoi for a 3hr30mins drive to Halong Bay including a 20-minutes stop on the way. Arrive at your jetty in Halong City towards noon and proceed with check-in formalities. After your welcome onboard, a lunch will be served while cruising towards the bay itself. In the afternoon, enjoy some visits and/or activities (depending on each boat's itinerary) or just spend some time relaxing on board. Towards the end of the day the boat sets anchor for the night among the karst formations. Dinner is served on board.

Overnight on Halong Bay.



## Day 11

### HALONG BAY CRUISE – HANOI

Enjoy your fresh morning in the middle of the bay, the sun rises on Halong in the morning and breakfast is served (brunch on some boats) while the vessels cruises slowly through the magnificent rock formations and back towards port. Disembark and transfer back to Hanoi.

Arrive in Hanoi late in the afternoon, join a half-day city tour to discover charming and historic capital city of Vietnam. Hanoi is a unique city with more than 1000-year of rich culture and fascinating history. The tree-lined boulevards, French colonial architecture, peaceful lakes and oriental temples. The city tour includes a visit to the Temple of Literature, Hoan Kiem Lake and a walking tour of the Old Quarter. Finish the day with a Water Puppet show. This is a uniquely northern Vietnamese art form depicting scenes from rural life and episodes of national history.

In the late afternoon transfer to airport for your hours flight to Hue, the former imperial capital of Vietnam. On arrival transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in Hue.



## Day 12

### HANOI – HUE

This morning after breakfast, depart from your hotel to Noi Bai Airport for your Hue bound flight. Upon arrival in Hue, you will be welcomed by your guide and vehicle to start your Hue discovery tour at the Imperial Citadel where the Nguyen Dynasty ruled between 1802 and 1945. The ancient citadel reflects the pomp and ceremony of the dynastic rulers as well as the scars of many years of turmoil, both ancient and modern (the Royal Citadel was badly damaged in the latter stages of the war) but retains a sense of grace and majesty even today. From here take a cyclo through dai noi 'Old City' to Tinh Tam Lake where the Emperors used to come to relax; full of lotus flowers in summer there are many local style coffee shops around the lake where university students come to study.

Continue to visit Thien Mu (Celestial Lady) Pagoda overlooking the Perfume River. Constructed in 1601, the 21-meter tall tower is the centerpiece of the pagoda and represents seven reincarnations of Buddha. In the grounds of the pagoda is the Austin car made famous in 1963, when a resident monk drove the vehicle to what was then Saigon to protest against the southern regime, the photo

of his self immortalization was captured and is one of the most well known images of the war. In the afternoon see the tomb of the former emperor Minh Mang located in a tranquil setting of gardens and ponds.

Journey on to Khai Dinh's Tomb which is traditional Vietnamese in design with a European touch making it unique from the other tombs in Hue. End the day with a visit to the city's vibrant Dong Ba Market to see the abundance of fresh produce. For something different and an optional (tour extra cost on your own cost) discover the garden houses of Hue.

The former feudal capital of Hue is known for its ancient citadel and extravagant tombs, and for its cultural houses with their beautiful gardens known locally as 'nha vuon'. These houses are traditional, privately owned, and set in large and attractive formal gardens. Some have connections with the old Royal Imperial Court and the house's traditional architecture has long been associated with the natural environment and the ancient belief of 'feng-shui'.  
Overnight in Hue.



## Day 13

### HUE – DANANG – HOI AN

Leave Hue for Hoi An, a major Asian trading port in the 17th and 18th centuries whose architecture and relaxed lifestyle has changed little over the years. The scenic route passes through the wonderfully photogenic fishing village of Lang Co before climbing over the Pass of Ocean Clouds. Drive through Danang and visit the Cham Museum, which contains the finest collection of Cham sculptures in the world. In the afternoon take a walking tour of the ancient town centre to visit the former merchants' homes, the 400 year-old Japanese Covered Bridge and the colourful market. Overnight in Danang or Hoi An depending on your chosen hotel.



## Day 14

### HOI AN OR DANANG

Free at leisure. As a suggestion head down to Hoi An's Cua Dai Beach with its stunning stretch of long white sands, crystal clear waters and island views. Or, take an excursion to Tra Que Organic Herb Village (extra cost your own account):

Pick up from hotel in Danang or Hoi An (depending on which hotel you stay) and transfer to the starting point of the bicycle ride. From here ride a bicycle to a local farm in Tra Que Village (depending on the location of your hotel you may be able to cycle directly). Take a trip around the vegetable garden and join the farmers in preparing the land and fertilising it with seaweed. Continue gardening activities such as raking, sowing, watering greens, picking greens etc. After farming activities you will be shown how to prepare tam huu, a local delicacy before sitting down for a home cooked meal including banh xeo a speciality savoury pancake wrapped in rice paper before transferring by vehicle back to your hotel. Overnight in Danang or Hoi An depending on your chosen hotel.



## Day 15

### HOI AN – DANANG – HO CHI MINH CITY

Transfer to Danang Airport after breakfast for the short flight to dynamic Ho Chi Minh City, still called Saigon by the locals.

On arrival take a tour of vibrant Ho Chi Minh City. Your program includes the Reunification Hall, formerly known as the Presidential Palace it was towards this modern building that North Vietnamese tanks seized on the morning of April 30 1975, as Saigon fell. This fascinating building is filled with history still fresh in the minds of many.

From there stroll (your vehicle will be available at all times) to the major sights of colonial Ho Chi Minh City: the Old Saigon Post Office, Dong Khoi Street (formerly Rue Catinat), Continental Hotel, Opera House and City Hall. After this historical visit continue to the War Remnants Museum where exhibition halls display imagery of both the French and American wars.

Continue to the Jade Emperor Pagoda located on the fringes of district 1. Dating from 1909 and built by Cantonese Buddhists this quiet oasis was designed using feng shui principals showcasing ornate statues and effigies. Following your tour head back to your hotel.

OPTION ((extra cost your own account): Late in the afternoon travel to visit Truc Mai House - a family of local artists and to hear a musical performance. Learn about traditional Vietnamese instruments through conversations with the artists and hear performances from each family member. Guests then have a memorable experience learning how to play the instruments themselves. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.



## Day 16

### HO CHI MINH CITY – SIEM REAP

This morning is free at leisure for last minute shopping or sightseeing before transferring to the airport for the flight to Siem Reap.

Arrive in Siem Reap and transfer to hotel. Siem Reap is the base for exploring the fabled temples of Angkor, the ancient capital of the Khmer empire. This afternoon, visit the ancient city of Angkor Thom. This is the last capital of the Great Khmer Empire under the reign of Jayavarman VII and the city is surrounded by an 8m high wall, drawing a perfect square. Enter through the ancient South Gate, an impressive stone gate carved with Elephants and four giant faces. From here, continue to Bayon Temple in the exact center of the city. This 12th century masterpiece is a study in grandeur and is well-known for its 54 towers with enigmatic faces representing the 54 provinces of the Great Khmer Empire. The Terrace of the Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King are also must-visits as they are both known for their intricate bas-reliefs.

Overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 17

### SIEM REAP

Embark on an interesting boat trip on the Tonlé Sap Lake, where you will have the opportunity to learn about life on the lake. Tonlé Sap is South East Asia's largest freshwater lake with its size varying greatly depending on the season, as it is swelling to about four times its size during the wet season. Board a local boat and visit Kampong Phluck, a village where you will see houses on stilts that are submerged when Tonlé Sap Lake extends. On the way, you will pass floating houses and impressive flooded forests, portraying life on the water.

Take a break by disembarking for a tasty picnic packed lunch served in a floating house and enjoy the views as the local community goes about its daily life (Note: Due to low water levels during the dry



season, the boat trip is only possible from June to March. However an alternative floating village at Chong Kneas can be arranged instead). Return to Siem Reap for some time at leisure during the hottest time of the day. Later today, hop on a local 'remok' (similar to the Thai 'tuk tuk') that will take you to a special sightseeing tour of the famous Angkor Wat. Built during the reign of King Suryavarman II in the early 12th century, Angkor Wat is constructed following the model of the temple mountain symbolizing Mount Meru, the home of the gods. Inside the temple, the walls are covered with stone carvings

and bas-reliefs depicting Hindu mythology and the wars Suryavarman II fought during his reign. Angkor Wat is well known for the more than 2,000 Apsara dancers decorating the temple. Construction is thought to have taken around thirty years of intensive labor. Today, Angkor Wat is figured on Cambodia's national flag as the temple symbolizes the soul of the Khmer people. You will be there during sunset time, when Angkor Wat is less visited and the Apsaras will shine in the most beautiful light. Overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 18

### SIEM REAP

Today, explore the temples of the Small Circuit. The most illustrious of these is Ta Prohm, built in the mid 12th to early 13th centuries. Ta Prohm is unique in that it has been left largely as it was found: overgrown by jungle trees and vines, with many parts of the temple crumbling to the ground. This makes the 'Tomb Raider Temple' one of the most picturesque and memorable of the Angkor temples. Your visit will also include Banteay Kdei, a Buddhist monastery from the late 12th Century, and Srah Srang, also known as the "pool of ablutions".

Enjoy some time at leisure until it is time for your transfer to the airport for your departure flight.



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## 14 DAYS THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE & THE MEKONG RIVER LUXURY

### Day 1

#### BANGKOK – ARRIVAL

Arrive in Bangkok and transfer to hotel, and then free at leisure.

Overnight in Bangkok.



### Day 2

#### BANGKOK

An early start will get you to Wat Pho in time to experience the monks early morning chanting ritual (chanting starts at 09.00 hrs). After this uplifting and often private experience, visit the temple grounds and the famous 45-metre reclining Buddha. Continue to the Grand Palace, Thailand's most important landmark, where you will be awed by the grandeur and majesty of the building and its throne halls. Then, of course, marvel at the mysterious Emerald Buddha, the most revered Buddha image in Thailand. Later, cross the Chao Phraya River to sample the spices and flavors of Thai cuisine at the Supatra River House. In the afternoon, drive out to the Prasart Museum, for a special glimpse into a private collection of priceless Thai art and antiquities.

Overnight in Bangkok.





## Day 3

### BANGKOK

Today, we will take a trip back in time to discover the former Siamese capital of Ayutthaya. In the morning, depart from your hotel in Bangkok and drive directly to Bang Pa-In, the summer palace built by Rama IV. There you will see the contrasting palace buildings and surrounding temples inspired by European, Chinese and Thai designs. Also visit Wat Niwet Thammaprawat, the gothic inspired temple on the banks of the Chao Phraya River. After the visit, board the Thanatharee rice barge, and enjoy your private lunch cruise on the Chao Phraya River. En route you will have beautiful views of Wat Phanan Choeng, the Elephant Kraal Pavilion and local lifestyle on the riverside. Ayutthaya, surrounded by rivers and a canal, flourished as the capital of Siam from 1350 until it was attacked by the Burmese in 1767. The remains of the temples and ruins of this great city have now been declared a World Heritage Site. Disembark at Aor Bor Jor pier and visit the most important of the ruined temples in Ayutthaya historical park: Wat Yai Chaimongkol, Wat Phra Si Sanphet, Viharn Phra Mongkol Bopit and Wat Chai Wattanaram. Return to Bangkok by car. Overnight in Bangkok.



## Day 4

### BANGKOK – CHIANG RAI – GOLDEN TRIANGLE (B,D)

Leave Thailand's central plains behind, and journey north to Thailand's Golden Triangle. Upon arrival in Chiang Rai, you'll be met by your guide, and transferred to your accommodation. After settling in to the comforts of your surroundings, you'll have the opportunity to delve into the secret history of the region on a visit to the Hall of Opium. Dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Golden Triangle.



## Day 5

### GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Breakfast at your hotel, and choice of

- Spa Treatment
- Elephant and Mahout Training
- Three Country Tour
- Cooking Class

Lunch and dinner are served at the hotel. Overnight in Golden Triangle.



## Day 6

### GOLDEN TRIANGLE

In the morning, you'll depart for Mae Sai, a trading town at the northern tip of Thailand that will be your entry point into Myanmar. Cross the border for a samlor ride through the village of Tachilek, where you'll enjoy lunch at a local Burmese restaurant, then admire crafts at the market. Next, enjoy the spectacular views from Doi Tung, the former home of the King of Thailand's mother, then stop at the Royal Handicraft Center to observe the production of mulberry paper, pottery, and weaving. Dinner at the hotel.

Overnight in Golden Triangle.



## Day 7

### GOLDEN TRIANGLE – CHIANG KHONG – HOUAY XAY – PAKBENG

An early wake up will see you passing through unforgettable scenery along the Mekong River as you travel to the border town of Chiang Khong. After completing the immigration formalities, you'll climb on board your boat for a journey into the jungles of Northern Laos.

Upon reaching the Lao border of Houay Xay, a representative from the Luang Say Cruises will be there to greet you and escort you to your shared cruise boat.

The cruise takes three days to reach Luang Prabang, with overnight stops made in Pakbeng and at the Kamu Lodge.

En route a stop is made to visit and admire the authentic rural life of hill tribe settlements. Enjoy a delicious buffet lunch onboard the boat as you continue your cruise along the scenic Mekong River.

Late this afternoon, you will reach the town of Pakbeng. At halfway between Houei Xay and Luang Prabang, Pakbeng is necessarily a stop for the slow boats. The small town is lined with wooden houses along a steep street on the hillside and is quite dynamic. Depending on the water speed, you may reach Pakbeng in time to watch the sun set over the river from the balcony of your room.

Overnight at Luangsay Lodge, Pakbeng



## Day 8

### PAKBENG – KAMU LODGE

This morning enjoy breakfast at the hotel before continuing the river cruise downstream to the Kamu Eco-lodge.

OPTIONAL: For early risers, there is an opportunity to visit the morning market of where the nearby villagers and hill tribes come to buy and exchange their goods.

Arrive at Kamu Ecolodge for lunch time. The Kamu Lodge features 20 private canvas tents. Faithful to local style, each one is protected from the elements by a thatch roof. This allows the Lodges' grounds





to harmoniously blend with surrounding nature. The tents are decorated with bamboo and wooden furniture. They each feature private attached bathroom and toilet with solar powered hot water and electricity.

This afternoon you may choose to participate in a variety of different activities. You will be rewarded with a very original Lao experience:

- rice planting and harvesting in surrounding rice fields
- Gold panning (January to June) in the Mekong. Anything you find is yours!
- Traditional fishing techniques in the Mekong.
- Local village visit and encounters

Dinner and overnight at the Lodge.

Pakbeng – Kamu Lodge by boat: 4 hours



## Day 9

### KAMU LODGE – PAK OU – LUANG PRABANG

Breakfast at the lodge before departing by boat at 0900. You will visit Pak Ou Caves. Located 2 hours upstream of Luang Prabang, Pak Ou Caves, locally called Tam Ting, count thousands of gold lacquered Buddha statues crammed into the two caves carved out of a towering limestone cliff. They range in size from a few centimeters to the size of a human. The caves are as well a destination for local pilgrimages.

Arrive in Luang Prabang UNESCO World Heritage city where you will go for lunch.

After lunch you will meet your guide and then transfer to your hotel for check – in.

This afternoon, visit the Traditional Arts & Ethnology Centre for insight in to the country's various ethnic groups and traditional crafts. Your tour will provide you with information in to the wonders of Laos, enhancing your understanding of this little-known country and its people. (NOTE: closed on Monday).

Overnight in Luang Prabang.

Kamu Lodge – Luang Prabang by boat: 3 hours



## Day 10

### LUANG PRABANG – KUANG SI

For early risers, there is a very special dawn visit to watch the monks collecting the alms. As the sun begins to rise, long lines of orange-robed monks leave their pagodas and walk barefoot down the streets collecting offerings from Luang Prabang residents. It is a beautiful, serene ceremony that highlights the spiritualism of the Laos people. Return to the hotel for breakfast.

Today, take a half-day guided tour of Luang Prabang, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Your guide will pick you up from your hotel after breakfast.

Start your city tour at the former Royal Palace, now the National Museum, where you will explore the

history of Laos. Continue on foot to Wat Mai, a temple renowned for its golden bas-relief, and Wat Sensoukaram, which features a beautiful dazzling golden façade. Finish the tour at Wat Xieng Thong, the most revered temple in Luang Prabang. Located at the end of the peninsula, close to the Mekong, this temple was built in 1560 by King Setthathirat and is decorated with ornate carvings and mosaics.

Lunch at Tamarind restaurant.

Transfer through the Luang Prabang countryside to Kuang Si Waterfalls (32km southwest of the city).

Along the way, you will drive through beautiful landscapes of rice fields, hills, and small villages. There are also view points overlooking the Mekong River.

Stop en-route to visit a small village which is home to one of the area's many ethnic minorities. You will have an opportunity to learn about their traditions and culture, much of which has remained unchanged for centuries.

Upon reaching Kuang Si Waterfall, relax and enjoy the beautiful natural surroundings. The water tumbles down a large drop and cascades gently in to several cool, clear pools where you can enjoy a refreshing swim. For the adventurous, it is possible to walk to the top of the falls via a steep track where stunning views await you at the top. You can also visit the nearby bear sanctuary before returning to Luang Prabang.

Overnight in Luang Prabang.



## Day 11

### LUANG PRABANG – XIENG KHOUANG

Departing from Luang Prabang, your journey today will take you to the mysterious Plain of Jars.

Depart early this morning for the drive to Xieng Khouang. The scenic journey takes around six hours during which time the landscape varies from really mountainous to soft hills and grasslands. En route, you will pass through several ethnic villages perched on the side of steep hills.

Stop for a picnic lunch.

In the afternoon, reach Xieng Khouang, locally referred to as Phonsavan. The town situated in central Laos and is the closest town to the mysterious Plain of Jars. During the American bombings of the 1970s, Xieng Khouang was almost entirely destroyed and, subsequently, had to be completely rebuilt in a location 30km away.

After checking into your hotel, enjoy a city tour and visit the MAG Center in the town. MAG is a humanitarian organization clearing the remnants of conflict for the benefit of local communities worldwide. Lao PDR is the most heavily bombed nation in the world (per capita). Overnight in Xieng Khouang.

Luang Prabang – Xieng Khouang (306 km): 6-7 hours



## Day 12

### XIENG KHOUANG – FULL DAY TOUR

In the morning you will journey through Phonsavan and the Plain of Jars.

The Plain of Jars is a huge archaeological complex littered with mysterious 2000 years old stone jars sized from 70cm up to 3 or 4 meters. Their true origin remains a mystery. It seems that they were carved into boulders. Several researches lead by the French archaeologist Madeleine Colani in the 30's suggested that they could be old graves, but to this day they remain an enigma.

Your trip will enable you to visit the 3 sites and also discover some local villages where you can observe local village life. Site 1, close to the town is settled at Thong Hai Hin and is the biggest site. Site 2 is at Hai Hin on Phou Salator, "Phou" in Lao means "Mountain". End your tour at site 3 in Hai Hin Lat Khai. Site 3 is the most impressive with over 150 jars. Close to this site, you will visit Ban Xiengdi where there is a small monastery with Buddha images. On the way back, you will pass areas that were important battlefields during the American secret war. You can still see bomb craters from that time today.

Attention: The Plain of Jars has been heavily bombed during the war and you have to respect all the signs and stay along the defined trails due to bombs, UXO and landmines.

Lunch at a local restaurant in Phonsavan.

In the afternoon, enjoy a half day trip to Muang Khoun. Muang Khoun is one area in the old provincial capital that has not been destroyed by the American bombings during the secret war. Muang Khoun is home to a unique sitting giant Buddha as well of some old pagodas that remain in ruins. The foundation and columns of Wat Pia Wat are still standing and close to this site, there is also an old 30m stupa constructed in the Lan Xang/Lanna period.

Then return to Xieng Khuang.

Overnight in Xieng Khouang



## Day 13

### XIENG KHOUANG – VIENTIANE

After browsing at the morning market and finishing off your sightseeing, you will be transferred to the airport.

Fly to Vientiane, the capital of Laos, a relaxed city of leafy boulevards and gracious French architecture. On arrival you will be met for a private transfer to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure, strolling along the Mekong waterfront or slipping into an inviting café.

Overnight in Vientiane.



## Day 14

### VIENTIANE – BANGKOK

Enjoy your final day in Vientiane with a tour of the city's most important sites, from the humble niche Buddhas of Wat Sisaket, to the venerated That Luang, to the grand arch of the Patuxai monument. Time permitting, you'll visit Carol Cassidy's famed textile studio before heading off to the airport for your departure flight.









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# 15 DAYS HIDDEN NORTH VIET NAM AND LAOS



## Day 1

### ARRIVAL - HANOI (-/-/-)

Fly to Hanoi. Upon arrival to the airport, you will be met by our guide and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon, take a cyclo trip to discover the Old Quarter of Hanoi. It is a great chance for you to discover the daily life activities of local people in the most attractive area of the city. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

Overnight in Hanoi.



## Day 2

### HANOI - FULL DAY OF CITY TOUR (B/L/-)

Morning start our tour to discover Hanoi, a peaceful city with beautiful trees and lakes, the city has thousand years of history and culture. First, we will take a walk to Ngoc Ha village. You can see the village as an Oasis in the middle of the city, that still keep all the typical daily life activities as well as the typical community sense of the village in Red river Delta along your walk. Then visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum - the symbol of the country and Presidential Palace, Presidential Garden, his House on Stilts and One Pillar Pagoda. After that, visit Temple of Literature - the central of culture of Hanoi that worship to Literature - the only subject for student to study in the feudal system just hundred years ago and Confucius. At lunch, enjoy the typical and authentic cuisine at Season of Hanoi Restaurant.

Afternoon visit Ethnology Museum in which you can study the great outline of 54 ethnic people living in Vietnam. This museum is the only one in Vietnam that many artifacts display in there still exist in the life of local people but not extinct like most of the museums, that will create very good reflection about the life, culture, customs, religions and costumes of Vietnamese people. Back to the center of the city for the short walk to discover the Old Quarter. Your tour will be concluded with great experience of Water Puppet show - the unique art of Vietnamese people from Red River Delta.

Overnight in Hanoi.



## Day 3

### HANOI - DUONG LAM - MAICHAU (B/L/D):

Morning we will drive to the ancient village of Duong Lam, ancient village of Duong Lam, the place so called "Hoi An of the Red River Delta" as still preserve many hundred-year-old houses constructed by laterite stone - the unique material just can be found in this area. That is the reason why Duong Lam also has the name "The laterite ancient village". Upon arrival, take the pleasant walk by the gate of the village to Mong Phu Communal House. This is one of very few village gates still remained intact located by the old Banyan Tree as the typical image of the village in the Red River Delta.

After visiting the Communal House, just take a seat at the tea house nearby and enjoy some local fresh green tea and special candy made from sticky rice flake. This is the oldest Tea House in Vietnam as the villagers made use of the spare material from constructing the Communal House to build this Tea House from 400 years ago. Then our guide will take you to walk along some small alleys in the village. The village has constructed very special system of alleys in "fish bone" style that every single alley comes to death end for the security reason. That could be the reason why many families in the village still using the old gate with the handle from outside to help the guests open the gate themselves. The walk will be concluded by the visit of the most beautiful ancient house in the village of Mr. Huyen family and enjoy the authentic home hosted lunch prepared by hospitable people in his family.

After lunch, depart to Mai Chau - the peaceful and green valley of Thai people. This trip gives you a lot of photo opportunities with spectacular scenery of mountain area and rice fields. Upon arrival to Mai Chau, check in at local house of Thai people in Pom Coong village. Overnight in the long house of Thai people.





## Day 4

### MAI CHAU – XAM KHOE – MAI CHAU (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we will drive to the central of the valley for 20 kms trekking back to the house on the stilts. We start to trek mountainsides to Xam Khoe Village. The trekking is difficult at times with some steep uphill and downhill walking, but the views are incredible however some physical preparation will enable you to fully appreciate today's trek. Then we will hike along the path over villages of Thai people. Picnic lunch in a family of Thai people on the way. After lunch we trek up 4 kms over the bamboo forest over the mountain towards to our village. Get back to Pom Coong Village in the afternoon. After dinner, enjoy the great music and dance performance of Thai people in the village. Overnight at the long house of the Thai people.



## Day 5

### MAI CHAU – SON LA (B/L/-)

This morning we will drive to Son La via Moc Chau – the beautiful plateau covered by green terrace tea plantation. On the way take a 2 hours hiking along the village of Mong people in Xa Linh then drive to Moc Chau for lunch in local restaurant. After lunch, visit the spectacular tea plantation then we drive to Son La by beautiful area of White Thai people along the river. Visit a village of Thai people over typical suspension bridge over the river before arriving to Son La. Overnight in Son La.



## Day 6

### SON LA – DIEN BIEN PHU (B/L/-)

The morning we visit Old French prison of Son La old Prison then depart for Dien Bien Phu, the site of the decisive battle in Vietnam's struggle for independence in 1954. Drive over Pha Din, one of the most famous pass in the North of Vietnam. Enjoy the great scenery and visit Red Mong village on the pass. That can explain the name of the pass in Thai language is the place where Heaven and Earth meet. After lunch at Tuan Giao, keep driving to Dien Bien Phu over the beautiful area of Thai people. Visit another impressive village of Thai people en route. Upon arrival to Dien Bien Phu, the beautiful valley where the first Thai people immigrate to Vietnam, also very famous with the battle between Vietnamese and French in 1954, check in Him Lam Hotel. The rest of the day is free at leisure. Overnight in Dien Bien Phu.



## Day 7

### DIEN BIEN PHU – MUANG KHUA (B/L/D)

In the morning we will have a chance to visit local market, the museum, A-1 hill and the former French command post with its trophy tank. In the afternoon, check out the hotel then drive to Tay Trang border gate. Transit to Laos bus to take 3 hours drive to Muang Khua, the attractive small town located by Nam Ou river. Enjoy the spectacular scenery of mountain and the village of hill tribe people on the way. Overnight in Muang Khuang.



## Day 8

### MUANG KHUA – MUANG NGOI (B/L/D)

Breakfast at local restaurant, we continue to take a boat trip about 4-5 hrs to Muang Ngoi, a very old village of low-land Lao, located in very nice location on the bank of Nam Ou river with beautiful surroundings. As we would make a few stops for visiting local villages of Hmong, Khmu... Picnic lunch is served at the shady sandbank of Nam Ou. We arrive in Muang Ngoi in the afternoon, check in at Ning Ning guesthouse. The rest of the day is spent free to visit this charming village. Dinner is at local restaurant.

Overnight in Muang Ngoi.



## Day 9

### MUANG NGOI – TREKKING - NONG KHIAO (B/L/D)

Breakfast, we take a boat ride about 15 mn downstream on Nam Ou river to visit Ban Sopkhan, a small village of low land Lao, this is the starting point for out trekking about 2 hours through rice fields, forest to Ban Pha Yong, a Hmong village and also Ban Tad Lene, a Khmu village. Picnic lunch is served with beautiful nature surrounded. We continue our trek to Ban Sopkong, another small village by the Nam Ou, where we will take a boat ride back to Muang Ngoi. Continue to depart by boat about 1 hour to Nong Khiao. Check in at Nong Khiao riverside resort. Dinner is at the resort. Overnight in Nong Khiao.



## Day 10

### NONG KHIAO – PAK OU CAVE – LUANG PRABANG (B/L/-)

Breakfast, we check out and take our car to Luang Prabang, the ancient first capital of Lane Xang kingdom, the center of religious life in Laos and today the World Heritage City. This trip will take about 2-3 hours, as we also make a few stops to visit more local villages on the bank of Nam Ou and also to visit Pak Ou cave, in the side of a lime stone cliff and opposite of the mouth of the Mekong and Nam Ou rivers. The sanctuaries at Pak Ou consist of two large caves, both repositories for thousands of Buddha images, which range from mere centimeter to two meters in height. Picnic lunch is served on the shady sandbank along the way then we take a boat to Luangprabang. Arrive in Luang Prabang and transfer to hotel. The rest of the day is free at leisure.

Overnight in Luang Phrabang.



## Day 11

### LUANG PRABANG (B/-/-)

Morning is free at leisure. In the afternoon, we visit Wat Xiengthong, the 16th century temple, which more than any temples in Luang Prabang, epitomizes all the elegance and grace of Luang Prabang architecture. Hmong market in town, where some of Hmong ladies still show their skilled embroidery works, climb Phousi Hill, the 328 steps leads to the summit of Phousi Hill that dominates the sky-line of Luang Prabang overlooking the finest panoramic view in the whole Luang Prabang and watch sunset over the hill at Wat Phabat Tai on the bank of the Mekong river.

Overnight in Luang Phrabang.



## Day 12

### LUANG PRABANG – ELEPHANT EXPERIENCE (B/L/-)

8:00 – 8:30 am: Your English speaking guide will pick you up at your hotel in Luang Prabang.

- Transfer by air conditioned VIP van to the Shangri-Lao Explorer Camp 15 km outside of Luang Prabang city.
- Upon arrival, you will receive an introductory tour of the camp where your guide will teach you about elephants. You may talk with our veterinarian at the elephant hospital, feed the elephants or relax by the riverside.
- Your adventure begins with an elephant ride across the Nam Khan River and continues through teak forests, dense jungle and over hills to reach the protected Huay Sae Valley. Stop along the way at the scenic overlook to take in the stunning view of the Nam Khan River valley.
- After reaching the Huay Sae valley, you leave the elephants and relax at our jungle sala. Enjoy a luxurious lunch with traditional Lao food and wine near a secluded waterfall. You may even take a refreshing swim in the natural pools if you would like.
- Continue your expedition with trekking on foot along the marvelous Huay Sae mountain stream down to the Nam Khan River. This stunning trail crosses bamboo bridges and passes by many waterfalls with

fantastic limestone formations and turquoise blue pools in the dense jungle. Along our educational trail you will learn more about this important jungle ecosystem.

- At bank of the Nam Khan River, a luxury bamboo raft is awaiting to carry you back to camp. As you slowly drift down the Nam Khan, relax and enjoy a coffee while watching the traditional village life of farmers and fishermen along the riverbank. You may also take advantage of an optional 30 min stop at the beautiful Tad Sae Waterfall.

4:30 – 5:00 pm: Leave the camp and return by air conditioned VIP van to your hotel in Luang Prabang city. Overnight in Luang Phrabang



## Day 13

### WATERFALL (B/-/-)

Breakfast at hotel, take an excursion by car uphill through beautiful scenic views with local style-villages to visit Ban Long Laoh, a small Hmong hill tribe village, probably the bestknown hill tribe in Laos. Begin to trek (3-4 hrs) through beautiful lushly forested area and also rice fields to Kuangsi Waterfall, which though not very high, but it is spectacular and really beautiful with its green surroundings as the national protected forest area. We will have a picnic lunch by the Kuangsi Waterfall where there is plenty of time for your relaxing and a swim in the cool water before taking a drive to get back to Luang Prabang. Overnight in Luang Phrabang.



## Day 14

### LUANG PRABANG – FREE DAY (B/-/-)

You will have the whole day at leisure to relax and discover the charming town of Luang Prabang on your own. This town is the ideal place to wander around, shopping or getting to know about the local life. If you can wake up early, don't miss the chance to experience the local people offering the food to the monk as the merit in early morning. The local market in town is also very interesting place to visit. You also can visit the National Museum, the former Royal Palace which houses the collection of valuables including the famous Prabang Buddha statue, gifts received from foreign dignitaries...etc, Overnight in Luang Phrabang.



## Day 15

### LUANG PRABANG – DEPARTURE (B/-/-)

Morning is free at leisure till your time for departure flight home. Tour concluded.







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## 12 DAYS INDOCHINA DISCOVERY TOUR

### Day 1

#### ARRIVAL - HANOI (-/-/-)

Fly to Hanoi. Upon arrival to the airport, you will be met by our guide and transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in Hanoi.



### Day 2

#### HANOI – FULL DAY OF CITY TOUR (B/L/-)

Morning start our tour to discover Hanoi, a peaceful city with beautiful trees and lakes, the city has thousand years of history and culture. We will have the first impression of the city by authentic Cyclo ride from your hotel to Hanoi Old Quarter – where you can experience the real daily life activities of local people in the oldest area of Hanoi. Then you will ride by the French Quarter along wide and green typical French boulevard that can explain to you why this city so called “Paris of the East” before taking a walk to Ngoc Ha village. You can see the village as an Oasis in the middle of the city, that still keep all the typical daily life activities as well as the typical community sense of the village in Red river Delta along your walk. Then visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum - the symbol of the country and Presidential Palace, Presidential Garden, his House on Stilts and One Pillar Pagoda. After that, visit

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### Day 3

#### HANOI – TAY PHUONG PAGODA – DUONG LAM VILLAGE (B/L/-)

Morning we will take one hour drive to Tay Phuong, one of ten most beautiful pagodas in Vietnam. Located on the top of the hill, this pagoda is very famous about the collection of Buddha and Arhat statues from 17th century and unique architecture. Then take 45 minutes bike ride the rural area nearby the Pagoda through green rice field, local villages. This is the great chances for you to discover the daily life activities in the Red River Delta, interact to local people and feel the real atmosphere of rural area. After that, back to the car for driving to the ancient village of Duong Lam, the place so called “Hoi An of the Red River Delta” as still preserve many hundred-

yearold houses constructed by laterite stone – the unique material just can be found in this area.

That is the reason why Duong Lam also has the name “The laterite ancient village”. Upon arrival, take the pleasant walk by the gate of the village to Mong Phu Communal House. This is one of very few village gates still remained intact located by the old Banyan Tree as the typical image of the village in the Red River Delta. After visiting the Communal House, just take a seat at the tea house nearby and enjoy some local fresh green tea and special candy made from sticky rice flake. This is the oldest Tea House in Vietnam as the villagers made used of the spare material from constructing the Communal House to build this Tea House from 400 years ago. Then our guide will take you to walk along some small alleys in the

village. The village has constructed very special system of alleys in "fish bone" style that every single alley comes to death end for the security reason. That could be the reason why many families in the village still using the old gate with the handle from outside to help the guests open the gate themselves. The walk will concluded by the visit of the most beautiful ancient house in the village of Mr. Huyen family and enjoy the authentic home hosted lunch prepare by hospitable people in his family.



After lunch, we will take another bike ride in the rural area around the village that lead you to green rice field, interesting resting house had been constructed hundred years ago for people working on the field to rest in the shade and breeze in the hot summer day. You also can visit the thousand year old tree line that had been recognized as Heritage Trees in Vietnam before coming back to the village for the drive back to Hanoi. Return to the city in the late afternoon. Overnight in Hanoi.



## Day 4

### HANOI – HALONG BAY (B/L/D)

In the morning drive from Hanoi to Halong Bay by Red River Delta with beautiful rice field and activities of local people along the way. Upon arrival to Halong, embark to the Junk on Hon Gai International Harbour. You will be welcomed by the cruise staff, enjoy the welcome drink, cruise briefing then check in your cabin. The junk will start cruising on magnificent Bai Tu Long bay while you enjoy lunch on board. It also a great chance to admire the fascinating rock formations in the bay. In the afternoon you will visit the secluded cave of Thien Canh Son then take a short cruise to Hon Co Island where you can relax on a white sandy beach, swimming or kayaking. Back to the Junk, relax and get ready for dinner. Overnight on board.



## Day 5

### HALONG – THO HA VILLAGE - HANOI (B/BRUNCH/-)

In the morning you can admire the sunrise on the bay from sun deck of the Junk. Enjoy the bay's morning landscape with a cup of tea or coffee then have the breakfast in the open air. After breakfast, you will have a chance to visit Vung Vieng fishing village in a rustic rowing-boat, meet the local people and pass through the floating school and fish farms. Then back to the junk for more leisure time for swimming in the middle of the bay. The cruise will be back to the harbour while an a la carte lunch is served. At noon, disembark to the port and drive back to Hanoi. On the way back to Hanoi, visit Tho Ha the famous village of terracotta products before 20th century. Upon arrival, take a short local ferry to the village. Visit a local home of Mr. Viet, where you can see how rice paper has been made and have the interesting talk with him about his family and his life. Mr. Viet was NVA (Northern Vietnamese Army) who liberate Saigon in 1975. After spend time in his house and talk to the owner for deeper understand about life of local people in the village, we will visit 400 years old pagoda that still remains all original architecture and Buddha statues, specially the holly and peaceful atmosphere that have not been touched by the tourist. Discover village through narrow and zigzag alleys with the old houses had been constructed from broken part of terracotta from the past. Walking over to the end of the village to the dike, where you can see the village from distance over the beautiful lake. Drive back to Hanoi.



## Day 6

### HANOI – LUANG PRABANG (B/-/-)

After breakfast at hotel, transfer to Noi Bai airport for flight to Luang Prabang known as the ancient first capital of Lane Xang kingdom. Upon arrival to Luang Prabang, transfer to this smaal and charming town by Mekong River then check in your hotel. In the afternoon, we visit Wat Xiengthong, the 16th century temple, which more than any temples in Luang Prabang, epitomizes all the elegance and grace of Luang Prabang architecture, Hmong market in town, where some of Hmong ladies still show their skilled embroidery works, climb Phousi Hill, the 328 steps leads to the summit of Phousi Hill that dominates the sky-line of Luang Prabang overlooking the finest panoramic view in the whole Luang Prabang and watch sunset over the hill at Wat Phabat Tai on the bank of the Mekong river. Overnight in Luang Prabang.





## Day 7

### LUANG PRABANG & PAK OU CAVE (B/L/-)

Enjoy an excursion to visit Pak Ou cave in the side of a lime stone cliff and opposite of the mouth of the Mekong and Nam Ou rivers. On the way, time for visiting some Lao typical villages. Ban Xanghai, the famous village for rice whisky, also visited. The return boat begins to Luang Prabang. Then drive to visit Ban Xangkhong, the wellknown village for its wood papermaking and also traditional silk weavings. Overnight in Luang Prabang.



## Day 8

### LUANG PRABANG – KUANGSI WATERFALL (B/L/-)

This morning we will have the option of wake up early for experience the monks in Luang Phrabang walking for merit in town before breakfast time at the hotel. Then we take a drive (30 km South) to visit Kuangsi Waterfall, which, though not very high, is spectacular and really beautiful with its green surroundings as the preserved National park. We stop en-route, to visit a fresh produced market namely Talad Phosy, and also visit Ban Na Oune, a small village of a hill-tribe group “Hmong”, probably the bestknown minority group in Laos. Just before arriving at Kuangsi waterfall, there is another village of Khmu minority group, namely Ban Tha Pane that we will visit. Our picnic lunch is served at the shady park nearby Kuangsi waterfall. There is plenty of time for relaxing and a swim in cool water, before we head back to Luang Prabang in the late afternoon. The rest of the day is spent by visiting various craft-shops, including silver smiths’ and also Hmong market in town, where some skilled embroidery-works of Hmong ladies can be seen.

Overnight in Luang Prabang.



## Day 9

### LUANG PRABANG – SIEM REAP (ANGKOR) (B/L/-)

After breakfast, a short flight to Siemriep. Upon arrival at the airport, transfer to hotel. Lunch in local restaurant. Afternoon, visit Angkor Wat. This temple is visually, architecturally and artistically breathtaking. It is a massive three-tiered pyramid crowned by five lotus-like towers rising 65 meters from ground level. Angkor Wat is surrounded by a moat and an exterior wall measuring 1300 meters x 1500 meters. The temple itself is 1 km square and consists of three levels surmounted by a central tower. The walls of the temple are covered inside and out with bas-reliefs and carvings. Nearly 2000 distinctively rendered Apsara carvings adorn the walls throughout the temple and represent some of the finest examples of Apsara carvings in Angkorian era art. The temple interior is not as densely carved as the first level exterior, but still sports hundreds of fine carvings of Apsaras and scenes from Hindu mythology. At the uppermost of your tour of the temple, the central tower on the third level houses four Buddha images, each facing

a different cardinal point, highlighting the fact that though Angkor Wat was constructed as a Hindu temple, it has served as a Buddhist temple since Buddhism became Cambodia’s dominant religion in the 14th century. Some say that it is good luck to pay homage to all four Buddha images before departing Angkor. This is also the best place in Siemreap for viewing and enjoy the sunset. Return to Siem Reap.

Overnight in Siemreap



## Day 10

### SIEM REAP (ANGKOR) (B/L/-)

In the morning continue discovering the beauties of amazing temples in Siemriep. We start our tour to Angkor Thom (Big Angkor), is a 3 km2 walled and moated royal city and was the last capital of the Angkorian empire. After Jayavarman VII recaptured the Angkorian capital from the Cham invaders in 1181, he began a massive building campaign across the empire, constructing Angkor Thom as his new capital city. There are five entrances (gates) to the city, one for each cardinal point, and the victory gate leading to the Royal Palace area. Each gate is crowned with 4 giant faces. The South Gate is often the first stop on a tour. From here, we will drive to visit Bayon Temple.

The giant stone faces of Bayon have become one of the most recognizable images connected to classic Khmer art and architecture. There are 37 standing towers, most but not all sporting four carved faces oriented toward the cardinal points. The best of Bayon are the bas-reliefs on the exterior walls of the lower level and on the upper level where the stone faces reside. The bas-reliefs on the southern wall contain real-life scenes from the historical sea battle between the Khmer and the Cham. Even more interesting are extensive carvings of unique and revealing scenes of everyday life that are interspersed among the battle scenes, including market scenes, cockfighting, chess games and childbirth.

After visiting Bayon, stop to have the quick visit of Terrace of the Elephants - an impressive, two and a half-meter tall, 300 meter long terrace wall adorned with carved elephants and garudas spanning the front of Baphuon, Phimeanakas and the Royal Palace area at the heart of Angkor Thom. Then transfer to visit Ta Prohm – the jungle temple. Intentionally left partially unrestored, massive fig and silk-cotton trees grow from the towers and corridors offering some of the best ‘tree-in-temple’ photo opportunities at Angkor. Flocks of noisy parrots flit from tree to tree adding to the jungle atmosphere. Ta Prohm is well worth an extended exploration of its dark corridors and open plazas. The temple was originally constructed as a Buddhist monastery and was enormously wealthy in its time, boasting of control over 3000 villages, thousands of support staff and vast stores of jewels and gold. This is also the place where the movie Tomb raider had been filmed. Enjoy lunch at have Cafe Angkor restaurant.

In the afternoon we will take the beautiful drive along then beautiful scenery of rural area in Siem Reap with green rice field and sugar palm trees to visit Banteay Srei. Banteay Srey loosely translates to ‘citadel of the women, but this is a modern appellation that probably refers to the delicate beauty of the carvings. The walls are densely covered with some of the most beautiful, deep and intricate carvings of any Angkorian temple. The



temple's relatively small size, pink sandstone construction and ornate design give it a fairyland ambiance. The colors are best before **10:30 AM** and after **2:00 PM**, but there are fewer tourists in the afternoon.

Overnight in Siemreap



## Day 11

### SIEM REAP – TONLE SAP (B/L/-)

Morning, we take a boat trip to Chong Knies village, the floating village on Tonle Sap. On the way you can stop to experience the Ox Cart ride along the typical scenery of rural area in Siem Reap along rice field and local villages. The highlight of the tour will be the villages, the enjoyable off road track, the people and the wonderful smile of the children. Drive to boat station then take the boat trip along the canal leading too Tonle Sap – the biggest fresh water lake in South East Asia. Enjoy the rural scenery as well as activities of local people along the ride before getting to the floating village of Chong Knies. In here, people living in the floating house that can be moved based on the water level of the lake, so the village is much closer in the rainy season then the dry season. You also can see the local school, Buddhist Monastery and fishing boat along your boat ride. The boat also will stop at the local crocodile farm for you to visit before getting back to Siemreap for lunch at local restaurant. In the afternoon, our guide will take you for the walk in the central of Siemreap by well-known Pub Street and authentic Old Market of the town that selling all the interesting local food and products as well as some souvenir shops. Then visit the National Museum, they can provide you great outline and summary about history, religion as well as Angkor Temples at the end of your trip.

Overnight in Siemreap



## Day 12

### SIEM REAP – DEPARTURE (B/-/-)

Morning is free at leisure till your departure to the airport for the flight home. Tour concluded.



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## 9D ANGKOR WAT AND NORTH VIET NAM

### Day 1

#### ARRIVE IN SIEM REAP

Welcome to Siem Reap, the gateway into the Angkor temples. Designated a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, the Angkor Archaeological Park encompasses dozens of temple ruins including Bayon, Banteay Srei and the legendary Angkor Wat. Upon arrival, our tour guide and driver will welcome you at the airport and drive you to the hotel to check in. Spend the afternoon on a relaxing walking tour, exploring the town then drive to the Archeological Park in the evening to watch the sunset from the top of Phnom Bakheng Mountain.





## Day 2

### SIEM REAP – ANGKOR TEMPLES (B,L)

Enjoy an entire day dedicated to discovering the mysterious Angkor temples. Wake before dawn and take a tuk-tuk ride to visit the jungle-entwined temple, Ta Prohm. Sunrise is one of the most beautiful and haunting times to visit the temples, whose ancient sandstone blocks are gilded gold by the early morning rays. Return to the hotel for breakfast then set back out on a full day temple tour. Starting with the magnificent Angkor Wat— the largest Khmer temple and finest example of Angkorian art and architecture—, we proceed to Angkor Thom's imposing South Gate, topped with the four serenely smiling faces of Avalokiteshvara. Next, visit Bayon temple, the Elephant Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King.



## Day 3

### SIEM REAP – TONLE SAP LAKE - HA NOI (B,L)

Immerse yourself in the rich culture surrounding Siem Reap on a boat tour along Tonle Sap Lake. After breakfast at the hotel, take a short walk through a tranquil Siem Reap neighborhood to learn about the local way of life before driving to Tonle Sap Lake to board a local boat for a cruise through the floating villages. Return to Siem Reap for lunch then drive to the airport to catch your flight to Vietnam's capital, Hanoi. Our driver and guide will meet you at the airport and take you to your hotel for check in.



## Day 4

### HA NOI CITY TOUR – NIGHT TRAIN TO LAO CAI (B,L)

Today, we have a full day to explore Vietnam's charming capital. With its wide tree-lined boulevards, french colonial architecture, peaceful lakes and ancient oriental pagodas; Hanoi is an eclectic mix that offers something for everyone. Our city tour will take you to Hanoi's key sites: the Ho Chi Minh Complex (Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum and stilt house); the Presidential Palace; the nearby One Pillar Pagoda; the Old Quarter; the Temple of Literature; West Lake; the sedate Tran Quoc Pagoda & Quan Thanh Temple; and one of the city's museums (a choice between the History Museum and the Ethnology Museum). In the evening enjoy a traditional Water Puppet Performance a unique Vietnamese art form hailing from Southeast Asia's wetrice culture before heading to the train station to catch your night train to Lao Cai.



## Day 5

### LAO CAI – SAPA (B,L)

Your train arrives at the Lao Cai station in the early morning. Lao Cai is a charming hilltop town near the Chinese border. Explore downtown Lao Cai and have breakfast at a local noodle house. After breakfast our driver and guide will take you to one of the local markets (Bac Ha Fair market on Sunday/ Coc Ly on Tuesday and Can Cau on Saturday). Wander through the stalls packed with hand-crafted goods peddled by the various hill tribe people who come here to buy and sell their wares. In the afternoon, continue on your way to Sapa: Northwest Vietnam's premier travel destination, famous for its breathtaking views of cloud-woven mountaintops and gaping valleys.



## Day 6

### SAPA TREKKING TOUR AND NIGHT TRAIN BACK TO HA NOI (B,L)

Having breakfast at the hotel, before setting out on a full day's trek to explore Sapa's cultural diversity and haunting natural beauty. Take a guided hike through yawning valleys decorated with terraced rice fields and pass through remote hill tribe villages to explore the daily life and familiarize yourself with the cultures of the H'mong, Dzao and Dzay people who populate the region. Have lunch at a hill tribe village then drive back to Lao Cai to catch your return night train to Hanoi.



## Day 7

### HA NOI – HA LONG BAY CRUISE (B,L,D)

Arrive in Hanoi in the early morning. Danh Nam Travel's driver and guide will meet you at the train station and take you to breakfast at a local restaurant, before setting out on a 3 to 4 hour drive to the UNESCO World Heritage site: Halong Bay. Spend 24 hours on a traditional cruise in the amazing Halong Bay: a natural wonderland composed of jutting limestone islands and sparkling turquoise waters. Arrive at the dock around noon and board your junk. Savor a gourmet lunch of fresh seafood on board as we sail out into the mystical bay. In the afternoon, cruise around some of Halong's many islands. We will visit one of the most beautiful caves on Halong Bay. Stop at an island cove with a sheltered white-sand beach and take a dip in the warm waters of the Gulf of Tonkin (weather permitting). Overnight on Cruise.





## Day 8

### HA LONG BAY CRUISE – HA NOI (B,L)

Awake early and participate in Tai Chi on the top deck or simply relax and enjoy the sunrise over the bay's towering islands. Enjoy a morning cup of coffee or tea, before setting out to explore nearby islands by rowboat. Return to the junk for breakfast then take advantage of the sundeck and admire the amazing rock formations of Bai Tu Long Bay as we navigate back to Halong City. Get on car back to Hanoi. Over-night at the hotel in Hanoi.



## Day 9

### HA NOI – DEPARTURE (B)

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before driving to the airport to catch your departure flight home



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## 12D TRAVEL TO VIET NAM AND CAMBODIA

### Day 1

#### HA NOI ARRIVAL (L)

On arrival at Noi Bai Airport, you are met by our guide and transferred to hotel. The capital of Viet nam, Hanoi is a stylish and gracious city that retains unique old world charm and some Asia's most striking colonial architecture. If time permits we explore the charming Hanoi City with Paloma Motorbike Tours to see the daily life of Hanoian with special local food.





## Day 2

### HA NOI – HA LONG (B,L,D)

Heading out of town we make our way to this nature wonder and embark a traditional boat. The exciting cruise provides us a fantastic view of the picturesque scenery blending with the sky and some 3,000 limestone islands rising amazingly from the clear and emerald water. These limestone karst formations are littered with beaches, grottoes and beautiful caves. We have a huge seafood lunch served on board and continue sailing out. Along the way, we will anchor for a leisurely swim in a secluded cove and an enjoyable visit to one of the many hidden grottoes beneath towering cliffs. Overnight on Paloma Cruise



## Day 3

11:30 am: You arrive at dock then get on car back to Hanoi for your flight to Hue. When you arrive in Hue, our driver will wait for you to pick you up for hotel. Overnight at hotel in Hue.



## Day 4

### HUE CITY TOUR – HOI AN

The beautiful riverside Thien Mu Pagoda is one of the oldest ancient architectural structures for religious work ship in Hue. We include this in a half day cruise on the Perfume River which also gives us a taste of the scenic countryside and an enjoyable visit to the mausoleum of Emperor Minh Mang in a tranquil setting of gardens and lakes. This impressive landmark reflects the beautiful architecture, intricate decor and mysterious statues. Afterwards we make a short drive though the rolling hill to see the elaborate royal tomb of Emperor Tu Duc. By mid afternoon, we depart for Hoi An with stopover in Lang Co Beach for a leisurely swim. The winding road begins as we make our way up the spectacular Hai Van pass. A view from the top of the pass is one of Vietnam's most impressive panoramic scenes. We also have a chance to see on our way the Danang Beach and the Marble Mountain, whose peaks represent the five elements. Overnight in Hoi An.



## Day 5

### HOI AN WALKING TOUR (B)

The ancient architecture in place is a fascinating combination of Vietnamese traditional characters with Chinese and Japanese influence. There are plenty to see in this delightful and tranquil town, some of which are the famous Japanese Covered Bridges, the Pottery Museum, the 200 years old Tam Ky House, the Chua Ong Pagoda and the vibrant market. We visit these on our morning walking tour past many low tiled houses scattered along the small streets and assembly halls which reflect the town's multi-cultural past. Overnight in Hoi An.



## Day 6

### HOI AN – HO CHI MINH CITY (B)

We take a short drive to Danang and visit the famous Cham Museum which boasts the largest collection of Cham treasures in Viet Nam. The following destination is Ho Chi Minh via a short flight to Danang. On arrival you are greeted and driven to hotel. This metropolis, contradiction of its northern counterpart, is crowded with bikes and motorbikes, excited by numerous shopping areas and sidewalk cafés. (If time permits) we stroll around the down town to explore the different local ways of life. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.



## Day 7

### HO CHI MINH – CU CHI TUNNERS (B,L)

The incredible underground network in Cu Chi stretched over 200 kilometres and became legendary during the American war. The extensive tunnels have been specially constructed with living areas, storage facilities, weapon factories, field hospitals, command centres, plus accommodation. Today, we have an excursion to Cu Chi Tunnels to visit an exposition hall and a widened section of the tunnels to get a feel of the underground life. There are also possibilities to fire off rounds from an AK47 or MK16 at the nearby rifle range. The following program is a sightseeing of major sights in Ho Chi Minh City. We drive past many lively streets on our way to the Reunification Palace. This mansion was the former residence of the President of South Viet Nam until end of April 1975. Close to the palace are some striking French colonial structures including the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Old Sai Gon Post Office. We see these before going to the Jade Emperor Pagoda and the War remnant exhibit. The final stop is Ben Thanh Market where anything and everything is for sale! Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.



## Day 8

### HO CHI MINH – MEKONG DELTA (B,L)

Heading out of town, we travel by roads to the Mekong Delta. This plain region boasts the largest rice bowl of Viet Nam. On arrival in My Tho, we board a boat navigating around the intricate small canals, which is a great way to observe the local lifestyle close-up and catch a view dotted by many islands. The exciting river trip will pass by the lush green vegetation towards the famous Unicorn Island where we have a chance to stroll around an orchard, taste many seasonal fruits and see farmers at work. We navigate some narrower canals using small rowing boats to Ben Tre Province for an interesting visit to some local industries. The extra enjoyment is a lunch at one of the famous local eating spots. We drive back to Ho Chi Minh, stopping off en route to see the beautiful Ving Trang Pagoda and the Saigon's Chinatown, locally named Cho Lon. This bustling area is crammed with sacred temples and mysterious, narrow lanes. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.



## Day 9

### HO CHI MINH – PHNOM PENH (B)

The exciting combo journey continues to Phnom Penh via a short flight from Ho Chi Minh. On arrival at Po Chen Tong Airport you are greeted and driven to hotel. The capital of Cambodia, Phnom Penh lies near the confluence of the Mekong and Tonle Sap Rivers. This riverside town still maintains considerable charm despite its recent turbulent history. An afternoon city tour acquaints us with some major sights of Phnom Penh. The private quarters of the Royal Palace are now home to the royal family and are therefore very close to the public. At the northern area of the palace grounds is Silver Pagoda, the most sacred temple in the country. We visit both structures as well as the National Museum for an appreciation of the splendour of Khmer history. The sightseeing completes with a walk uphill to visit the legendary Wat Phnom and catch a fantastic view over the surrounding areas. Overnight in Phnom Penh.



## Day 10

This tranquil town of Siem Reap is our base for exploring the world famous temples of the ancient city Angkor, which was the capital of the powerful Khmer Empire from 802 AD to 1350 AD. Today, we get a short morning boat trip to Siem Reap. On arrival you are met by our guide and transferred to hotel. The sightseeing tour begins with a short drive to the archeological area where we spend our time to visit the most striking structures. They are the South Gate of Angkor Thom which is famous for its series of colossal human faces carved in stone, the impressive Bayon Temple, the Royal Enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Elephant Terrace, the Terrace of the Leper King and the architectural masterpiece of Angkor Wat. We stroll around this massive monument, exploring the many galleries with columns, libraries, pavilions, courtyards and ponds full of water reflecting the towering temple. Overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 11

### SIEM REAP – ANGKOR TEMPLE (B,L)

Today, we continue exploring the wondrous Angkor Complex with the jungle covered temple of Ta Prohm. There are enormous fig trees and gigantic creepers which embrace themselves in the stone foundations of this structure giving the impression of man's creation being reclaimed by the powerful forces of nature. We visit this masterpiece and some nearby temples including Banteay Kdei, Sra Srong, Ta Keo, Thommanon and Chau Say Tevado. They almost belong to the small circuit according to the archaeologists' division. Upon leaving this area, we see various famous temples of the grand circuit such as Preah Khan, Kravan, Neak Pean, Krol Ko, Ta Som, East Mebon and Pre Rup. We round off our exciting day with a walk up to Phnom Bakheng Hill to admire the spectacular sunset over these sandstone monuments. Overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 12

### SIEM REAP – DEPARTURE (B,L)

The temple exploration is not only activity in Siem Reap. We visit the famous Tonle Sap Lake on a boat trip out. This shallow lake boasts the largest natural fresh water body in Southeast Asia and flows into the Tonle Sap River which joins the Mekong River in Phnom Penh. The traditional boat navigates along a small river towards the gigantesque lake, giving us a chance to explore floating village, local life style, friendly children in small boats and fishermen pulling in morning catch close up. This excursion is all depending on your departure time. The trip ends after your transfer to Siem Reap Airport for departure.







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# 8D7N ASW(VNCB 08) START FROM VIET NAM - CLASSIC OF VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

## Day 1

### ARRIVAL SAIGON (D)

Ho Chi Minh (other name: Saigon) is Vietnam's largest and most populated city. It is the heart of the country's commerce and the centre of culture. Ho Chi Minh City is an impressive mix of the ancient and the modern. It features ancient pagodas and temples alongside old wooden shops that sell merchandise such as silk and spices. Meanwhile, the city is also home to skyscrapers, posh malls, classy restaurants and bars, as well as high-end hotels. It may be a modern metropolis, but it still exudes the history and culture of Vietnam.

Upon your arrival at Tan Son Nhat airport in Saigon, we will meet you with the Welcoming Board and then escort you to your hotel. We leave the rest of the day to you to relax from a long flight.

In the afternoon, transfer to visit Reunification Palace formerly known as Independence Palace, built on the site of the former Norodom Palace, is a landmark in Hochiminh City. It was designed by architect Ngo Viet Thu and was the home and workplace of the President of South Vietnam during the Vietnam War. It was the site of the end of the Vietnam War during the Fall of Saigon on

April 30, 1975, when a North Vietnamese Army tank crashed through its gates. Our next stop is the War Remnants Museum. Operated by the Vietnamese government, an incipient form of museum opened on September 4, 1975, as the "Exhibition House for US and Puppet Crimes, located in the premises of the former United States Information Agency building. In 1995, following the normalization of diplomatic relations with the United States and end of the US embargo from a year before, its name was changed to be the "War Remnants Museum".

Continue to visit City Hall, Ho Chi Minh Monument and Central Post Office which was constructed when Viet Nam was part of French Indochina in the early 20th century. It has a neoclassical architectural style. It was designed and constructed by the famous architect Gustave Eiffel in harmony with the surrounding area. Today, the building is a tourist attraction. Right nearby, you can see Notre Dame Cathedral, a magnificent building located in the heart of the city and was established by French colonists. This cathedral was constructed between 1863 and 1880. It has two bell towers, reaching a height of 58 meters (190 feet). Check in hotel. Stay overnight in Saigon.



## Day 2

### SAIGON-CU CHI TUNNELS – PHNOM PENH (B/L/D)

by road of 04.30 hours

Transfer to visit the famous Cu Chi Tunnels, an incredible underground tunnel network constructed by Vietnamese resistance fighters during the long struggle for independence. The Cu Chi Tunnel system had been created long time back, from 1948 to assist Viet Minh in the combat with French. And it was continuing built over 25 years later. It was an underground city with living areas, kitchens, storage, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centers. In places, it was housed up to 10,000 people who virtually lived underground for years.... getting married, giving birth. During the American War the entire area of Cu Chi was designated a free fire zone and was heavily bombarded. From 1988, two sections of tunnels have been open for visitors. Transfer via a border between vietnam-Cambodia and arrive in PNH city Meet upon arrival at Bavet border and transfer to Phnom Penh (2.5hrs).

On arrival, check in hotel. Afternoon visit the Victory Monument, and visit the Royal Palace, built by King Norodom in 1866 on the site of the old town, and the Silver Pagoda. Located within the grounds of the Royal Palace, the Silver Pagoda is so named because of its floor, which is made up of 5000 silver tiles. The treasures found inside include a solid gold Buddha encrusted and weighing 90 kilograms and a small 17th century emerald and baccarat crystal Buddha. End your trip in Phnom Penh with the visit of the Wat Phnom Temple, Phnom Penh's namesake. Check in hotel. Stay overnight in Phnom Penh.



## Day 3

### PHNOM PENH / SIEM REAP (B/L/D)

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## Day 4

### SIEM REAP (B,L,D)

In the morning, After breakfast, transfer to visit the South Gate (with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean of milk), the ancient capital of Angkor Thom (12th century), Bayon Temple (unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara), the Royal Enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Elephants Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. Next continue to visit Ta Prohm. One of the area's most beautiful temples, Ta Prohm has been relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Its appeal lies in the fact that, unlike the other monuments of Angkor, it was abandoned and swallowed by the jungle, looking very much the ways most of the Angkor temples appeared when European explorers first stumbled upon them. Afternoon, 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 and the 12th century 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. Stay overnight in Siem Reap.



## Day 5

### SIEM REAP – HANOI (B,L,D)

Morning visit the floating village of Chong Khneas, located 10 kilometers south of Siem Reap. Visit the village and take a boat trip in a traditional wooden boat on the Tonle Sap Lake, the Great Lake of Cambodia, one of the wonders of Asia. And continue to visit to "Les Artisans d'Angkor - Chantiers Ecoles" and time at leisure at a local market. Transfer to Siem Reap airport for departure flight to the HANOI. Hanoi, the country's capital has just celebrated its 1000 year anniversary. The city owns a long history, cultural richness and hospitality, which can be seen plenty charming facade, temples, pagodas and street insights. Hanoi is without doubt, one of Asia's most beautiful cities. Upon your arrival at Noi Bai airport in Hanoi, we will meet you with the Welcoming Board and then escort you to your hotel.

On arrival, visit Ngoc Son Temple which is located at the northern end of Sword Lake. From the shore, walking on the Welcoming Morning Sunlight Bridge leads to the island. Admire buildings of the temple, including the Pen Tower, the ink-slab, the Moon Contemplation Pavilion and the Pavilion against Waves, all of which have symbolic meaning. Enjoy a water puppet show. Water puppetry - "puppets that dance on water" - is a tradition that dates back as far as the 11th century when it originated in the villages of the Red River Delta area of northern Vietnam. Today's Vietnamese water puppetry is a unique variation on the ancient Asian puppet tradition. Check in hotel. Stay overnight in Hanoi.



## Day 6

### HANOI – HALONG (B/L/D)

In the morning, we start our day tour by visiting Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum and Museum. The mausoleum is the last resting place of Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam's great revolutionist. It is a symbol of gratitude and respect of Vietnamese people for president Ho Chi Minh. The Ho Chi Minh Museum is the preserver of everything memorable related to Ho Chi Minh. The Museum consists of five extensive floors and was inaugurated on 2nd September, 1990, celebrating the 100th birthday occasion of the beloved President. Closed by, the famous One Pillar Pagoda which is built of wood on a single stone pillar 1.25 m in diameter. It is designed to resemble a lotus blossom, which is a Buddhist symbol of purity, since a lotus blossoms in a muddy pond. After that, continue to visit the Temple of Literature (Vietnamese name is Quoc Tu Giam) – The Vietnam's first University, which was built in 1070 in honor of Confucius, his followers and Chu Van An, a moral figure in Vietnamese education.

In the afternoon, take a coach trip to Halong. Halong translates as 'where the dragon descends into the sea', and legend claims the islands of Halong Bay were created by a great dragon from the mountains. As it charged towards the coast, its flailing tail gouged out valleys and crevasses. When it finally plunged into the sea, the area filled with water, leaving only the pinnacles visible. Check in hotel. Stay overnight in Halong.



## Day 7

### HA LONG BAY – HANOI – SAI GON (B/L/D)

We will board our private junk and begin the cruise in the bay. Located in the Gulf of Tonkin, Halong Bay is one of the world's outstanding natural wonders, resembling a geographic work of art with thousands of limestone islets soaring dramatically from the clear emerald waters. This densely concentrated zone of karts islands, world famous for its spectacular scenery of grottoes and caves, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. On this tour, witness the tranquil beauty and breathtaking scenery from the decks of a traditional junk, complete with bat-winged sails. Gliding through the gin-clear waters of the bay, absorb one of the most magnificent natural splendors of the Far East. See tiny islands dotted with rock arches, sheer cliffs, innumerable white sand beaches and peaceful coves. Like sculpted cartoon characters, these limestone islands have fanciful names: Incense Burner, Stone Dog and Fighting Chickens (the symbol of Halong Bay).

Along the way we will anchor for an enjoyable visit to Thien Cung (Heaven), one of the most beautiful grottoes in Halong Bay, situated on the south-west side of the bay. The way to Thien Cung is a perilous one, covered on both sides by thick forest. After entering a narrow gate, the grotto's 130-meter-long girth opens up. Getting in we are more astonished in front of the very animated and splendid beauty which is made from stalactite. On the east wall of the grotto, there is a grandiose and imposing picture with characters of tales. Then we head back to Halong harbor and our waiting vehicle will transfer us back to Hanoi. And transfer direct to airport for flight to Sai gon Upon your arrival at Tan Son Nhat airport in Saigon, we will meet you with the Welcoming Board and then escort you to your hotel. We leave the rest of the day to you to relax from a long flight. Stay overnight in Saigon.





## Day 8

### SAIGON – DELTA MEKONG-SAIGON DEPARTURE (B/L)

In the morning, we leave Saigon behind and head to Vietnam's rice basket of Mekong Delta. We will pass through idyllic, rural scenes until we arrive at My Tho, a peaceful town on the bank of the Mekong River, where we will visit the Vinh Trang Pagoda. Next we will have a boat ride on the Mekong, visit local homes and orchards, a coconut candy workshop, a honeybee farm, take a sampan ride on palm-shaded creeks, try a taste of seasonal fruit and honey tea and enjoy a performance of traditional Southern singing. Back to Saigon.

And transfer to airport and End tour.



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## Day 1

### ARRIVAL SAIGON (NO MEAL)

Ho Chi Minh (other name: Saigon) is Vietnam's largest and most populated city. It is the heart of the country's commerce and the centre of culture. Ho Chi Minh City is an impressive mix of the ancient and the modern. It features ancient pagodas and temples alongside old wooden shops that sell merchandise such as silk and spices. Meanwhile, the city is also home to skyscrapers, posh malls, classy restaurants and bars, as well as high-end hotels. It may be a modern metropolis, but it still exudes the history and culture of Vietnam. Upon your arrival at Tan Son Nhat airport in Saigon, we will meet you with the Welcoming Board and then escort you to your hotel. We leave the rest of the day to you to relax from a long flight. Stay overnight in Saigon.



## Day 2

### SAIGON – CU CHI TUNNELS – SAIGON (B/L/D)

Transfer to visit the famous Cu Chi Tunnels, an incredible underground tunnel network constructed by Vietnamese resistance fighters during the long struggle for independence. The Cu Chi Tunnel system had been created long time back, from 1948 to assist Viet Minh in the combat with French. And it was continuing built over 25 years later. It was an underground city with living areas, kitchens, storage, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centers. In places, it was housed up to 10,000 people who virtually lived underground for years.... getting married, giving birth. During the American War the entire area of Cu Chi was designated a free fire zone and was heavily bombarded. From 1988, two sections of tunnels have been open for visitors. Back to Saigon.

In the afternoon, transfer to visit Reunification Palace formerly known as Independence Palace, built on the site of the former Norodom Palace, is a landmark in Hochiminh City. It was designed by architect Ngo Viet Thu and was the home and workplace of the President of South Vietnam during the Vietnam War. It was the site of the end of the Vietnam War during the Fall of Saigon on April 30, 1975, when a North Vietnamese Army tank crashed through its gates. Our next stop is the War Remnants Museum. Operated by the Vietnamese government, an incipient form of museum opened on September 4, 1975, as the “Exhibition House for US and Puppet Crimes, located in the premises of the former United States Information Agency building. In 1995, following the normalization of diplomatic relations with the United States and end of the US embargo from a year before, its name was changed to be the “War Remnants Museum”. Continue to visit City Hall, Ho Chi Minh Monument and Central Post Office which was constructed when Vietnam was part of French Indochina in the early 20th century. It has a neoclassical architectural style. It was designed and constructed by the famous architect Gustave Eiffel in harmony with the surrounding area. Today, the building is a tourist attraction. Right nearby, you can see Notre Dame Cathedral, a magnificent building located in the heart of the city and was established by French colonists. This cathedral was constructed between 1863 and 1880. It has two bell towers, reaching a height of 58 meters (190 feet). Check in hotel. Stay overnight in Saigon.



## Day 3

### SAIGON – VINH LONG – CHAU DOC (B/L/D)

Travel to Vinh Long, a province located in the Mekong River Delta of southern Vietnam. In the past, modern-day Vinh Long was part of Long Ho Dinh (barrack) established by the Nguyen Lords in 1732, comprising the provinces of Ben Tre, then Travel by road to Chau Doc. Chau Doc is a district and town in An Giang Province, bordering Cambodia, in the Mekong Delta region of Vietnam which located by the Hau River (a branch of the Mekong River flowing through Vietnamese territory) and Vinh Te canal. The town is near the picturesque mount of Sam where the Sam Mountain Lady is worshipped. The Sam Mount Lady Ceremony is held every April of Lunar Calendar (May) every year. Upon arrival, enjoy a city tour to visit:

Ba Chua Xu Temple is located at the foot of Sam Mountain – the main attractions in Chau Doc. The temple was established at the beginning of the 19th century in Vinh Te Hamlet, Chau Doc Town. Around its constructions are two legends. The first legend is that the Temple of Ba Chua Xu was built because the people here believed Ba Chua Xu to be sacred. The second one relates that Madam Chau Thi Te, the wife of Thoai Ngoc Hau, the buider of the Vinh Te canal, swore to erect a temple when the canal, whose construction claimed many lives, was completed. She died before carrying out her oath. Thoai Ngoc Hau implemented her plans by building the Temple of Ba Chua Xu.

At first the temple was made of bamboo. In 1962, it was roofed with double tiles. Then in 1972, it was rebuilt (except the 10m-long stone wall at the back, which was the old platform of the tower). The monument was completed in 1976.

The Ba Chua Xu Temple is constructed according to the Chinese character “quoc”. It has four square roofs of blue tiles. The house used for displaying statues also has four square roofs. Worshipped inside the temple is the statue of Ba Chua Xu, which was artistically carved of grey stone in the 6th century, based on the motif of the Deity Vishnu statue often seen in Laos, Cambodia, and India.

Thoai Ngoc Hau Tomb is located in front of Ba Chua Xu Temple that is the biggest monument at the foot of Sam Mountain. Thoai Ngoc Hau (1761–1829), originally named Nguyen Van Thoai, was the first man from this area to exploit the virgin soil, establish living settlements, and dig Vinh Te and Thoai Ha channels. He was buried there along with his two wives and a temple in his honour was built in the 1930s.

Tay An is an ancient pagoda in Chau Doc with a mixture of Vietnamese and Asian architectural styles. Lying on one side of Sam Mountain, under the lights looking like a monk dressed in yellow and heading towards the town with quiet and peaceful atmosphere, Tay An pagoda is really a beautiful sight. The pagoda was constructed in 1847 and has been rehabilitated and repaired many times. In 1958, it was thoroughly upgraded to encompass a total area of 1,250 m2 with nearly 200 statues. A highlight of a visit to Chau Doc is a boat trip on one of the small paddle boats that collect near the western end of the park. They'll paddle you around the many floating raft houses and fish farms. Doing this at dawn can be very photogenic and rewarding. Check in hotel. Stay overnight in Chau Doc.





## Day 4

### CHAU DOC – PHNOM PENH BY EXPRESS BOAT (B/L/D)

This morning we will have a boat ride from Chau Doc to Phnom Penh departing at 8am. The boat takes us along the Mekong River. It continues on to the Vietnamese (Vinh Xuong) - Cambodian (Kaom Samnar) border and then to Phnom Penh, capital of Cambodia. The journey takes approximately 4 hours. Upon arrival, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. You'll then have a city tour which will include the Victory Monument, the National Museum, the Royal Palace (built by the French in 1866 on the site of the old town), and the Silver Pagoda (located within the Royal Palace grounds). You will then end your city tour with a visit to Wat Phnom Temple (Phnom Penh's namesake) from which you can enjoy views over the tree lined avenues of the city during sunset. Stay overnight in Phnom Penh.



## Day 5

### Phnom Penh / Siem Reap (B/L/D)

Breakfast at the hotel. Overland by bus to Siem Reap for 06 Hrs trip. Arrival in Siem Reap direct transfer to Hotel. Siem Reap is the best for exploring the fabled temples of Angkor, the ancient capital of Khmer Empire. In morning transfer to Phnom Penh International Airport and departure by Siem Reap Airways International or similar to Siem Reap. On arrival begin a tour of the temple visit Prasat Kravan with its unique brick sculptures and Ta Prohm. One of the area's most beautiful temples, Ta Prohm has been relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Its appeal lies in the fact that, unlike the other monuments of Angkor, it was abandoned and swallowed by the jungle, looking very much the ways most of the Angkor temples appeared when European explorers first stumbled upon them. Visit as well Takeo, Chau Say Tevoda and Thommanon. Stay overnight in Siem Riep.



## Day 7

### SIEM REAP (B/L/D)

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## Day 7

### DEPART / SIEM REAP (B)

Morning, drive through the typical Khmer countryside to the Banteay Sre temple (10th century) regarded as the jewel in the crown of classical Khmer art. Then visit Banteay Samre, one of the most complete complexes at Angkor due to restoration using the method of "anastylosis". The name Samre refers to an ethnic group of mountain people, who inhabited the region at the base of Phnom Kulen and were probably related to the Khmers. No inscriptions have been found for this temple, but the style of most of the architecture is of the classic art of the middle period similar to Angkor Wat. The proportions of Banteay Samre are splendid. A unique feature is an interior moat with laterite paving, which when filled with water must have given an ethereal atmosphere to the temple. Continue to visit the floating village of Chong Khneas, located 10 kilometers south of Siem Reap. Take a traditional wooden boat for a ride on the Tonle Sap Lake, the "Great Lake" of Cambodia, one of the largest in Asia. Transfer to Siem Reap International Airport for departure flight to the next destination.





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