



JT51: Siem Reap – Phnom Penh: The Road Less Traveled

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Intro

JT51: Siem Reap - Phnom Penh: The Road Less Traveled:

Venture the road less traveled from Siem Reap to Phnom Penh.

Looking to escape the usual tourist trails and dive deeper into Cambodia? Our 3-day self-drive jeep adventure*from Siem Reap to Phnom Penh is your ideal choice. Get ready for an unforgettable journey uncovering hidden gems and captivating experiences along the way.

Highlights of Your Adventure:

Day 1: Leave Siem Reap by vintage jeep for a peaceful countryside ride. Visit a local fish market and explore Kampong Kleang's impressive floating village by boat, enjoying an authentic Khmer lunch in a stilt house. Continue to Kampong Thom, stopping at an ancient Angkor bridge before hotel check-in.

Day 2: Drive to Sambor Prei Kuk, a UNESCO World Heritage site, exploring its overgrown temples with a guide. Witness impressive stone carvings and visit a rubber plantation. Arrive at the Mekong River for stunning views from Hancey Pagoda, then check into your Kampong Cham hotel.

Day 3: Discover Kampong Cham's ancient Wat Nokor temple, blending old and new. Depending on the season, admire or cross the unique bamboo bridge. Enjoy a scenic countryside drive to Phnom Penh, discovering a pagoda with ancient walls and French colonial architecture. Cross the Mekong by ferry to Phnom Penh, where your self-drive jeep tour concludes.

Your Journey with Peace of Mind:

Our self-drive jeep adventure is designed for those who seek authentic experiences. With our knowledgeable guide and reliable mechanical support, you can confidently venture beyond the beaten path and discover the true essence of Cambodia.

A map of Cambodia showing a blue route connecting four locations marked with orange pins: Siem Reap, Stung Treng, Kampong Cham, and Phnom Penh. The route starts in Siem Reap, goes south to Stung Treng, then south to Kampong Cham, and finally south to Phnom Penh. The map includes various geographical features like rivers, lakes, and national parks, as well as labels for cities and provinces. The route is highlighted in blue, and the locations are marked with orange pins. The map also shows the borders of Cambodia with neighboring countries like Thailand, Laos, and Vietnam.



Day by Day

DAY 3: Kampong Cham - Phnom Penh



DAY 1: Siem Reap - Kampong Thom

Floating Village & Ancient Bridges:

We leave Siem Reap town with our vintage jeep and set out to the beautiful countryside. It is going to be a nice and peaceful ride which is flat all throughout. We will stop by the local fish market on the way where you can observe traditional Khmer fish trade, a daily event. After cycling, we take a small break for some cool refreshment before continuing on to the next part of the trip. We then resume our journey with the visit of one of the most impressive floating villages in Cambodia, Kampong Kleang. When we arrive at the village, we will board a boat and head out in exploration of the floating village. At lunch time, we will take you to a stilt house in the village to share a typical Khmer lunch with very friendly locals. In the afternoon we continue our way to Kampong Thom. We will have a stop in Kampong Kdei and you visit an ancient Angkor bridge. In the late afternoon you will check in your hotel.

Accommodation: ★★ ★

Included meals:

🏠 Sambor Village hotel



🛏️ Deluxe double/twin

Included today:

- ✓ Vintage jeep with petrol (self drive)
- ✓ support car with mechanic, spare parts and tools
- ✓ English speaking guide
- ✓ Drinking water, fruits, snack
- ✓ Boat tour Kampong Khleang, Entrance fee



DAY 2: Kampong Thom - Kampong Cham

Sambor Prei Kuk's Jungle Temples & Mekong Views

After a scenic drive through small villages and ricefields you will arrive in Sambor Prei Kuk. This temple complex is also an Unesco World Heritage site. Together with your guide, you will visit the three main temples. Ride the narrow pathways through the forest and discover a temple, completely overgrown, around every corner. Time to continue our jeep tour. We drive our jeeps through some beautiful Cambodian countryside. 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. We will continue our scenic drive to our next stop is at a local rubber plantation.

As the afternoon progresses, we'll arrive at the mighty Mekong River. From Hancey Pagoda, you'll be treated to breathtaking views of this iconic waterway. Continuing our journey, we'll head towards Kampong Cham. Our hotel for the evening is conveniently located along the boulevard, offering the perfect setting for a leisurely evening stroll.

Accommodation: ★★ ★

Included meals:

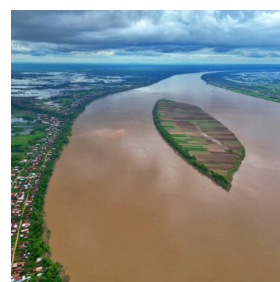
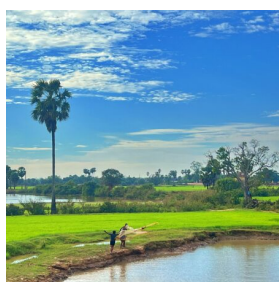
🏠 LBN Asian Hotel

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🛏 Mekong River Double/Twin

Included today:

- ✓ Vintage jeep with petrol (self drive)
- ✓ support car with mechanic, spare parts and tools
- ✓ English speaking guide
- ✓ Drinking water, fruits, snack
- ✓ Entrance Fee Sambor Prei Kuk
- ✓ Entrance Fee Hancey Pagoda
- ✓ Local guide Sambor Prei Kuk



DAY 3: Kampong Cham - Phnom Penh

Mekong River Crossing: From Ancient Walls to Capital City

Our first stop is Kampong Cham, where the ancient Wat Nokor temple awaits. This fascinating complex, built in the 11th century under the reign of King Jayavarman VII, is a harmonious fusion of old and new. Within its historic walls, you'll find a modern Buddhist pagoda, a vibrant contrast to the impressive ancient sculptures, stupas, and towers adorning the original structure.

Depending on the season, we might have the unique opportunity to admire Kampong Cham's iconic bamboo bridge. This bridge, a testament to local engineering ingenuity, is annually constructed and dismantled based on the Mekong River's water levels. If we're lucky, we can even cross the bridge and enjoy breathtaking views of the river.

Embark on a scenic drive through the Cambodian countryside, traversing a mix of narrow dirt roads and paved highways towards Phnom Penh. Along the way, you'll discover a remarkable pagoda where the past and present converge. An ancient wall dating back to the Angkor period stands as a testament to the temple that once graced this site, while a charming French colonial house adds a touch of European flair to the pagoda grounds.

As the afternoon draws to a close, you'll find yourself back at the mighty Mekong River. Board the ferry and embark on a short crossing, reaching the bustling city of Phnom Penh.

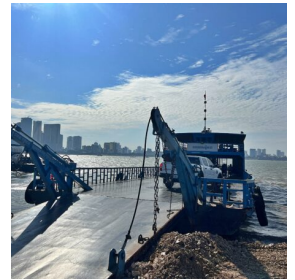
Upon arrival at your hotel, bid farewell to your dedicated guide and support team, who have accompanied you on this unforgettable self-drive jeep tour through Cambodia.

Included meals:

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Included today:

- ✓ Vintage jeep with petrol (self drive)
- ✓ support car with mechanic, spare parts and tools
- ✓ English speaking guide
- ✓ Drinking water, fruits, snack
- ✓ Entrance Fee Wat Nokor



Additional info

Include in the price

- Vintage jeep included petrol
- English speaking guide
- Support car with mechanic and spare parts/tools
- 3x lunch, 2x dinner
- Accommodation with breakfast
- Entrance fee Sambur Prei Kuk, Hancey Pagoda, Wat Nokor
- Ferry boat in Phnom Penh
- Survival box with mosquito spray, cookies, hand-gel, facemask, and so on
- Drinking water
- Snacks and fruit

Not included in the price

- Personal expenses
- Tips for guide and mechanic

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.

A valid driver's license and a valid international driving permit are required to drive the jeep

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.

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.

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.