



14 days self drive jeep tour Cambodia North East 2020/2021

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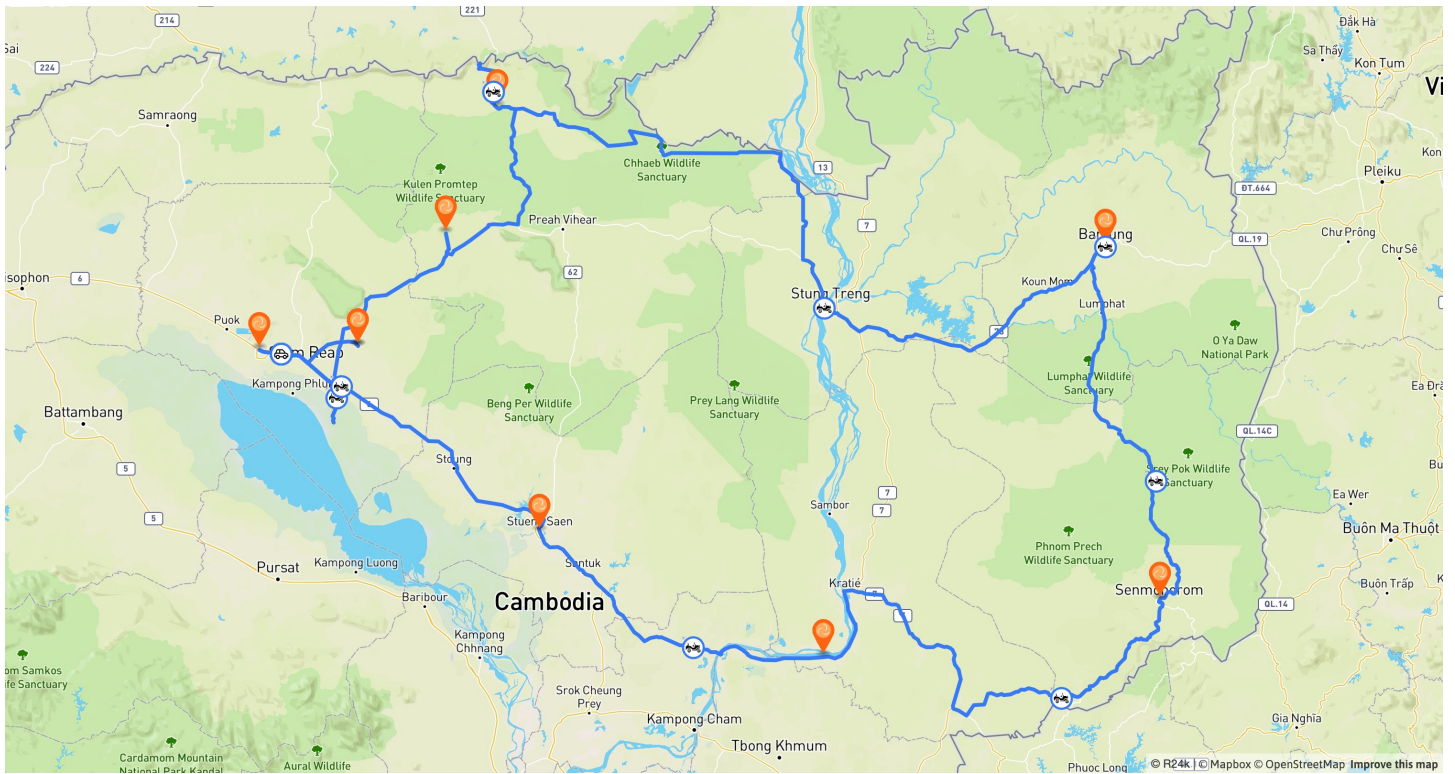


INTRO

This 15 days self drive jeep tour through the north east of Cambodia shows you a surprisingly different Cambodia. Discover, explore and enjoy.

Cambodia

Cambodia is a kingdom in Southeast Asia. It is 181,035 square kilometres (69,898 square miles) in area, bordered by Thailand to the northwest, Laos to the northeast, Vietnam to the east, and the Gulf of Thailand to the southwest. Cambodia has a population of over 15 million. The official religion is Theravada Buddhism, practiced by approximately 95 percent of the population. The country's minority groups include Vietnamese, Chinese, Chams, and 30 hill tribes. The capital and largest city is Phnom Penh, the political, economic, and cultural centre of Cambodia. The kingdom is a constitutional monarchy with Norodom Sihamoni, a monarch chosen by the Royal Throne Council, as head of state. The head of government is Hun Sen, who is currently the longest serving non-royal leader in South East Asia and has ruled Cambodia for over 30 years. Cambodia has become a popular destination and the country is developing fast. The city of Siem Reap was about thirteen years ago a small place with dirt roads and one traffic light, nowadays is the most touristic city of the country and the historical heart of Cambodia. The temples of Angkor is about seven kilometers of the city center and there are a lot of facilities to entertain the tourists from all over the world. But Cambodia is not only Angkor Wat. This fascinating, friendly country has so much more to offer. Countryside tours, floating villages, white sand beaches, tropical islands, jungle trekking, the mighty Mekong river, bicycle tours, cooking class, waterfalls, hilltribes, and much more.



Day by Day

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DAY 7: Banlung

DAY 8: Banlung -> Sen Monorom

DAY 9: Sen Monorom

DAY 10: Sen Monorom -> Chloun

DAY 11: Chloun

DAY 12: Chloun -> Kampong Thom

DAY 13: Kampong Thom -> Siem Reap

DAY 14: Siem Reap

DAY 15: Siem Reap -> Siem Reap Airport SAI

DAY 1: Siem Reap Airport SAI -> Siem Reap

Welcome to Cambodia!

Welcome to the magical land of Cambodia – the Kingdom of Wonder. Our team will meet you at the airport and transfer you directly to your hotel. Here you can check in and enjoy the hotels facilities getting used to your new environment before starting what will be a truly memorable journey.

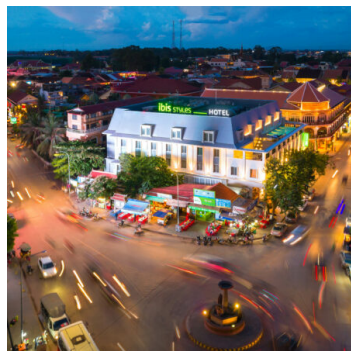
In the afternoon you will have an orientation briefing (traffic rules, staff introduction, road explanation book, Jeep instruction, etc.) followed by a drive around Siem Reap for you to get familiar with things. You will be taken on different types of roads and in varying degrees of traffic in order for you to get completely comfortable.

Accommodation:

- 🏠 Jaya house Angkor Park
- 🛏️ Deluxe Room - Twin/Double

Included today:

- ✓ Jaya house Angkor Park
- ✓ Transfer Siem Reap airport to hotel. Meet and greet
- ✓ English speaking tourleader



DAY 2: Siem Reap

Kulen National Park

Choose your jeep! This will be your home for the next 12 days!

About 60 kilometers away from Siem Reap rests the Phnom Koulen National Park. Phnom Koulen is one of the most scenic and historically significant locations in the area. Phnom Koulen is considered a sacred mountain in Cambodia, of special religious significance to Hindus and Buddhists who come to the mountain in pilgrimage.

Most of our guests consider the reclining Buddha as the highlight of this tour. Then there is an area of Hindu lingas on the riverbed; though nothing as extensive as Kbal Spean. Above one of the most spectacular 2 waterfalls in Cambodia, there are a number of temple sites with carved animal figures. At the base of the falls is a large pool where we can go for a refreshing swim. Later in the afternoon we will head back by taking the outback dirt paths. On the way you back you will visit the Landmine museum. The Cambodian Landmine Museum The Cambodian Landmine Museum and Relief Facility (Museum for short) was established in 1997 by ex-child soldier Aki Ra. After years of fighting he returned to the villages in which he planted thousands of mines and began removing them, by hand, and defusing them with homemade tools. This place will tell the story of landmines in Cambodia, how they have impacted the country's past, present and will continue to impact its future. The story is told through the story of Aki Ra, the founder, who was suppressed into the Khmer Rouge Army as a child soldier, and spent his youth fighting in the wars that ravaged his country for nearly 35 years. In the late afternoon we will reach your accommodation in Siem Reap.

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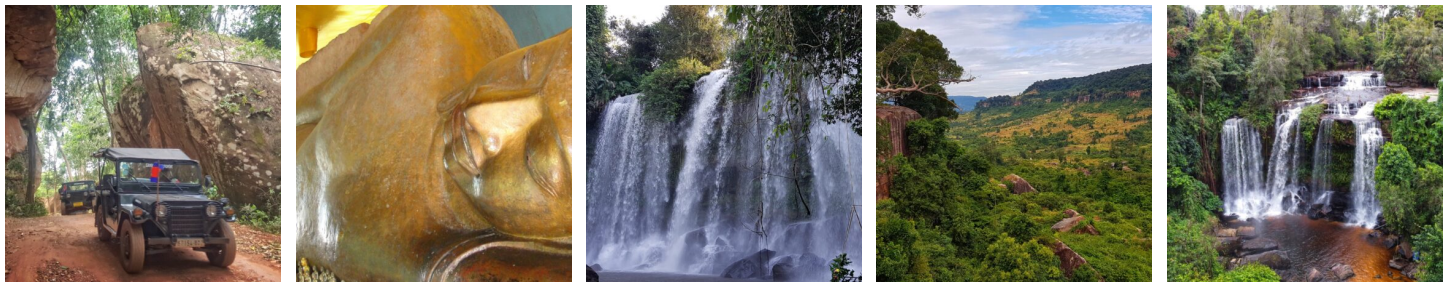
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- 🛏️ Deluxe Room - Twin/Double

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ Jaya house Angkor Park
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Entrance Fee Phnom Koulen
- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools
- ✓ Landmine Musuem



DAY 3: Siem Reap -> Ko Ker

Feel like Indiana Jones

After a good breakfast we leave the village and drive into the Cambodian 'outback' to the mysterious 12th century temple of Beng Melea, one of Cambodia's true hidden gems. Heavily overrun by trees, vines and moss, Beng Melea gives you a truly evocative insight into the majesty of the ancient temples. After lunch you will drive Koh Ker. It is a stunning and unique pyramidal temple built in 931AD. Walking in you could almost feel you were approaching a Central American Mayan sight such as Chichen Itza. Koh Ker also has a unique political history having been set up as a 'new' capital away from the Angkor area by Jayavarman IV. However, its importance was short lived; after the King's death power was returned to the Angkor area around 944 AD. A tiring climb up wooden steps to the top of the Pyramid will soon be forgotten when you take into account the breath-taking views afforded from the summit.

Accommodation:



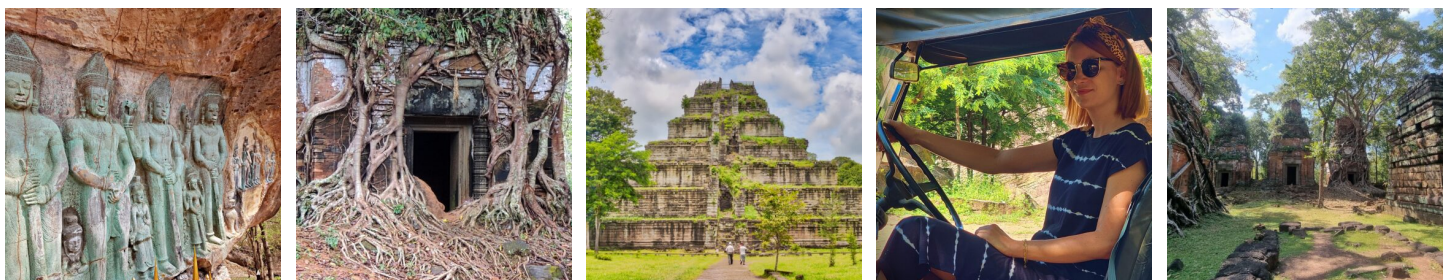
- 🏠 Koh Ker Temple Garden
- 🛏️ Deluxe Garden view
- 🌐 www.kohkertemplesgarden.com

Included meals:



Included today:

- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools



DAY 4: Ko Ker -> Sra Em

What a view....

After breakfast we drive our jeep to Preah Vihear., an ancient Hindu temple built during the period of the Khmer Empire. Its the most beautifully situated temple in Cambodia with an unforgettable experience something you will remember for the rest of your life. The temple is a great place for beautiful photos and it is situated atop a 525-metre or 1,722-feet high cliff in the Dângrêk Mountains in Cambodia's Preah Vihear Province. In 1962, following a lengthy dispute between Thailand and Cambodia

over ownership, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in The Hague ruled that the temple is within Cambodia. Affording a view across a vast plain, Preah Vihear Temple has the most spectacular setting of all the temples built during the six-centuries-long Khmer Empire. In the late afternoon we will check in our hotel.

Accommodation: ★ ★ ★

Included meals:

🏠 Preah Vihear Boutique Hotel

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🛏 Deluxe Single

🌐 www.preahvihearhotels.com

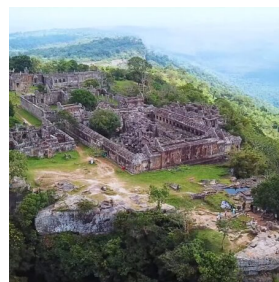
Included today:

✓ English speaking tourleader

✓ Vintage jeep + petrol

✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools

✓ Entrance Fee Koh Ker



DAY 5: Sra Em -> Stung Treng

The mighty Mekong

You will wake up early and the hotel will provide you with some snacks for your breakfast. A local pickup truck will bring you up the steep hillside.. This breathtaking spectacle is a sight that is not seen by many. Combine the most beautifully located temple of Cambodia with an unforgettable sunrise and you will experience something you will remember for the rest of your life. We will explore the temple. The temple is a great spot for beautiful pictures. Then, we'll descend and return to the hotel. At the hotel, you can freshen up and have lunch before driving to Stung Treng. Along the road, a few stops will be made. Our accommodation for the is located on a high bank of the Mekong river. All the bungalows have a balcony facing the river. It's a relaxing place with overlooking the Mekong

Accommodation: ★ ★

Included meals:

🏠 Mekong Bird resort

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🛏 Bungalow

🌐 www.mekongbirdresort.com

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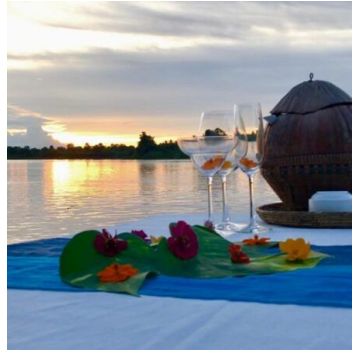
✓ English speaking tourleader

✓ Vintage jeep + petrol

✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools

✓ Entrance Fee Preah Vihear

✓ Local Guide Preah Vihear + pick up car



DAY 6: Stung Treng -> Banlung

A breakfast you will never forget

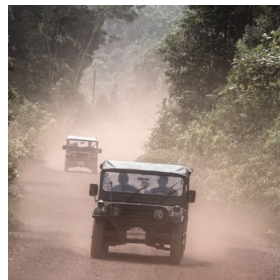
Awake to the sounds of birds and enjoy a breakfast you will never forget. On a small sandy island you will have the breakfast of your life. There is the possibility for a kayak tour through the remote flooded forests of Cambodia's amazing Ramsar Wetlands.. A boat will provide backup. Many varieties of birds live in these forests. At the end of the morning, beginning of the afternoon we jump back in our jeeps and continue our way to Banlung. At the end of the day you will visit Yaklom Lake. This is one of the few crater lakes in Cambodia and dates back to approximately 4000 years ago. The lake is nearly 50 meters deep and ensures that the water is very clean and clear. There, you can walk around the lake, which is a popular attraction in the weekends. You can cool down on one of the wooden platforms and swim with the local population.

Included meals:



Included today:

- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools
- ✓ Entrance Fee Yaklom lake
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Breakfast on the island, boat, kayak



DAY 7: Banlung

Beyond Banlung

In the morning, you will travel to Kachon by jeep where a boat awaits for you. After sailing the Tonle San River for half an hour, you'll arrive at Koah Peak. This small village is very traditional and has no electricity, running water or any other facilities we normally expect. With your guide, you can take a tour of the village and meet the friendly inhabitants. The guide will take you the remnants from the Red Khmer period. The villagers have had to work hard during the Red Khmer but have survived this period, which is quite a miracle. The village is also the home to a very different ritual with regard to death. By the graves of the dead, large wooden puppets are placed to aid the survivors in the afterlife. These graves are unique in Cambodia and are only allowed to be visited by high exception and under strict supervision. Pieces of art and other objects that were important to the deceased are also placed by the grave. After this eccentric visit, you will return to Koah Peak by boat and then to Ratanakiri. Along the way, you will stop in a Krueng minority village.

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Beyond Banlung tour: local guide, boat, entrance fee



DAY 8: Banlung -> Sen Monorom

Center of mountains

Today we will drive to Sen Monorom (Mondulkiri province) . Mondulkiri is an eastern province of Cambodia, which is the most sparsely populated province in the whole country although being the largest province in Cambodia. The province is chock full of natural beauty, with thickly forested mountains, powerful waterfalls and the lush green rolling hills of the western side. We will visit also Busra waterfall. Busra is considered by many to be the most beautiful waterfall in Mondulkiri. The double-drop waterfall is very popular with the locals who use it as a bathing and picnic spot. Its top level is around 10m in height, and the lower level drops down 25m to the gorge. It is in a scenic and pristine setting and offers great photo ops.

Accommodation: ★ ★ ★

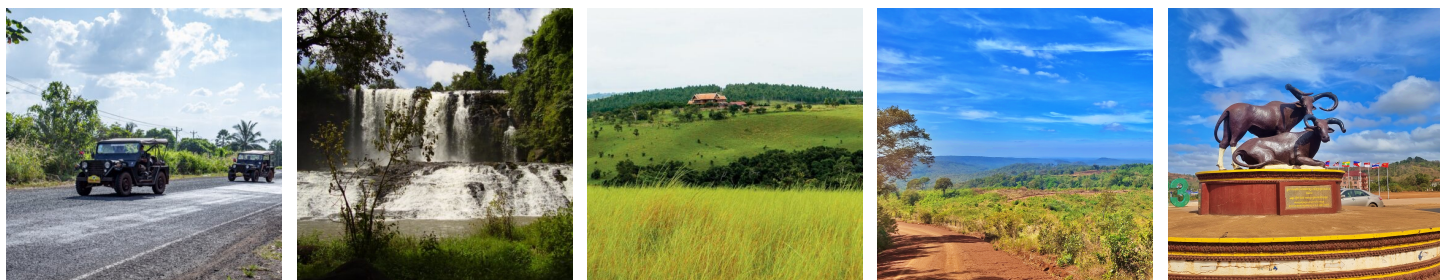
Included meals:

- 🏠 KNN Resort
- 🛏 Deluxe Double
- 🌐 www.knnresort.com

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Included today:

- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Entrance Fee Bousra



DAY 9: Sen Monorom

Searching for the elephants

Driving through small villages and across a mountain pass before getting the opportunity to see how the beautiful Asian elephant lives in its natural environment. There are many elephant projects in Mondulkiri, but the Elephant Community Program is one of the smaller ones, working towards a sustainable future for the local community. A large proportion of the tour price will remain in this community allowing the mahouts to make a living to support their families, and keeping the elephants away from

hard labour working in the forest. You will be able to learn about how the elephants live, what they eat and how they have integrated with the local people.. As the focus of the program is elephant care, riding the elephants is not permitted. However, you will have the chance to feed them some bananas or bamboo before you say your goodbyes to the magnificent beasts. In the afternoon we will drive through minority villages and discover more of the Mondulkiri outback. As you return to Sen Monorom you will be accompanied with the memories of a unique and unforgettable trip.

Accommodation: ★ ★ ★

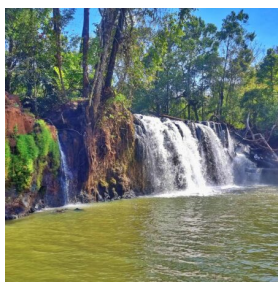
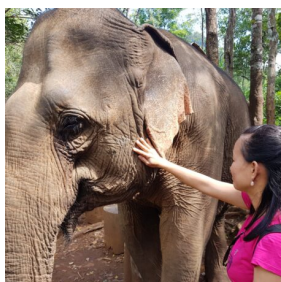
Included meals:

- 🏠 KNN Resort
- 🛏️ Deluxe Double
- 🌐 www.knnresort.com

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Included today:

- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools
- ✓ Elephant Community project
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Mondulkiri tour: local guide, entrance fee



DAY 10: Sen Monorom -> Chlong

The Old Governoers mansion

Travelling from Sen Monorom to the Kratie you will see more beautiful countryside as you descend into the plains of the Mekong River.

On the east side of the Mekong lies the old French colonial city Chlong. A peaceful and traditional town, we will stay the night in the former Governors mansion dated from 1916 where we can really experience the feeling of Cambodia's colonial past.

Accommodation: ★ ★ ★

Included meals:

- 🏠 Le Relais du Chhlong
- 🛏️ Mekong view signature
- 🌐 www.lerelaisdechhlong.com

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Included today:

- ✓ Le Relais du Chhlong
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools






DAY 11: Chlong

Spotting the dolphins

We drive our jeeps along the bank of the Mekong and pass some of the Cham Muslim villages. These sprang up when the Cham people fled the Vietnamese conquest and remained in their new home, adding new dimension to the area. In Kampi, 12km north of Kratie we will go onboard and we try to spotting the Irrawaddy dolphins. These rare, endangered freshwater dolphins make their home on a beautiful stretch of the Mekong River near a small set of rapids. There is a very high chance of seeing them play in the rapids so keep your camera stand-by! After Kampi we will continue our way to Koh Trong. You will go by ferry to the island of Koh Trong. With a local guide you will explore this island paradise by bike and you will get an explanation about the lifestyle of the residents and the products that are grown there

Accommodation: ★ ★ ★

Included meals:

-  Le Relais du Chhlong
-  Mekong view signature
-  www.lerelaisdechhlong.com

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Included today:

- ✓ Le Relais du Chhlong
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Boat + entrance fee to the dolphins
- ✓ Bicycle tour Koh Trong
- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools
- ✓ Ferry boat to Koh Trong v.v.



DAY 12: Chlong -> Kampong Thom

Chlong to Kampong Thom

We drive our jeeps along the bank of the Mekong and pass some of the Cham Muslim villages. These sprang up when the Cham people fled the Vietnamese conquest and remained in their new home, adding new dimension to the area. We will take the ferryboat and cross the mighty Mekong River. The 12th longest river in the world, it flows from high up in the Tibetan Plateau, all the way to the South China Sea, some 4,500 km from its source. It provides the life blood for so many people and its impressive size and power can only really be appreciated first hand. Before we reach in Kampong Thom , we will stop at to see some truly impressive carvings. From huge stone blocks, sometimes as big as 8 meters, the stone mason chisels and carves some

extremely impressive sculptures. The sheer amount of detail involved in some of his work is exceptional and you will have ample time to admire his work.

Accommodation:



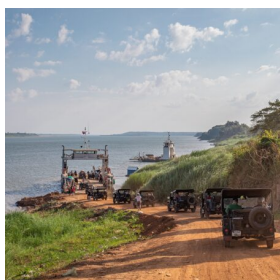
Included meals:



- Glorious hotel
- Landmark room
- www.glorioushotel.asia

Included today:

- ✓ Glorious hotel
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Ferry boat Mekong River
- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools



DAY 13: Kampong Thom -> Siem Reap

Boat tour floating village

Today we will leave Kampong Thom and head for the city of Siem Reap. We have a short stop in Kampong Kdei. Here you will see one of the finest and best preserved bridges built by the Khmer kings. This bridge dates back to the 10th century. Second stop is at Kampong Kleang, the largest floating village of Cambodia. During the dry season we will drive with our jeep between the stilts on which the houses are built, rising up to 10 meters in the air. In the wet season, the water level reaches its peak and can rise up to 1 or 2 meters above the building floors. We will offer you a boat ride through the village and have the chance to meet the locals. At the end of the day, we return to the jeep and start driving back to Siem Reap

Accommodation:

Included meals:



- Jaya house Angkor Park
- Deluxe Room - Twin/Double

Included today:

- ✓ Jaya house Angkor Park
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ Boat tour + entrance fee Kampong Kleang
- ✓ English speaking tourleader
- ✓ Support car + mechanic, spare tools





DAY 14: Siem Reap

Discover Angkor Wat

After breakfast, you will drive your jeep to explore one of the largest and most beautiful temple complexes of the world, Angkor Wat, together with a guide. The world heritage temple originates from the 12th century and is an experience of mystique and beautiful sculptures. First, we will visit Angkor Wat itself and we will walk between one of the most important temple of the no less than 110 temples. Before we continue we will quench our thirst with a soda or perhaps a fresh coconut? A short drive takes us to Angkor Thom, which consists of, among others, the 12th century Bayon. The 54 four-headed Buddha statues are one of the most impressive sights of the temple complex. Later that day, we will visit the Ta Phrom temple. This is one of the few temples that has been kept in its original state. It has become famous because of the movie Tomb Raider with Angelina Jolie. The temple is partly overgrown with trees with gigantic roots, that have 'nestled' themselves on and in the stone blocks.

Remarks

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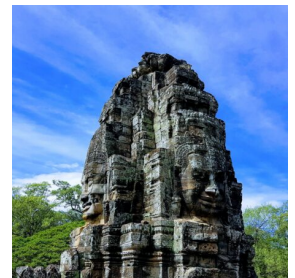
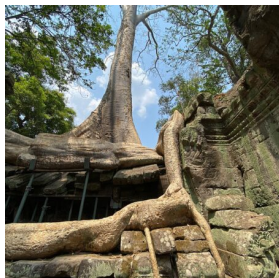
-  Jaya house Angkor Park
-  Deluxe Room - Twin/Double

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ Jaya house Angkor Park
- ✓ Entrance Fee Angkor Wat
- ✓ Vintage jeep + petrol
- ✓ English speaking Angkor guide



DAY 15: Siem Reap -> Siem Reap Airport SAI

Time to say goodbye...

The final journey of your trip in Cambodia will be a private transfer to the airport in Siem reap to catch your flight. We hope that you have enjoyed a wonderful trip through this truly beautiful country, and that you are leaving with happy memories which will last a lifetime. Cambodia has so much more still to offer, and we would be delighted to welcome you back anytime to show you more of this fantastic country and its charming people. Have a save trip and we hope to see you again,

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ Transfer hotel to Siem Reap airport



Additional info

Included in the price:

- Mentioned meals in the program.
- Named hotels in the program.
- Activities as described in the program
- 24/7 assistance

Not included in the price:

- Meals not mentioned
- International flights
- Cambodia visa. (\$ 30, - + 1 passport photo)
- Personal expenses, drinks
- Travel insurance
- Tips for guides / drivers

Note: No booking or reservations have yet been made. The price can change upon the room availability at time of booking and the cost of the regional flight tickets at time of issuing