

#### INDEPENDENT TRIPS

# Angkor Wat Adventure 5D/4N (Phnom Penh to Phnom Penh)

Cultural
5 Days / 1 Country
Cambodia

Departure city: **Phnom Penh, Cambodia** End city: **Phnom Penh, Cambodia** 



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Marvel at the magnificent site of Angkor Wat
- Witness the infamous "Killing Fields" at Choeung Ek
- Explore countless temples and discover Khmer history
- Discover Cambodian towns and countryside

Travel deep into rural Cambodia on this incredible 5-day trip that will leave you with unforgettable memories! Begin your adventure in Phnom Penh and visit historical places such as the Angkor temples and the famous "Killing Fields".

# MAP



# What is included

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# **Independent Trips**

Include all of your accommodation, transport and experiences on a pre-set trip that you can customize to perfectly suit your travel needs.

#### Accommodation: 4

• 1 Phnom Penh Junior suite

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• 2 Siem Reap Junior suite

# Transport: 2

• Siem Reap to Phnom Penh

Phnom Penh to Siem Reap

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# Experiences: 2

Angkor Wat Day Trip

Killing Fields & Prison S21 Experience

# What is not included

Guide throughout the trip

• Meals not mentioned in the itinerary

• Travel Insurance

• Tips

Personal Expenses

Accommodation pick-up drop-off from Bus

Stations

<sup>\*</sup>Prices for optional activities are subject to change at any time without prior notice. Please confirm these prices before departing on your trip.

# **Experiences Included**

## Killing Fields & Prison S21 Experience



Visit the S21 Prison (Genocide Museum) in Phnom Penh and the Killing Fields about 15 km from the city center. Wander around the complex and learn about the horrors of the Khmer Rouge genocide through fascinating audio tours. Learn about the history of this horrible tragedy from Cambodia's past.

#### INCLUDE

- Hotel pick up and drop off (inner city)
- Tuk Tuk Transportation
- Entrance Fees & Audio Guides at the Genocide Museum & Killing Fields

#### NOT INCLUDED

- Tour guide (this is not a guided tour)
- Personal expenses
- Meals/drinks
- Tips

#### **Angkor Wat Day Trip**



Go back in time to see the impressive national heritage of Cambodia's ancient Khmer Dynasties in the middle of the steamy jungle where intricately built temples and royal palaces sit majestically in a natural setting surrounded by trees, reflection pools, moats and gardens. Look for Hindu dancing women, huge Buddha heads carved into the temple walls and the tree-covered temples from Tomb Raider.

#### INCLUDED

- Shared Transportation
- Local English Speaking Tour Guide
- 1 Bottle of Drinking Water

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

- Lunch

# **Itinerary**

# Day 1: Phnom Penh, Cambodia



### Killing Fields & Prison S21 Experience

DepartureTimes: **08:00** Duration: **5:15 hrs.** 

Get picked up and start your intriguing tour to the S21 Prison and the Killing Fields. Visit the Genocide Museum, also known as Prison S21 under Khmer Rouge regime. An audio-guide will help you learn about some basic insights at this prison. The prison is composed of 4 buildings, and there are different exhibitions on different floors / rooms. Two prison survivors sometimes come to the museum and talk to the visitors.

You will also visit the Killing Fields, about a 40 minute drive away from the Phnom Penh city center. Upon arrival you will receive an Audio Tour with headphones and a control device with numbered buttons. You can follow the map provided and start the Audio Tour. Then we will make the return trip and you will be dropped off at your accommodation.

#### A bit of history...

The S21 Security Prison, also known as Tuol Sleng, is where an estimated 17,000 people were imprisoned between 1975 - 1979. They were repeatedly tortured and coerced into naming family members and close associates, who were in turn arrested, brought to S21, tortured and eventually killed. In 1979, the prison was uncovered by the invading Vietnamese army who toppled the Khmer Rouge and its leader, Pol Pot. In 1980, the prison was reopened by the government of the People's Republic of Kampuchea as a historical museum.

The Killing Fields is the name given to numerous burial sites in Cambodia where huge numbers of people were killed and buried by the infamous Khmer Rouge regime between 1975 and 1979. Over 20,000 mass grave sites have been found across Cambodia, estimates place the number of dead between 2 and 4 million. Many of these deaths were as a result of the Khmer Rouge policies that resulted in the disease and starvation of much of its population.



Check-In Mad Monkey Phnom Penh

# Day 2: Phnom Penh - Siem Reap, Cambodia



Phnom Penh to Siem Reap

Type: **Transfer** 

DepartureTimes: 07:30, 08:30, 12:30, 14:25

Duration: 6 hrs.



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# Day 3: Siem Reap, Cambodia



Angkor Wat Day Trip

DepartureTimes: 8:30 Duration: 7 hrs.

You will be picked up in the morning and you will first visit the Angkor Thom complex. Bayon temple, with 54 towers and 216 faces of Budhhistsatva Avalokestesvara, is the highlight of all the temples in the center of Angkor Thom City. Then we continue to visit several other historic sites such as Baphoun, the Ancient Royal Palace, the Elephant terrace and Ta Prohm temple. Ta Prohm temple is the temple where gigantic tree roots have grown that was made famous by the Hollywood film "Tomb Raider" starring Angelina Jolie.

Before we continue to other interesting sites, we will have lunch. After lunch, we will see the temple of Angkor Wat which has been listed as a UNESCO World Heritage since 1992. Finally we continue to Phnom Bakheng as the day fades to night. Then, we will drive you back to your hotel.

A bit of history...Stretching over some 400 square kilometers, including forested area, Angkor Archaeological Park contains the magnificent remains of several capitals of the Khmer Empire of the 9th to the 15th centuries, including the largest pre-industrial city in the world. Angkor Wat is a temple complex at Angkor, built by Tamil King Suryavarman II in the early 12th century as his state temple and capital city. As the best-preserved temple at the site, it is the only one to have remained a significant religious centre since its foundation - first Hindu, dedicated to the god Vishnu, then Buddhist. In the late 13th century, Angkor Wat gradually moved from Hindu to Theravada Buddhist use, which continues to the present day. Angkor Wat is unusual among the Angkor temples in that although it was somewhat neglected after the 16th century it was never completely abandoned, its preservation being due in part to the fact that its moat also provided some protection from encroachment by the jungle. It has become a symbol of Cambodia, appearing on its national flag, and it is the country's prime attraction for visitors.



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# Day 4: Siem Reap - Phnom Penh, Cambodia

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Type: **Transfer** 

DepartureTimes: 07:30, 08:30, 09:45, 12:30

Duration: 6 hrs.



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## Day 5: Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Free Day

Explore on your own, or add an optional extra experience

