



*Travel is a basic human  
urge to discover something  
about ourselves and,  
more importantly, about others...*



# Monsoon Tours

Cambodia - Indochina





*Whether you are a traveller looking for the exciting, exotic, or romantic;*

*a professional looking to plan your next incentive event, secure in the knowledge that delegates will never forget Cambodia or Cambodian smiles and you will never forget the efficient, friendly service;*

*or an executive looking for a meeting venue with a difference,*

*then Monsoon Tours, with its 19 year experience of working in Cambodia can provide everything you need with minimum fuss and maximum efficiency.*



*W*hen booking your meeting, incentive event or tour through Monsoon you are in experienced hands. Director, Frank Ludwig, has been organizing tours, meetings and incentives in Cambodia since '93 additionally his business is an affiliated member of the Focus Asia network. He also has a firm commitment to eco-friendly tourism, promoting respect of the land and respect for the cultural heritage of indigenous populations. Communication should be easy since he speaks German, English, French, Russian and Khmer and his educational and professional credentials are impeccable: Master of Political Sciences, specializing in Indo-China (Cambodia in particular) and he has worked many years for development agencies who supported projects in Cambodia and other Asian countries.

This all adds up to a trouble free event or tour for you. If you seek creative travel itineraries to challenge and titillate the most jaded of travel palates and just want to sit back and watch the drama unfold before you, Monsoon Tours will take the stress out of planning – all you do is relax and enjoy the experience.

Imagine bathing in a volcanic lake in Ratanakiri as the sun sets over the mountains, just you and the swaying bamboo; or watching freshwater dolphins in Kratie; walking through the Royal Palace in Phnom Penh or drinking a cold beer on the balcony of the Foreign Correspondents Club of Cambodia studying life on the river...there is so much to experience in Cambodia.

We can tailor make any tour to your requirements. E-mail us and find out what we can do and take the frustration out of making your own arrangements.

info@monsoontours.com

## INCENTIVES

*Monsoon Tours strives to create the magic, mystery and excitement of a perfectly executed performance...*

We are experienced in facilitating innovative incentive programmes which will hold the interest and attention of delegates and participants throughout the programme.

## TOURS AND TRAVEL

*We try to show the discerning traveller the very best of Cambodia...*

We attempt to take travellers away from the major tourist sites and send them to destinations which are unsophisticated and unspoiled. From hidden Angkor to the wilds of Ratanakiri we take care to show the traveller the real Cambodia, exploring the history, culture and wildlife of the country and attempting to put into the communities we visit as much as we take out.

## MEETINGS

*We are eager to create the perfect atmosphere for your delegates in order that the meeting be a success both in the conference room and out of it...*

The best hotels, the right locations. Monsoon Tours can facilitate the best venues in order that your meeting has the very best chance of running smoothly. We will lay on the red carpet treatment for your delegates and guests.



*Monsoon Tours*

# GRAND PACKAGE

## Throughout Cambodia 23 days

Siem Reap (Angkor), Kampong Thom – Phnom Penh – Kampong Chhnang – Oudong – Kratie – Ratanakiri – Phnom Penh – Koh Kong – Sihanoukville

### Description

This is an exciting journey through one of few regions of Asia having preserved its traditional character. The journey leads through 10 provinces of Cambodia as well as to Phnom Penh and Sihanoukville. The Angkor – the largest archaeological site of the world – is certainly the main highlight. The magic remains of different capitals of the Khmer Empire (between 9th and 15th century) embedded into vast forest areas rest upon an overall territory of over 400 sq. km. Among them are the famous temples Angkor Wat and Bayon with their countless bas-reliefs and sculptures.

No doubt, Cambodia is far more than just Angkor. About 80 per cent of Cambodian population live in rural areas, where life has barely changed since Angkor. In this aspect Cambodia differs from many other countries in South-East Asia where nearly the half of the population abandoned its traditional way of life and lives in huge cities – often in poverty, without work or proper housing. Everywhere you go in Cambodia – you'll always be greeted with a friendly, traditional Asian smile.

What is scarcely known about Cambodia is the fact that its beaches belong to the most wonderful in Asia – ideal for individual vacationers and families on holiday.

### Highlights

- \* Temples of Khmer Kings of Angkor and Sambor Prei Kuk, of the archaeological sites of South-East Asia;
- \* National Museum, Silver pagoda & Royal Palace and Wat Phnom pagoda;
- \* Traditional Khmer handicraft: silk weavers, silversmiths, potters, wicker-workers;
- \* Irrawaddy Mekong dolphins; renovated pagoda Roka Kandal (early 19th c.) in Kratie;
- \* Rubber plantations in Kampong Cham;
- \* Minorities in Ratanakiri province;
- \* Traditional dances including famous Apsara dances;
- \* Boat cruise to floating villages on the Great Tonle Sap lake;
- \* Floating eco-lodge near the Cardamom mountains;
- \* Fantastic beaches of Sihanoukville and islands;

### Programme

#### Day

#### 1 Siem Reap.

Arrival in Siem Reap. transfer to hotel.

#### 2 Siem Reap - Angkor

*Morning.* Excursion to Banteay Srei temple (967 AD). On return visit Banteay Samre (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150), Eastern Mebon, Pre Rup and Prasat Kravan (10th century).

*Afternoon.* Afternoon: Visit Ta Prohm (Jayavarman VII) and Angkor Wat (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150). View sunset from mountain temple Phnom Bakhaeng (900 AD) with a spectacular view in the main Angkor temple area, the artificial Western Baray (2 x 4 km) and the Great lake Tonle Sap.

#### 3 Siem Reap - Angkor

*Morning.* Visit of Angkor Thom:

- Southern Gate, Bayon, Terrace of Elephants, Terrace of Leper King, the 12 Prasat Suor Prat (King Jayavarman VII, 1181-1220);
- Temples of 11th century: Ba Phnom, Phimeanakas, Northern and Southern Khleang.

*Afternoon.* visit other temples of Jayavarman VII: Preah Khan, Neak Poan, Ta Prohm.

*Evening:* View performance of traditional dances at Apsara Theatre with Khmer set menu dinner.

#### 4 Siem Reap - Angkor

Full day excursion to remote temples Koh Ker (Angkor capital 921-944) and Boeng Mealea (Suryavarman II, 1131-1150).

#### 5 Siem Reap - Tonle Sap Lake

*Morning.* Boat cruise on Tonle Sap. Visit floating village.

*Afternoon.* Visit traditional handicraft workshops (wood and stone carving, lacquer work) of Artisans d'Angkor and show rooms.

#### 6 Siem Reap – Kampong Thom – Kampong Cham

*Morning.* Drive to Sambor Prei Kuk (7th-8th centuries). Continue to Kampong Thom and Kampong Cham with stopover at Phnom Santuk pagoda, Phnom Srei pagoda, Phnom Pros pagoda and Nokor Wat temple (11th century) & Wat Nokor monastery. Accommodation in Kampong Cham City.





# CAMBODIA

## 7 Kampong Cham – Kratie

*Morning.* Drive to Kratie (3-4 hours). On the way passing through rubber plantations.

*Afternoon.* Visit Roka Kandal pagoda, Phnom Sambok pagoda and viewing point (view over Mekong river). First visit to Kampi dolphin viewing point.

## 8 Ratanakiri

*Morning.* Second visit to Kampi dolphin viewing point.  
Drive to Ratanakiri (4-5 hours drive). Accommodation at Terres Rouges Lodge (dinner).

## 9 Ratanakiri (full board)

Direction northwest today, we cross bamboo forests before reaching the village of Voeune Sai located on the left bank of the Sé San river ; the view on the Chinese village on the other side of the river is quite pretty. Besides, this place is nearly a Chinese enclave in Cambodian territory, most villagers, who are there the thirties, don't even speak Khmer. Upstream of the Se San is Kaoh Peak, Kachok village that practice funeral statuary, then departure for a trip through rubber plantations towards the nearby waterfalls  
Dinner & night at the Lodge.

## 10 Ratanakiri (full board)

We're going full North today, heading towards Laos and the village of Taveng. We first cross Veyrum Plang, a round lava field in the forest; a few steps away there is a small waterfall (in the rainy season only) surrounded by tigers caves. Later on, we stop at some nice Kroeung villages located in the forest on both sides of the road. The more North we go, the more beautiful the forest. In some Kroeung villages, depending on the season, we might discover some quite impressive bachelor houses built on very high stilts. Let's notice that, when they have achieved their goal and when the young man has become head of a family, these houses are destroyed before being raised again by younger men the following season. Depending on the time and the state of the dirt road, we will choose a location for a picnic before exploring the nearby villages. We end up with a detour to Yaklaom lake, a beautiful and perfectly-round stretch of water, surrounded by forest, for a late afternoon swim.

## 11 Ratanakiri – Phnom Penh

Drive to Phnom Penh (8-9 hours).

## 12 Phnom Penh

*Morning.* Visit National Museum, Silver pagoda & Royal Palace.

*Afternoon.* At leisure.

## 13 Phnom Penh

*Morning.* Visit Wat Phnom pagoda and local markets.

*Afternoon.* Visit Tuol Sleng genocide museum and mass graves near Choeung Ek commune („killing fields“).

*Evening.* Sunset cruise by boat on the Chatok-muk, crossing of Mekong River, Tonle Bassac River and Tonle Sap River.

## 14 Kampong Chhnang, Oudong – Phnom Penh

Full day excursion to traditional handicraft places of Cambodia in the provinces Kandal and Kampong Chhnang. Since about 7000 years Kampong Chhnang is home of currently 2000 potters, most of them women. You can see a traditional ceramic firing at open fire but also a ceramic centre, recently build within a German development project.

On the way you will visit Oudong, the ancient capital of the Kingdom of Cambodia over 200 years (17th-19th centuries). There is a spectacular viewing point on the top of capitol hill. Visit nearby silversmith village Kampong Luong. Return to Phnom Penh.

## 15 Phnom Penh – Koh Kong

Drive to Tatai (Koh Kong province, 3-4 hours), continue by small boat to “4 rivers floating eco-lodge” (20 minutes).

## 16-18 Koh Kong

At leisure. Time for excursions to trips into different surrounding eco-systems (on request).

## 18 Koh Kong – Sihanoukville

Drive to Sihanoukville.

## 19-22 Sihanoukville

At leisure.

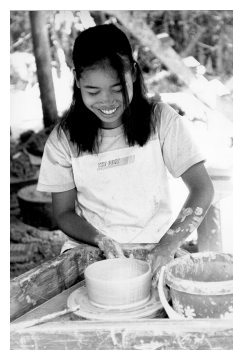
On day 20 full day excursion by boat to nearby islands (with lunch on board).

## 23 Sihanoukville – Phnom Penh

Transfer to Phnom Penh airport. Departure.

We can tailor make any tour to your requirements. E-mail us and find out what we can do and take the frustration out of making your own arrangements.

info@monsoontours.com







*Royal Angkor Resort*  
International

Siem Reap-Kingdom of Cambodia

*The Khmer Journey & Experience*



Highway No. 6, Phum Kasekam, KH 1700 Siem Reap P.OBox 93279,

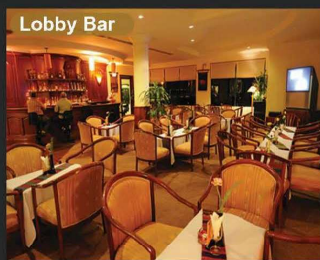
Tel: (855) 63 76 75 55, Fax: (855) 63 96 55 11

Email: [reservation@royalangkorresort.com](mailto:reservation@royalangkorresort.com), [sales@royalangkorresort.com](mailto:sales@royalangkorresort.com)

Website: [www.royalangkorresort.com](http://www.royalangkorresort.com)



*Khemara Angkor Hotel & Spa*  
Siem Reap, Kingdom of Cambodia



National Road No.6, Salakanseng Village, Svaydongkhum Commune  
Siem Reap City, Kingdom of Cambodia.

Tel: (855) 63 760 666, Fax: (855) 63 760 777

E-mail: [info@khemaraangkor.com](mailto:info@khemaraangkor.com), website: [www.khemaraangkor.com](http://www.khemaraangkor.com)



# ANGKOR PACKAGES

## Siem Reap & Angkor 4 days

### Description

This is a traditional Angkor standard tour with the main temples of the Grand and Small Circuit including the Great City, Angkor Thom, Angkor Wat and Banteay Srei as well as the early temples of the Roluos group.

### Highlights

- \* Angkor temples near Siem Reap and Banteay Srei.
- \* Traditional dances, including the unique Apsara dances.
- \* Floating villages on the Great lake Tonle Sap.
- \* Traditional Angkor handicraft workshops of Artisans d'Angkor.

### Programme

#### Day

#### 1 Angkor & Siem Reap

Arrival at airport Siem Reap. Meet guide and transfer to your hotel.

Afternoon: Visit Roluos group – Preah Ko, Bakong, Lolei (9th century).

#### 2 Angkor & Siem Reap

*Morning.* Excursion to Banteay Srei temple (967 AD). On return visit Banteay Samre (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150), Eastern Mebon, Pre Rup and Prasat Kravan (10th century).

*Afternoon.* Visit Ta Prohm (Jayavarman VII) and Angkor Wat (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150). View sunset from mountain temple Phnom Bakhaeng (900 AD) with a spectacular view in the main Angkor temple area, the artificial Western Baray (2 x 4 km) and the Great lake Tonle Sap.

#### 3 Angkor & Siem Reap

*Morning.* Visit of Angkor Thom:

- Southern Gate, Bayon, Terrace of Elephants, Terrace of Leper King, the 12 Prasat Suor Prat (King Jayavarman VII, 1181-1220);
- Temples of 11th century: Ba Phuon, Phimeanakas, Northern and Southern Khleang.

*Afternoon.* visit other temples of Jayavarman VII: Preah Khan, Neak Pean, Ta Prom.

Evening: View performance of traditional dances at the Apsara Theatre with Khmer set menu dinner.

#### 4 Siem Reap & Tonle Sap

*Morning.* Boat cruise on Tonle Sap. Visit floating village. Visit traditional handicraft workshops (wood and stone carving, lacker work) of Artisans d'Angkor and show rooms.

*Afternoon.* Transfer to airport.

## Siem Reap & Angkor 3 days

### Description

This is a short programme to visit the main sites of Angkor near Siem Reap. It includes the main temples of the Grand and Small circuit like the Great City Angkor Thom and Angkor Wat but also the remote temple Banteay Srei.

### Highlights:

- \* Angkor temples near Siem Reap and Banteay Srei.
- \* Traditional dances, including the unique Apsara dances.

### Programme

#### Day

#### 1 Angkor & Siem Reap

Arrival at airport Siem Reap. Meet guide and transfer to your hotel.

*Afternoon.* Visit Banteay Srei temple (967 AD). On return visit Banteay Samre (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150), Eastern Mebon, Pre Rup and Prasat Kravan (10th century). View sunset from mountain temple Phnom Bakhaeng (900 AD) with a spectacular view in the main Angkor temple area, the artificial Western Baray (2 x 4 km) and the Great lake Tonle Sap. View performance of traditional dances at the Apsara Theatre with Khmer set menu dinner.

#### 2 Angkor & Siem Reap

*Morning.* Visit of Angkor Thom:

- Southern Gate, Bayon, Terrace of Elephants, Terrace of Leper King, the 12 Prasat Suor Prat (King Jayavarman VII, 1181-1220);
- Temples of 11th century: Ba Phuon, Phimeanakas, Northern and Southern Khleang.

*Afternoon.* Visit Ta Prohm (Jayavarman VII) and Angkor Wat (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150). View sunset from Phnom Bakhaeng temple (900 AD).

#### 3 Angkor & Siem Reap

*Morning.* visit other temples of Jayavarman VII: Preah Khan, Neak Pean, Ta Prom.

*Afternoon.* Transfer to airport. Departure.



# Phnom Penh & Angkor

## 5 days

### Description

This journey is the most common standard tour for a short cultural visit to Cambodia. It includes all main Angkor temples near Siem Reap and Phnom Penh, once called the "Pearl of South-East Asia" and still one of the few traditional big cities in this region.

### Highlights

- \* Historical sites of Phnom Penh - the Pearl of South-east Asia, a mixture of traditional Khmer and colonial-style architecture
- \* Angkor temples near Siem Reap and Banteay Srei.
- \* Traditional dances at Apsara Theatre, Khmer set menu dinner
- \* Floating villages on the Great lake Tonle Sap.
- \* Traditional Angkor handicraft workshops of Artisans d'Angkor
- \* markets

### Programme

#### Day

##### 1 Phnom Penh

Arrival in Phnom Penh. Meet with guide and transfer to hotel.

*Afternoon:* Visit National Museum, Silver Pagoda and Royal Palace and Wat Phnom pagoda.

##### 2 Siem Reap & Angkor

*Morning:* Drive to airport and flight to Siem Reap. Morning visit of Roluos group (9th century): Preah Ko, Bakong and Lolei.

*Afternoon:* Visit Prasat Kravan, Pre Rup, Eastern Mebon (10th century) and Takeo (1004 AD). View sunset from mountain temple Phnom Bakhaeng (900 AD) with a fantastic view over the main Angkor area, the artificial lake Western Baray (2 x 4 km) and the Great lake Tonle Sap.

##### 3 Siem Reap & Angkor

*Morning:* Excursion to Banteay Srei temple (967 AD). On return visit Banteay Samre (Suryavarman II, 1113-1150), Eastern Mebon, Pre Rup and Prasat Kravan (10th century).

*Afternoon:* Visit Angkor Wat (Suryavarman II).

##### 4 Siem Reap & Angkor

*Morning:* Visit Angkor Thom:

- Southern Gate, Bayon, Terrace of Elephants, Terrace of Leper King, the 12 Prasat Suor Prat (King Jayavarman VII, 1181-1220);
- Temples of 11th century: Ba Phuon, Phimeanakas, Northern and Southern Khleang.

*Afternoon:* Visit other temples of Jayavarman VII: Preah Khan, Neak Poan, Ta Prohm.

*Evening:* Apsara Theater – performance of traditional dances including Khmer set menu dinner.

##### 5 Siem Reap & Tonle Sap lake

*Morning:* Boat cruise on the Great lake Tonle Sap. Visit floating villages of Chong Kneas commune.

*Afternoon:* Transfer to airport and departure.

## Phnom Penh 2 days

### Highlights:

- \* National Museum, Silver Pagoda and Royal Palace, Wat Phnom pagoda
- \* Genocide Museum
- \* Markets
- \* Sunset cruise on Chatokmuk – crossing of the Rivers Tonle Sap, Tonle Bassac and Mekong

### Programme

#### Day

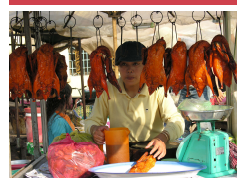
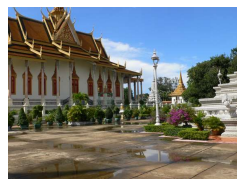
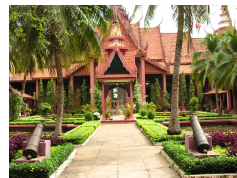
**1 Morning:** Visit Independence monument, National Museum, Silver Pagoda and Royal Palace, Wat Phnom pagoda.

*Afternoon:* Visit training school for traditional dances (Apsara dances and other traditional dances).

*Evening:* sunset cruise on Chatokmuk (crossing of rivers Mekong, Tonle Sap and Tonle Bassac).

**2 Morning:** Genocide Museum Tuol Sleng, mass graves at Choeung Ek ("the Killing Fields"), Tuol Tumpung market ("Russian market") or Central market.

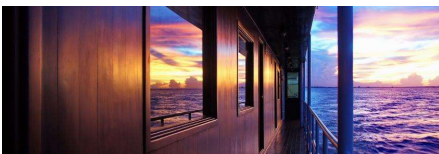
*Afternoon:* Visit charity project in or near Phnom Penh.



# Monsoon Tours



# Cruises on the Great Tonle Sap Lake and the Majestic Mekong



The majestic Mekong River is the lifeblood of South East Asia. It flows over 3,000 miles from the Tibetan plateau, down through Indochina, into the South China Sea. The Tonle Sap is the biggest lake of South East Asia.

Discover and enjoy the amazing scenery of the majestic Mekong River and the beautiful countryside of Cambodia and Vietnam on comfortable cruises. You will enjoy a cultural journey, a great opportunity to learn and understand more about the life of people along the Mekong River – floating markets, friendly and hospitable local people. Experience the cultural contrast between the tranquility of Cambodia and the bustling Vietnam delta. Travel over the Great lake Tonle Sap into the rich countryside of Cambodia, pass the vast Mekong Delta - so rich in human life and endeavour, until you reach the vibrant French colonial port of Saigon.

Several ship companies are offering cruises between Siem Reap / Angkor and Phnom Penh, between Siem Reap and Phnom Penh and Phnom Penh and Saigon. All cruises can be booked with us.

## Tonn Tion

Siem Reap - Saigon (or return)  
From the magnificent Angkor temples to the overcrowded Vietnamese capital. A 7 to 8 days cruise between Cambodia and Vietnam.

Phnom Penh - Siem Reap (or return)  
Discover inner Cambodia through its most secret route. A 3 days cruise in Cambodia.

Phnom Penh - Kratie - Siem Reap (or return)

Discover inner Cambodia through its most secret route. A 6 days cruise in Cambodia.

Phnom Penh - Saigon (or return)  
Two different countries to discover along the Mekong river. A 4 to 6 days cruise between Cambodia and Vietnam.

Compagnie Fluviale du Mekong  
([www.cfmekong.com](http://www.cfmekong.com))

## Heritage Line

Phnom Penh – Siem Reap (or return) 5 days / 4 nights

Phnom Penh – Saigon (or return) 4 days / 3 nights

Siem Reap – Ho Chi Minh city 8 days / 7 nights

Heritage Line ([www.heritage-line.com](http://www.heritage-line.com))

## Pandaw Cruise

Siem Reap – Saigon (or return) 8 days / 7 nights

Pandaw Cruise ([www.pandaw.com](http://www.pandaw.com))



# OTHER PROVINCES

## Kampong Chhnang, Oudong, Kampong Luong

### Highlights:

- \* Cambodian countryside, Khmer farming villages
- \* traditional Khmer handicraft
- \* Oudong - Khmer capitol 17th-19th centuries

### Programmes

#### Tour 1

Kampong Chhnang, Oudong, Kampong Luong (full day visit)

Drive from Phnom Penh to Kampong Chhnang province (90 km, 2 hours), home of traditional pottery since about 7.000 years. Visit Ondoung Rossey village - a typical Khmer village with traditional paddy farmers and potters. Visit farming houses and small handicraft pottery workshops. Watch an ancient-style pottery firing.

Drive back towards Phnom Penh and stop at Oudong - Khmer capitol during 17th-19th centuries, situated on a hill near the Tonle Sap River. Enjoy the spectacular view on the surroundings.

Near Oudong visit the silversmith village of Kampong Luong. Return to Phnom Penh.

#### Tour 2

Oudong, Kampong Luong (half day)

Drive from Phnom Penh to Oudong (40 km, 1 hour) - Khmer capitol during 17-19th centuries. Enjoy the spectacular view on the surroundings. Near Oudong visit the silversmith village of Kampong Luong. Return to Phnom Penh.

## Takeo

### Highlights:

- \* Cambodian countryside
- \* boat trip on ancient water channels and rivers
- \* Khmer temples of 6 and 11-12 centuries
- \* Museum about Funan Kingdom
- \* Khmer silk weaving
- \* traditional Khmer villages

### Programme

(Takeo City, Angkor Borei, Phnom Da temple of 6th century, Phnom Phisor, Tonle Bati & Ta Prohm, Tanorn silversmith village)

Drive from Phnom Penh to Takeo City (80 km, 2 hours). Continue by small speed-boat along Ancient water channels.

Stopover at Angkor Borei for visit of Museum about the first Great Khmer kingdom - Funan (1-6th centuries).

Continue by boat to Phnom Da temple (6th century).

Return by boat to Takeo City for lunch. Drive back to Phnom Penh with stopovers at Phnom Chisor hill temple (11th century), Tanorn silk weaving village and Ta Prohm temple (Jayavarman VII, 1181-1220) near Tonle Bati lake.

## Kratie - Irrawaddy dolphins

### Highlights:

- \* Freshwater dolphins
- \* Cambodian countryside
- \* Mekong River
- \* traditional Khmer handicraft

### Programme

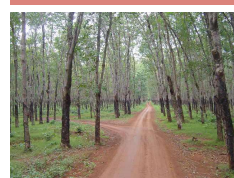
(Phnom Penh - Kampong Cham - Kratie)

#### Day

1 Drive from Phnom Penh to Kampong Cham (124 km). Continue to Kratie (230 km). Late afternoon first visit to Kampi pool for dolphin watching (by boat).

2 Early morning visit to Kampi for dolphin watching (by boat). On return stop at Phnom Sambuk hill pagoda with viewing point overlooking the Mekong River. Afternoon visit local museum about Sambhupura Kingdom (7th century) and Wat Roka Kandal pagoda (19th century) near Mekong River.

3 Drive back to Phnom Penh. On the way visit Cham Muslim village with wicker-workers (Chheu Tiel Ploch Leu). The journey leads through extensive rubber plantations of Kampong cham province.





# BEACH HOLIDAYS

*Fly from Angkor to Cambodia's amazing beaches & islands*

## Highlights:

- \* unique Cambodian white sandy beaches
- \* resorts with private beach
- \* boat trip to islands
- \* diving & fishing
- \* seafood
- \* French colonial style Cities
- \* excursions to waterfall, caves, pepper plantations
- \* wildlife
- \* diving

## Sihanoukville - beach & islands

### GETTING THERE:

Phnom Penh - Sihanoukville  
Overland 3-4 hours (230 km)

Siem Reap - Phnom Penh - Sihanoukville  
Overland 8-9 hours (544 km, crossing Phnom Penh)

### Angkor - Sihanoukville By Plane

#### Flight schedule

Siem Reap (Angkor) – Sihanoukville:  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
14h10-15h20

Flight Sihanoukville – Siem Reap  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 15h50-17h00

## Excursions from Sihanoukville:

### Tour 1 Boat trip to Koh Rong and Samloem islands

Transfer from hotel (Sihanoukville) to boat pier. Around 10h00 departure. After 1 hour stopover at Koh Thach island for snorkeling. Continue to blue lagoon of Koh Sanlem, stay for 2-3 hours for swimming and excursion into a mangrove forest. Return to Sihanoukville, arrival at about 16h00. On board: coffee, tea, cake, big buffet for lunch, fresh fruits and fishing & snorkeling equipment for all activities.

### Tour 2 Kbal Chay Waterfall (Sihanoukville)

Drive from hotel 15 km to Kbal chay. Lunch picnic at waterfall. Return to hotel

### Tour 3 National Park Ream

Drive from hotel (Sihanoukville) to Ream (1 hour). 3 hours river boat along mangrove forest. Picnic lunch. Return to hotel.

## Kampot & Kep

### GETTING THERE:

Phnom Penh - Kampot

Overland 2-3 hours (148 km).

Phnom Penh - Kep

Overland 3 hours (164 km)

(driving from Siem Reap - Phnom Penh 314 km, 5-6 hours)

### Tour 4 Kampot City, Caves and Beach

Drive from hotel (Sihanoukville) to Kampot City (105 km, 1.5 hours). Stopover at pepper plantation. Seafood lunch in Kampot City. Relax at beach. Visit caves near Kampot. Return to Sihanoukville (overnight in standard or deluxe hotel possible).

### Tour 5 Kep City and Beach

Drive from hotel (Sihanoukville) to Kep City (140 km, 2.5-3 hours). Stopover at pepper plantation. Seafood lunch in Kep City. Relax at beach. Return to Sihanoukville (overnight in standard hotel or lodge possible).

## Diving in Sihanoukville

The islands off the coast present some amazing diving with an incredible diversity of hard and soft corals, a large collection of reef fishes, larger pelagics and an enormous variety of macro-life. Most of the off-shore islands are uninhabited and between dives you can relax on the white sandy beaches or snorkel off the shore.





**SOKHA**  
HOTELS & RESORTS



# 2

**Ultimate  
Cambodia  
holiday  
experience  
within 70 mins**



A twin destination to and fro **Siem Reap Angkor-Wat Temples and Sihanouk Ville-Beaches** have never been better with flying available only 70 minutes apart.

**Sokha Beach Resort**

GDS Codes: Amadeus:koseba

✉: [reservations@sokhahotels.com](mailto:reservations@sokhahotels.com)

[www.sokhahotels.com](http://www.sokhahotels.com)

**Sokha Angkor Resort**

GDS Codes: Amadeus:repsan

✉: [reservations.sr@sokhahotels.com](mailto:reservations.sr@sokhahotels.com)

MEMBER OF  
**WORLDHOTELS**



# ECOTOURISM

## Ratanakiri 5 days

### Highlights:

- \* Ethnic minorities
- \* Waterfalls
- \* Elephant trekking
- \* Excursion deep into Cambodia's forest

### GETTING TO BANLUNG / RATANAKIRI:

- Overland from Siem Reap – Kampong Thom – Kampong Cham – Kratie
- Overland from Phnom Penh
- Overland from Voeung Kam, Laos / Dom Kralor, Cambodia
- Overland from Le Tanh, Gia Lai Province, Vietnam / O'Yadaw, Ratanakiri, Cambodia

### Day

#### 1 Banlung

Arriving at Banlung, the capital of Ratanakiri, nicknamed the "Red City" because of the omnipresent laterite. Dinner & night at Terres Rouges Lodge (superb house built of precious wood, located by a lake, in the middle of a wonderful garden).

#### 2 The Tampoun totems & Yak Laom

Direction northwest today, we cross bamboo forests before reaching the village of Voeune Sai located on the left bank of the Sé San river; the view on the Chinese village on the other side of the river is quite pretty. Upstream of the Se San is Kaoh Peak, Kachok village that practice funeral statuary. We end up with a detour to Yaklaom lake, a beautiful and perfectly-round stretch of water, surrounded by forest, for a late afternoon swim. Night at Terres Rouges Lodge (full board).

#### 3 The Kroeung territory, waterfalls & elephant ride

Drive through rubber plantations towards the nearby waterfalls and elephant ride before heading towards Laos and the village of Taveng. Cross Veyrum Plang, a round lava field in the forest; a few steps away there is a small waterfall (in the rainy season only) surrounded by tigers caves. Later on, stop at some nice Kroeung villages located in the forest on both sides of the road. The more North we go, the more beautiful the forest. In some Kroeung villages, depending on the season, we might discover some quite impressive bachelor houses built on very high stilts. Picnic before exploring the nearby villages. Night at Terres Rouges Lodge (full board).

#### 4 The Zircon mines of the Three-Districts

Driving through huge rubber trees forests planted by the French in 1961 and then the Tampoun jungle, until reaching the Three-Districts mining area, kind of tropical slum or favella populated by 3000 people lost in the middle of

the Cambodian forest. This "Zircon Rush" has transformed this place into a massive Swiss cheese drilled with hundreds of 60cm-wide 12m-deep wells. Two kilometers away, there is the seven-tiered waterfall, called that way because the river is interrupted by seven rocky floors, creating waterfalls for taking shower and swimming. Night at Terres Rouges Lodge (full board).

#### 5 Ratanakiri and out...

Shopping tour in Banlung market. Departure.

## Koh Kong - 4 Rivers Floating Lodge

### Highlights

- \* vacation in unspoiled surroundings, luxury in harmony with Mother Nature
- \* excursions into nearby eco-systems (kayaking down river, exploring mangrove waterways that reach back into the jungle, teaming up with some locals, fishing for your supper, excursion to Ta Tai waterfall).

### HOW TO GET THERE.

By road from Phnom Penh (4 hours) or Hat Lek, Thailand/Koh Kong, Cambodia (Cham Yeum Checkpoint, 1.5 hours)

## Mondul'kiri 4 days

### Highlights:

- \* Ethnic minorities
- \* Waterfalls
- \* Elephant trekking
- \* Nature

### Day

#### 1 Phnom Penh - Sen Monorom

Drive from Phnom Penh to Sen Monorom (Mondul'kiri, 350 km).

#### 2 Mondul'kiri province

Drive to Puloung Bunong village, tubing down O Plai river. Lunch box at Bu Sra, the largest waterfall of Cambodia.

Afternoon: Short hike along the hill tops between two viewing points. Phnom Doh Kromom to Lao Ka the tree ocean.

#### 3 Mondul'kiri, elephant

Heading by to Putang Bunong village, elephant ride to O Ranna waterfall, swimming. Lunch box at waterfall. Then back to the village by elephant.

#### 4 Sen Monorom - Phnom Penh

Return to Phnom Penh by road.



# Birdwatching

## Banteay Meanchey province 3 days

### Highlights:

\* Banteay Chhmar temple complex (12th century) and Homestay in a Khmer village

### Day

1 Around noon: arrival at Banteay Chhmar (travelling from Siem Reap about 150 km, 3-4 hours). Lunch prepared by a local women's group under a straw hut and settling into your homestay.

Afternoon: Visit Banteay Chhmar Temple and Ta Prohm Temple. Ox-cart tour through the village and stop at the Silk Center.

Dinner at Ta Prohm temple (mats will be provided and traditional wooden torches lit for a welcome dinner under the stars, listen to traditional musicians). Overnight in your homestay.

2 Morning: Walk through Banteay Chhmar local market. Ox-cart tour to discover the Banteay Chhmar way of life (visit rice fields, stop at a farm). Continue to the Pol Pot Baray by kuyon.

12h00 Picnic on a wooden platform at the baray, prepared by the community based tourism restaurant and possibility to take a nap in a hammock. On the way back, visit to beekeeping and cassava farms. Enjoy the end of the day with your family and have dinner delivered by the community based tourism restaurant. Watch a rice flattening show and tasting afterwards.

3 Morning: Departure by kuyon (or your own vehicle) to visit Banteay Torp Temple. Lunch picnic prepared and delivered to Banteay Torp. Departure to Siem Reap (or Battambang or Poipet...).

## Birdwatching

### ANG TRAPAENG THMOR

Sarus Crane Reserve  
(Sarus Crane, Comb Duck)

Aside from being a staging ground for more than 300 Sarus Crane in the dry (non-breeding) season, more than 200 species of other birds occur here, of which 18 have been classified as globally or near globally threatened. This is also one of the handful of sites in Cambodia where the endangered Eld's Deer can be seen.

The best time to see the Sarus Crane is from February January to May though an abundance of bird species can be viewed all year.

Bengal Florican Reserve, Florican Grasslands (Bengal Florican, Manchurian reed Warbler) Designated Integrated Farming and Biodiversity Areas Bengal Florican Conservation Areas, the seasonally flooded grasslands of Kampong Thom and Siem Reap harbor the largest known population of Bengal Florican in Cambodia (and likely the world). There are several sites we visit that comprise important non-breeding grounds for many large water birds, such as the Greater Adjutant, Painted Stork, and Sarus Crane. Also found in this area is potentially the largest single concentration of over wintering Manchurian Reed Warblers.

### TONLE SAP GREAT LAKE

Prek Toal Core Bird Reserve

(Indian Cormorant, Spot billed Pelicans, Greater Adjutant, many others)

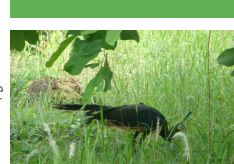
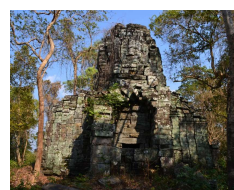
The sanctuary harbours seven species of water birds of global significance: Spot billed Pelican, Milky Stork, Painted Stork, Lesser Adjutant, Greater Adjutant, Black headed Ibis and Oriental Darter. Prek Toal is unmatched throughout South East Asia for the number and populations of endangered water birds it supports through the dry season. Large flocks of cormorants, storks and pelicans are almost guaranteed from January to May, along with herons, egrets and terns and internationally significant population of Grey-headed Fish Eagles. An SVC group spotted a Masked Finfoot in February 2011.

### TMATBOEY IBIS SITE

(Giant Ibis, White shouldered Ibis, Dry Deciduous Dipterocarp Forest)

In 2007 Tmatboey Village won the WildAsia Responsible Tourism Award for the conservation project that has seen a dramatic rise in the population of White-shouldered Ibis and continued breeding success of the Giant Ibis. Tmatboey lies at the heart of the Kulen Promtep Wildlife Sanctuary the largest contiguous block of dry dipterocarp forest left in South East Asia.

Aside from the ibis Woolly-necked Stork are relatively common and can be seen in flocks of over 40. Greater-spotted Eagle regularly over-winter and Grey-headed Fish Eagle and White-rumped Falcon occur at low densities. The Pale-capped Pigeon is another highlight along with an amazing diversity of woodpeckers and Brown Fish Owl, Spotted Wood Owl and Brown Wood Owl. In February 2010 night walks spotted Collared and Oriental Scops Owl, a mystery Aquila Eagle was seen on the same trip. A typical trip to Tmatboey takes 4 days and 3 nights. The best time to see the White-shouldered Ibis is January to March, and the Giant Ibis from January to April.





[illegible]



# Birdwatching

## CHHEP VULTURE RESTAURANT

(Red headed Vulture)

Cambodia is of global importance for the conservation of Asian vultures (White-rumped Vulture, Slender-billed Vulture and Red-headed Vulture). These same species have recently undergone dramatic declines of >97% in the Indian subcontinent leading to possible extinction.

WCS maintains feeding stations or vulture restaurants in the area as a means of supporting the vulture population and conducting research. The restaurants also attract mammals, such as Jackals, Dhole and Leopards, and other birds including Greater Adjutant.

The restaurants are timed to coincide with SVC trips so visitors are nearly guaranteed the spectacle of up to 70 critically endangered vultures feeding on the carcass.

Chhep is only accessible during the Cambodian dry season, from December through to May.

## OKOKI WHITE WINGED DUCK

Okoki an hour and a half from Chhep offers pristine open forest landscape and a riparian corridor of mixed evergreen forest along a water course with opportunities for viewing the White-winged Duck as well as the forest species of birds and passing migrants seen at the other sites in Preah Vihear. Typically at least 1 night is spent at Okoki and Chhepeach and preferably 2, allowing visitors to experience sunrise and sunset. At both Chhep and Okoki temporary but comfortable 'safari style' tented accommodation and washing facilities are organised, a cook travels with the group.

SVC works with local guides to locate the key species under the strict supervision of the WCS range

Okoki is only accessible during the Cambodian dry season, from December through to May.

## Seima Biodiversity Conservation Area (SBCA)

(Orange necked Partridge, Green Peafowl)

Keo Seima town, approximately 2 ½ hours from Kratie will be the base for birding in the evergreen forest of southern Monduliri. One of the largest remaining blocks of Southern Annamitic forest lies in this little explored corner of Cambodia, providing a chance to see birds not encountered elsewhere in the country. Species including those more commonly associated with Vietnam such as: Germain's Peacock-pheasant, Red-vented Barbet, Pale-headed Woodpecker, Bar-bellied and Blue-rumped Pitta, Golden-crested Myna and Grey-faced Tit-babbler.

All of these are possible whilst searching for the localized, globally endangered Orange-necked Partridge in its favored habitat of bamboo forest.

## OTHER BIRDWATCHING DESTINATIONS

Kratie

(Mekong Wagtail)

North of Kratie the Mekong River flows through riverine forest and supports a rich array of nesting birds including several species of terns, waders, swallows, large water birds and individual species such as the Pied Kingfisher and Indian Skimmer. The Mekong Wagtail, *Motacilla samveasnea*, honouring the Cambodian pioneer naturalist after whom the centre is named, is present in low numbers all along the river. The visit to Kratie always includes a boat trip to see the endangered Irrawaddy Dolphin.



Sarus Crane feeding at Aang Tropeang Thmo, photo Eleanor Briggs © SVC



Bengal Florican photo Allan Michaud © SVC.

# Monsoon Tours



# Birdwatching



Greater Adjutant at Prek Toal photo Jan Mathhsyen © SVC



White-winged Duck Okoki photo WCS © SVC



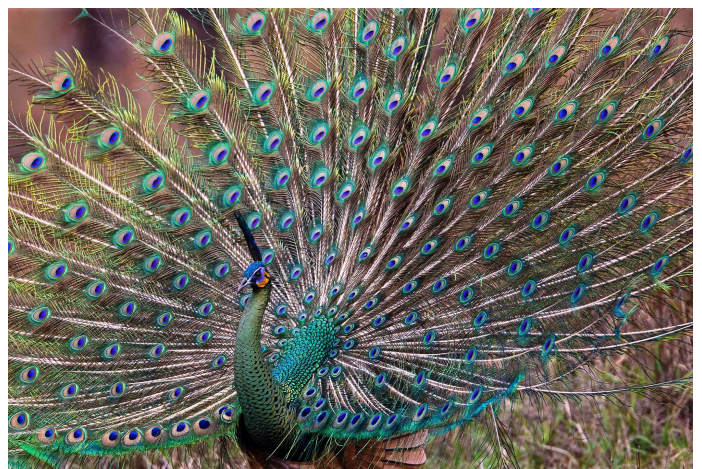
Giant Ibis Tmatboey photo Ron Hoff © SVC



Mekong Wagtail © SVC



Red-headed, Slender-billed and White-rumped Vultures feeding at Vulture Restaurant Chhep photo Allan Michaud © SVC



Green Peafowl SPF photo Elyssa Kellerman © SVC

# Monsoon Tours

Thanks to WCS/SVC for providing above information, map and pictures



# WELCOME TO RAFFLES...



Raffles Hotel Le Royal, Phnom Penh



Raffles Grand Hotel d'Angkor, Siem Reap

Relive the golden age of travel at the Kingdom's most elegant landmarks, Raffles Grand Hotel d'Angkor and Raffles Hotel Le Royal, sensitively restored to their original majesty and splendour. Experience the enchantment and luxury that are quintessentially Raffles, in the Kingdom of Cambodia.



**RAFFLES**

HOTEL LE ROYAL  
PHNOM PENH CAMBODIA

Tel : 855 23 981 888 Fax : 855 23 981 168  
phnompenh@raffles.com  
www.raffles.com/phnompenh



**RAFFLES**

GRAND HOTEL D'ANGKOR  
SIEM REAP CAMBODIA

Tel : 855 63 963 888 Fax : 855 63 963 168  
siemreap@raffles.com  
www.raffles.com/siemreap



INDEPENDENCE HOTEL  
RESORT & SPA  
sihanoukville • cambodia

A member of

**STERLING**  
HOTELS™

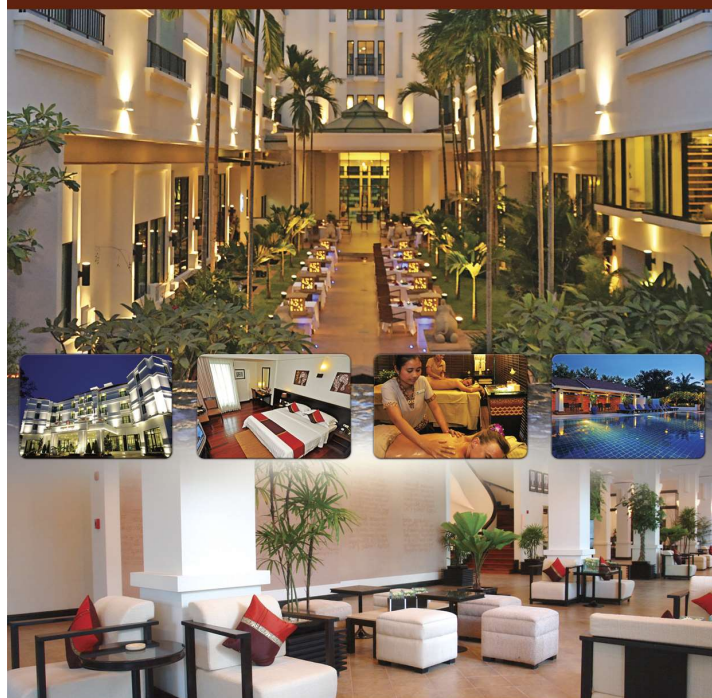
PREFERRED HOTEL GROUP™

*History, Elegance and  
Comfort Along the Sea Shore !*

**Preah Sihanouk Province  
Kingdom of Cambodia**







Tara Angkor is conveniently located on the road to Angkor only 5km from the entrance, 15 minutes from the airport and a short ride to the centre of town. With 206 rooms is also equipped with modern amenities and is elegantly furnished to make your stay luxurious and enjoyable.

Vithei Charles de Gaulle (Road to Angkor Wat), Siem Reap, Cambodia.  
Tel: +855 966 661 - 2 Fax: +855 63 964 444  
info@taraangkorhotel.com www.taraangkorhotel.com



*Tours and travel*  
Experience the best of Cambodia

*Meetings*  
Choose the place and we will  
arrange the rest

*Incentive*  
We will strive to produce a magical,  
mystical, exciting performance.

For more information on what  
Monsoon Tours can do for you, please contact:

*Frank Ludwig*

Telegram: @apzara1

e-mail: info@monsoontours.com

office Phnom Penh: #21C, Street 371, Sangkat Teok Thla,  
Khan Sen Sok

office Siem Reap (Angkor): #030, Phnom Steng Thmey,  
Sangkat Svay Donkom

*Monsoon*  
www.monsoontours.com