



14 days Laos Adventure CTP 105

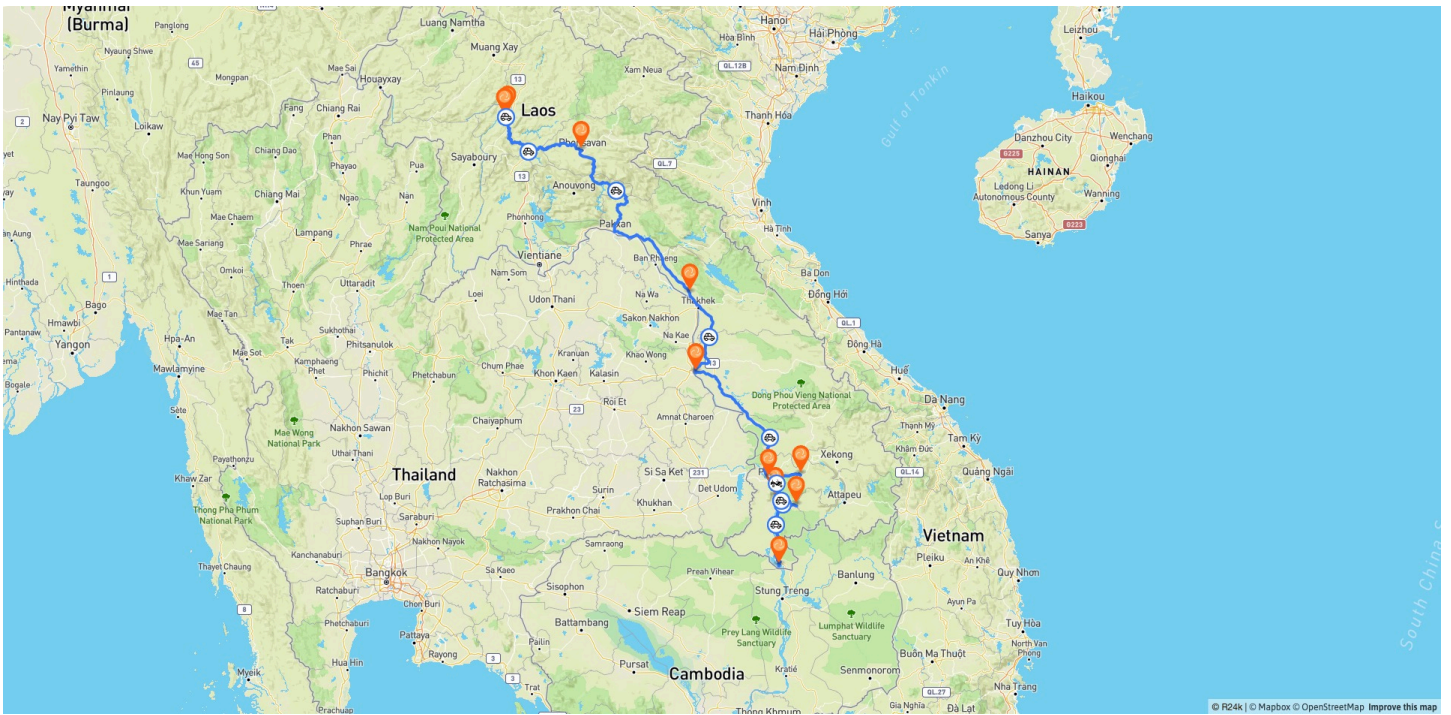
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Intro

14 Days Laos Adventure:

Experience the best of Laos on a 14-day adventure. Discover the UNESCO-listed city of Luang Prabang and zipline over the magnificent Kuang Si Waterfall. Learn about the important work of clearing landmines and be amazed by the mysterious Plain of Jars. Kayak through the Kong Lor Caves, visit a coffee plantation in the Bolaven Plateau, and explore remote hill tribes by jeep. End your trip in southern Laos with a visit to the ancient Khmer temple of Wat Phou. Cycle through the beautiful 4,000 Islands. This 14-day tour is the perfect way to fall in love with Laos



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DAY 1: Luang Prabang airport - Luang Prabang

Welcome in Laos

Upon arrival at the airport, you will be met by your guide and driver for a short transfer to your hotel.

Accommodation: ★★

🏠 Villa chitdara

🛏️ Deluxe room

Included today:

- ✓ Transfer airport to hotel
- ✓ English speaking guide



DAY 2: Luang Prabang

Explore the backroads of Luang Prabang by E-Mountain bike

E-biking is a great way to explore and take in the variety and beauty of Laos. Cover more ground and make ascents as easy (or challenging) as you desire.

After breakfast, we head out and fit a e-Mountainbike for the day's journey We cycle to the Mekong Riverside and cross by the public ferry to the village of Ban Xieng Mene. Here we visit Wat Chom Phet, a temple built by the Thai army in 1880. Hike up the 120 steps to visit this small temple for an undisturbed and peaceful view over the Mekong River and Luang Prabang town.

We then continue our explorations by e-bike and follow dirt-roads deeper into the less-traveled backcountry. Next stop is at the village of Ban Nakham, where we villagers are known for preparing the best 'Kaolam' which is a tasty local treat of sticky-rice and beans in Bamboo. We continue cycling to the village of Ban Som, where we stop for a picnic lunch amidst natures splendor. After lunch, we cycle through forests and rice fields, until we reach the village of Ban Chan, famous for its pottery making. Meet the locals at the village-shared oven and learn about their specialization. We then continue to the ferry-boat landing, and cross the Mekong back to town, arriving back by late-afternoon.

Accommodation: ★★

Included meals:

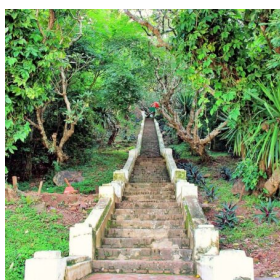
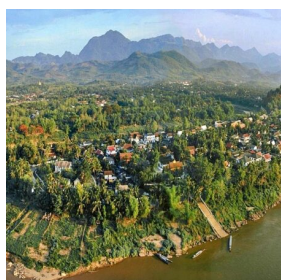
🏠 Villa chitdara

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🛏 Deluxe room

Included today:

- ✓ English speaking guide
- ✓ Bicycle tour (E-mountainbikes)



DAY 3: Luang Prabang

Trek to Kuang Si & lunch at the falls – Zipline experience

After an early breakfast, we depart Luang Prabang at 8 AM, traveling through beautiful scenery and rural landscapes for about 1 ½ hours, to reach the village of Ban Longlao. Ban Longlao is a H'mong village where the culture, customs and language differ from the mainstream local villages. From Ban Longlao, we begin a 3-hour trek through pristine forest and jungle. Keep your energy up with a light snack during the journey. The trek concludes at the top of the stunning Kuang Si Waterfalls, where you'll be rewarded with stunning views. Make your way down to the falls, where you have the opportunity to relax and explore the area, with time for swimming in the natural pools. Enjoy a delicious lunch at Carpe Diem restaurant, which has a unique setting downstream of the falls. Ascend 542 steps to reach the summit of the falls, and be rewarded with breathtaking views perched at the top. Next, embark on an exhilarating journey across 5 ziplines, ranging 130 to 350 meters in length, as they traverse the falls and glide through the lush surrounding nature, ultimately guiding you to the base. We return to Luang Prabang by late afternoon.

The trek is of moderate difficulty. Appropriate footwear is advised, particularly from June to October, as the trail can become quite muddy. During the peak rainy months of July and August, some sections may be completely inaccessible.

Accommodation: ★★

Included meals:

🏠 Villa chitdara

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🛏 Deluxe room

Included today:

- ✓ English speaking guide
- ✓ Private car
- ✓ Waterfall tour and zipline





DAY 4: Luang Prabang - Phonsavanh

Luang Prabang to Phonsavanh

We start early this morning, around 8am for the drive to Xiengkhuang Province, famous for the 'Plain of Jars'. The road follows a twisty mountain route, and we make our first stop at HuayHia, which offers great views of the surrounding mountains. We then continue Ban KiuKam Pone, a Khmu village to explore, before arriving in Phou Khoun for lunch. We continue on the road into Xieng Khuang province, reaching our highest altitude of the day 1500m above sea level, just after Phou Khoun. We have time to make a stop at Ban Son Boom, a Hmong village. Our final stops of the day are a reminder that this region played a major part during the Vietnam War – as we visit a hidden Buddha Cave, that served as an army hospital during the war and our final stop of the day, is an optional stop to visit an old Russian tank. We arrive at your hotel by late afternoon.

Accommodation:

-  Vansana Plain of Jairs
-  Standard Double

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ English speaking guide





Explore the Jars

This morning, we visit the Mines Action Group (or MAG) office to learn about the important work they do in clearing land mines and unexploded ordnance in the area. We then drive out to visit some of the famous Plain of Jars Sites, starting at the picturesque Jar Site 2 and Jar Site 3, consisting over around 150 jars located on top of a hill, offering great views. Late morning, we visit Jar Site 1, the largest site, containing over 300 jars.

In the afternoon, we make a stop at The Mulberry Farm, a cooperation of local farmers, weavers and artisans from over 200 families. Meet the producers and get introduced with their projects in mulberries, silk and handicraft products as means to social and economic recovery.

Afterwards, transfer to the PhouXang Viewpoint to enjoy the panoramic sceneries and possibly a beautiful sunset!

Accommodation:

Included meals:

- Vansana Plain of Jairs
- Standard Double

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Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ Plain of jars tour
- ✓ English speaking guide



Bomb boat village

We start early this morning, for the long drive through central Laos. Our first stop is the ancient town of Muang Khoun, the former provincial capital, where you can explore the ruins of a number of ancient pagodas in Lanna style, That Foun Stupa, as well as Wat Phia Wat, a ruined temple containing a huge sitting Buddha. We continue into the mountains, which offer impressive views over the surrounding countryside. We continue through rolling countryside scenery and limestone karsts before reaching Ban Thabuk, the 'bomb boat village' which technically are actually fuel tanks from the Vietnam War used as

boats. We eventually reach Hin Boun area by early evening, where you can relax at your riverside lodge.

Accommodation: ★

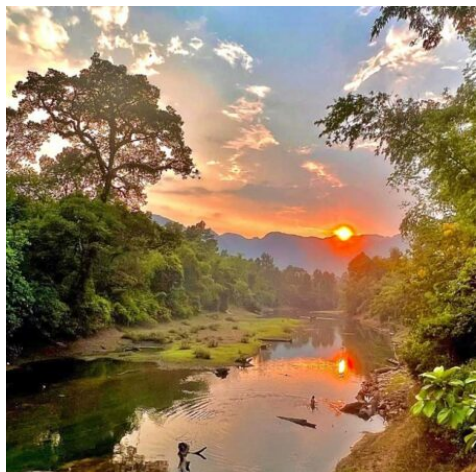
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- 🏠 Spring River Resort
- 🏡 Bungalow river view

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Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ English speaking guide



DAY 7: Hinboun

Kong Lor Cave and Kayak down the Hinboun River

After an early breakfast at the resort, we drive to Kong Lor village and board a small local boat into the famous Kong Lor Cave. We navigate through the cave, which is over 7km long and includes a spectacular cavern over 100m high, as well as a breathtaking stalagmite gallery which you can explore on foot. On the other side of the cave, we take a short walk past some tobacco drying huts to the remote village Ban PonNgam. We then return through the cave by boat, and transfer back to our resort for lunch, overlooking the beautiful Springriver to which the resort has been named.

After lunch, we further explore the river by kayak. We start with some safety instructions before we cast off down along the remarkably beautiful Hinboun river, found amid scenic karst mountains rising just beyond the riverbanks. Paddle in approximately 4 hours to a landing spot downstream. On arrival, we will be picked-up for a transfer back to the resort, arriving by Late afternoon with the evening at leisure.

Accommodation: ★

Included meals:

- 🏠 Spring River Resort
- 🏡 Bungalow river view

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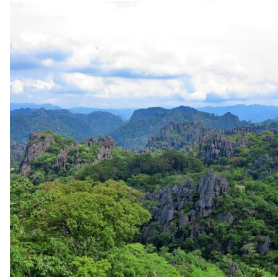
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Included today:

- ✓ Private car

✓ Konglor Cave tour and kayak

✓ English speaking guide



DAY 8: Hinboun - Savannakhet

Savannakhet via That Inhang

This morning we leave Hinboun behind, and continue south passing by Thakhek until we reach Savannakhet by early afternoon, with time to admire the old French Quarter of Savannakhet as well as the sacred That Inhang stupa, before we transfer you to the hotel with the evening at leisure.

Accommodation: ★★

Included meals:

🏠 Pilgrims Inn

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🚗 Deluxe riverview

Included today:

✓ Private car

✓ English speaking guide





Savannakhet – Paksong

This morning we leave Savannakhet and continue our way southbound. After 45 minutes we stop at the interesting Don Mak Fai Forest market, where the sellers offer a wide selection of various items, straight from the forest. After another 2 hours, we make a short stop at the village of Ban Napong which is famous for the grilled chicken. Next stop is at Don Khor, a village specializing in Buddha carvings for temples. We then pass by Pakse and continue east to the Bolaven Plateau. The Bolaven Plateau is known for its cooler temperature being located high above the Mekong Valley. We arrive at our accommodation by late afternoon

Accommodation: ★★☆☆

Included meals:

🏠 Sabaidee Valley

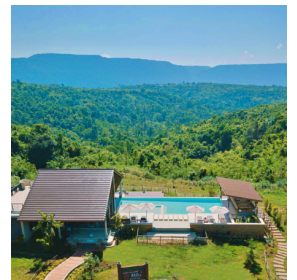
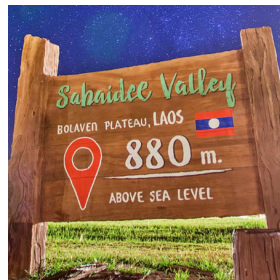
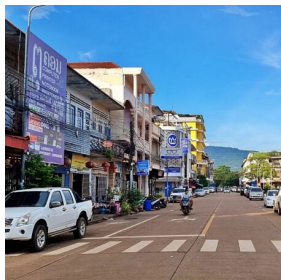
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🛏️ Deluxe room

Included today:

✓ Private car

✓ English speaking guide



Paksong – Bolaven Plateau Jeep tour

This morning we transfer to the village of Ban Beng, where we meet a specialist guide for the day. We change vehicle and continue by vintage jeep, which is the ideal vehicle for the terrain we will cover. We take a backroad onto the Bolaven Plateau and make a stop at the Tad Moan waterfall where there is time to relax and go for a swim if you like. We then continue by jeep on a trail cutting right through the plateau, on a route rarely visited by foreigners. By late afternoon, we arrive at the coffee plantation of your guide. Walk around the coffee plantations or fresh up while your hosts prepare a delicious home cooked meal. Tonight, your overnight is at a basic but comfortable bamboo hut.

Accommodation: ★

Included meals:

🏠 Mystic mountain homestay

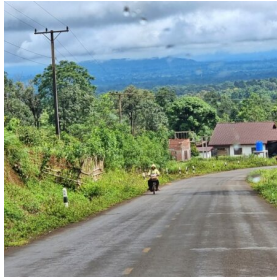
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🛏️ Homestay

Included today:

✓ Private car

- ✓ Bolaven jeep tour
- ✓ English speaking guide



DAY 11: Bolaven - Champasak

Coffee Farm homestay – Champasak

Wake up early and see the sun rise above the surrounding coffee fields. Your host will roast some fresh coffee, while explaining the coffee growing process from seed to cup. After breakfast, head out by jeep and visit some of the interesting ethnic minority villages and trek up to a mountain peak where you will be rewarded with beautiful views of the Plateau. Return to the coffee farm for lunch and say goodbye to your hosts before we transfer by jeep to Paksong, the Coffee Capital of Laos in the early afternoon. From here, we continue our way by minivan. We leave the Bolaven plateau behind, pass by Pakse, and arrive in Champasak in the late afternoon with the rest of the day at leisure.

Accommodation: ★★☆☆

Included meals:

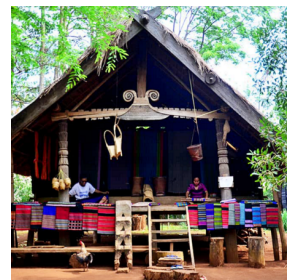
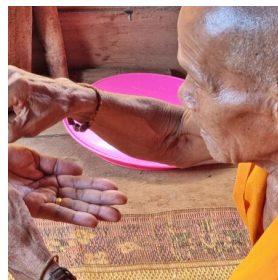
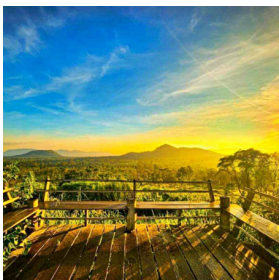
🏠 The Riviera Champasak

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🛏 Standard room

Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ English speaking guide



DAY 12: Champasak

Champasak – Sunrise at Wat Phou – Sunset Cruise

Wake up early and transfer around 05:00 - 05:30 to the Wat Phou Temple Complex which is the oldest ancient Khmer religious temple in Laos and even outdates its big brother Angkor Wat in neighboring Cambodia. Early morning, the temple

will be deserted.

Wat Phou exhibits a remarkable well-preserved complex of monuments and other structures over an extensive area between river and mountain, some of outstanding architecture. Explore the grounds and temples before climbing up the stairs which lead to the main sanctuary located on a terrace at the foot of the cliff where a sacred spring flows and where you will be rewarded with stunning sunrise views over the surrounding land and Mekong River. Learn from your guide about the rich history and be amazed by the magnificent workmanship in this outstanding complex. We return to your hotel in time for breakfast.

Late afternoon, embark a private boat for a Sunset cruise on the stunning Mekong River. We also visit "Turtle Island," right in the middle of the river, for sundowners on the sandy beach. The cruise includes water, a set of canapé and two drinks (beer/wine) per person.

Accommodation: ★★ ★

Included meals:

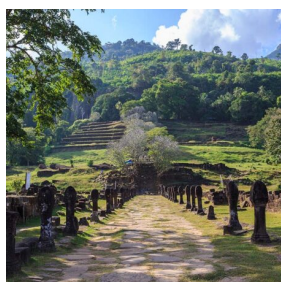
🏠 The Riviera Champasak

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🛏 Standard room

Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ Wat Phou temple tour
- ✓ Sunset boat cruise
- ✓ English speaking guide



DAY 13: Champasak - Done Khone

Don Khone via the 4000 islands by boat and mountain bike

After an early breakfast, we transfer South to the biggest island of the 4000 Islands; Don Khong. We then continue our journey by mountain bike. We cycle winding dirt roads south, until we pass the temple Wat Phou din where we take a ferry that will transfer us to the quiet island of Don Phou Man. We'll explore and cross this quintessentially Lao fishing island before taking another ferry on to the island of Don Saang Fai where we will visit its ancient wooden Buddhist temple and learn about the importance of religion and beliefs in the local culture.

Another ferry will bring us to the island of Don Loppadi, where the villagers are specialized in weaving both bamboo baskets

and the much-used fishing nets in the region. We cross the island, cycling the dirt roads, which lead us to a quaint village where a friendly family has prepared a home-cooked lunch of local specialties. After exploring the village, we continue by boat to the island of Don Khone where we arrive mid-afternoon with the rest of the day at leisure.

Accommodation: ★★

Included meals:

- 🏠 Senghloune Resort
- 🛏️ Deluxe riverview room

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Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ Island bicycle tour
- ✓ English speaking guide



DAY 14: Done Khone - Pakse (PKZ)

Your last day in Laos

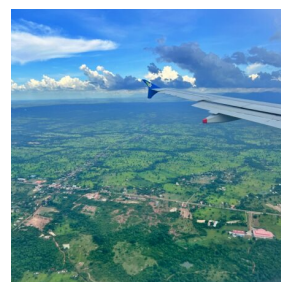
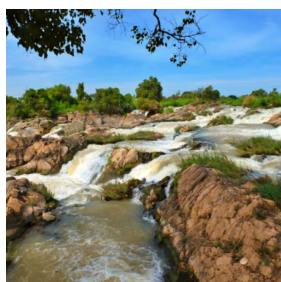
This is your last day in Laos. Please let us know if you would like to return to Pakse for your flight back or continue your journey overland to Cambodia. We can extend your trip and continue your Asian adventure in Cambodia

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ Private car
- ✓ English speaking guide





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
- Laos Visa
- Personal expenses, drinks
- Travel insurance
- Tips for guides / drivers

General Information

- No parts of this program have been reserved yet. We will start making reservations once we receive an agreement for this. If a certain room type or accommodation is no longer available at the time of booking, we will propose an alternative.
- The price may change based on the availability of the room at the time of booking and the cost of regional flights at the time of issue.
- Land transfers from destination A to destination B are carried out by local drivers. We always try to find English-speaking drivers for our guests. However, it may happen that they do not always speak English well or only a few words.
- A description of a tour is always a standard description. Actual programs may always vary slightly, depending on the (weather) conditions. However, the intention of the tours always remains the same.
- Standard check-in time is from 2:00 PM. Standard check-out time is at 12:00 PM. Early check-in or late check-out can be booked for an additional fee.
- When making reservations, we always indicate the preference for bedding (double bed or twin beds), rooms next to each other or connected by a door. In most cases (95%) we get this, but we cannot guarantee this.