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12 Day Cambodian Adventure.

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Day 1: Welcome to Cambodia!



Royal Gardens of Siem Reap

Arrive Siem Reap, either at the airport or bus station, where you are met and collected by your personal driver who will be with you throughout your Cambodian Adventure. On arrival you will be welcomed with a selection of chilled water, soft drinks or beer from our in car ice box. These are refreshed every day during your time with us and are complimentary.

Sit back in air conditioned comfort for the short ride to your Hotel.

After check in, depending on the time of day, we can go and collect your tickets for Angkor Wat. That evening we will take a short walk discovering the French Quarter of Siem Reap, by the Siem Reap River, sample local Khmer cocktails in Siem Reaps only wooden house within the town, and dine at one of the many international quality restaurants.

Then back to your hotel for a sound night's sleep

Day 2: Angkor Wat & Phare Circus



Today after breakfast at your hotel we start with the Small Circuit of the Angkor Archaeological Park. First of course we have to go to the ticket office, so that you can purchase your three day pass with photo ID if that hasn't already been arranged. The office will take your photo and issue your pass.

From here we begin!

Driving down the tree lined jungle road, with the families of monkeys playing by the side, you catch your first sight of Angkor Wat, the world's largest religious structure. After you have had the chance to explore and envelope yourself within Angkor Wat at your leisure, refresh yourself with iced water and proceed. Today we will also explore Angkor Thom South Gate, Bayon temple, Baphuon, Phimeanakas, the Elephant Terrace, the Terrace of the Leper King, Ta keo, and Ta Phrom temple (also known as the Tomb Raider Temple) Enjoy a Khmer luncheon in a local restaurant along the way and nestled between the temples.



Experience the last rays of the sun as it sets over the temples,

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either from Pre Rue or Phnom Bakheng.

Returning to your hotel, freshen up before we leave to see the world famous Phare Circus. More than a circus, Phare is uniquely Cambodian and daringly modern.

Using theater, dance, music and modern arts, performers tell Cambodian stories, both new and traditional



These performers come from the most difficult social and economic backgrounds. World renowned, this circus is rated the top activity in Siem Reap outside of Angkor. Please note, no animals are in the show. The show begins at 8pm and runs for an hour. Dinner may be purchased at the on-site restaurant beforehand, or we can return to your hotel or the French quarter to dine.

Day 3: Cambodian Markets, Countryside and Tonle Sap Lake

Visit the local Cambodian markets and learn about Cambodian foods from the fully qualified English speaking Chef. We work with villagers to arrange an ox-cart ride for you to travel through the rice paddies and villages the way the local people do, then cook under your chef's guidance and end by enjoying your own "home cooked" meal. Followed by a tour into the real countryside of Cambodia where there are water buffaloes wallowing and grazing among the almost vibrant green rice fields.



Traditional Ox-Cart Ride Through the Villages and Rice Fields before Your Cambodian Feast

After lunch we travel to Tone Sap, South East Asia's largest fresh water lake. The lake's size and volume vary significantly depending on the season. We will take a boat along the lake and see many of the floating villages and people who call these waters their home.



Returning to the dock, we head back to your hotel where you can freshen up and then choose one of the many restaurants of international standard that Siem Reap has to offer.

Day 4: Sunrise along the Grand Circuit, Banteay Srei & Apsara Dinner Show



This morning we start early at 4.30am. But the early start is worth it. We watch one of the world's most famous and stunning of sunrises, over the temple of Angkor Wat. A serene start to your day.

From there, in the cool of the morning, return to explore the world's largest religious monument, when the air is cooler and the number of visitors is smaller. Then we continue on, when you are ready, to the Grand Tour of Angkor.

This includes Preah Khan, Neak Pean, Ta Som, East Mebon, Banteay Kdei and Prasat Kravan.

We return to your hotel to freshen up and relax, before enjoying dinner and a classic Apsara Dance show. The Apsaras Dance or celestial dance, is a classical Khmer performance art inspired by the water and cloud spirits of Hindu and Buddhist mythology. The Apsaras are a common feature of bas-reliefs on the walls of the Angkor temples, shown in the same



tight-fitting traditional dress, ornate headdress and gilded jewelry the modern dancers wear, before starting the next day!

Day 5: Siem Reap to Battambang



Depart approximately at 9am for Cambodia's second largest city, Battambang, arriving for lunch by the river. Then ride onboard the famous Bamboo Train and visit Banon mountain and Banon temple, the famous Battambang bat caves. After that, we check

into your hotel (one night in Battambang). Evening is personal time in which you may choose to explore the local markets, relax with a massage or enjoy the riverside community.

Day 6: Battambang to Phnom Penh

Depart Battambang for Cambodia's bustling Capital, Phnom Penh.. Here we take a short tour in the comfort of your vehicle, with cold drink in hand, around some of the monuments of PP, including the Independence Monument and Wat Phnom, after which the city was named. We check into your hotel (two nights),

Enjoy dinner along the riverside watching the local population enjoying their evening, exercising or being with friends and loved ones.



Wat Phnom, Phnom Penh

Day 7: Toul Slang, Killing Fields and Dinner River Cruise



Today, after breakfast, visit Toul Slang/S21 a museum in Phnom Penh, chronicling the Cambodian genocide. The site is a former secondary school which was used as Security Prison 21 (S-21) by the Khmer Rouge regime from its

rise to power in 1975 to its fall in 1979. From 1976 to 1979, an estimated 20,000 people were imprisoned at Tuol Sleng (the real number is unknown).

The Cambodian Killing Fields are a number of sites in Cambodia where collectively more than 3.5 million are buried by the Khmer Rouge regime. The Cambodian journalist Dith Pran, who worked as a facilitator for Sydney Schanburg of the New York Times, coined the term "killing fields" after his escape from the regime. It is estimated, that due directly to the war, and subsequent starvation brought about by its destruction, up to 50% of Cambodian society died.



From "The Killing Fields"

***Please Note:** While this is an important part of recent Cambodian history, we fully understand if you prefer not to visit and can arrange another excursion in the Capital if you wish.*

After what can be a confronting day, a Phnom Penh sunset cruise is what will help you ease into a relaxing and enjoyable evening. Phnom Penh is situated in between two rivers, the Mekong River and the Tonle Sap River. At night when the sunlight fades and the neon lights appear along the river banks, a small cruise boat will take you out



onto the river to take in the city from a different perspective. Witness the sun set over the Royal Palace and the Mekong River while enjoying your wonderful dinner.

Mineral water is available at no charge, and alcoholic beverages are available for purchase. Enjoy a leisurely cruise while feasting on fine foods catered by one of the capitals well known restaurants and taking in the sights along the river bank including many local Cambodian families and friends socialising.

Your driver will collect you from the Hotel and meet you when you return to the dock.

This is not an exclusive dinner, and other persons will be on the boat. We will endeavor to ensure you have your own private table, depending on numbers.

Day 8: Royal Palace & Kampot



The Royal Palace, Preah Barum Reachea Veang Nei Preah Reacheanachak Kampuchea, is a complex of buildings. It serves as the Residence of the King of Cambodia. The Kings of Cambodia have occupied it since it was built in the 1860s, with a period of absence when the country was in the turmoil of Civil Strife.

It was built atop an old citadel called Banteay Kev. It faces towards the East and is situated at the Western bank of the cross division of the Tonle Sap River and the Mekong River.

Then we travel to Kampot a riverside community in southern Cambodia and the capital of Kampot Province, we check into your hotel. Kampot was the Cambodia's most important sea port after the loss of the Mekong Delta and before the establishment of Sihanoukville. Its center is unlike most Cambodian provincial capitals composed of 9th-century French colonial architecture. The region and town are well known for the internationally recognized high quality pepper, which is exported worldwide. It is also known for its Kampot fish sauce and durian.



la Plantation Pepper Farm

Day 9: Kampot Pepper Farm & Bokor National Park

In the morning breakfast at your hotel then travel to La Plantation pepper farm. This sprawling, lovely organic pepper farm offers guided walks, where you will explore the way in which several varieties of the international renowned Kampot peppers are grown, harvested and processed. The farm also grows fruits, chillis, herbs and peanuts.

After lunch at the plantation, we continue on to Bokor mountain. Established by the French as a hill station in 1925, Bokor has been abandoned twice, during World War II and during the Khmer Rouge period. The area including Bokor 'mountain' was established as a national park in 1993, with its 1,500 square kilometres spanning four

Cambodian provinces. Despite substantial illegal logging, it's still home to leopard cats, Gibbons, Hornbills, Civets and Sun Bears.

After Bokor National Park, we continue the relatively short drive to the seaside fishing village of Kep, and your hotel. Kep is Cambodia's newest Province, known for its seafood and tropical islands.



Bokor National Park

Day 10 : Kep Crab Markets & Lunch Over the Water

Breakfast at the Hotel. Then market shopping in the world famous Kep crab markets. Then we tour some of the many large French colonial villas still in evidence amongst the jungles, including the Queens Palace that is slowly submitting to nature and still has signs of the bullet holes from the counter attack which came through the southern border joining Vietnam that would eventually push the Khmer Rouge to the Thai border.



In the evening we enjoy a fresh seafood feast at one of the many restaurants of the crab market, or the well know and regarded Kep Sailing Club, where you can sip a cocktail or two while watching the sun set slowly into the Gulf, before enjoying your meal.



Day 11: A Day of Leisure



Today is a day of leisure. Stroll along the beaches; relax in the cafés and restaurants that are perched over the waters of the Gulf of Thailand. Or just enjoy the facilities of your resort.

Day 12: Return to Phnom Penh or Siem Reap

Time to say farewell after a memorable 12 days in Cambodia. As part of our complete service we will ensure you are where you need to be to continue on with your travels

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