# SOUTHEAST ASIA ESCORTED TOUR



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# Vietnam, Cambodia & Thailand Tour with Flights

Duration: 14 days Stay: 12 nights hotels (5- & 4-star rating), overnight flight Travel style: Escorted tour with Flights from Australia Booking code: VCTT14M

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# 14 Days Vietnam, Cambodia & Thailand Tour

#### About the holiday

Uncover new and unique experiences through Cambodia, with a taste of city vibes in Vietnam and Thailand!

Begin in vibrant Ho Chi Minh City. Go deep into the Mekong Delta as you cruise the lush forests and maze-like canals of the mighty river. Then travel by speed boat to Cambodia's capital city of Phnom Penh. Take in jaw-dropping sights at the unmissable Angkor Wat Temples and soak up incredible countryside views in Battambang. Learn of treasured Cambodian traditions, including silk making and Khmer pottery. Plus, there'll be no shortage of tasty street food and unique souvenirs with plenty of village markets to explore along the way!

Finish your adventure as you fly in to lively Bangkok for an extended 5-night stay - where old and new combine in a boiling pot of culture, cuisine and traditions. This two-week adventure is packed with down-right incredible and authentic experiences!

#### Why you'll love this trip...

- Stay in carefully selected, premium hotels with all breakfasts & 1 lunch included
- Cruise the lush green wetlands and floating villages of the Mekong Delta
- Follow your local guide on an included city tour to the highlights of Phnom Penh
- Visit the world's largest and most impressive temple complex Angkor Wat
- Finish your trip in bustling Bangkok & stay at an elegant 4-star hotel
- Flights from Australia and internal flights are included with this special deal

## Travel Dates:

2024 & 2025 - Departs Fridays from January to December

Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking & peak season surcharges apply - see the website for details.

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#### Escorted tour package includes:

Flights - International return economy airfares to Ho Chi Minh City & from Bangkok Intra-flight from Siem Reap to Bangkok Accommodation - 12 nights in 4- & 5-star hotels Meals - 12 breakfasts, 1 lunch **Transportation** - Air-conditioned coach or mini bus Speedy boat from Chau Doc to Phnom Penh Airport transfers for intra-tour flights (excludes days 2 & 14) Escorted Tour - Services of experienced guides licenced by the Ministry of Tourism Sightseeing - Sightseeing as per itinerary Mekong River Cai Rang Floating Market **Royal Palace** Tra Su Sanctuary **Tuol Sleng Museum** Wat Phnom Phnom Udong Phnom Sampeu Mountain Phnom Penh Banon Temple Angkor Thom Grand Palace Angkor Wat Wat Pho Package excludes: Visa fees Airport transfers on days 2 & 14 Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary Entrance fees to the sights and museums Optional tours & activities Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry, WiFi access etc.

Camera & video permits at sights

Gratuities for tour managers & drivers

Travel insurance is essential, please contact us for a quote

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

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# Highlights:

- This 14-day adventure through South Vietnam, Cambodia, and Thailand's capital is jammed-packed with authentic experiences including visits to local villages, craftmanship workshops, temple chasing and countryside exploration!
- Stay in carefully selected, premium hotels with all breakfasts and 1 lunch included. Plus, enjoy an included flight between Siem Reap and Bangkok to save on travel time.
- Get set to cruise the lush green wetlands and floating villages of the Mekong Delta, greeted with smiley locals in small river-side towns along the way.
- Follow your local guide on an included city tour to the highlights of Phnom Penh including the Royal Palace, Wat Phnom Temple and National Museum.
- Visit the world's largest and most impressive temple complex Angkor Wat. This UNESCO World Heritage-listed site is the prized heart and soul of Cambodia!
- Witness the magic of Cambodia's talented performers at the Phare Circus and support the dreams of young students and graduate performers eager to earn a decent wage and better living standard.
- Finish your trip in bustling Bangkok. Sleep at an elegant 4-star hotel with sensational rooftop views over Thailand's capital city the perfect spot to enjoy a final sunset with your new travel mates before a big night out in Bangkok!

#### **Itinerary:**

#### Day 1 : Depart Australia, Fly to Vietnam

#### Day 2 : Arrive Ho Chi Minh City

Welcome to South Vietnam! Kick off your epic adventure getting amongst the hustle of Vietnam's metropolitan city, Ho Chi Minh. Formerly known as Saigon, this city is a bubbling pot of energy, hidden gems and a cultural blend of old meets new. Make your own way from the airport, then join your guide and new tour mates in the hotel lobby for an informal meeting at 6.00pm. Then, hit the streets for an optional tour group dinner, enjoy a cold beer at Bui Vien or head to Ben Thanh Market for some night shopping.

- Accommodation
   Wink Hotel 4 Star
- Included Activities
   Welcome Meeting
- Optional Activities
   Group Dinner

#### Day 2 : Ho Chi Minh City, Mekong Delta, Can Tho

Rise and Shine, it's time to farewell Ho Chi Minh city and head towards the mighty Mekong River. Snag a window seat and soak in the views on a 2-hour drive to Cai Be. On the way, you'll stop in at South-Vietnam's first-ever chocolate factory and learn how to make the local sweet (and taste test, of course!). On arrival at Cai Be, hop on board the wooden boat and kick back as you cruise past lush green islands of the mighty Mekong. Enjoy lunch on board. Cruise past small river-side towns like Vinh Long and learn of the typical rural life on the Mekong. Your day cruising will end in Can Tho with free time to explore the buzzing town, lively waterfront, and quaint backstreets!

- Accommodation TTC Hotel Premium - 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast, Lunch
- Included Activities Chocolate Factory Visit Mekong River Boat Ride

#### Day 3 : Can Tho, Chau Doc

No place gives a better insight into life on the river than the floating markets in Cai Rang. After filling up on breakfast at your hotel, take a boat ride 6km from Can Tho to visit the fascinating markets, where hundreds of wooden rowboats trade everything from rice and clothing to exotic fruits on the river. Wander around the markets by foot and visit the nearby Orchard Garden. Then, continue on to Chau Doc for a boat tour of the Tra Su Sanctuary - home to an array of tropical birds and splendid canals deep in the forest of the Mekong. Finish up your day in Chau Doc town and rest up before we cross the border for Cambodia bright and early tomorrow morning!

- Accommodation
   Victoria Hotel 4 Star
- Meals Included
   Breakfast
- Included Activities

   Cai Rang Floating Market
   Tra Su Sanctuary Boat Ride
   Crocodile Farm
- Entrance Fees
   Tra Su Sanctuary 9 USD

# Day 4 : Chau Doc, Phnom Penh

Goodbye Vietnam, Hello Cambodia! Set an early alarm for your early transfer via public speed boat to Cambodia's capital city, Phnom Penh. Rest up on the way and arrive in Phnom Penh by 1.00pm with plenty of time to explore the fascinating city on a guided city tour in the afternoon. First up, one of the most popular attractions in the city - the Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda complex! Built in 1866 by the Predecessors of King Norodom, the palace is amongst the most impressive Khmerstyle designs in Cambodia. Then, visit the Independence Monument and Wat Phnom Temple - where you'll score some epic views over the city! Visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum in Phnom Penh to learn about a tragic period.

- Accommodation
   Duong Chan Hotel 4 Star
- Meals Included
   Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Phnom Penh City Tour
- Entrance Fees
   Royal Palace Entry 10 USD
   Wat Phnom 1 USD
   Tuol Sleng Museum 5 USD

# Day 5 : Phnom Penh, Battambang

Today we're off to Battambang. Delve further into history as we continue to the ancient Cambodian Capital of the Khmer Empire - Phnom Udong! In the city, you'll find two large hills with incredible views across the countryside. Atop the twin humps stands several impressive stupas that survived bombing from both the Americans and Khmer Rouge during Cambodia's recent wars. After soaking in the views, continue on to Kompong Chhnang for a stop at a local pottery village.

This village is famous for producing traditional Khmer pottery, a craft passed down through generations for over 1,500 years! As night falls over South-East Asia, we'll head towards the Phnom Sampeau Mountains to witness thousands of nocturnal bats take flight through the caves. It's something quite spectacular to sit at the foot of Battambang's Phnom Sampeou caves as the sun sinks into the horizon and a stream of thousands of bats parade through the caves and zoom across the night sky. Be sure to bring your camera!

- Accommodation Battambang Classy Hotel - 4 Star
- Meals Included
   Breakfast
- Entrance Fees
   Phnom Sampeu Mountain 5 USD
   Bat Watching Ticket 5 USD

# Day 6 : Battambang, Siem Reap

Ever ridden on a Bamboo Train before? All aboard as we take an 8km journey through the scenic countryside and rice fields of Battambang. This Bamboo Train was set up by villagers to facilitate the transportation of goods and people. It's basic but effective with a single bamboo platform, 4 wheels, and a small motor. Then, get your hiking shoes on and camera ready for a visit to the 11th-century Angkorian temple of Phnom Banan. The 350+ step climb is well worth it, with peaceful views across the countryside waiting at the top! Soak up these picture-perfect scenes. In the afternoon, we'll leave Battambang and drive towards Siem Reap. Stopping at Puok District to visit a silk shop, a fascinating way to learn about Cambodian silk. Here we will spend some time learning about the process of creating silk, harvesting mulberry, and the life cycle of the silkworm. Tonight we recommend a full night's rest, before the long-awaited visit to the world-famous Angkor Wat temples tomorrow!

- Accommodation
   Siem Reap Somadevi Angkor Hotel 5 Star
- Meals Included
   Breakfast
- Entrance Fees Phnom Banan Temple - 5 USD
- Optional Activities
   Bamboo Train 5 USD

# Day 7 : Siem Reap, Angkor Wat

Prepare for one awe-inspiring day at the world's largest temple complex - Angkor Wat! First up you'll visit Angkor Thom's South Gate to see the intricate Bayon Temple. This temple is famous for its Elephant Terraces and 54 towers decorated with over 200 enormous smiling faces of Avalokiteshvara. Then, we'll return to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed temple of Angkor Wat to marvel at the prized heart and soul of Cambodia. Snap some beautiful pictures of the temple as it reflects across its impressive moat. Then, wander through the outer gallery walls as your local guide narrates stories from Hindu mythology. Tonight, we'll head out in Siem Reap to witness some of Cambodia's most talented performers at the Phare Circus. This uniquely modern circus provides young students and graduate performers the opportunity to hone their skills and earn a decent wage doing what they love!

- Accommodation Siem Reap Somadevi Angkor Hotel - 5 Star
- Meals Included
   Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Angkor Thom & Angkor Wat Visit
- Entrance Fees
   Angkor Wat 37 USD for 1 day visit / 62 USD for 3 day visit
   Angkor Museum
   Phare Circus (Section B) 28 USD

## Day 8 : Siem Reap, Bangkok

Today we'll leave Cambodia and take a short international flight to the Thai capital city that never sleeps - Bangkok! You'll be greeted by your expert local guide at the ATTA counter on arrival in Thailand. Then, get ready for a full day of exploring with your guide as you hit up the city's best sites! Visit the Grand Palace, Emerald Buddha Temple and replica of Angkor Wat. Then, continue on towards Wat Pho to catch a glimpse at the 46-metre-long golden Reclining Buddha. After a busy day around the city, enjoy free time in the evening to hit up some of the local food markets or enjoy a sunset drink at one of Bangkok's many rooftop bars!

- Accommodation
   Grand Mercure Bangkok Atrium 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Bangkok City Tour
- Entrance Fees Grand Palace - 17 USD Wat Pho - 9 USD

Days 9 to 13 : Free days Bangkok

Following the end of the group tour, these are free days to explore Bangkok at your leisure. Bangkok, Thailand's capital, is a large city known for ornate shrines and vibrant street life.

The boat-filled Chao Phraya River feeds its network of canals, flowing past the Rattanakosin royal district, home to opulent Grand Palace and its sacred Wat Phra Kaew Temple. Nearby is Wat Pho Temple with an enormous reclining Buddha and, on the opposite shore, Wat Arun Temple with its steep steps and Khmer-style spire.

#### Day 14 : Depart Bangkok, Fly to Australia

Our trip will end in Bangkok when you check out of your hotel this morning. It's time to make your way to the airport in time for your departing flight to Australia.

Please note: The day-by-day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.

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