

A photograph of two women walking away from the camera down a hallway. They are wearing traditional Vietnamese attire: long, flowing dresses (áo dài) and conical hats (áo nón). The woman on the left is wearing a white dress, and the woman on the right is wearing a purple dress. They are holding hands and carrying pink lotus flowers. The hallway has wooden pillars and a tiled floor. The background is slightly blurred, showing a glimpse of the outside world.

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CAMBODIA  
LAOS  
MYANMAR  
THAILAND  
INDONESIA  
CHINA  
JAPAN  
INDIA  
SRI LANKA**

MAX.  
GROUP SIZE  
**16**

**SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS  
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When you travel with Insider Journeys, we will bring to life  
the creative, unique experiences and stories that will last a  
lifetime. As a passionate traveller, you want to experience the  
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of its backstreets. You want to taste authentic cuisine, reach  
remote villages and enjoy impromptu and meaningful  
interactions with local people.

When you travel on one of our Small Group Journeys, you'll  
discover all the must-see attractions, while you weave your way  
through Asia as an Insider. We'll help you uncover genuine  
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Our small groups mean you won't lose spontaneity, flexibility  
or your sense of independence. Our expert guides take care of  
everything so you can simply relax and enjoy your holiday. It's this  
combination that will help you discover the real Asia.

Imagine the stories...



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# WHY TRAVEL WITH INSIDER JOURNEYS...

## SMALL GROUP SIZE

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One of the most popular features of our tours is the small group size. We limit groups to a maximum of 16 people (and only 12 in Japan) so you can enjoy a more personalised, more authentic Asia experience. Our small groups ensure more time with your Local Expert, more time to make new friends, less time waiting, and more time for you to enjoy the amazing destinations throughout your journey.

**We don't do 'bus tours' ...we do Small Group Journeys.**



## SAFE AND RELIABLE

For more than 25 years, Insider Journeys has been safely and reliably sharing the beauty of Asia with travellers from Australia. We are the only Tour Operator with our own offices in several countries throughout Asia. Our local partners live and work in the destinations we serve, bringing you the perfect combination of local authenticity with Australian service and support.



*“ The small group size gives you more flexibility to be spontaneous, so when you pass a charming local festival you can make that unplanned stop. These are some of the best memories. ”*



## OFF THE BEATEN PATH

An unforgettable experience starts with the unexpected. We'll make sure you see the most popular highlights of our destinations... but then we'll show you the places you wouldn't find on your own, and Asia is full of these hidden treasures. From conversations with local families, feasting in street food stalls, and shopping in hidden local markets, we'll make sure you go home with memories of an amazing connection to Asia.

*“ Our guides in Vietnam were so informative and always willing to help. I noticed that all the guides have worked with the company for over seven years, so they obviously love working for Insider Journeys and this comes across. ”*

MARY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, AUSTRALIA



## INDEPENDENCE AND FLEXIBILITY

An ideal tour is a balance of activity and relaxation. We know sometimes you want to explore on your own, eat on your own, or relax on your own. So we include moments of leisure without any scheduled activities, where you have the freedom to be spontaneous, to choose your own meals, to choose your own experiences, and to enjoy your holiday as you see fit.

## LOCAL EXPERTS

Your local leaders and guides are one of the most important elements of your trip. They are the people you see the most, the person who answers your questions, the person who helps to shape your impression of a destination. In recognition of this important relationship, our guides are truly passionate, local experts who are carefully selected and trained to look out for you, to share the history and knowledge that only a local can provide, and to expect the unexpected. Many of our guides have worked with us for years, and feel like a part of our family, just as they will soon feel like a part of yours.



*“ It is impossible to choose one highlight as we enjoyed everything so much. This was our fourth tour with Insider Journeys and we will have no hesitation in recommending the company to all our family and friends. ”*

ANNE & BRUCE, NEW ZEALAND



“ We thought the tour was absolutely amazing. All three of our guides were fabulous. Best of all – apart from the amazing places we went, the things we learnt and the sensational places that we stayed, we absolutely loved our driver!”

AMANDA, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA



## BESPOKE ACCOMMODATION

A quality hotel is an essential element of an enjoyable holiday. Our hand-picked selections were chosen specifically for their location, charm and culture to ensure your journey is comfortable.

## TIPPING INCLUDED

We've taken care of everything, including tips. Tipping is customary in Asia, but tipping customs vary from country to country. We've included tips in the price of your tour so you can relax and enjoy without worrying about how much to tip at the end.



“ Sri Lanka was just wonderful and what an awesome time we had. The people were so friendly and helpful plus we stayed in super accommodation. Thank you for your assistance in giving us a wonderful holiday filled with beautiful memories.”

SUE & IAN, NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA

## SOLO TRAVELLERS

Solo travellers never travel alone on our Small Group Journeys. Joining a small group as a single traveller means you get the best of both worlds – time with your group throughout the day, before retreating to your own room for the evening, simply by paying the single traveller price.



### PRIVATE GROUPS

Asia is an ideal destination for private groups. Whether you're gathering your family for a reunion, your friends for a dream wedding, or your co-workers for a rewards trip, let us design the perfect custom itinerary for your group's needs. Large groups come with large expectations, and our dedicated Groups department specializes in these unique requirements. We offer advice and support at all times so you have peace of mind that we are here for your group.

### TAILOR MADE

You can use our Small Group Journey itineraries as inspiration, or you can create your own completely customized holiday. Either way, you will get a tailor-made holiday where you take control of your experience and we create a holiday exactly the way you want.

## TRIP GRADING

Each of our journeys has been given a grading to help you choose the trip that best suits your needs. All our tours require independent mobility and we recommend you choose a journey which suits your physical ability. Our expert travel advisors can answer any questions you may have regarding the trip grading of your desired journey.

EASY

**EASY** – Suitable for travellers with an average level of fitness. You may be required to take part in light activities such as walking tours, climbing steps, and getting in and out of vehicles.

MODERATE

**MODERATE** – Suitable for travellers with a good level of fitness. You will need to take part in easy but extended activities such as walking or cycling. Travel between major destinations may include long road or train journeys.

ACTIVE

**ACTIVE** – Suitable for travellers with a high level of fitness. These tours may include extended periods of walking, climbing stairs, negotiating uneven surfaces, boarding boats and visits to less-developed areas with limited facilities.

## GETTING AROUND

We don't do 'bus tours'... we do Small Group Journeys. Whether it's a tuk-tuk, jeep safari, or bullet train, you'll get a local experience when it provides the best sightseeing or transport opportunity. Otherwise, road journeys are in our comfortable air-conditioned vehicles. We keep it small and never use large coaches.







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At Insider Journeys,  
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lives through travel for  
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travel is about more  
than a vacation. It's  
about getting to know  
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glory, through meeting  
welcoming local people  
and seeing places  
through their eyes.

We will take you on  
a journey that you'll  
experience with all  
your senses... gazing on  
the mighty limestone  
peaks of Halong Bay in  
Vietnam; inhaling the  
aromatic steam rising  
from a bowl of steaming  
hot miso ramen noodles  
in Sapporo, Japan;  
treading the well-worn  
path through the jungle  
to witness the sunrise  
over Angkor Wat in  
Cambodia. It's magical  
moments like these  
which create stories  
you'll be telling your  
friends and family for  
the rest of your life.



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# VIETNAM

Take an unforgettable journey through Vietnam as you traverse a land of wonderful diversity. From the bright lights of Saigon and the lush Mekong Delta, through to the charming riverside towns of Hue and Hoi An to the bustling streets of Hanoi and the beautiful waters of Halong Bay, Vietnam is a land of beauty, authentic culture and delicious cuisine.



## FLAVOUR

From a backstreet food tour of Hanoi to feasting on fresh seafood as you cruise throughout Halong Bay, eating your way through Vietnam is a delicious way to experience the country.

## UNIQUE

Unique experiences are at every turn. Create a souvenir from recycled materials at the Spiral Foundation, take a picturesque coastal train journey or travel by speedboat to the Mekong Delta.

## LOCAL

Gain a fascinating insight into the Vietnamese culture as you share a meal with a local family in Hue or visit colourful minority communities in the beautiful mountains surrounding Sapa.

Best known for the awe-inspiring temples of Angkor, Cambodia is also home to the fishing communities of Tonle Sap Lake, bustling streets of Phnom Penh and the laidback ambience of the beautiful south coast. Be welcomed by smiling locals and enjoy fragrant culinary delights as you explore this fascinating country.

# CAMBODIA

## UNIQUE

Gain a unique view of Cambodia. Escape the crowds and explore the grounds of Angkor Wat by torchlight or venture to Cambodia's south coast on a historical train route from Phnom Penh.

## FLAVOUR

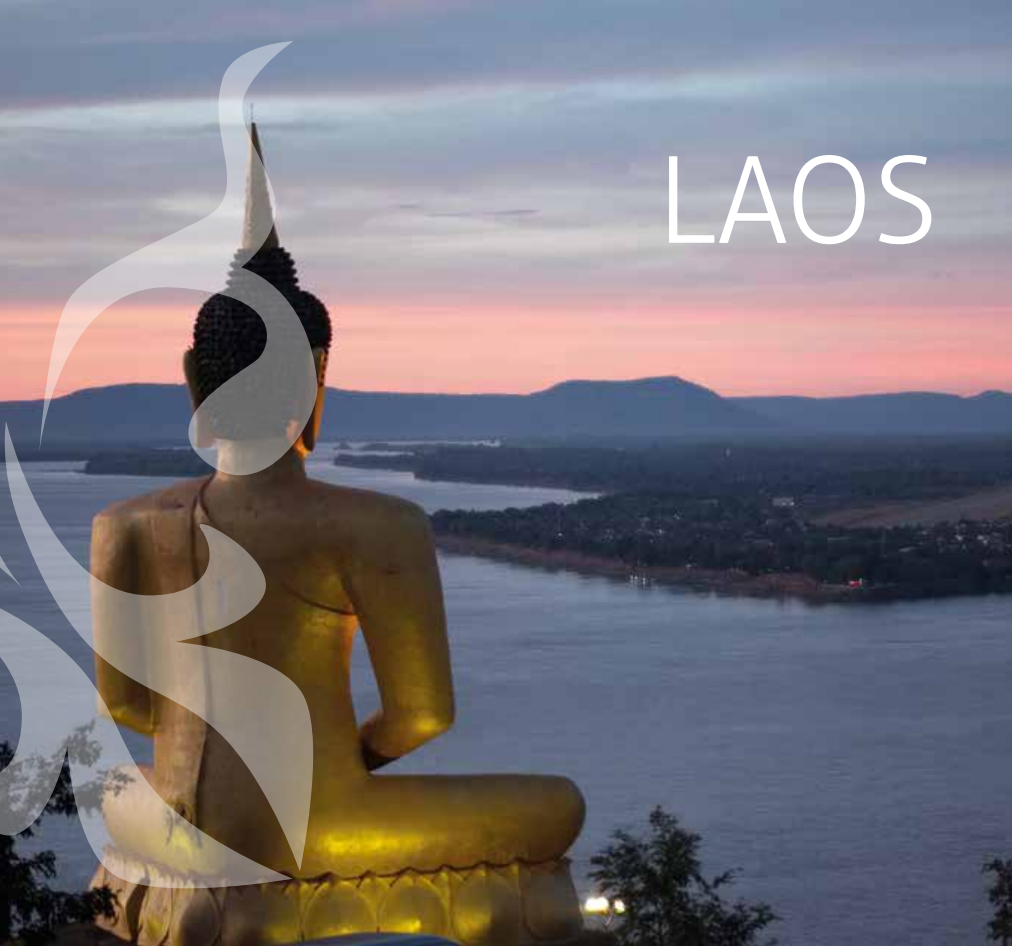
Enjoy the delicious flavours of Cambodian cuisine. Kampot pepper crab combines the best of the south – pepper and seafood – while a traditional Khmer breakfast offers a taste of local life.

## LOCAL

Experience Cambodia like a local as you take a cyclo ride around the streets of Phnom Penh, stay with a local family in Takeo or learn about life in rural Cambodia at a palm sugar village.







# LAOS

Beautiful, land-locked Laos is home to mesmerising landscapes, ancient temples, compelling history and enchanting people. Experience a more gentle pace of life in a place reminiscent of old-world Asia where traditions have been retained for generations. Explore Buddhist temples, lively markets and the meandering Mekong River on an unforgettable journey.



## FLAVOUR

From a bamboo-themed cooking class and freshly made noodles to sampling traditional Lao coffee and visiting a coffee plantation, Laos offers a diverse range of culinary experiences.

## UNIQUE

Venture to the 4,000 Islands region to go in search of the illusive Irrawaddy freshwater dolphin, cycle to quaint local villages and stay in a riverside lodge overlooking the Mekong.

## LOCAL

Join the locals for a game of petanque, the Lao national pastime or receive a traditional Lao blessing at a 'baci' ceremony in a local home to gain an insight into the local way of life.



# MYANMAR

## FLAVOUR

Take a bite out of Burma with some Green Tea Salad in Mandalay or a walking food tour in colonial Yangon. This mix of Chinese and Indian influences is a delicious way to experience Myanmar.

## UNIQUE

From the Shwedagon pagoda covered in billions worth of gold, to the desert plains covered with thousands of stupas, this country has unique experiences around every corner.

## LOCAL

Talk with the farmers and fishermen of Inle Lake, who created unique floating gardens. Feel the local culture when you buy some flowers to donate in a flower-offering ritual.

Myanmar is recognized by many as the Golden Land for good reason. Formerly known as Burma, it is a country of magnificent, ancient Buddhist temples in Bagan, burgundy-robed monks in Mandalay, colonial architecture in Yangon, and white-sand beaches in Ngapali. Myanmar is an intriguing mix of ancient and modern, with old-style elegance.

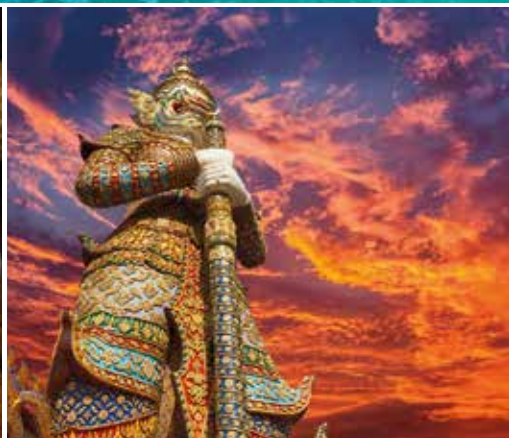




# THAILAND



Thailand's distinctive culture stems from Indian and Chinese influences (harmoniously blended by Thai eclecticism), rich ethnic diversity, abundant natural and human resources, and over seven hundred years of cherished independence. Thailand's traditional culture is delicately tuned to the time-honoured Buddhist's non-confrontational approach to life, and ideals of charity, tolerance and loving-kindness.



## FLAVOUR

The best way to explore Thailand is through your taste buds. Known throughout the world for its vibrant street food culture, indulge in local favourites like spicy noodles or papaya salad.

## UNIQUE

See riverside temples and a Buddha head entwined in tree roots. Hop onboard a tuk-tuk for an exhilarating ride, or explore a unique white temple.

## LOCAL

Bargain at the local markets or cruise on a long-tail boat down the Chao Phraya River. Venture off the beaten path into a world of culture-rich villages and experience Thailand through the eyes of a local.

# INDONESIA

## FLAVOUR

Indonesia's culinary credentials are second to none. Try the freshly caught seafood, grilled right on the beach in Jimbaran, and add a spoonful of sambal if you like it extra spicy.

## UNIQUE

Dive into the rolling waves of deep blue surf, where one can swim with dugongs, dolphins and large manta rays. Or find your enlightenment in Ubud, one of the world's wellness hotspots.

## LOCAL

A walk through a traditional village or a sunset from an ancient temple, Indonesia offers a vast array of special moments just waiting for you to come experience.

The world's largest archipelago is made up of more than 17,000 large and small tropical islands fringed with white sandy beaches, many still uninhabited and a number even still unnamed. You could go to Bali – one of the world's best island resorts – with its enchanting culture, beaches, dynamic dances and music, or to the fertile rice paddies on Java, the luxurious rainforests of Sumatra, Kalimantan and Sulawesi, or to the savannah grasslands of the Nusa Tenggara islands.







## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Discover the unique history and culture of Hanoi, Vietnam's Capital as you walk the busy streets and alleyways of the Old Quarter.
- Cruise the waters of Halong Bay on a traditional junk boat. Take in the stunning scenery and feast on fresh local seafood.
- Take in the stunning coastal vistas and lush countryside scenery on your drive from Hue to Hoi An
- Be charmed by Hoi An, with its antiquated streets and unique insight into traditional Vietnamese life.
- Explore the Mekong Delta and experience the vibrant scenes and rural villages of Vietnam's 'rice bowl'.



### Day 1 Hanoi

On arrival in Hanoi, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing and welcome drinks with your fellow travellers. Stay the next two nights at The Ann Hotel (or similar).

### Day 2 Hanoi

Spend the day discovering Hanoi's must-visit sites including the infamous Hoa Lo Prison, also known as the "Hanoi Hilton Prison". Walk through the crowded streets of the city's Old Quarter; pay a visit to the Temple of Literature and the historical St Joseph's Cathedral. Enjoy a delicious afternoon tea before you continue your exploration of the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, the Hanoi Opera House, and a stroll around Hoan Kiem Lake. (BL)

### Day 3 Hanoi to Halong Bay

Drive past scenes of traditional rural life as you travel from Hanoi to Halong City, the gateway to Halong Bay. On arrival, board a well-appointed junk boat, enjoy a delicious lunch and begin cruising among some of the 3,000 islands which rise from the sea. In the evening, retreat to your private cabin, or relax on the main deck or at the bar. Overnight on-board Bhaya Cruises (or similar). (BLD)



### Day 4 Halong Bay to Hue

Take part in a sunrise Tai Chi lesson on the sundeck before enjoying brunch on board. Cruise back to port to disembark. Drive to Hanoi airport where you will fly to the former imperial capital of Hue. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for check in and an afternoon at leisure. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Eldora Hotel (or similar). (R)

### Day 5 Hue to Hoi An

Enjoy a guided tour of the city's sites including Emperor Tu Duc's elaborate tomb, Imperial Palace, Citadel and Thien Mu Pagoda. From Hue, drive to Hoi An, admiring some of Vietnam's most stunning scenery along the way. On arrival in Hoi An, check into your hotel and enjoy an afternoon of independent exploration. Stay the next two nights at Hoi An Silk Marina Resort & Spa (or similar). (B)

### Day 6 Hoi An

Visit the technicolour Tam Thanh village. With amazing artworks covering the walls, streets and alleyways, this once sleepy corner of Hoi An is brought back to life. Visit Thanh Dong Organic Farm, learning the traditional farming methods adopted by this village. Chat with the local farmers and take part in the farming activities. In the afternoon, take a walking tour to discover the mix of Chinese, Japanese and French influenced architecture. (B)

### Day 7 Hoi An to Saigon – Cu Chi Tunnels

Drive to Danang before flying to Saigon, Vietnam's commercial capital. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for check-in. Take a moment to freshen up before your journey continues to the Cu Chi Tunnels. Discover the network of underground tunnels while learning about their role in the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon and spend the remainder of day at leisure. Stay the next two nights at The Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (BL)

### Day 8 Saigon – Mekong Delta

Venture to the Mekong Delta and spend the day exploring the many palm fringed canals, local temples and markets. Enjoy a delicious lunch made from locally harvested produce. On your return drive to Saigon, stop by a Cao Dai temple with its spectacular architecture and vivid colours. Arrive back to Saigon to join your group for a farewell dinner. (BLD)

### Day 9 Saigon

After breakfast, enjoy a guided walking tour of Saigon. Wander along Dong Khoi Street, admire the grand architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral, stop at the Reunification Palace, and get lost amongst the many stalls and vendors within Benh Thanh Markets. In the afternoon, transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

## HIGHLIGHTS OF VIETNAM

**9 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 2,445** PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM \$63/DAY

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	1	2555	3469
	8	2555	3469
	15	2555	3469
	22	2555	3469
	29	2555	3469
MAY	6	2445	3255
	13	2445	3255
	20	2445	3255
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JUNE	3	2445	3255
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FEBRUARY	10	2555	3469
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	3	2555	3469
MARCH	10	2555	3469
	17	2555	3469
	24	2555	3469
	31	2555	3469

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 7 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night cruise accommodation onboard Bhaya Cruise
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, R = brunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY





## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Be enchanted by the smiling locals and bustling streets of Hanoi and Saigon, the two largest cities in Vietnam.
- Cruise the pristine emerald waters of World Heritage listed Halong Bay on a traditional junk boat.
- Explore the relics and living history in Vietnam's ancient towns of Hoi An and Hue.
- Explore the Mekong Delta with its tranquil villages, floating markets and diverse culture.



### Day 1 Hanoi

On arrival in Hanoi, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing and welcome drinks with your fellow travellers. Stay the next two nights at The Ann Hotel (or similar).

### Day 2 Hanoi

Spend the day discovering Hanoi's must-visit sites including the infamous Hoa Lo Prison and Don Xuan Market. Walk through the crowded streets of the city's Old Quarter, pay a visit to the Temple of Literature and the historical St Joseph's Cathedral before stopping by Hoan Kiem Lake, situated in the heart of the city and enjoying a wonderful afternoon nearby. (BL)

### Day 3 Hanoi to Ninh Binh

Drive from Hanoi to Ninh Binh. With its natural beauty, shadowed by the many jungle covered karsts, visit the vine-covered structures of Hoa Lu. Venture through the expansive network of caverns and grottos in Trang An, as you glide along in a paddle boat. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Ninh Binh Hidden Charm Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 4 Ninh Binh to Halong Bay

Drive from Ninh Binh to Halong Bay, one of Vietnam's stunning natural wonders. Board a beautifully appointed junk boat and begin to cruise the impressive emerald waters of Halong Bay. Enjoy lunch before stopping to explore the many secluded corners of the bay. In the evening, retreat to your private cabin, or relax on the main deck or at the bar. Overnight on-board Bhaya Cruises (or similar). (BLD)

### Day 5 Halong Bay to Hue

Rise early to enjoy a Tai Chi lesson on the sundeck, or choose to relax before feasting on a delicious buffet brunch. After disembarkation, drive back to Hanoi for your onwards flight to the former imperial capital of Hue, situated on the banks of the Perfume River. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Pilgrimage Village Boutique Resort & Spa (or similar). (R)

### Day 6 Hue to Hoi An

Explore Hue city's sites including Emperor Tu Duc's elaborate tomb, Imperial Palace, the Ancient Citadel and Thien Mu Pagoda. From Hue, drive to Hoi An. This beloved ancient town will steal your heart with its breathtaking landscapes, unique culture and friendly locals. This evening is free for you to explore Hoi An at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Hoi An Silk Marina Resort & Spa (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Hoi An

Visit the technicolour Tam Thanh village that explodes with colour around every corner. Experience local life with a visit to the Thanh Dong Organic Farm and learn the traditional farming methods adopted by this village. Chat with the local farmers, take part in farming activities and gain a deeper understanding into the farm-to-table concept with ingredients for their meals harvested directly from the farm. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided walking tour to some of the main sites of Hoi An. (B)

### Day 8 Hoi An to Saigon – Cu Chi Tunnels

After breakfast, take a short drive to Danang to fly to Saigon. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for check-in. This afternoon continue your journey to the Cu Chi Tunnels. Discover the vast network of underground tunnels and their importance during the war. Return to Saigon and spend the evening at leisure. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at The Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (B)

### Day 9 Saigon to Can Tho – Mekong Delta

From Saigon, travel south to the Mekong Delta and experience the vibrant scenes and rural villages of Vietnam's 'rice bowl'. Further explore the vast maze of rivers, canals and islands and the riverside villages as you make your way to Can Tho, the main city of the Mekong Delta. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at TTC Hotel Premium, Can Tho (or similar). (BL)

### Day 10 Can Tho to Saigon

Rise early to marvel at the vibrant scenes with a trip to visit the floating markets. Enjoy the leisurely boat trip along the river and get a glimpse of life along the shore line and the busy market stalls. Return to Saigon by mid-afternoon for check in to your hotel. This evening, join your group for a farewell dinner. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at The Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (BD)

### Day 11 Saigon

Take part in a morning Saigon city guided walking tour. Uncover the rich history of this spirited city as you visit some of its main attractions – Notre Dame Cathedral, Post Office, the Reunification Palace and the Municipal Theatre just to name a few. Enjoy these last moments in Saigon before you transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

**11 DAYS FROM**  
**\$ 2,855 PER PERSON**

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APRIL	5	2955	4045
	19	2955	4045
MAY	3	2855	3845
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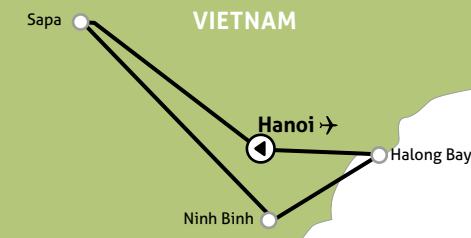
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TRIP GRADING

EASY







## Day 1 Hanoi

On arrival in Hanoi, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next two nights at Hotel La Belle Vie (or similar).

## Day 2 Hanoi

Escape Hanoi city and embark on a journey to the unique ancient village of Dong Ngac. Explore the village by bike with a stop at the local market to purchase fresh ingredients for lunch. Visit the historic Communal House and gain an insight into local life as you chat with our host from the local Do Clan residing in the Ancestral House. Put your culinary skills to the test and take part in a cooking class, savouring your creations for lunch before the return drive back to Hanoi. (BL)

## Day 3 Hanoi to Sapa

Spend the morning exploring a few of the unique sites of Vietnam's capital city. Visit the infamous Hoa Lo Prison, also known as the "Hanoi Hilton Prison", stop in to see the Temple of Literature and wander through the expansive Ho Chi Minh Quarter. Enjoy some free time before transferring to the Fanxipan Overnight Train to begin your journey to Sapa. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening on the Fanxipan Overnight Train (or similar). (B)

## Day 4 Sapa

Start early as you arrive into Lao Cai Station before transferring to your hotel. Enjoy breakfast before starting your guided walking tour as you visit the Lao Chai & Tan Van villages, nestled peacefully in the valley of Muong Hoa. Spend time meeting the Black H'mong people of the Hau Thao and Saseng villages as you observe daily life. Embark on a light trek to Ta Van Hoa Valley, admiring the beautifully terraced rice paddy fields and stunning vistas. Stay the next two nights at Bamboo Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 5 Sapa

Begin your day with a drive to the remote Ban Khoang village, home of the Red Dzao people. Enjoy a walk through the village as you learn of their traditional values, unique culture and remarkable way of life. Continue on to Ta Giang Phinh valley to visit some of the smaller local villages and gain an insight into local life, before stopping for lunch. Begin your return drive to Sapa. (BL)

## Day 6 Sapa

Enjoy a leisurely drive through the mountainside. Stop at the Silver Waterfalls before continuing on to Tram Ton Pass, also known by the locals as "Heaven's Gate". Trek through the rice fields overshadowed by the expansive Hoang Lien Son mountain range. As your return trek begins, visit O Quy Ho, a local village farm where a variety of speciality produce, flowers and medicinal plants are grown. As evening approaches, transfer to Lao Cai station to board your overnight train. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening on the Fanxipan Overnight Train (or similar). (B)

## Day 7 Sapa to Ninh Binh

Arrive early into Hanoi and savour a local breakfast with your fellow travellers. Drive to the picturesque city of Ninh Binh with its stunning network of rivers and rice paddy fields and hundreds of limestone monoliths. Visit the ancient city of Hoa Lu and admire the beautiful surrounds with a boat ride in Trang An, rowing through the expansive network of caverns and grottos. Spend the rest of your day free at leisure. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Ninh Binh Hidden Charm Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 8 Ninh Binh to Halong Bay

Set out this morning for a drive Halong Bay. Explore one of Vietnam's stunning natural wonders as you board a beautifully appointed junk boat. Enjoy a delicious lunch on board before spending the afternoon discovering the many hidden gems of this unique and peaceful region. In the evening, retreat to your private cabin, or relax on the main deck or at the bar. Overnight on-board Bhaya Cruises (or similar). (BLD)

## Day 9 Halong Bay to Hanoi

Watch the sun rise as you enjoy Tai Chi on the sundeck. Relish in a delightful brunch on board before cruising back to port to disembark and drive back to Hanoi. This afternoon, enjoy some free time before meeting with your group to share a farewell dinner. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at La Belle Vie Hotel (or similar). (BD)

## Day 10 Hanoi

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

**10 DAYS FROM**  
**\$ 1,725 PER PERSON**

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	12	1765	2435
	26	1765	2435
MAY	10	1725	2365
	24	1725	2365
JUNE	7	1725	2365
	21	1725	2365
JULY	5	1725	2365
	19	1725	2365
AUGUST	2	1725	2365
	16	1725	2365
	30	1725	2365
SEPTEMBER	13	1725	2365
	27	1725	2365
OCTOBER	11	1765	2435
	25	1765	2435
NOVEMBER	8	1765	2435
	22	1765	2435
DECEMBER	6	1765	2435
	20	1765	2435
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	10	1765	2435
	24	1765	2435
FEBRUARY	7	1765	2435
	21	1765	2435
MARCH	7	1765	2435
	21	1765	2435

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 6 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night cruise accommodation onboard Bhaya Cruise
- Return Overnight train from Hanoi to Sapa
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

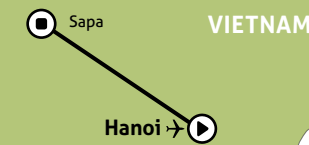
- Cruise the waters of the picturesque Halong bay on a traditional junk boat. Take in the stunning scenery and feast on fresh local seafood.
- Enjoy a scenic train ride between Hanoi and Sapa – a spectacular journey which winds through the countryside.
- Escape Hanoi's bustling crowds as you make your way to an ancient village and gain an insight into local life.





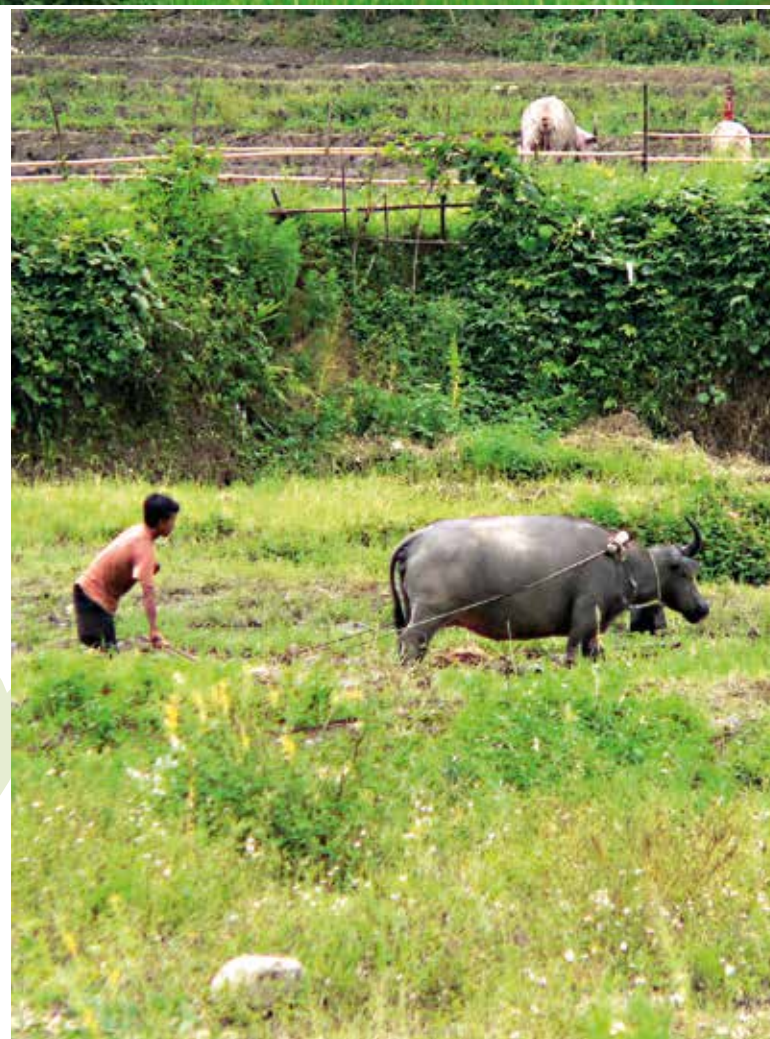
# SAPA EXTENSION

4 Days/3 Nights



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Perched on a mountain's edge, stay at the charming Topas Ecolodge, recently acknowledged by National Geographic as a 'unique lodge', and help support Sapa's hilltribe communities and the environment.
- Delve deeper into the lives of the Red Dzao people, one of Vietnam's most fascinating minority groups.
- Take a memorable walk through the breathtaking rice terraces of Nam Cang and gain insights into many mountain-dwelling communities that call Sapa home.



### Day 1 Hanoi to Sapa by train

On arrival in Hanoi, be met by your local guide and transfer to the Fansipan Overnight train to begin your onward journey to Sapa. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening on the Fansipan Overnight Train (or similar).

### Day 2 Sapa

As dawn approaches, arrive early into Lao Cai station, where you will disembark and transfer to your hotel in Sapa town. Along the way, take in the spectacular panoramic mountain scenery. Located in the far northwest of Vietnam in the mountains bordering China, Sapa is home to deep mountain valleys and traditional villages. On arrival to your hotel, check in and enjoy a delightful breakfast with your fellow travellers. Spend your afternoon admiring the beauty of Sapa on-board the Fansipan Cable Car that will take you 3000m to the upmost peak of Fansipan to explore the many temples as well as admire the natural beauty of Hoang Lien Son and Muong Hoa Valley. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Bamboo Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 3 Sapa

Enjoy a full day of guided touring with a journey to discover the rich culture of the many hill tribes that call Sapa home. Gaze at the beautifully terraced rice paddy fields and stunning vistas as you drive to the villages of the Xa Pho and Tay people. Discover the fascinating culture and heart-warming hospitality of these unique people before departing to indulge in a leisurely walk through the expansive rice terraces of Nam Cang. Take a break and further indulge in the peaceful surrounds at the Nam Cang Riverside Lodge for lunch. Continue your afternoon with a visit to one of the area's most colourful minority communities, the Red Dzao. The Red Dzao women wear bright red turbans, shave their heads and eyebrows, and are known for their knowledge of local medicines and embroidery skills.

As late afternoon approaches arrive at the Topas Ecolodge for check in and your overnight stay. Perched over the surrounding valley and built using sustainable principles, in collaboration with the Red Dzao, its environmentally-friendly features include solar power, waste water treatment and a natural water source from the nearby mountains. The property has been recognised by National Geographic as a 'unique lodge'. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Topas Ecolodge (or similar). (L)

### Day 4 Sapa to Hanoi

After breakfast, enjoy a morning of free time exploring Topas Ecolodge before your return drive back to Hanoi for your onward journey. (B)



VIETNAM

## SAPA EXTENSION

**4 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 855** PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM **\$ 43/DAY**

### Tour price includes

- 2 nights hotel accommodation
- Overnight train from Hanoi to Sapa
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE





# BEACH EXTENSIONS

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## PHU QUOC

### Day 1 Phu Quoc

On arrival in Phu Quoc, transfer to your hotel for check in and begin your beach escape in this stunning location. Stay the next three nights at the Green Bay Resort (or similar). (B)

### Day 2 Phu Quoc

Boasting white sandy beaches, lush tropical jungle and expansive nature parks, enjoy the day at leisure as you absorb the wondrous surrounds of this exotic and alluring island. (B)

### Day 3 Phu Quoc

Be seduced by this idyllic island as you enjoy more free time. Spend the day relaxing or choose

to explore the islands many unique locations. Enjoy a leisurely walk through Phu Quoc National Park with its rare flora and fauna; visit the Suoi Tranh waterfalls and the natural caves and rock pools; stop by Ham Ninh fishing village to experience daily life of a local fisherman; or immerse yourself in the energetic Duong Dong night market, the largest and busiest outdoor market on the island. (B)

### Day 4 Phu Quoc

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onwards journey. (B)



## HO TRAM

### Day 1 Ho Tram

On arrival in Ho Tram, check in to your hotel and begin your beach escape in this luscious sea side town. Stay the next two nights at the Ho Tram Beach Boutique Resort (or similar). (B)

### Day 2 Ho Tram

Spend the day doing as much or as little as you like with a free day. Swim in the cool, crisp waters, relax with a book on the beach, or enjoy a leisurely bike ride through the nearby countryside as you embrace all that this beachside town has to offer. (B)

### Day 3 Ho Tram

Enjoy breakfast before check out and your onwards transfer. (B)



## PHAN THIET

### Day 1 Phan Thiet

On arrival in Phan Thiet, check in to your hotel and enjoy the laid-back atmosphere of this coastal town. Stay the next three nights at the Blue Ocean Resort (or similar). (B)

### Day 2 Phan Thiet

Enjoy a day of free time in this vibrant, seaside town. With an old fishing village at its centre, choose to visit the harbour and admire the many colourful fishing boats, enjoy a seafood lunch at one of the many local restaurants, or relax on the beach. Spend the day as you wish in this delightful beach location. (B)

### Day 3 Phan Thiet

Be charmed by this picturesque town as you enjoy a day of more free time. Visit Ta Cu Mountain with its caves and unique wildlife, be adventurous with a sled ride over the red and white sand dunes of Mui Ne, try some street food and shopping at the local markets, or relax on a sunbed at the beach. (B)

### Day 4 Phan Thiet

Enjoy breakfast before check out and your onwards transfer. (B)



## GREEN BAY RESORT

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## SALINDA RESORT

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## HO TRAM BEACH RESORT

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## MELIA HO TRAM BEACH RESORT

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## BLUE OCEAN RESORT

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## ANANTARA MUI NE RESORT

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## PHU QUOC

4 DAYS FROM  
\$ 479 PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM \$ 18/DAY

### Tour price includes

- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

## HO TRAM

3 DAYS FROM  
\$ 269 PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM \$ 22/DAY

### Tour price includes

- 2 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

## PHAN THIET

4 DAYS FROM  
\$ 409 PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM \$ 72/DAY

### Tour price includes

- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)



# HIGHLIGHTS OF CAMBODIA

5 Days/4 Nights



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Admire the stunning sunrise over the tops of Angkor Wat and the surrounding temples.
- Take a boat ride to visit the unique floating village of Kampong Phluk and learn about the fascinating life of the local people.
- Glide through the fascinating streets of Phnom Penh on a traditional cyclo tour.
- Experience an evening of music, theatre and acrobatics with a night at the Cambodian Phare Circus.



### Day 1 Phnom Penh

On arrival in Phnom Penh, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next two nights at The Sun & Moon Urban Hotel (or similar).

### Day 2 Phnom Penh

Enjoy a morning cyclo ride through the backstreets of Phnom Penh. Discover Wat Phnom, the birthplace of the capital, the Royal Palace and its famous landmark, the Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum with its unique collection of Khmer art. Continue your adventure with a visit the Toul Sleng Museum, a former High School which became the interrogation and torture facility for the Khmer

Rouge regime, before spending the rest of the afternoon scouring the labyrinth of stalls in the Central Market, selling local silks, crafts and more. (B)

### Day 3 Phnom Penh to Siem Reap

Wake early for your flight to Siem Reap. Transfer to your hotel for check in then enjoy a boat ride to visit the scenic floating villages of Kampong Phluk. Row through the vast network of flooded mangroves and homes on stilts as you experience local life in this unique and isolated village. Upon your return, enjoy an afternoon of free time in this wondrous city. This evening, enjoy the spectacular and uniquely Cambodian Phare Circus. Stay the next two nights at Steung Siem Reap Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 4 Siem Reap

Rise early for your journey to Angkor Wat and admire the breathtaking sunrise over this ancient city. Marvel at the silhouetted central spires and explore the ground before enjoying a local breakfast nearby. Journey onwards to the southern gate of Angkor Thom hosting some of the finest temples and stone carvings including the state temple of Bayon, famous for its stone head sculptures. See the Terraces of the Elephants and the Leper King before continuing your temple exploration with a drive to visit the jungle covered Ta Prohm temple. This evening, enjoy a group farewell dinner. (BD)

### Day 5 Siem Reap

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey (B)



# CAMBODIA

## HIGHLIGHTS OF CAMBODIA

**5 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 1,115** PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM \$ 50/DAY

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	2	1145	1369
	9	1145	1369
	16	1145	1369
	23	1145	1369
	30	1145	1369
MAY	7	1115	1315
	14	1115	1315
	21	1115	1315
	28	1115	1315
JUNE	4	1115	1315
	11	1115	1315
	18	1115	1315
	25	1115	1315
JULY	2	1115	1315
	9	1115	1315
	16	1115	1315
	23	1115	1315
	30	1115	1315
AUGUST	6	1115	1315
	13	1115	1315
	20	1115	1315
	27	1115	1315
SEPTEMBER	3	1115	1315
	10	1115	1315
	17	1115	1315
	24	1115	1315
OCTOBER	1	1145	1369
	8	1145	1369
	15	1145	1369
	22	1145	1369
	29	1145	1369
NOVEMBER	5	1145	1369
	12	1145	1369
	19	1145	1369
	26	1145	1369
DECEMBER	3	1145	1369
	10	1145	1369
	17	1145	1369
	24	1145	1369
	31	1145	1369
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	7	1145	1369
	14	1145	1369
	21	1145	1369
	28	1145	1369
FEBRUARY	4	1145	1369
	11	1145	1369
	18	1145	1369
	25	1145	1369
MARCH	4	1145	1369
	11	1145	1369
	18	1145	1369
	25	1145	1369

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 4 nights hotel accommodation
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY



**Day 1 Phnom Penh**

On arrival in Phnom Penh, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next two nights at the Sun & Moon Urban Hotel (or similar).

**Day 2 Phnom Penh**

Enjoy a morning cyclo ride through the backstreets of Phnom Penh. Discover Wat Phnom, the Royal Palace and the Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum with its unique collection of Khmer art. Savour lunch nearby before spending some time browsing the stalls of the busy Central Market, selling unique silks, jewellery and handicrafts. In the afternoon, drive to Tuol Sleng Museum and learn of its significance during the Khmer Rouge regime. (BL)

**Day 3 Phnom Penh to Kampong Thom**

Begin your day with a scenic drive to Kampong Thom. Stop in to see the fascinating Skun Spider Market before transferring to your hotel for check in. In the afternoon, continue your adventure to Sambor Prei Kuk Heritage site. Drive the rocky road to witness these impressive monuments before heading back to town for an evening at leisure. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at Sambor Village Hotel (or similar). (BL)

**Day 4 Kampong Thom to Siem Reap**

After breakfast, your adventure continues. Stop and marvel at the ancient Naga Stone Bridge before arriving at Tonle Sap Lake, the largest freshwater lake in South East Asia. Explore the

lake by boat and visit Kampong Kleang Floating Village and gain an insight into the lives of the fishing communities that call the lake home. Enjoy a local lunch, and then continue on to Siem Reap. This evening, be amazed by the acrobatics and authentic performers of Phare, The Cambodian Circus. Stay the next three nights at the La Niche D'Angkor Boutique Hotel (or similar). (BL)

**Day 5 Siem Reap**

An early morning drive to enjoy a spectacular sunrise at Angkor Wat. Explore the grounds and witness a monk blessing in one of the active pagodas before enjoying a local breakfast nearby. Your journey continues as you drive to the southern gate of the "Great City" Angkor Thom. Marvel at the imposing carvings and temple ruins. Visit the state temple of Bayon and its many monolithic stone face carvings; discover the Terrace of Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King, before you arrive at the vine covered ruins of the temple of Ta Prohm. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the magnificent grounds of Angkor Wat. (B)

**Day 6 Siem Reap**

Start your day with a visit to the local market at Dom Dek before continuing your journey to Beng Mealea Temple, one of the two largest temples outside of Angkor. View the partly buried sandstone remains and explore the temple ground before enjoying a local lunch, and continuing your drive to the Banteay Srei. On your return journey, stop and visit the Land Mine Museum, visit a local village to see the sugar palm production and stop to explore Banteay Samre Temple. This evening, enjoy a group farewell dinner. (BLD)

**Day 7 Siem Reap**

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

**OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES**

- Take in the views of Phnom Penh whilst enjoying some welcome drinks at your hotel's rooftop bar.
- Travel through the Cambodian countryside to the lesser known temple of Beng Mealea which has been overgrown by the encroaching jungle.
- Get to know a local family whilst enjoying a home cooked meal and learn about the English speaking classes they run for the local children.

**CAMBODIA EXPERIENCE**

**7 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 1,495** PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	8	1525	1835
	22	1525	1835
MAY	6	1495	1775
	20	1495	1775
JUNE	3	1495	1775
	17	1495	1775
JULY	1	1495	1775
	15	1495	1775
	29	1495	1775
AUGUST	12	1495	1775
	26	1495	1775
SEPTEMBER	9	1495	1775
	23	1495	1775
OCTOBER	7	1525	1835
	21	1525	1835
NOVEMBER	4	1525	1835
	18	1525	1835
DECEMBER	2	1525	1835
	16	1525	1835
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	6	1525	1835
	20	1525	1835
FEBRUARY	3	1525	1835
	17	1525	1835
MARCH	3	1525	1835
	17	1525	1835

All Departures Guaranteed

**Tour price includes**

- 6 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE





# TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

5 Days/4 Nights



## Day 1 Siem Reap

On arrival in Siem Reap, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next four nights at La Niche D'Angkor Boutique Hotel (or similar).

## Day 2 Siem Reap

After breakfast, drive to the southern gate of the "Great City" Angkor Thom. Marvel at the imposing carvings and temples scattered throughout this ancient city. At the heart of this mammoth citadel, visit the state temple of Bayon and its many monolithic stone face carvings. Continue your exploration of the Terrace of Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King, before you arrive at the vine covered ruins of the temple of Ta Prohm. As the day closes, explore the grounds of Angkor Wat and enjoy a stop at the Angkor National Museum with its unique collection of Buddhist and Hindu artefacts. (B)

## Day 3 Siem Reap

Rise early and enjoy a memorable sunrise at Angkor Wat. Marvel at the silhouetted central spires before returning for breakfast at your hotel. Continue your day with a visit to the floating villages of Kampong Phluk and witness their traditional way of local life. Experience a monk blessing ceremony before driving to the historical temples of Rolous. As the day concludes, spend the evening enjoying a tuk-tuk street food tour, savouring many delicious Cambodian delicacies. (B)

## Day 4 Siem Reap

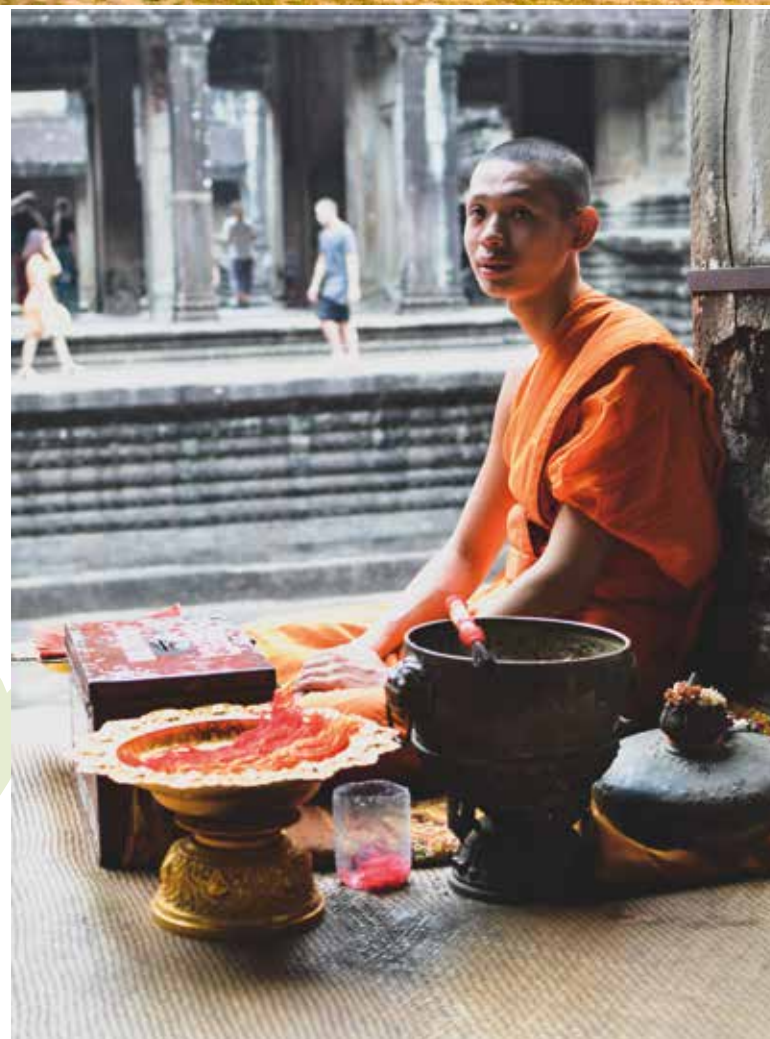
Start your day with a visit to the local market at Domdek before continuing your journey to Beng Mealea Temple, one of the two largest temples outside of Angkor. View the partly buried sandstone remains and explore the temple ground before enjoying a local lunch, and continuing your drive to the Banteay Srei. On your return journey, stop and visit the Landmine Museum and visit a local village to see the sugar palm production before enjoying sunset at Pre Rup temple. (BL)

## Day 5 Siem Reap

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Before dawn, travel to Angkor Wat and explore the grounds by torchlight before watching the sun rise over Angkor Wat's famous spires.
- Journey through the Cambodian countryside before entering Angkor Thom where you will gain your first view of the many faces of Bayon temple.
- Stroll through Dom Deak local market before making your way to the Cambodian Landmine Museum.



# CAMBODIA

## TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

**5 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 749** PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	12	775	949
	26	775	949
MAY	10	749	899
	24	749	899
JUNE	7	749	899
	21	749	899
JULY	5	749	899
	19	749	899
AUGUST	2	749	899
	16	749	899
	30	749	899
SEPTEMBER	13	749	899
	27	749	899
OCTOBER	11	775	949
	25	775	949
NOVEMBER	8	775	949
	22	775	949
DECEMBER	6	775	949
	20	775	949
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	3	775	949
	17	775	949
	31	775	949
FEBRUARY	14	775	949
	28	775	949
MARCH	14	775	949
	28	775	949

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 4 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING





# HIGHLIGHTS OF LAOS

6 Days/5 Nights

LAOS

## HIGHLIGHTS OF LAOS

**6 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 1,235** PER PERSON

UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL  
FROM **\$ 18/DAY**

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	6	1235	1499
	13	1235	1499
	20	1235	1499
	27	1235	1499
MAY	4	1235	1499
	11	1235	1499
	18	1235	1499
	25	1235	1499
JUNE	1	1235	1499
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JULY	29	1235	1499
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AUGUST	27	1235	1499
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	17	1235	1499
SEPTEMBER	24	1235	1499
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OCTOBER	21	1235	1499
	28	1235	1499
	5	1265	1579
	12	1265	1579
NOVEMBER	19	1265	1579
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DECEMBER	16	1265	1579
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2021	14	1265	1579
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	28	1265	1579
	5	1265	1579
JANUARY	12	1265	1579
	19	1265	1579
	26	1265	1579
	2	1265	1579
FEBRUARY	9	1265	1579
	16	1265	1579
	23	1265	1579
	1	1265	1579
MARCH	8	1265	1579
	15	1265	1579
	22	1265	1579
	29	1265	1579

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 5 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Start the day like a local as you savour a traditional Lao coffee at a local coffee stall in Vientiane.
- Enjoy a breathtaking Mekong cruise and take in the views of its surrounds whilst the sun sets.
- Visit a traditional wooden house and enjoy a home cooked meal whilst learning about the Laos culture.
- Discover the hidden corners of the capital Vientiane, through the local sights and delicacies.



### Day 1 Vientiane

On arrival meet your tour guide and drive to the hotel for check-in. Enjoy a welcome drink and chose to relax or explore nearby sights on your leisure time. Overnight in Vientiane – Grand Hotel Vientiane.

### Day 2 Vientiane – Vang Vieng

Explore the charming capital starting with a Tuk Tuk ride from your hotel to the iconic Patuxai Monument. Walk down Lane Xang Avenue, stopping at the Morning Market and the Cooperative Orthotic & Prosthetic Enterprise (COPE). Visit Wat Si Muang and Wat Si Saket, before stopping at the Presidential Palace. Get re-energised with a Lao coffee and croissant at Chao Anouvong Park. Visit a series of temples before reaching the Mekong riverbanks. Hop-on a Tuk Tuk ride back to your hotel and prepare for our journey to Vang Vieng. Overnight in Vang Vang Vieng – Saksiri Riverside Boutique Hotel. (B)

### Day 3 Vang Vieng – Luang Prabang

Take a scenic walk across the Nam Song River to visit the Hmong village of Ban Phan Thao. Trek along a small canal and enjoy breathtaking views of limestone karst mountains and luscious rice fields. If you wish you can visit some caves

(optional). Reach the rice paddies of Ban Nadoa Village and Tham Chang Cave. Take a road trip through majestic mountains and visit other Hmong villages on the way to Luang Prabang. Overnight in Luang Prabang – Sala Prabang. (B)

### Day 4 Luang Prabang

Discover the charms of Luang Prabang with a leisurely walk around the old quarter. Start with the vibrant morning market, the charming city main street and the National Museum. After, visit Wat Xieng Thong, considered the finest temple in Laos. For the finalé, embark on a scenic boat ride for a memorable sunset cruise along the Mekong River. Overnight in Luang Prabang – Sala Prabang. (B)

### Day 5 Luang Prabang – Kuang Si

A short drive to the outskirts of Luang Prabang takes us to the multi-tiered turquoise-coloured Kuang Si Waterfall, deemed one of the most beautiful waterfalls in Southeast Asia. Here you can also visit the Bear Rescue Centre to see rescued Asiatic bears. On our way back, get to see the fascinating world of Lao textiles come alive with a visit to Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre. Tips: Stop at Buffalo Dairy for ice cream made from real buffalo milk! In the evening, see a bamboo presentation with dinner and a 'baci' ceremony at Bamboo Experience. Overnight in Luang Prabang – Sala Prabang. (BD)

### Day 6 Luang Prabang

Enjoy some free time before your onward journey.







## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Discover the world of coffee with Mr Kamsouk around the Bolaven Plateau on an old army Jeep.
- Cycle around tranquil Don Daeng Island, nestled in the middle of the 4,000 Islands region. Stop at local villages along the way and experience island life.
- Enjoy a traditional Sindad, where we bring the BBQ to your table, you can then be your own chef.



### Day 1 Luang Prabang

Welcome to Luang Prabang! Check-in to your hotel to relax and refresh. Enjoy a welcome drink and have a brief introduction with your guide. Overnight in Luang Prabang – Sala Prabang.

### Day 2 Luang Prabang

Discover the charms of Luang Prabang with a leisurely walk around the old quarter. Start from the vibrant morning market, then on to the charming city main street and the National Museum. After, visit Wat Xieng Thong ‘The Temple of the Golden City’, considered the finest temple in Laos. For the finale, embark on a scenic boat ride for a memorable sunset cruise along the Mekong river. Overnight in Luang Prabang – Sala Prabang. (B)

### Day 3 Luang Prabang – Kuang Si Waterfall

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### Day 4 Luang Prabang – Bolaven

Enjoy free time in the morning, then board your flight to Pakse, the gateway to Southern Laos. Begin your journey with a scenic drive through mountains and winding roads all the way up to the Bolaven Plateau. Meet a local coffee farmer and a coffee expert who will take you for an exciting off-road driving adventure in an old army Jeep into the coffee plantation. Overnight in Bolaven – Sinouk Coffee Resort. (B)

### Day 5 Bolaven – Wat Phou – Don Khong

Experience being surrounded with verdant jungles and rolling mountains, at Tad Fane the twin waterfalls. Visit the ancient ruins of Wat Phou Tok mountain temple, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, noted to be one of the oldest archaeological sites in Laos. Continue the scenic route until we reach Don Khong, the largest island of Si Phan Don (which means ‘4,000 islands’ in Lao). Overnight in Don Khong – Pon Arena Hotel. (B)

### Day 6 The 4,000 Islands – Mekong Cruise

Explore an archipelago of islands where time swings slowly by. Feel the fresh breeze while sailing along the Mekong River, passing fisherman villages and eventually reaching Don Khone where we will disembark. On the island, enjoy a bicycle ride and see some iconic sights such as the old French locomotive and Railway Bridge. Then, we will visit the spectacular Liphith Waterfalls, a collection of powerful falls spilling down in many angles branching out to join the Mekong River. Cruise to Ban Nakasang then transfer back to Don Khong. Overnight in Don Khong – Pon Arena Hotel. (B)



### Day 7 Don Khong – Pakse

Continue your adventure with a visit to mighty Khone Phapheng waterfall and the village of Ban Khiet Ngong located in Xe Pian National Protected Area, an extensive wetland home to rare wildlife species. Enjoy a short climb to the top of Phou Asa mountain where mysterious columns made out of stacks of plate-like rocks stands proudly as if protecting an unseen structure, believed to be a temple. Return to Pakse to end an adventurous day and feast on a farewell Sindad dinner (Lao BBQ). Overnight in Pakse – Athena Hotel. (BD)

### Day 8 Pakse

Enjoy a free morning before departure for your flight home or to continue to your next destination. (B)

## SECRETS OF SOUTHERN LAOS

8 DAYS FROM  
\$ 1,825 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	5	1825	2259
	19	1825	2259
MAY	3	1825	2259
	17	1825	2259
	31	1825	2259
JUNE	14	1825	2259
	28	1825	2259
JULY	12	1825	2259
	26	1825	2259
AUGUST	9	1825	2259
	23	1825	2259
SEPTEMBER	6	1825	2259
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OCTOBER	4	1865	2355
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NOVEMBER	1	1865	2355
	15	1865	2355
	29	1865	2355
DECEMBER	13	1865	2355
	27	1865	2355
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	10	1865	2355
	24	1865	2355
FEBRUARY	7	1865	2355
	21	1865	2355
MARCH	7	1865	2355
	21	1865	2355

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 7 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING







## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Journey along the meandering canals and meet the local people as you discover the beauty of the Mekong Delta on a three night river cruise before a speedboat journey to bustling Phnom Penh.
- Take a Tuk Tuk to Angkor Wat and explore the grounds by torchlight, something few travellers get to explore.
- Travel like a local as you glide through Saigon's fascinating streets on a traditional tuk tuk.
- Share a snack with the locals along the backstreets of Hanoi's Old Quarter.



### Day 1 Hanoi (Vietnam)

On arrival in Hanoi, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing and welcome drinks with your fellow travellers. Stay the next two nights at Hotel La Belle Vie (or similar). (B)

### Day 2 Hanoi

Spend the day discovering Hanoi's must-visit sites including the infamous Hoa Lo Prison and Dong Xuan Market. Walk through the crowded streets of the city's Old Quarter, pay a visit to the Temple of Literature and the historical St Joseph's Cathedral. Enjoy a wonderful afternoon tea before you continue your exploration of the city, finishing up at the popular Hoan Kiem Lake, situated in the heart of Hanoi city. (B)

### Day 3 Hanoi to Halong Bay

Drive past scenes of traditional rural life as you journey from Hanoi to Halong City, the gateway to Halong Bay. On arrival, board a junk boat and begin cruising among some of the 3,000 limestone karsts. Enjoy a delicious lunch as you cruise through the pristine, turquoise waters of this stunning natural wonder. Overnight on-board Bhaya Cruises (or similar). (BLD)

### Day 4 Halong Bay to Hoi An

Continue your exploration of Halong Bay before enjoying brunch on board. Cruise back to port for disembarkation, before you drive to Hanoi for your onwards flight to Danang. On arrival, transfer to your hotel in the charming town of Hoi An. Enjoy an evening of free time. Stay the next two nights at the Hoi An Silk Marina Resort & Spa (or similar). (R)

### Day 5 Hoi An

Explore the riverside town of Hoi An on a walking tour. Visit the many sites and discover the mix of Chinese, Japanese and French influenced architecture. Visit a traditional ancient house, a Chinese Assembly Hall and the Japanese Covered Bridge. The afternoon is free for you to do as much or as little as you like. Choose to explore the old town, have a tailor custom make a new wardrobe or cycle to An Bang Beach (B)

### Day 6 Hoi An to Saigon

Enjoy more free time in Hoi An before flying to Saigon. On arrival, transfer to your hotel for check in and enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Stay

the next two nights at the Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Saigon – Cu Chi Tunnels

From Saigon, drive to Cu Chi and discover the network of underground tunnels and their significance during the war. In the afternoon return back to Saigon. Join a guided walking tour and discover the rich history of this spirited city as you visit some of its main attractions. (B)

### Day 8 Saigon to Mekong Delta

Board your boat to begin your exploration of the Mekong Delta. After a delicious lunch on board before cruising through the many palm fringed canals and waterways, as you witness local life along the shoreline. Stay the next three nights on board Mekong Eyes. (BLD)

### Day 9 Mekong Delta

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before experiencing the unique rowing techniques of a sampan boat. Visit a coconut candy enterprise and cycle through the laneways of a local village. Return to the boat for sunset drinks on the deck. (BLD)

### Day 10 Mekong Delta

Visit Tan Thuan Dong islet where you can either walk or cycle through this beautiful area. Enjoy lunch on board and free time to simply relax as you continue to enjoy panoramic views. (BLD)

### Day 11 Mekong Delta to Phnom Penh (Cambodia)

Cross the border from Vietnam into Cambodia and travel by speedboat to Phnom Penh. Visit the Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields memorial at Choeng Ek. As the day rolls to a close, enjoy a drink with your group as you watch the sun set over the Mekong River. Enjoy your stay for the coming evening at the Sun & Moon Urban Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 12 Phnom Penh to Siem Reap

Enjoy a morning cyclo ride through the backstreets of Phnom Penh. Discover Wat Phnom, the birthplace of the capital, the Royal Palace and its famous landmark, the Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum with its unique collection of Khmer art. Fly to Siem Reap. Stay the next two nights at Steung Siem Reap Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 13 Siem Reap – Temples of Angkor

Take a short drive to explore the grounds of "The Great City" Angkor Thom. Stop to see Bayon temple and the many impressive stone carvings, visit the Terrace of Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King with its intricate god and demon stone carvings. Return to town for lunch before journeying to Ta Prohm temple. Admire the enormous vines and roots snaking their way across the stone temples, before exploring the magnificent Angkor Wat. In the evening, experience authentic Khmer song and dance as you join your group for a farewell dinner. (BLD)

### Day 14 Siem Reap

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

## ESSENCE OF VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

14 DAYS FROM  
\$ 4,075 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	9	4385	5929
	23	4385	5929
MAY	7	4075	5425
	21	4075	5425
JUNE	4	4075	5425
	18	4075	5425
JULY	2	4075	5425
	16	4075	5425
	30	4075	5425
AUGUST	13	4075	5425
	27	4075	5425
SEPTEMBER	10	4075	5425
	24	4075	5425
OCTOBER	8	4385	5929
	22	4385	5929
NOVEMBER	5	4385	5929
	19	4385	5929
DECEMBER	3	4385	5929
	17	4385	5929
	31	4385	5929
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	14	4385	5929
	28	4385	5929
FEBRUARY	11	4385	5929
	25	4385	5929
MARCH	11	4385	5929
	25	4385	5929

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 9 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night cruise accommodation onboard Bhaya cruise
- 3 nights cruise accommodation onboard Mekong Eyes
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY





# HIGHLIGHTS OF INDOCHINA

14 Days/13 Nights



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Escape the crowds and travel by tuk-tuk to Angkor Wat for sunrise over Angkor Wat's famous spires.
- Enjoy a hands-on traditional Lao-style cooking demonstration at the Bamboo Experience cooking school. Learn about the typical ingredients used in Lao cooking and prepare a feast for dinner.
- Receive a blessing when you take part in a local 'Baci' blessing ceremony.
- Cruise overnight through the 3,000 islands rising from the sea in Ha Long Bay.



### Day 1 Saigon

On arrival in Saigon, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing and welcome drinks with your fellow travellers. Stay the next three nights at The Hotel Equatorial (or similar).

### Day 2 Saigon

Today you will visit Cu Chi Tunnels. Discover the network of underground tunnels while learning about their role in the Vietnam War. Later, enjoy a guided walking tour of Saigon where you will see Dong Khoi Street, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Reunification Palace, and Ben Thanh Market. Overnight at Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (BL)

### Day 3 Saigon – Mekong Delta

Venture to the Mekong Delta and spend the day exploring the many palm fringed canals, local temples and markets. Enjoy a delicious lunch made from locally harvested produce. Stop by a Cao Dai temple with its spectacular architecture. Overnight at Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (BL)

### Day 4 Saigon – Danang – Hoi An

Fly to Danang, and then enjoy a scenic drive to Hoi An. Take a walking tour to discover the mix of Chinese, Japanese and French influenced architecture. Overnight at Hoi An Silk Marina Resort (or similar). (B)

### Day 5 Hoi An

Visit a sleepy corner of Hoi An and see the amazing artworks covering the walls, streets and alleyways. Visit Thanh Dong Organic Farm, to learn traditional farming methods adopted by this village. Chat with the local farmers and take part in the farming activities. Overnight at Hoi An Silk Marina Resort (or similar). (BL)

### Day 6 Hoi An – Danang – Hanoi

Fly from Danang to Hanoi and discover Hanoi's must-visit sites including the Ho Chi Minh complex, the infamous Hoa Lo Prison, also known as the "Hanoi Hilton." Pay a visit to the Temple of Literature. End with a visit inside the Opera House and enjoy a delicious afternoon tea. Overnight at The Ann Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Hanoi to Ha Long Bay

Drive past scenes of traditional rural life from Hanoi to Ha Long Bay. Board a well-appointed

junk boat, enjoy a delicious lunch and begin cruising among the 3,000 islands which rise from the sea. In the evening, retreat to your private cabin, or relax on the main deck or at the bar. Overnight on-board Bhaya Cruises (or similar). (BLD)

### Day 8 Ha Long Bay to Hanoi

Take part in a sunrise Tai Chi lesson on the sundeck before enjoying brunch on board. Upon arrival back in port, transfer to your hotel in Hanoi. Take a walking tour to visit the old quarter and a stroll around Hoan Kiem Lake before enjoying an evening at leisure. Overnight at The Ann Hotel (or similar). (BD)

### Day 9 Hanoi to Luang Prabang

Fly to Luang Prabang. Start your tour with a visit to Wat Xieng Thong, and by walk to Phou Si Mountain. Take part in a traditional Baci ceremony. Hop on a tuk-tuk for your dinner at Bamboo Experience. Overnight at Sala Prabang (or similar). (B,D)

### Day 10 Luang Prabang

Rise early to see the locals giving morning alms to the orange-robed monks. After breakfast take a walking tour to local market for some snacks. Visit Wat Mai and the National Museum. Cruise to the Pak Ou caves, have a picnic lunch, and play the local favourite game of petanque. Finish with sunset drinks. Overnight at Sala Prabang (or similar). (BL)

### Day 11 Luang Prabang to Siem Reap

Visit Kuang Si waterfalls and then transfer to the airport for your flight to Siem Reap. In the evening be entertained by Phare, The Cambodian Circus where the performers use theater, music, dance and modern circus arts to tell uniquely Cambodian stories; historical, folk and modern. Overnight at Steung Siem Reap (or similar). (B)

### Day 12 Siem Reap

Start early to witness the breathtaking sunrise over Angkor Wat temple, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Reach the southern gate of Angkor Thom, the "Great City" and marvel at the hundreds of imposing 23m (75 foot) high stone faces of Bayon. Featured in the Tomb Raider movie, visit Ta Prohm known for its unforgettable trees with thick roots that entangle the walls. Overnight at Steung Siem Reap (or similar). (B)

### Day 13 Siem Reap

Visit Beong Mealea Temple, a 12th-century Buddhist sanctuary built from perfectly-squared sandstone blocks, still partly buried under vegetation. Shop at a local market and lunch at a local restaurant. Visit an isolated community of three villages built on stilts. These scenic villages are flooded from Aug–Feb. You will take the small boat through the flooded mangrove forests fostering a variety of wildlife. Go back in time with Khmer ancient culture in a spectacular performance while you enjoy the finest cuisine in town. Overnight at Steung Siem Reap (or similar). (BLD)

### Day 14 Siem Reap

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight. Or, ask us about options to extend your journey.

# INDOCHINA

## HIGHLIGHTS OF INDOCHINA

14 DAYS FROM  
\$ 4,465 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	5	4625	5895
	12	4625	5895
	19	4625	5895
	26	4625	5895
MAY	3	4465	5585
	10	4465	5585
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	24	4465	5585
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JUNE	7	4465	5585
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	30	4465	5585
SEPTEMBER	6	4465	5585
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OCTOBER	4	4625	5895
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	29	4625	5895
DECEMBER	6	4625	5895
	13	4625	5895
	20	4625	5895
	27	4625	5895
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	3	4625	5895
	10	4625	5895
	17	4625	5895
	24	4625	5895
	31	4625	5895
FEBRUARY	7	4625	5895
	14	4625	5895
	21	4625	5895
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	21	4625	5895
	28	4625	5895

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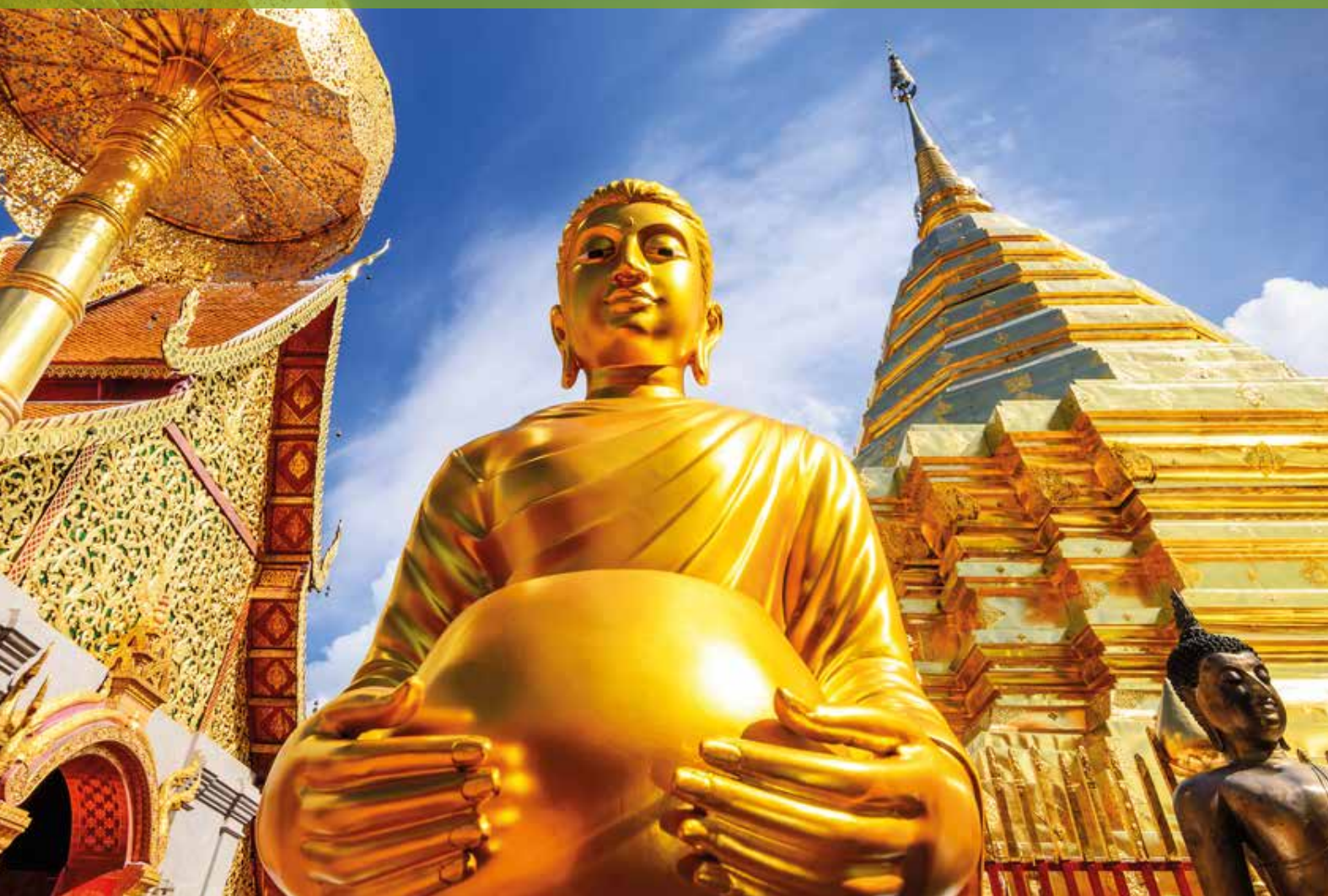
## Tour price includes

- 12 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night cruise accommodation onboard Bhaya cruise
- Mekong Delta cruise
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
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TRIP GRADING







## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Discover the Lord Buddha's Footprint, something few travellers will get to experience.
- Venture to the Heow Suwat waterfalls with its spectacular views made famous in the film 'The Beach'.
- Delve into the history of Thailand at the Jeath War museum which exhibits memorabilia from World War II.



## Day 1 Bangkok

Welcome to Bangkok! Your local guide will greet you and drive you to your hotel for check-in. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Stay the next two nights at Century Park Hotel (or similar).

## Day 2 Bangkok

Get to know Thailand's capital! Visit the highlights, including the Grand Palace and Wat Phra Kaew, "Temple of Emerald Buddha" a 22-inch jade statue considered to be the symbol of the country, making it the most sacred temple in Thailand. Also visit the second most important temple, Wat Pho, with the famous 46-metre reclining Buddha. Explore the canals (klongs) of legendary Chao Phraya River lined with stilted homes and colonial mansions before stopping at Wat Arun, the "Temple of the Dawn," one of the most iconic temples in Thailand. (B)

## Day 3 Bangkok – Khao Yai

In the morning head to Khao Yai National Park. Visit Wat Phra Phutthabat, a first-class royal temple constructed in 1624. The highlight of the temple is known as the Lord Buddha's footprint. After analysis, the then-king commissioned a pavilion to be built to shelter the precious artefact. Visitors can also see an inscription by King Rama V, engraved during his visit to pay respect to the Lord Buddha's footprint. After that visit Wat Theppitak Punnaram Temple with its 45-metre-high, white Buddha statue given by His Majesty King Rama IX. The meaning of the measurement is that the Buddha had been meditating for 45 years before his enlightenment. In



the evening, embark on a night safari to see if you can spot wild animals such as civet, barking deer, porcupines, or elephants. Overnight at Phuwanalee Resort (or similar). (B)

## Day 4 Khao Yai – Ayutthaya

Drive to Khao Yai National Park, stopping at Heow Suwat waterfalls, made famous when they were used as a site location for filming the movie The Beach. Continue to Ayutthaya Historical Park, Wat Phra Mahathat, believed to house relics of the Lord Buddha. Visit Wat Phra Si Sanphet, from which the Temple of the Emerald Buddha in Bangkok has been copied. Overnight at Kantary Hotel Ayutthaya (or similar). (B)

## Day 5 Ayutthaya – Kanchanaburi

Ayutthaya was once one of Indochina's most prosperous cities, with numerous magnificent structures and ruins. Visit Bang Pa-In Summer Palace, used by the royal court as a summer retreat in the 17th century. The only royal residence open to the public is Wehart Chamrunt Palace, constructed entirely of materials imported from China. Visit JEATH War Museum, a realistic depiction of prisoner-of-war living quarters, with photographic, pictorial and physical memorabilia dating from World War II. Continue to Kanchanaburi War Cemetery, final resting place of 6,982 war prisoners (mostly British, Dutch, Australian and American) who lost their lives during the construction of the Bridge over the River Kwai and the railway to Burma (the Death Railway). Stay the next two nights at the Mida Kanchanaburi (or similar). (B)

## Day 6 Kanchanaburi

Today, we will visit Hellfire Pass (Konyu Cutting) and Hellfire Pass Museum, built and maintained by the Australian government, and dedicated to the Allied prisoners of war and Asian labourers who suffered and died at Hellfire Pass and elsewhere in the Asia Pacific region during World War II. Also visit world-famous Bridge over the River Kwai, a part of the Death Railway constructed by Allied prisoners of war. Take leisurely walks around town and pictures on the world-renowned Death Railway. (BD)

## Day 7 River Kwai – Hua Hin

Today, head to Hua Hin in the Cha Am district. After you arrive, the rest of the day is free at your leisure. Stay the next three nights at Grand Pacific Sovereign Resort & Spa (or similar). (B)

## Day 8 Hua Hin

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel, followed by a free day at leisure. (B)

## Day 9 Hua Hin

Discover the beaches and small town of Hua Hin, with another free day at leisure. (B)

## Day 10 Hua Hin – Bangkok

After breakfast, transfer to the airport in Bangkok for your onward journey.

## TREASURES OF THAILAND

10 DAYS FROM  
\$ 1,845 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	13	1875	2599
	27	1875	2599
MAY	11	1845	2549
	25	1845	2549
JUNE	8	1845	2549
	22	1845	2549
JULY	6	1845	2549
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NOVEMBER	9	1925	2699
	23	1925	2699
DECEMBER	7	1925	2699
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	18	1925	2699
FEBRUARY	1	1925	2699
	15	1925	2699
MARCH	1	1925	2699
	15	1925	2699
	29	1925	2699

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TRIP GRADING

EASY







## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Explore the Wat Pho, which is one of the oldest temples in Thailand. This sacred place was previously an initiating school where monks were educated.
- Travel by tuk tuk as you explore the local street food Bangkok has to offer. Try Moo Satay (pork satay), and sweet surprises along the way.
- Start the day like a local as you visit the busiest seafood market in Bangkok. Learn about the local ingredients used in Thai cookery.



### Day 1 Bangkok

Welcome to Bangkok! Your local guide will greet you and drive you to your hotel for check-in. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Overnight in Bangkok. Stay the next two nights at Century Park Hotel.

### Day 2 Bangkok

Start your day with a cruise along the Chao Phraya River. Learn to prepare 4 exciting dishes with local ingredients at Amita Thai's Cooking Class. Afterwards, cruise to the Grand Palace and Wat Phra Kaew, home to the sacred Emerald Buddha. In the evening, embark on a tuk-tuk adventure through Bangkok to hidden restaurants and local spots where you'll discover Thai street food like a local. (BD)

### Day 3 Bangkok – Kanchanaburi

Catch a glimpse of Bangkok's busiest fresh seafood market – Mahachai market. See handicrafts, pottery and freshly caught seafood from the gulf. Drive south through rice paddies and fields to Damnoen Saduak, the popular floating market. Continue in the afternoon to Kanchanaburi to visit the famous bridge over the Kwai River. This is part of the 'Death Railway' constructed by prisoners during WWII. Overnight at Mida Kanchanaburi. (B)

### Day 4 Kanchanaburi – Ayutthaya – Sukhothai

Explore Ayutthaya, the former capital of the Thai Kingdom. Stroll around the ruins of Wat Phra Si Sanphet, a former royal temple; Wat Mahathat, where the roots of a tree surround the head of Buddha; and Wat Chai Wattanaram, an example of Khmer architectural influence. Drive to Sukhothai in the afternoon. Overnight at Le Charme Sukhothai Historical Park Resort. (B)

### Day 5 Sukhothai – Lampang – Chiang Rai

Visit the historical park in Sukhothai, another former capital that includes a number of fine

monuments illustrating the beginning of Thai architecture. Continue driving north to Chiang Rai with a stop at Wat Phra That Lampang Luang, a temple perched upon a hill. It's a beautiful temple to explore before you arrive in Chiang Rai for the evening. Overnight at The Imperial River House Resort. (B)

### Day 6 Chiang Rai

Start your day with a 3-hour boat ride on the Mae Kok River. Trek through dense jungle and rice paddies before arriving at a traditional Karen village. Afterwards, you will trek to a Lahu village. The Lahu are well known for their traditional weaving and farming techniques. Return to Chiang Rai by boat. Overnight at Maekok River Village Resort. (BD)

### Day 7 Chiang Rai – Chiang Mai

Drive from Chiang Rai to Chiang Mai. On the way, you will visit the famous White Temple. In contrast to the ancient temples, this was built in 1997 and was designed using white glass. After lunch, the rest of the day is at your leisure. Spend the next two nights at The Empress Hotel. (B)

### Day 8 Chiang Mai

Discover Chiang Mai and rural life with a half-day bicycling tour. Ride along quiet roads with many temples and ruins along the way. Visit a Chinese temple, a special Monk-only school, a pottery village, a local bakery and a bustling market. In the evening you'll join a cooking class with a local family. Learn about their culture, way of life, and all about northern Thai herbs and ingredients. Enjoy a delicious meal with your Thai family before returning to Chiang Mai. (BD)

### Day 9 Chiang Mai Departure

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey.



9 DAYS FROM  
\$ 2,299 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	4	2299	2899
	18	2299	2899
MAY	2	2299	2899
	16	2299	2899
	30	2299	2899
JUNE	13	2299	2899
	27	2299	2899
JULY	11	2299	2899
	25	2299	2899
AUGUST	8	2299	2899
	22	2299	2899
SEPTEMBER	5	2299	2899
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OCTOBER	3	2299	2899
	17	2299	2899
	31	2299	2899
NOVEMBER	14	2355	3025
	28	2355	3025
DECEMBER	12	2355	3025
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	23	2355	3025
FEBRUARY	6	2355	3025
	20	2355	3025
MARCH	6	2355	3025
	20	2355	3025

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 8 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE





# HIGHLIGHTS OF MYANMAR

9 Days/8 Nights



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Explore the bustling streets and markets of Bagan whilst sampling delicious snacks along the way.
- Glide on a canoe down the narrow channels to Kaylar Village which is famous for its floating gardens.
- Take in the breathtaking views of Shwedagon Pagoda, encrusted with diamonds and enshrines relics of four Buddhas.



### Day 1 Yangon

Welcome to Myanmar! Arrive at Yangon International Airport where your private vehicle will transport you to your hotel for check-in. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at Jasmine Palace Hotel (or similar).

### Day 2 Yangon – Mandalay – Mingun – Mandalay

Start early with a morning flight to Mandalay. Boat down the Ayeyarwaddy river to Mingun and visit Settawya Pagoda, built in 1811. Explore the Flower Market and buy some flowers to donate in a flower offering ritual. Visit Mingun Bell, Hsinbyume Pagoda, and Shwenandaw Monastery, once the home of King Mindon. Continue to Kuthodaw Pagoda, the 'world's largest book'. Watch the sun set from the top of Mandalay Hill with sweeping views of Mandalay. Overnight at Ritz Grand Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 3 Mandalay – Amarapura – Ava – Sagaing – Mandalay

Observe bronze casting workshops at Tampa Waddy between Mandalay and the ancient capital Amarapura. Buddha images, bells, gongs, tri gongs, and other figures such as nats (spirits) and famous persons are cast here. Visit iconic U-Bein bridge spanning the Taungthaman Lake, and Magandayon monastery, home to 1,000 monks. Cross the Ayeyarwaddy river and take a local ferry to visit Innwa (Ava) by horse-cart ride. You will visit Maha Aungmye Bonzan Kyaung, Bagaya Kyaung and Bagaya monastery. Cross Sagaing bridge to Sagaing Hill and continue to Soon U Ponnya Shin Paya and U Min Thounzeh Pagoda. Enjoy a panoramic view of the sunset at Sagaing Hill. Overnight at Ritz Grand Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 4 Mandalay – Bagan

Before we leave Mandalay, enjoy a walking tour to Thu Ye Zay, a colourful one-of-a-kind local produce market located on the train tracks. Leave Mandalay behind to reach the terrace of Popa

Mountain Resort, a perfect vantage point to enjoy views of Mt. Popa, and of Taungkalat itself. In the afternoon, drive to Bagan, visiting villages along the way. En route, shortly after passing Nyaung-U, stop for an interesting visit at "Paing" roadside shop. Enjoy a free evening in Bagan. Overnight at Royal Palace Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 5 Bagan

Today's walking tour starts with a visit to the most significant pagodas and temples of Bagan. Stop at a popular lacquerware workshop producing this most famous of Bagan handicrafts. In the late afternoon, enjoy a tuk tuk ride to a place where you can enjoy magnificent views over Bagan's vast temple area around sunset time. Overnight in at Royal Palace Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 6 Bagan – Heho – Inle Lake

After breakfast, transfer to Nyaung U airport for your flight to Heho, and then to your hotel for check-in. Visit Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda. In the afternoon, stop at several workshops on and around the lake such as a cheroot (Burmese cigar)-making workshop and a boatbuilding workshop. Finally, stop at Inn Paw Khon village and visit one of the many silk & lotus weaving workshops. Overnight in Inle at Nyaung Shwe City Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Inle Lake – Hidden Indein

Glide through narrow channels in a canoe and tour Kaylar village in the middle part of Inle Lake, famous for its floating gardens where villagers mainly live on fishing and farming. Ride the long tail boat to visit Nga Phe Kyaung, a monastery famous for its extensive collection of Buddha images made of different materials, and in various styles and sizes. In the afternoon, travel by long-tail boat to the western shore of the lake to Indein jetty and visit the beautiful Alaung Sitthou area (Indein Temple Complex). Take time to explore the stupa complex itself and take some exquisite photos of this unusual place. Overnight at Nyaung Shwe City Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 8 Heho – Yangon

After breakfast, transfer to Heho airport for your flight back to Yangon and then to your hotel for check-in. Visit Bogyoke Aung San (Scott) Market. Visit the heart of downtown and enjoy a leisurely walk through the best of colonial Yangon. End up at bustling Chinatown with its many shops and stalls offering every commodity one can imagine. Visit the iconic, unforgettable Shwedagon Pagoda with its golden stupas, monks, and local worshippers. Return to your hotel in the afternoon and enjoy a farewell dinner. Overnight at Jasmine Palace Hotel (or similar). (BD)

### Day 9 Yangon

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey.

# MYANMAR

## HIGHLIGHTS OF MYANMAR

9 DAYS FROM  
\$ 2,349 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	22	2399	2915
MAY	6	2349	2799
	20	2349	2799
JUNE	3	2349	2799
	17	2349	2799
JULY	1	2349	2799
	15	2349	2799
AUGUST	5	2349	2799
	19	2349	2799
SEPTEMBER	2	2349	2799
	16	2349	2799
OCTOBER	7	2349	2799
	21	2349	2799
NOVEMBER	4	2495	3015
	18	2495	3015
DECEMBER	2	2495	3015
	16	2495	3015
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	6	2495	3015
	20	2495	3015
FEBRUARY	3	2495	3015
	17	2495	3015
MARCH	3	2495	3015
	17	2495	3015

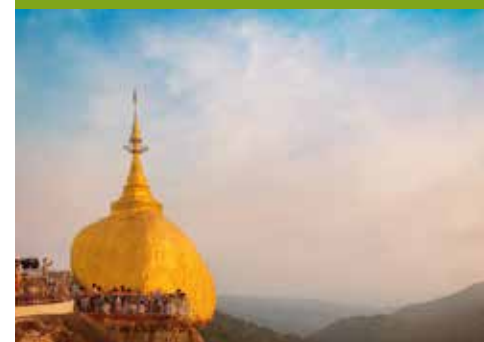
All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 8 nights hotel accommodation
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY





HIGHLIGHTS OF  
INDONESIA12 DAYS FROM  
\$ 2,469 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	5	2469	3235
MAY	3	2469	3235
JUNE	14	2469	3235
JULY	12	2665	3435
AUGUST	9	2665	3435
SEPTEMBER	6	2469	3235
OCTOBER	4	2469	3235
NOVEMBER	1	2469	3235
DECEMBER	13	2469	3235
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	3	2475	3269
FEBRUARY	14	2469	3235
MARCH	14	2469	3235

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 11 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
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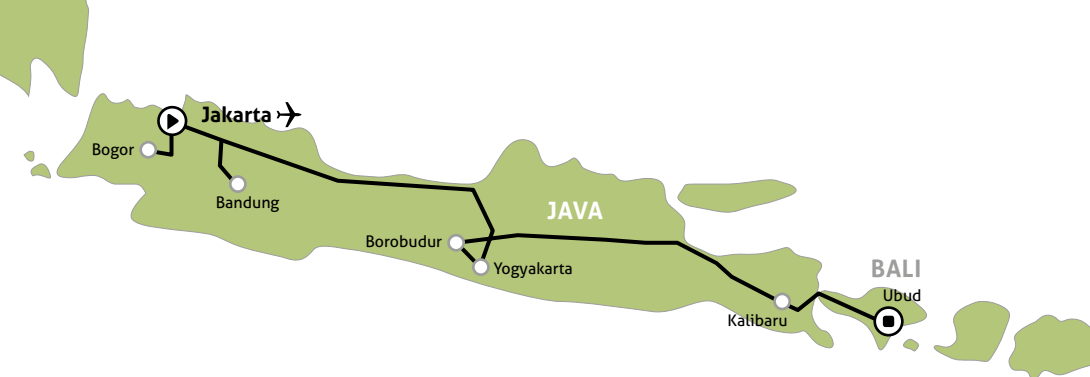
TRIP GRADING

MODERATE



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Rise early to be rewarded with the spectacular views of the largest Buddhist temple at sunrise.
- On Indonesia's famous train, travel to Yogyakarta whilst passing picturesque views.
- Feel the breeze run through your hair as you enjoy a rickshaw ride to the Royal palace.
- Experience life as a local in a small village near Ubud. Spend time with local families and sample a range of regional specialties.



## Day 1 Jakarta

Fly to Jakarta International Airport, where we will meet & greet you upon arrival. We will drive you to your hotel and then you will enjoy some free time. Overnight in Santika Premier Slipi Hotel (or similar).

## Day 2 Jakarta

Today features a drive past the National Monument and Presidential Palace and a visit to the National Museum. Onward to the northern part of town to Fatahillah Square in Old Batavia and to Sunda Kelapa, a traditional harbour, to see Phinisi (Bugis schooners). Overnight in Bogor at 101 Bogor (or similar). (BL)

## Day 3 Bogor – Bandung

Explore Bogor Botanical Garden with a thousand species of exotic tropical plants. Continue onward to Puncak highlands, past beautiful tea-plantations in Puncak- Pass where lunch will be served at a local restaurant. Overnight in Prama Preanger 4 (or similar). (BL)

## Day 4 Bandung

Start early with a drive to Ciwidey, through strawberry fields until Situ Patenggang, a tranquil, serene lake often covered in mist. Continue to visit Kawah Putih a crater with snow-white spring water. On the way back to the city, you see rolling hills and tea plantations. In the afternoon, spend the time watching the famous and unique traditional wooden doll puppet theatre known as 'wayang golek' and the 'angklung' bamboo orchestra, as well as the classical Sundanese gamelan and dances. Visit the old city of Sandung, exploring the areas of Braga and Asia Africa. Overnight in Prama Preanger 4 (or similar). (BL)

## Day 5 Bandung to Yogyakarta

Travel by Executive Train from Bandung to Yogyakarta. The remainder of the day is yours to explore the cafes and the charming atmosphere of the town. Overnight in The Phoenix Heritage (or similar). (B,L on train)

## Day 6 Borobudur

Get up early and watch the sun appear over the horizon at Borobudur. Visit Pawon and Mendut Temple which are positioned on an imaginary straight line with Borobudur. Enjoy free time in the afternoon. Overnight in The Phoenix Heritage (or similar). (B)

## Day 7 Yogyakarta

Hop on board a 3-wheeled becak (a traditional Javanese rickshaw) and cycle to the Royal Palace in Yogyakarta, known as the Keraton and one of

the centres of Javanese Culture. You will be invited to walk around the king's palace, see some of the official clothing collections and valuable relics and objects of Yogyakarta's sultanate. We will continue walking to the Tamansari Water Castle. After lunch discover the art of batik making and visit the famous 9th century Hindu Prambanan temple. Overnight in The Phoenix Heritage (or similar). (BL)

## Day 8 Yogyakarta to Mt. Bromo

Leave Yogyakarta by Executive Train to Mojokerto. Arriving there, continue the journey by car along the east side through Java's heartland, passing endless teak forest and lush countryside until you reach Mt Bromo. Overnight in Lava view Lodge (or similar). (BL)

## Day 9 Mt. Bromo to Kalibaru

At 3.00 am depart by Jeep to Mount Penanjakan on the rim of the Tengger caldera to view the one of the most spectacular sunrises you will ever see. From the summit admire the magnificent panorama from 2,700 m. After breakfast back at your hotel, drive to Banyuwangi with a stop for lunch at a local restaurant on the way. Upon arrival at Kalibaru, enjoy some free time. Overnight in Kalibaru Cottages (or similar). (BL)

## Day 10 Kalibaru

We'll show you coffee, clove and cacao trees, as well as the process to refine coffee and brown sugar. See a traditional dance from the local kids, who may ask you to dance with them. Cross over to Bali via ferry crossing Ketapang – Gilimanuk. Lunch will be served at local restaurant on the way. Overnight in Ubud Village hotel (or similar). (BL)

## Day 11 Ubud

Start your Ubud tour with Tirta Empul Temple, known as Holy Spring temple, and then Gunung Kawi Bali, the oldest Hindu temple in Ubud. After lunch, visit an Instagram-worthy rice terrace at Tegallalang village. Visit Ubud Monkey Forest, a small conservation area in the centre of town. In the evening enjoy a farewell group dinner with Balinese dance performance. Overnight in Ubud Village hotel (or similar). (BLD)

## Day 12 Ubud

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey.





## BALI SUNSETS

7 DAYS FROM  
\$ 1,365 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	13	1365	1949
	27	1365	1949
MAY	11	1365	1949
	25	1365	1949
JUNE	8	1365	1949
	22	1365	1949
JULY	6	1365	1949
	20	1365	1949
AUGUST	3	1365	1949
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OCTOBER	12	1365	1949
	26	1365	1949
NOVEMBER	9	1365	1949
	23	1365	1949
DECEMBER	7	1365	1949
	21	1365	1949
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	4	1365	1949
	18	1365	1949
FEBRUARY	1	1365	1949
	15	1365	1949
MARCH	1	1365	1949
	15	1365	1949
	29	1365	1949

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 6 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated  
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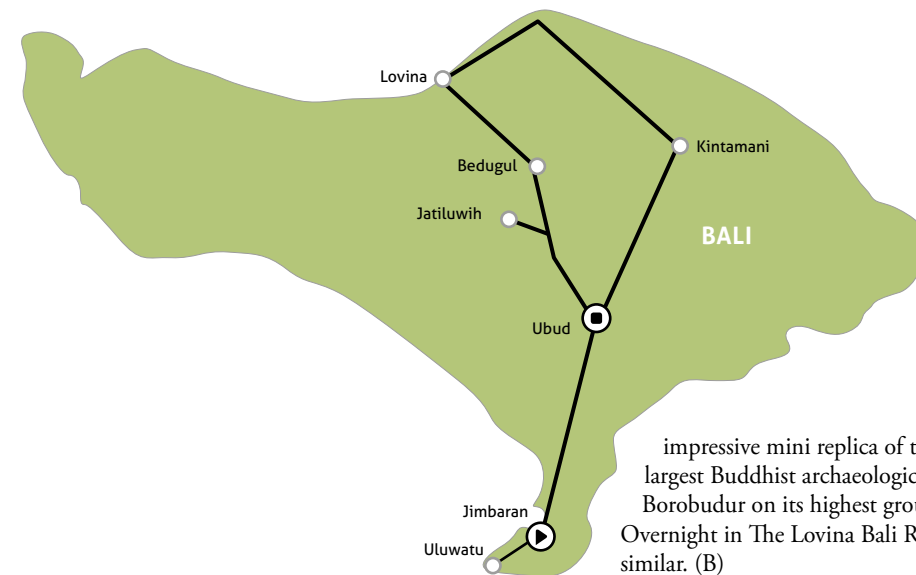
TRIP GRADING

EASY



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Start your day on a cliff edge where you will have a breathtaking view of Indonesia's surrounds.
- Immerse yourself in the incredible natural delights of Bali as you observe dolphins in their natural habitat.
- Be warmly welcomed into a traditional Balinese home where you will enjoy a hearty home cooked meal.
- Enjoy the fresh seafood cuisine whilst overlooking Jimbaran beach at sunset.



impressive mini replica of the world's largest Buddhist archaeological site, Borobudur on its highest grounds. Overnight in The Lovina Bali Resort or similar. (B)

## Day 1 Jimbaran

Welcome to Bali! Your airport representative will meet & greet you upon arrival. We will drive you to your hotel and where you can enjoy some free time. Overnight in Jimbaran Bay Resort or similar.

## Day 2 Jimbaran

Enjoy free time in the morning and early afternoon. Begin with a visit to Uluwatu, a beautiful temple impressively located on the edge of a limestone peninsula. At sunset an ensemble of actors and a choir perform the hypnotic Kecak dance. From the amphitheatre you look down into the arena, where 50 bare-chested men clad in black and white skirts rhythmically utter the 'cak cak' sound. After the performance, you can visit one of the many seafood restaurants in Jimbaran for a romantic dinner on the beach. Overnight in Jimbaran Bay Resort or similar. (BD)

## Day 3 Jimbaran – Lovina

Drive in the morning from your hotel to the mountain area of Batukaru to begin your Jatiluwih rice terrace trekking. The track begins from a small path with a magnificent view of Bali's best rice terraces on the island. Lunch at a local restaurant. Visit the floating temple of Ulun Danu Beratan Temple in Beratan Lake. Explore Candi Kuning Market to see the traditional vegetable and fruit market. Visit the Git Git waterfall before checking in at your hotel. The rest of the afternoon is free at leisure. Overnight in The Lovina Bali Resort or similar. (BL)

## Day 4 Lovina

Immerse yourself in the incredible natural delights of Bali. We will take you close to the Lovina dolphins to see their activity in the morning with an amazing sunrise at Lovina Beach. In the afternoon we will take a swim in Banjar Hot Springs, in the hills of the north, for those seeking relaxation, fun, sightseeing, and a totally different experience. Those not wanting to swim can enjoy the lush tropical gardens, the view from above at the Komala Tirta Restaurant, or shopping for souvenirs at the rows of art shops just outside. Next, visit Brahma Vihara Arama, the large Buddhist monastery, located up in the hills of Banjar. Brahmavihara-Arama comprises a hectare of hillside, with numerous meditation rooms, libraries, beautiful gardens, and an

## Day 5 Lovina – Ubud

Your day begins with Kintamani village to see the breathtaking view of the Mount Batur volcano. Visit the Tirta Empul Temple, known as a Holy Spring temple, followed by Gunung Kawi Bali, the oldest Balinese Hindu temple in Ubud. After lunch we visit Instagram-worthy beautiful rice terraces at Tegallalang village. Ubud Monkey Forest in the centre of town is a small forest and conservation area. Overnight in Ubud Village hotel or similar. (BL)

## Day 6 Ubud

Today you will discover more about village life and how to cook traditional Balinese food. This tour will begin with a visit to a traditional Ubud market where you can pick your own fresh herbs & spices, fresh vegetables, and choice of meat or fish. Once the market visit is done, you will be warmly welcomed by the host who will help you to learn how to cook your very own authentic Balinese dishes. After a hearty lunch, experience sophisticated relaxation with a full body massage. In the evening enjoy a farewell group dinner with Balinese Dance performance. Overnight in Ubud Village hotel or similar. (BLD)

## Day 7 Ubud

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey. Or, ask us about options for extending your journey.







## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Venture to the Mekong Delta and spend the day exploring the many palm fringed canals, local temples and markets
- Start your day like a local as you explore the bustling streets of Phnom Penh whilst on a cyclo.
- Journey along the meandering canals and meet the local people as you discover the beauty of the Mekong Delta.
- Take an unforgettable boat journey along the mythical mekong with scenic landscapes on either side including floating villages and a spectacular view of Phnom Penh's skyline at sunset.



### Day 1 Saigon

Welcome to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly known as Saigon. Your airport representative will meet and greet you. Transfer to your hotel and enjoy some free time. Overnight at Hotel Equatorial (or similar).

### Day 2 Saigon

Today you will visit Cu Chi Tunnels. Discover the network of underground tunnels while learning about their role in the Vietnam War. Later, enjoy a guided walking tour of Saigon where you will see Dong Khoi Street, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Reunification Palace, and Ben Thanh Market. Overnight at Hotel Equatorial (or similar). (BL)

### Day 3 Saigon, Mekong Delta, Can Tho

Venture to the Mekong Delta and spend the day exploring the many palm-fringed canals, local temples and markets. Enjoy a delicious lunch made from locally-harvested produce. Drive to Can Tho. Overnight at TTC Premium Can Tho Hotel (or similar). (BL)

### Day 4 Can Tho, Chau Doc

Make an early morning start to visit the floating markets of Cai Rang. Take a small boat and explore the waterways, packed with local people selling fruits and vegetables. In Chau Giang District visit a tiny mosque which serves the local Cham, originally Hindu, but now Muslim as a result of contact with Arab seafarers and merchants in the Middle Ages. Visit a beautiful Khmer temple, and the floating houses that double as catfish farms. Overnight at Victoria Chau Doc Resort (or similar). (B)

### Day 5 Chau Doc, Phnom Penh

Board a speedboat to the Cambodian border and cruise along the Mekong River to Phnom Penh. Enjoy a river cruise along the Tonle Sap River and the mythical Mekong with scenic landscapes including floating fishermen villages, and a spectacular sunset over the Phnom Penh skyline. Overnight at Sun & Moon Urban Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 6 Phnom Penh

Explore Phnom Penh by cyclo (a bicycle rickshaw). See Wat Phnom and the Royal Palace, the residence of King Norodom Sihamoni, the Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum. Visit the Central Market, a labyrinth of stalls selling everything from CDs and DVDs to silks, crafts,

jewelry and more. Visit Tuol Sleng Museum, formerly a high school which became the interrogation and torture facility for the Khmer Rouge regime. Overnight at Sun & Moon Urban Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Phnom Penh, Siem Reap

Along the way to Siem Reap, stop to visit the infamous Spider Market in Skun and Naga Bridge in Kampong Thom. Overnight at Tara Angkor Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 8 Siem Reap

Start early to witness the breathtaking sunrise over Angkor Wat temple, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Reach the southern gate of Angkor Thom, the "Great City" and marvel at the hundreds of imposing 23m (75 foot) high stone faces of Bayon. Witness a monk blessing at a pagoda nearby the temple, a truly wonderful and memorable experience. Featured in the Tomb Raider movie, visit Ta Prohm known for its unforgettable trees with thick roots that entangle the walls. Overnight at Tara Angkor Hotel Reap (or similar). (B)

### Day 9 Siem Reap

Leave to Kampong Khleang floating village and take a boat trip through the fishing villages across Tonle Sap, the biggest lake in Southeast Asia. In the afternoon enjoy an excursion to Banteay Srei, consecrated in 967 A.D. built in red sandstone with elaborate decorative wall carvings which are still observable in fine details today. On the way back we will see Banteay Samre temple. Overnight at Tara Angkor Hotel (or similar). (BL)

### Day 10 Siem Reap, Poipet Border, Bangkok

Drive to Poipet and across the Thailand border. Your guide will meet you and transfer you to your hotel in Bangkok. Overnight at Century Park Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 11 Bangkok

Visit the Grand Palace or Wat Phra Kaew, known as the temple of the Emerald Buddha, the most sacred Buddha image in Thailand. Then visit Wat Pho, one of Bangkok's oldest and largest temples which houses the gigantic gold-plated Reclining Buddha. Explore Rattanakosin Island, the original area of Bangkok when it was first established as the capital over 200 years ago. Take a longtail boat on a canal (klong) tour along the Chao Phraya River with a stop at the dazzling Temple of Dawn (Wat Arun). Overnight at Century Park Hotel (or similar). (BL)

### Day 12 Bangkok

Enjoy a free day at your leisure. Overnight at Century Park Hotel (or similar) (B)

### Day 13 Bangkok

Transfer from your hotel to the airport for your onward flight. Or, ask us about options for extending your journey.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA

**13 DAYS FROM**  
**\$ 2,769 PER PERSON**

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	13	2989	3985
	27	2989	3985
MAY	11	2769	3569
	25	2769	3569
JUNE	8	2769	3569
	22	2769	3569
JULY	6	2769	3569
	20	2769	3569
AUGUST	3	2769	3569
	17	2769	3569
	31	2769	3569
SEPTEMBER	14	2769	3569
	28	2769	3569
OCTOBER	12	2989	3985
	26	2989	3985
NOVEMBER	9	2989	3985
	23	2989	3985
DECEMBER	7	2989	3985
	21	2989	3985
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	4	2989	3985
	18	2989	3985
FEBRUARY	1	2989	3985
	15	2989	3985
MARCH	1	2989	3985
	15	2989	3985
	29	2989	3985

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 12 nights hotel accommodation
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated  
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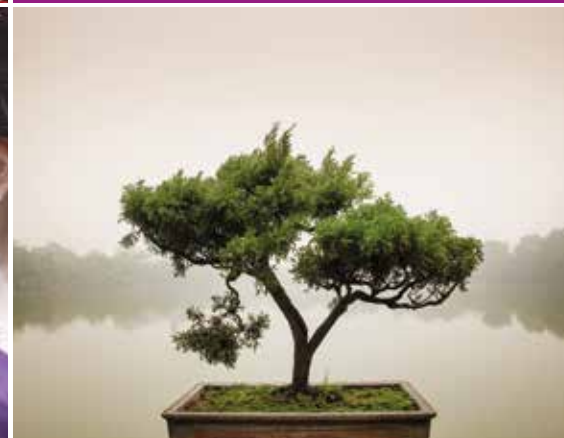




# JAPAN

From towering sky-scraper cities and cutting edge technologies to rustic, rural villages and timeless traditions, Japan is a diverse country rich in beautiful landscapes and an enchanting culture.

Be welcomed by the polite hospitality of the gracious locals and immerse yourself in this fascinating destination as you embark on a memorable journey.



## TASTE

Japan's cuisine is so much more than sushi. Sample matcha (green tea) in a tranquil garden, enjoy a traditional kaiseki meal, learn how to create bento or try okonomiyaki in Osaka's Dotombori Area.

## UNIQUE

Tradition and modernity combine to create a wonderful local culture. Gain a glimpse into the secret world of an apprentice Geisha known as a Maiko or travel like a local on the bullet train.

## LOCAL

From lunch with a sumo to strolling the streets of a bonsai village, Japan offers an endless array of unique experiences which sets the country apart from any other in the world.

# CHINA

## TASTE

China's incredible cuisine is as diverse as the country itself. Enjoy the crispy skin of Peking duck, sample a traditional noodle dish, zha jiang mian and taste a spicy Sichuan hotpot.

## UNIQUE

Stay in a lodge overlooking the rice terraces of Longsheng, admire the skills of the peasant painters in Fengjing and wander through the stalls of Panjiayuan Antique Market in Beijing.

## LOCAL

Peek into China's ancient history as you wander through hidden backstreets, visit traditional 'hutongs' far from the tourist trail and venture to a mountain village to meet the local tea pickers.



China is a land of beauty, ancient history, diverse cultures and boundless energy. With its buzzing modern cities, rural villages, breathtaking mountains and river scenery, China has something for everyone. Uncover its sheer size and enormous diversity on an unforgettable journey through this captivating country.





## HIGHLIGHTS OF JAPAN

**10 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 5,425** PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	12	5699	6759
MAY	10	5625	6419
JUNE	7	5425	6215
JULY	5	5625	6459
AUGUST	23	5925	7015
OCTOBER	18	5825	6645
NOVEMBER	8	6225	7055
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	7	5875	6155
MARCH	14	6399	7135
	28	6539	7425

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

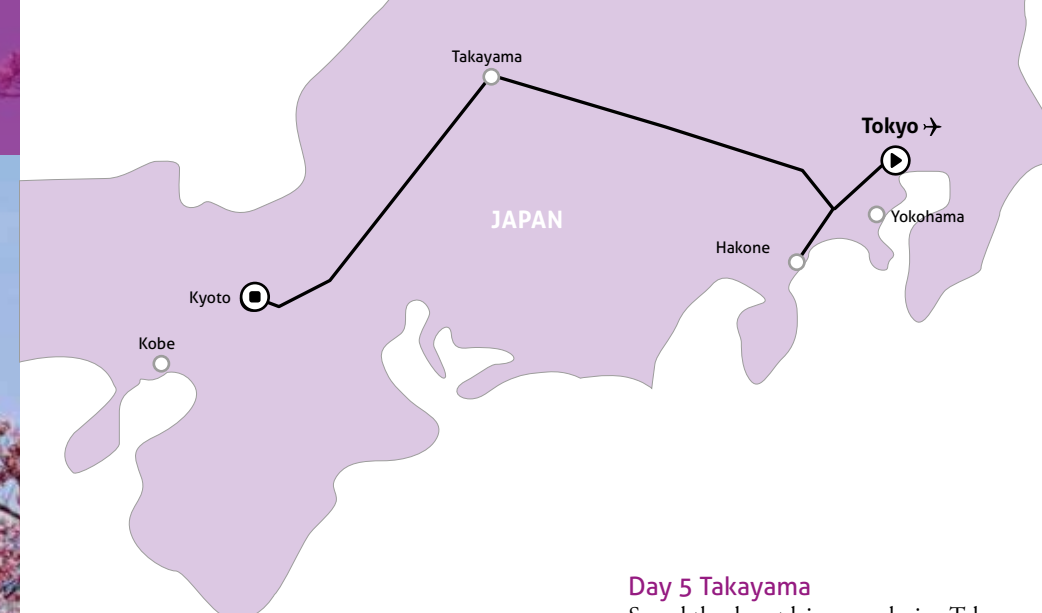
- 7 Day Rail Pass
- 8 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night Ryokan accommodation
- Breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 2 dinners
- High-speed trains
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Small group touring
- Entrance fees
- Luggage transport
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Return transfers (conditions apply)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Join some sumo wrestlers to enjoy a 'chanko' sumo lunch and learn about the unique world of sumo. Try on a sumo suit and put your skills to the test against a professional.
- Follow the meandering paths through the soaring stalks of bamboo which make up the bamboo groves of Arashiyama just outside of Kyoto.
- Enjoy a traditional kaiseki meal as you're entertained by a Maiko in Kyoto. Take the opportunity to gain inside knowledge about the fascinating life of an apprentice Geisha.



## Day 1 Tokyo

On arrival in Tokyo, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next two nights at Akasaka Excel Hotel Tokyu (or similar).

## Day 2 Tokyo

Explore Tokyo on foot and the underground rail network. Visit serene Meiji Jingu, Tokyo's most famous Shinto shrine with a 12 metre high torii gate at the entrance. Continue to the Imperial Palace to see Nijubashi, a metal bridge built in 1888. Travel by train to Asakusa, one of Tokyo's liveliest districts, and home to some of the city's best street food, and old izakaya and yakitori restaurants. Learn about the world of sumo as you enjoy a 'chanko' sumo lunch with some sumo wrestlers. After lunch, try on a sumo suit and test your skills against a professional. Spend time exploring Asakusa before returning to your hotel. (BL)

## Day 3 Tokyo to Hakone

Take the train from Tokyo to Hakone, best known for its views of the mountains, natural beauty and hot springs. Travel on the ropeway for beautiful views of Lake Ashi and on a clear day, see iconic Mt Fuji. Sail across the waters of Lake Ashi on a pirate ship before returning to your accommodation. Stay in a ryokan, a traditional Japanese guesthouse and enjoy a delicious dinner, soak in the onsen and sleep on a futon mattress in an immaculate tatami-floored room. Overnight at Hakone Pax Yoshino (or similar) (BD)

## Day 4 Hakone to Takayama

From Hakone, travel by train to ancient Takayama, famous for its well preserved old town district and traditional atmosphere. On the way, enjoy a bento box for lunch. Visit Takayama Jinya, a former government building which offers insights into Japan's history. Stroll along Kami Sannomachi Street to see the immaculately-preserved traditional wooden houses. View the elaborate festival floats at the Takayama Matsuri Yatai Kaikan and enjoy free time before walking back to the hotel. Stay the next two nights at Best Western Hotel Takayama (or similar) (BL)

## Day 5 Takayama

Spend the day at leisure exploring Takayama and its surrounds at your own pace. You may choose to visit Shirakawago, a World Heritage Listed protected village famous for its stunning natural beauty and steeply pitched thatched roofs designed to withstand the heavy winter snowfall. Discover the shrines and temples of the Teramachi district or travel a short distance to Hida-Furukawa to admire the preserved buildings. (B)

## Day 6 Takayama to Kyoto

Travel by train to Kyoto, Japan's cultural capital, a hub for Geisha and the home of royal cuisine. On arrival, enjoy some free time. Late afternoon, join a walking tour along Ponto-cho and Hanami-koji Lane in the Gion district where you may see a Geisha walking between appointments. Stay the next four nights at Mitsui Garden Hotel Kyoto Shijo (or similar) (B)

## Day 7 Kyoto

Spend the day walking and travelling by public transport to discover Kyoto's highlights. Take the train to Arashiyama Bamboo Forest and marvel at the towering stalks of bamboo before continuing to Tenryuji Temple. See Katsura River from Togetsukyo Bridge and take the iconic purple Randen Train to Ryoanji Temple, the site of the most famous rock garden in Japan. Visit the Golden Pavilion (Kinkaku-ji), an elegant, gilded 14th century building which is one of Japan's most cherished sites. (B)

## Day 8 Kyoto

Discover Kyoto and its surrounds with a free day to explore independently. Take the train to the historic city of Hiroshima, venture to Osaka to see Osaka Castle, meet Nara's deer population or visit Himeji Castle – the choice is yours. (B)

## Day 9 Kyoto

Spend a free day exploring Kyoto at your own pace. This evening, enjoy a special kaiseki farewell dinner while being entertained by a Maiko (an apprentice Geisha). (BD)

## Day 10 Kyoto

Transfer by private taxi to Kyoto Station for your onward journey. (B)

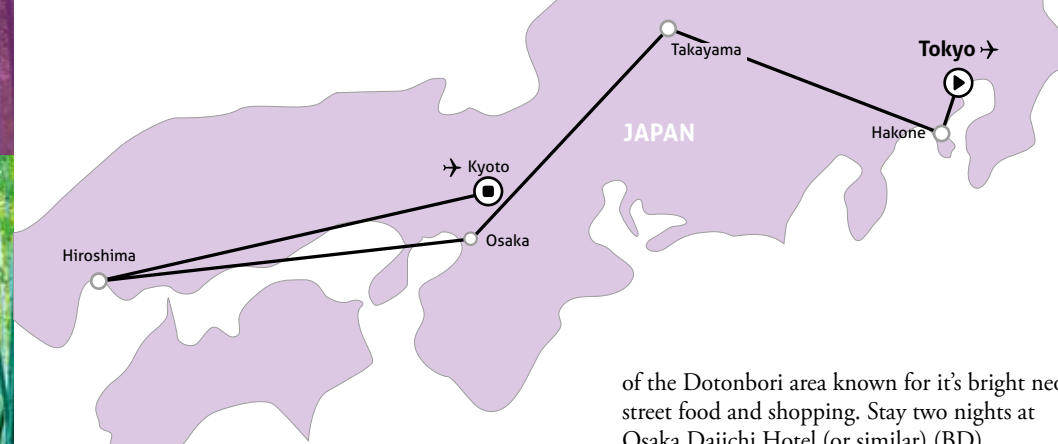






## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Discover Kappabashi Dori with its endless supply of stores selling everything from pots and pans to cooking utensils and chairs to restaurant operators. Some stores even sell plastic and wax food samples for window displays!
- Lose yourself in the abundance of fabric stores in Tokyo's Nippori Fabric Town where you'll find everything from traditional silks to modern print cotton fabric.
- Wander through Yanaka Old Town and take in the 'shitamachi' or 'downtown' character of the area, a stark difference to the modernity of Tokyo.



### Day 1 Tokyo

Arrive in Tokyo, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next three nights at Akasaka Excel Hotel Tokyu (or similar).

### Day 2 Tokyo

Spend the morning discovering Tokyo on a walking tour. Visit the city's most famous Shinto shrine – Meiji Jingu. Walk to nearby Harajuku which showcases the Cosplay (costume play) subculture. Take the train to Shibuya and see the iconic pedestrian crossing in front of Shibuya train station. Sample some delicious food as you wander through the Tokyu Food Hall. Enjoy free time to explore. (B)

### Day 3 Tokyo

Discover the oldest and most revered temple in Tokyo, Asakusa Temple. Stroll along Kappabashi Dori to see the endless array of specialised stores. Visit Yanaka Cemetery, one of Tokyo's most famous graveyards which feels more like a park than a cemetery. Wander through Yanaka Old Town where the older buildings are re-purposed. (B)

### Day 4 Tokyo to Hakone

Take the train to Hakone. Enjoy a short boat cruise on peaceful Lake Ashi and ride the ropeway for majestic views of Mt Fuji. This evening, enjoy a delicious meal and some free time to soak in the onsen at your traditional Japanese hotel. Overnight at Hakone Pax Yoshino (or similar) (BD)

### Day 5 Hakone to Takayama

Travel by train to Takayama. Visit a historic, former government building, Takayama Jinya. Discover the beautifully preserved wooden houses as you wander along Kami Sannomachi Street. Stay the next two nights at Best Western Hotel Takayama (or similar) (BL)

### Day 6 Takayama

Start your day with a walking tour to see the fresh produce at Miyagawa morning market. Takayama Yatai Kaikan houses magnificent wooden floats which are paraded through the streets each year during the two Takayama Festivals. This afternoon you have the option to visit Hida no Sato, where 30 traditional houses are displayed in a scenic village setting. (B)

### Day 7 Takayama to Osaka

From Takayama, travel by train to vibrant Osaka. Drop your bags at the hotel, take a walking tour

of the Dotonbori area known for its bright neon, street food and shopping. Stay two nights at Osaka Daiichi Hotel (or similar) (BD)

### Day 8 Osaka

Head to Umeda Sky Garden with its views of Osaka before a walk through Kuromon Ichiba Market, also known as "Osaka's Kitchen." In the afternoon to explore the city at your own pace. (B)

### Day 9 Osaka to Hiroshima

Travel by train to Hiroshima and visit the Peace Memorial Museum, dedicated to the events of 1945 before seeing the sobering cenotaph of the Hiroshima bomb at Peace Memorial Park. Stay two nights at Mitsui Garden Hotel Hiroshima (or similar) (B)

### Day 10 Hiroshima

Venture by ferry to peaceful Miyajima Island, home to Itsukushima Shrine. Hike or travel by ropeway to the summit of Mt Misen for spectacular views. Enjoy a traditional okonomiyaki pancake before returning by ferry to the mainland. Spend the evening at leisure. (BL)

### Day 11 Hiroshima to Kyoto

Travel by train to Himeji famous for its imposing hilltop castle before continuing to Kyoto. Take an evening walking tour along Ponto-cho and Hanami-koji Lane in the Gion district where you may see a Geisha walking between appointments. Stay three nights at Mitsui Garden Hotel Kyoto Shijo (or similar) (B)

### Day 12 Kyoto

Discover Kyoto's highlights on a walking tour. Begin at Kiyomizudera Temple, in the hills of east Kyoto. Wander along the shophouses of Ninenzaka Street before visiting Kyoto's oldest Zen temple, Kenninji Temple. Learn the philosophy and art of serving tea at a traditional tea ceremony and finish the day with the golden pavillion at Kinkakuji, Kyoto's most famous building. (B)

### Day 13 Kyoto

Start the day with a visit to the one of Kyoto's most iconic sights, Fushimi Inari, with its tunnels of vermillion torii gates. You have free time to further explore Kyoto or take an optional afternoon excursion to the bamboo forest at Arashiyama. End your tour with a farewell dinner where you will be entertained by a genuine Maiko or apprentice Geisha.

### Day 14 Kyoto

Transfer to Kyoto Station for your onward journey. (B)

## SECRETS OF JAPAN

14 DAYS FROM  
\$ 8,149 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	5	8149	9399
	12	8149	9399
MAY	17	8879	9839
JUNE	21	8395	9435
SEPTEMBER	6	8199	10675
OCTOBER	5	9315	10599
NOVEMBER	8	9415	10454
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	7	8999	10145
	28	9515	10755
APRIL	4	9515	10699
	11	9115	10199

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 14 Day Rail Pass
- 12 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night Ryokan accommodation
- Breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 2 dinners
- High-speed trains
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Small group touring
- Entrance fees
- Luggage transport
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Return transfers (conditions apply)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE





### SPLENDOURS OF JAPAN

**13 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 6,355** PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
APRIL	12	6565	7315
MAY	24	6765	7525
JUNE	7	6465	7215
JULY	5	6565	7335
SEPTEMBER	6	7385	8585
OCTOBER	11	6865	7585
NOVEMBER	1	6765	7525
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	21	6355	7115
MARCH	28	7115	7825

All Departures Guaranteed

#### Tour price includes

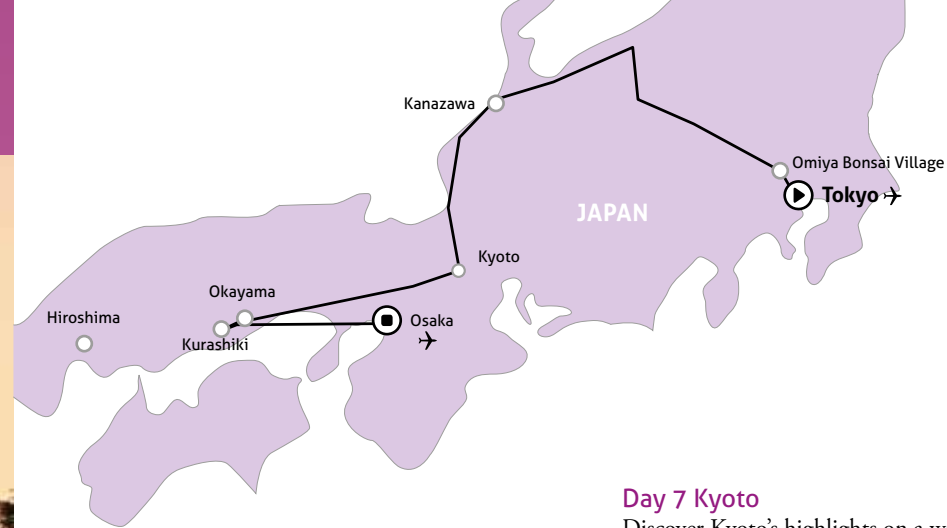
- 12 nights hotel accommodation
- 7 Day Rail Pass
- High-speed trains
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance fees
- Luggage Transport
- English speaking tour leader
- All tips on tour
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Return transfers (conditions apply)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Relax in Hamariky Garden as you sample matcha (green tea) and enjoy a Japanese sweet.
- Wander through the Omiya Bonsai Village, and see the art of bonsai at the multiple nurseries and private gardens.
- Visit Daitokuji Temple complex to experience the Zen culture and architecture.
- Explore Kurashiki to see the storehouses which once stored rice and have now been converted into museums and cafés.



#### Day 1 Tokyo

On arrival in Tokyo, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay three nights at Villa Fontaine Shiodome (or similar).

#### Day 2 Tokyo

Using Tokyo's efficient public transportation, spend the day discovering the city's highlights. Visit one of Tokyo's liveliest districts, Asakusa and discover colourful Sensoji Temple. Board a boat to cruise on Tokyo's Sumida River past the headquarters of some famous Japanese companies. Stroll through Hamariky Garden and sample matcha (green tea) accompanied by a Japanese sweet in the Floating Garden Pavilion. (B)

#### Day 3 Tokyo – Omiya Bonsai Village

Take a short train ride to Omiya Bonsai Village, home to multiple bonsai nurseries and gardens. Learn the art of bonsai and view 1,000-year-old bonsai trees at the Bonsai Art Museum. Dedicated to the Shinto god of the sea and storms, visit Hikawa Shrine rumoured to be over 2,000 years old. Return to visit Tokyo's most famous Shinto shrine, Meiji Jingu before wandering the tree-lined avenue of Omotesando. (B)

#### Day 4 Tokyo to Kanazawa

Travel by train to Kanazawa. On the way, enjoy a bento box lunch. See Tersahima Kurando House, home of a middle-rank samurai during the Edo period. Stroll through Kenrokuen Garden, the most famous landscaped garden in the city. Visit DT Suzuki Museum with its buildings and gardens based on Zen philosophy. Return for an evening at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Kanazawa Manten Hotel (or similar). (BL)

#### Day 5 Kanazawa

Enjoy a day at leisure to further explore Kanazawa. Or, choose to join a day tour to Shirakawago with its unique 'gassho' style buildings, and Takayama's quiet streets and old-world ambience. (B)

#### Day 6 Kanazawa to Kyoto

Board the train to Kyoto. In the afternoon, visit the mountain complex of Fushimi Inari Shrine. Walk through the thousands of vermillion coloured torii which line kilometres of mountain paths. Stay the next three nights at Hotel Centnovum Kyoto (or similar). (B)

#### Day 7 Kyoto

Discover Kyoto's highlights on a walking tour. Begin at Kyoto's oldest Zen temple, Kenninji Temple then continue on to Yasaka Shrine, one of the most famous in Kyoto. Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony and learn about the philosophy and art of serving tea. Wander the shophouses Ninenzaka before visiting Kodaiji Temple with its lavish buildings and beautiful gardens. (B)

#### Day 8 Kyoto

In the morning visit Kyoto's lesser known temples and Zen gardens at Daitokuji Temple complex. Visit atmospheric Koto-in known for its maple trees, Ryogen-in with the world's smallest Zen garden and Zuiho-in's dry landscapes. Afternoon at leisure to explore the city. (B)

#### Day 9 Kyoto to Okayama

Take the train to Okayama. Visit Korakuen, one of Japan's best landscaped gardens, featuring streams, paths and spacious lawns which are a unique feature. Located across the river from the gardens, continue to the six storey Okayama Castle or 'Crow Castle' for its black exterior. Remainder of the day at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Mitsui Garden Hotel Okayama (or similar). (B)

#### Day 10 Okayama

Visit Kurashiki, a preserved canal town. Enjoy strolling along the historic tree-lined streets or spend some time in the many art museums. You may choose to take an optional boat ride along the canals before returning to Okayama for an evening at leisure. (B)

#### Day 11 Okayama to Osaka

From Okayama, travel by train to Osaka and enjoy free time on arrival. In the afternoon, visit Osaka Castle to learn about its turbulent history. Board the Aqualiner and cruise along Okawa River to see the city from a unique perspective. Enjoy an evening at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Cross Hotel Osaka (or similar). (B)

#### Day 12 Osaka

Enjoy a free day in Osaka. Visit the fascinating Osaka Museum of Housing & Living or perhaps see the city from above at the 173-metre Umeda Sky Building. Enjoy a farewell group dinner in the Dotonbori Area. (BD)

#### Day 13 Osaka

Transfer to Osaka Station or Kansai International Airport for your onward journey. (B)





### HIGHLIGHTS OF CHINA

**10 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 2,979** PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	23	2979	3815
APRIL	6	3019	3915
	20	3019	3915
MAY	11	3019	3915
	25	3019	3915
JUNE	15	2979	3815
JULY	13	3019	3895
AUGUST	10	3019	3895
SEPTEMBER	7	3019	3915
	21	3019	3915
OCTOBER	12	3019	3915
	26	3019	3915
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	22	2979	3815

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

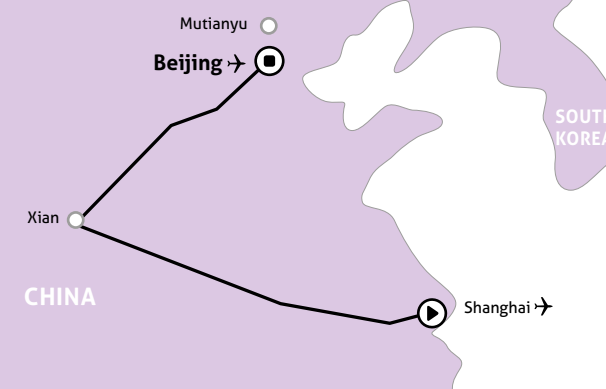
- 9 nights hotel accommodation
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- All high-speed train travel as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

EASY

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Wander through the narrow laneways of Beijing's ancient 'hutongs' where its people have lived and traditions have evolved for centuries.
- Visit the Giant Panda Research & Breeding Base to learn about these endangered animals, and the conservation and breeding initiatives that have been implemented to protect them.
- Gain a glimpse into local life as you explore the fascinating backstreets on a walking tour in the older parts of Shanghai.
- Travel by high-speed train to marvel at the splendour of the World Heritage Listed Classical Chinese Gardens of Suzhou.



### Day 1 Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next three nights at Penta Hotel (or similar).

### Day 2 Shanghai

Shanghai has emerged as one of Asia's most important cities and is a buzzing contemporary metropolis. Visit the China Art Palace and discover the modern buildings of the Pudong area. Enjoy lunch before exploring the French Concession area and take a backstreets walking tour to find Shanghai's hidden gems. Discover the historical riverfront area known as the Bund, home to an impressive collection of 1920s neoclassical buildings. Wander through Yu Yuan, an extensive garden nestled in the centre of Shanghai's old city. In the evening, enjoy an acrobatic performance. (BL)

### Day 3 Shanghai to Fengjing

Drive from Shanghai to Fengjing, a traditional water canal town. Enjoy a short cruise along the narrow canals to see the daily life of the people living along the river. Known for peasant painting, meet local artists who take inspiration from folk art including indigo prints, embroidery and murals to create unique art depicting traditional life. Return to Shanghai for an evening at leisure. (B)

### Day 4 Shanghai to Xian

Fly from Shanghai to Xian, the start of the world's most famous trade route – the Silk Road. Visit the 14th century city walls and continue to the Great Mosque, an interesting fusion of Middle Eastern and traditional architectural styles. Walk through the Muslim Quarter to Yongxingfang as you take in the lively street markets and exotic local foods which range from Muslim cuisine to traditional Shaanxi dishes. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 5 Xian

Drive a short distance to the Army of Terracotta Warriors – one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century. Still under excavation, the life-sized terracotta warriors and horses were only unearthed in 1974 after being buried for 2,000 years. Each figure is completely unique both in facial features and expression. Return to Xian for an afternoon at leisure. In the evening, choose to join an optional dumpling cooking class and

sample your creations for dinner or discover your own eatery to try some local delicacies. (BL)

### Day 6 Xian to Beijing

Travel by high-speed train from Xian to Beijing and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon, visit the magnificent Summer Palace and discover the temples, pavilions and decorated corridors of the extensive grounds. Stay the next four nights at Novotel Xinqiao (or similar). (BL)

### Day 7 Beijing

Spend a full day exploring Beijing's impressive sites. Walk through vast Tiananmen Square which is said to hold over a million people. Continue to the Forbidden City and discover the massive collection of imperial buildings which make up one of the largest palace complexes in the world. At a local restaurant, try zha jiang mian, a noodle dish with pork or beef topped with soybean paste. Venture off the tourist path into traditional residential alleyways known as 'hutongs' which have not changed significantly for centuries and gain a glimpse into the lives of the locals. Continue to rarely visited Miaoying Temple and tranquil Beihai Park before returning to your hotel. (BL)

### Day 8 Beijing

Visit the iconic Temple of Heaven, a perfect example of Ming architecture and a symbol of Beijing. With neither nails nor concrete used in its construction, the temple stands 38 metres high, 30 metres in diameter and is completely balanced by wooden pillars. Continue to Beijing's largest market, Panjiayuan Antique Market which is known for its arts, crafts and antiques. Spend time wandering through the market before returning to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. (B)

### Day 9 Beijing – Great Wall of China

Considered one of the world's most famous man-made sites, the Great Wall of China is not to be missed. Travel to Mutianyu, a less crowded section of the wall with numerous guard towers. Take the cable car up to the wall and spend time exploring this incredible creation. This evening, enjoy a farewell Peking duck group dinner. (BD)

### Day 10 Beijing

Transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)





# THREE GORGES DISCOVERY

14 Days/13 Nights

CHINA



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Wander through the narrow laneways of Beijing's ancient "hutongs" where its people have lived and traditions have evolved for centuries.
- Visit the Giant Panda Research & Breeding Base to learn about these endangered animals, and the conservation and breeding initiatives that have been implemented.
- Marvel at the beautiful scenery along the Yangtze River whilst you relax and unwind.
- Travel by high-speed train to marvel at the splendour of the World Heritage Listed Classical Chinese Gardens of Suzhou. The Humble Administrator's Garden is the largest in Suzhou and the Master of Nets Garden is one of the finest in China.



### Day 1 Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next three nights at Novotel Xinqiao (or similar).

### Day 2 Beijing

Spend a full day exploring Beijing's impressive sites. Walk through Tiananmen Square before continuing to the Forbidden City and Jingshan Park. At a local restaurant, try zha jiang mian, a noodle dish of pork or beef topped with soybean paste. Gain a glimpse into the lives of the local people as you go off the beaten path and wander through the traditional residential alleyways known as 'hutongs', where you will get to see some of the lesser known yet spectacular sights. (BL)

### Day 3 Beijing

Travel to Mutianyu, a less crowded section of the Great Wall of China. Take the cable car up to the wall and enjoy exploring independently. This evening, savour Beijing's world famous Peking duck with your fellow travellers. (BD)

### Day 4 Beijing to Xian

Visit the Summer Palace to discover the temples and pavilions. As you wander through the grounds, see local people exercising and practising Tai Chi. In the afternoon, take the high-speed train to Xian. Visit the 14th century city walls which stand 12 metres above the city. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). (BL)

### Day 5 Xian

Discover Xian's highlights on a full day tour. Drive to the Army of Terracotta Warriors and see the life-sized warriors which are unique both in facial features and expression. Return to Xian and see the Small Wild Goose Pagoda before visiting the Xian Museum. Gain insights at the Great Mosque with its fusion of Islamic and Chinese architecture before wandering through the Muslim Quarter to enjoy its lively street markets and fascinating local foods. (BL)

### Day 6 Xian to Chengdu

Travel by high-speed train from Xian to Chengdu. On arrival, visit People's Park to observe the relaxed local Chengdu tea house lifestyle before spending the evening at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Dorsett Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Chengdu

Visit the Giant Panda Research & Breeding Base to see Giant pandas and learn about these incredible animals. For lunch, sample a Wenshuyuan Buddhist meal before

visiting Wenshu Temple, the best preserved Tang Dynasty Buddhist Temple in Chengdu. Enjoy free time to walk around the surrounding colourful market streets and in the evening, you have the option to see a Sichuan opera face-changing performance. (BL)

### Day 8 Chengdu to Yangtze River

Enjoy a leisurely morning before taking the high-speed train to Chongqing located on the Yangtze River and the embarkation point for your cruise. Stay the next three nights onboard Victoria Sabrina (or similar). (BLD)

### Day 9 Yangtze River Cruise

Leave Chongqing behind as you cruise pass small towns whose existence is tied to the waters of the Yangtze. Stop at Shibaozhai, an impressive structure built against a steep hill with a name which means 'precious stone fortress'. This evening, enjoy a buffet dinner on board. (BLD)

### Day 10 Yangtze River Cruise

Rise early and be rewarded with magnificent river landscapes as the ship passes through towering cliffs and mountains of the first and second gorges, Qutang and Wu Gorge. Later in the day, the ship enters the third of the main gorges called Xiling Gorge. This evening, join the Captain's Banquet for dinner as the ship makes its way through the impressive five level shiplock and moors downstream of the Three Gorges Dam. (BLD)

### Day 11 Yangtze River to Yichang

Take an early morning excursion to the site of the Three Gorges Dam Project before returning to the ship and continue cruising to Yichang, where the cruise ends. After an included lunch spend a free afternoon in Yichang. Stay the next night at Gezhouba Hotel (or similar). (BL)

### Day 12 Yichang to Shanghai

Take a morning flight to Shanghai before embarking on a full day tour discovering the secrets of Shanghai, from the modern buildings of Pudong and the China Art Palace to the colonial French Concession. Venture through the backstreets to experience the local Shanghai lifestyle before meandering through Yu Yuan in the Old Town area. In the evening, enjoy a performance by world famous Chinese acrobats. Stay the next two nights at Penta Hotel (or similar). (BL)

### Day 13 Shanghai

Take the high-speed train to the World Heritage Listed Classical Gardens of Suzhou where you will visit two outstanding gardens. The Humble Administrator's Garden is the largest in Suzhou and the Master of Nets Garden is known as one of the finest in China. Stop at the Suzhou Museum before returning to Shanghai to enjoy a farewell group dinner. (BLD)

### Day 14 Shanghai

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

## THREE GORGES DISCOVERY

14 DAYS FROM  
\$ 4,365 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	23	4365	5675
APRIL	6	4575	6049
MAY	11	4575	6049
JUNE	1	4365	5675
JULY	6	4415	5775
AUGUST	10	4415	5775
SEPTEMBER	7	4589	6085
OCTOBER	12	4589	6085
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	22	4365	5675

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 10 nights hotel accommodation
- 3 nights cruise accommodation on Victoria Cruises
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- All high-speed train travel as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING





## CHINA PANORAMA

**15 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 4,465** PER PERSON\*

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	29	4525	5829
APRIL	12	4525	5829
MAY	3	4525	5829
JUNE	17	4525	5829
JULY	7	4465	5715
AUGUST	5	4555	5895
SEPTEMBER	9	4555	5895
OCTOBER	6	4615	6015
	20	4615	6015
	4	4615	6015
	18	4615	6015
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
MARCH	28	4525	5829

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 13 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night lodge accommodation
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- All high-speed train travel as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Li River Cruise
- Leshan Cruise
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Known as the Dragon's Backbone, spend time taking in the spectacular rice terrace scenery of Longsheng during an overnight stay at a beautiful lodge.
- Visit a village in the southern countryside for an interactive experience to learn about rural life in China as you pick vegetables for a simple lunch.
- Venture high into the mountains to visit an ancient village and see local tea pickers at work in the plantation.
- Taste the flavours of an iconic Sichuan hotpot as you cook fresh vegetables and meat in the spicy, simmering soup.



## Day 1 Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next four nights at Novotel Xinqiao (or similar).

## Day 2 Beijing

Walk the expanse of Tiananmen Square and walk to the marvellous Forbidden City on a full day city tour. Visit the beautiful gardens of Jinshan Park before venturing deep into the alleyways of Beijing known as 'hutongs' to observe the traditional way of life which has remained relatively unchanged for centuries. (BL)

## Day 3 Beijing

Visit the iconic Temple of Heaven which stands 38 metres high and 30 metres in diameter. Continue to Panjiayuan Antique Market, Beijing's largest market. After an included lunch, visit the ornate World Heritage Listed Summer Palace, where the Imperial family once spent the warmer months, and discover its temples, pavilions and decorated corridors that were home to China's ruling families. (BL)

## Day 4 Beijing

Visit one of the world's most famous man-made sites, the Great Wall of China. At Mutianyu, a less crowded section of the wall, travel by cable car up to the wall and enjoy exploring independently. This evening, enjoy a farewell group dinner of world famous Peking duck. (BD)

## Day 5 Beijing to Xian

Travel by high-speed train to Xian. This evening, join an optional dumpling banquet to sample the different flavours these little bundles of food joy come in. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture (or similar). (B)

## Day 6 Xian

On a full day tour of Xian, discover the city's highlights. Drive to the Army of Terracotta Warriors and marvel at the spectacular scenes of countless life-size warriors. Return to Xian and visit the city walls before continuing to the Great Mosque, an interesting fusion of Middle Eastern and traditional architectural styles. Wander through the Muslim Quarter to Yongxingfang as you take in the lively street markets and exotic local foods. (BL)

## Day 7 Xian to Chengdu

Take the high speed train to Chengdu and visit the Giant Panda Research & Breeding Base to see the country's cutest residents before immersing yourself in the local life of bustling People's Park by joining the locals for a cup of tea in a teahouse as you watch a game of mahjong. Stay the next two nights at Dorsett Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 8 Chengdu

From Chengdu, drive south to Leshan to see the World Heritage Listed Giant Buddha, also known as Da Fo – the largest Buddha statue in the world. Cruise past this amazing structure for some great views. Drive to an ancient village before visiting a tea plantation to see China's best known export being picked high in the mountains. Experience the atmospheric night market before enjoying the spicy flavours of a traditional Sichuan hotpot feast. (BLD)

## Day 9 Chengdu to Longsheng

Fly to Guilin and drive to Ping An in Longsheng. Stay overnight in a lodge overlooking the famous Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces. Stay the next night at Longji Ping An Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 10 Longsheng to Guilin

In Longsheng, admire some of China's most stunning scenery with row upon row of rice terraces clinging precariously to the slopes of neighbouring mountain peaks and valleys. Enjoy a simple lunch at a local farmer's restaurant before driving to Guilin. Stay the next night at Guilin Bravo Hotel (or similar). (BL)

## Day 11 Guilin to Yangshuo

Cruise along the Li River with stunning limestone karsts towering above the river. Arrive in Yangshuo and spend the afternoon enjoying the colourful atmosphere of this enchanting town. Stay the next two nights at Days Inn Frontier Yangshuo (or similar). (BL)

## Day 12 Yangshuo

Venture to the farmlands surrounding Yangshuo for a fascinating village experience and help the farmers pick fresh vegetables to be used in your lunch. In the afternoon, ride a tranquil bamboo raft along the Yulong River. This evening, you have the option of joining a cooking class and preparing local dishes for dinner. (BL)

## Day 13 Yangshuo to Hong Kong

Transfer to Hong Kong by high speed train and enjoy an evening at leisure to experience this vibrant city sights, sounds and tastes. Stay the next two nights at Metropolis Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 14 Hong Kong

Enjoy a half day tour exploring Hong Kong Island. Visit famous Victoria Peak for breathtaking panoramas of Victoria Harbour before continuing to sun-drenched Repulse Bay to take in the relaxed beachside atmosphere of Kwun Yum Temple. Discover the floating villages of Aberdeen during a sampan ride to see locals living on the fishing junks. This afternoon, enjoy free time. (B)

## Day 15 Hong Kong

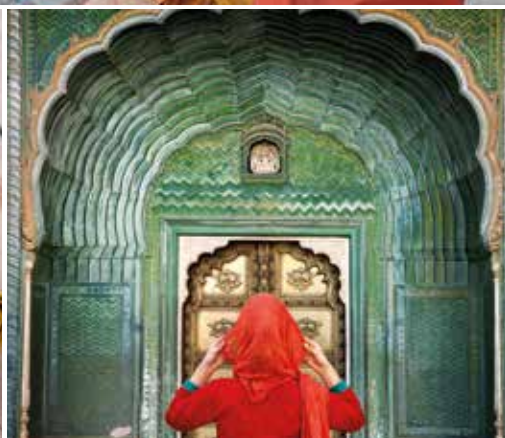
Transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)





# INDIA

A kaleidoscope of colour and activity, India is home to dramatic forts, endless deserts, spice hills, tranquil backwaters and thriving cities. Welcoming people, tantalising cuisine, ancient traditions and diverse landscapes make India one of Asia's most rewarding destinations. Experience a land of vibrant colours, rich history and local cultures as you venture through this captivating country.



## FLAVOUR

From sweet chai and fresh naan to delicious curries and fried samosas, the authentic flavours of Indian cuisine can be tasted everywhere from restaurants to vibrant markets and local homes.

## UNIQUE

Rugged national parks and towering forts meet Thar Desert sunsets and aarthi ceremonies in a country filled with a diverse array of unique experiences which will enliven your senses.

## LOCAL

Experience India through the eyes of a local. Venture off the tourist trail into a world of culture-rich villages and beautiful saris, talk with a Sadhu, discover an ashram and visit a traditional milk market.

# SRI LANKA

## FLAVOUR

A melting pot of flavours, Sri Lanka's cuisine is based on fresh fruit, vegetables and spices. Enjoy a cooking demonstration, a delicious local lunch or a refreshing cup of local tea.

## UNIQUE

Absorb the atmosphere of pilgrims worshipping at a Buddhist temple, spot elephants in Yala National Park or take in stunning views from Sigiriya Rock – all unique experiences to Sri Lanka.

## LOCAL

Experiencing life like a local offers wonderful insights. Shop at Colombo's local Pettah market, gain a glimpse into farming life at a rural village or travel by train through the highlands.



Sri Lanka is an island of diversity where ancient Buddhist cities and colourful temples combine with tropical beaches and abundant wildlife. Meet the local tea plantation workers and fishermen that call this island nation home. Small in size, yet big in historical, cultural and natural delights, Sri Lanka is an ideal destination just waiting to be uncovered.







# TASTE OF INDIA

8 Days/7 Nights



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Experience Old Delhi in a rickshaw ride tour to see the way of life.
- Visit Taj Mahal – A Symbol of Love. The love of a man for his wife is preserved in the gleaming white marble of the Taj Mahal.
- Take a game ride in one of the finest jungles of India in search of Royal Bengal Tigers in Ranthambore National Park.
- Take a ride on a Pink City Rickshaw Tour in Jaipur. The rickshaw will be driven by well trained women, who come from the slums and low income areas of Jaipur.
- Experience the local traditions while having a dinner with a local family in Jaipur.



### Day 1 Delhi

Welcome to Delhi! Our representative will meet you and assist you with your transfer to the hotel. Overnight at The Suryaa (or similar).

### Day 2 Delhi

After breakfast, you will enjoy an interesting sightseeing tour of Delhi. Begin your day with visit of Red Fort, which was built on the western bank of the river Yamuna and is an elegant citadel in red sandstone. Experience Old Delhi on an exciting rickshaw ride through Chandni Chowk. Visit Khari Baoli Spice Market and Parathey Wali Gali to taste the local food. Later walk to Jama Masjid and Gurdwara Sis Ganj Sahib. After Old Delhi, experience New Delhi including Humayun's Tomb and Lodhi Art district. Overnight at The Suryaa (or similar). (B)

### Day 3 Delhi / Agra

Drive to Agra, the city of the inimitable Taj Mahal. Enjoy a visit to Agra Fort. The massive fort is 2.5 km long and is considered as the predecessor of the Delhi Red fort. Later you will learn about the art of marble inlay "Parchin Kari" which was introduced in India in the 17th century by the Mughals. Overnight at Tajview Agra (or similar). (B)

### Day 4 Agra / Abhaneri / Ranthambore

Admire the beauty of Taj Mahal at Sunrise. The world-renowned wonder was built by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan as a memorial to his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal. Drive to Ranthambore. On the way visit Chand Baori



Step well in Abhaneri, regarded as one of deepest and largest step wells in India. Continue to Ranthambore National Park which is one of the largest and most famous national parks in North India. Overnight at Tree Leaf Kipling Lodge (or similar). (BD)

### Day 5 Ranthambore

Enjoy an early morning safari adventure in the National park. Return to the hotel and enjoy the breakfast before visiting Women's Cooperative, a social project founded by six women united to protect India's traditional artisans. In the afternoon, enjoy another safari in the National park. Overnight at Tree Leaf Kipling Lodge (or similar). (BD)

### Day 6 Ranthambore / Jaipur

Drive to Jaipur, the beautiful city popularly known as the Pink City thanks to the colour of its buildings. Later enjoy a visit to Jantar Mantar, which has a collection of architectural and astronomical instruments. Enjoy a Pink Rickshaw ride, a community organisation where the rickshaw is driven by well-trained women from the low-income areas of Jaipur. Overnight at Alsisar Haveli (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Jaipur

Today is the day to immerse yourself in the local way of life. Begin the day with an early morning visit to the "milk market" called Doodh Mandi (doodh = milk, mandi=bazaar/ market) and interact with farmers selling milk. Have a photo stop at the beautiful "Palace of Winds" known as Hawa Mahal. Enjoy a cup of tea at one of the best chai shops in Jaipur. Take an exhilarating Jeep ride to majestic Amber Fort, a fascinating blend of Hindu and Mughal architecture set in picturesque, rugged hills. Take an evening walking tour through the Old bazaar. A farewell dinner with a local Indian family will give you a chance to interact with them and get to know the Indian culture more closely. Overnight at Alsisar Haveli (or similar). (BD)

### Day 8 Jaipur

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

# INDIA

## TASTE OF INDIA

8 DAYS FROM  
\$ 2,299 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	2	2395	3165
	16	2395	3165
MARCH	15	2395	3165
SEPTEMBER	27	2299	2985
OCTOBER	11	2435	3265
	25	2435	3265
NOVEMBER	15	2435	3265
DECEMBER	13	2435	3265
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	10	2435	3265
FEBRUARY	7	2435	3265
	21	2435	3265
MARCH	7	2435	3265

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 7 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles (except Jeep Safari's and rickshaw touring)
- Ranthambore National Park Jeep safaris
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING





# SPICE OF THE SOUTH

15 Days/14 Nights



## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Visit to DakshinaChitra – Which showcases “A Picture of the South”. It is an exciting cross cultural living museum of art, architecture, lifestyles and crafts of South India.
- Walk through the French Quarter of Pondicherry, which will leave you spellbound whilst experiencing the French architecture in India.
- Walk through some of the lush green plantations to experience the beauty of this beautiful place known as Munnar.



### Day 1 Chennai

Welcome to Chennai! Our representative will meet and greet you and assist with your transfer to your hotel. Overnight at Crowne Plaza Chennai (or similar). (B)

### Day 2 Chennai / Mahabalipuram

Visit the Fish Market, Fort St. George, and Marina Beach one of the most magnificent beaches in India. DakshinaChitra is an exciting cross cultural living museum of art, architecture, and lifestyles. Overnight at Radisson Blu Resort Temple Bay (or similar). (B)

### Day 3 Mahabalipuram

Experience village life at Kokilamedu Village. Visit the Five Rathas, a set of rock temples and Arjuna's Penance, a famous stone carving. Later visit a beautiful, romantic temple. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at Radisson Blu Resort Temple Bay (or similar). (B)

### Day 4 Mahabalipuram / Pondicherry

Visit Auroville, “the City of Tomorrow.” Walk through Pondicherry, ruled by the French for more than 3 centuries, once the largest French colony in India. Overnight at Maisons Perumal (or similar). (B)

### Day 5 Pondicherry / Chidambaram / Kumbakonam

On the way to Kumbakonam, visit Nataraj Temple a unique amalgamation of architectural styles. Also visit Gangaikonda Cholapuram from the outside. Overnight at the Mantra Koodam (or similar). (B)

### Day 6 Kumbakonam

Visit Mr. Ramamohan's house where he is keeping alive the ancient art form of Kalamkari. Explore a temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. In the evening enjoy a ride on a bullock cart through the small villages. Overnight at the Mantra Koodam (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Kumbakonam / Thanjavur / Chettinad

World-heritage site Brihadeswara Temple & Fort is an outstanding example of Chola architecture. See Chettinad, a region of 75

villages. In the evening enjoy visit to Chettinad Mansions and local houses. Overnight at Chidambra Vilas (or similar). (B)

### Day 8 Chettinad / Madurai

Visit 2,000-year-old Meenakshi Temple in the heart of the old town, and the palace built by the greatest of the Nayakkar kings of Madurai. Enjoy an evening ceremony 'Bedtime of the God' at Meenakshi Temple, with musicians, temple singers and priests. Overnight at Courtyard by Marriott Madurai (or similar). (B)

### Day 9 Madurai / Munnar

Drive to the queen of hill stations, Munnar which has the highest peak in South India – Anamudi which towers 2695 meters above sea level. Munnar has unending expanse of tea plantations, pristine valleys, mountains and forests. Overnight at Fragrant Nature (or similar). (B)

### Day 10 Munnar

Begin your day with a walking tour through the tea plantation in Munnar, followed by a visit to a tea factory and the Srishti welfare centre. Overnight at Fragrant Nature (or similar). (B)

### Day 11 Munnar / Kumarakom

Enjoy lunch in a local home stay followed by a farm visit and spice/rubber plantation walk. Kumarakom offers a scenic view of lush green surroundings and emerald green backwaters of Kerala flanked by rich vegetation, long lazy boats and miles of solitude and peace. Overnight at Coconut Lagoon (or similar). (BL)

### Day 12 Kumarakom

Today is free at leisure. Experience the day cruising in backwaters followed by traditional lunch in the House boat. In the evening enjoy cooking demonstration at the hotel followed by Sundowners activity at Coconut Lagoon. Overnight at Coconut Lagoon (or similar). (BL)

### Day 13 Kumarakom / Cochin

A walk through Allapuzha (Alleppey) Town includes lunch at a local home. Drive to Cochin, known as the 'Queen of the Arabian Sea'. In the evening enjoy a Kathakali Dance performance. Overnight at Xandari Harbour (or similar). (BL)

### Day 14 Cochin

A walk around Fort Cochin gives you a glimpse into Cochin's rich Dutch, Portuguese, British and Jewish influences that make the city unique. Visit St. Francis Church which is the oldest church built by Europeans in India. See the beautiful ceiling paintings of Santa Cruz Basilica, followed by the Dutch Cemetery. See the Chinese fishing nets which are unique to Cochin. Enjoy a cruise around Cochin Harbour to witness the picturesque sunset. In the evening enjoy a nice farewell dinner. Overnight at Xandari Harbour (or similar). (BD)

### Day 15 Cochin

After breakfast, drive to Cochin airport to board flight for onward journey/back home (or similar). (B)

INDIA

## SPICE OF THE SOUTH

15 DAYS FROM  
\$ 4,129 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	10	4739	7115
	24	4599	6839
MARCH	23	4599	6725
SEPTEMBER	14	4129	5915
OCTOBER	19	4679	6999
NOVEMBER	2	4679	6999
	16	4679	6999
DECEMBER	7	4679	6999
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	18	4719	7055
FEBRUARY	15	4919	7455
MARCH	1	4719	7055
	15	4719	7055

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 14 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
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TRIP GRADING

MODERATE





# HIGHLIGHTS OF RAJASTHAN

14 Days/13 Nights



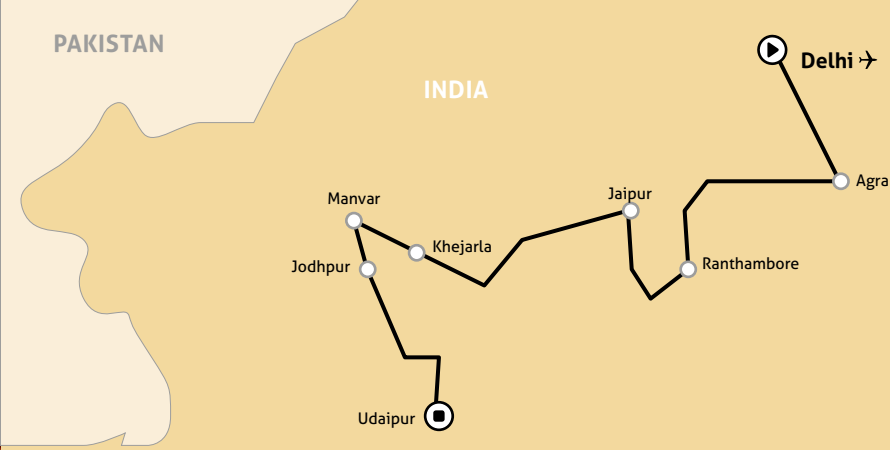
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- Experience Old Delhi on a rickshaw ride tour to see the local way of life.
- Visit Taj Mahal – A Symbol of Love. The love of a man for his wife is preserved in the gleaming white marble of the Taj Mahal.
- Take a Game ride in one of the finest jungles of India in search of Royal Bengal Tigers in Ranthambore National Park.
- Experience the local traditions while having a dinner with a local family in Jaipur.
- Experience the authentic Desert of Rajasthan with a camel ride in Manvar.
- You will be spellbound with the beauty of Lake Pichola in Udaipur while enjoying a beautiful boat ride.



PAKISTAN

INDIA



### Day 1: Delhi

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### Day 2: Delhi

Begin your day with a riverside visit to Red Fort, an elegant citadel in red sandstone. Experience Old Delhi on an exciting rickshaw ride through Chandni Chowk. Visit Khari Baoli Spice Market and Parathey wali gali to taste the local food. Later walk to Jama Masjid and Gurdwara Sis Ganj Sahib. After Old Delhi, experience New Delhi including Humayuns Tomb and Lodhi Art district. Overnight at The Suryaa (or similar). (B)

### Day 3: Delhi / Agra

Agra Fort is a massive, 2.5 km long structure considered the predecessor of the Delhi Red Fort. Learn about the art of marble inlay “Parchin kari” introduced in India in the 17th century by the Mughals. Overnight at Tajview Agra (or similar). (B)

### Day 4: Agra / Abhaneri / Ranthambore

Admire the beauty of Taj Mahal at sunrise, the world-renowned wonder built by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan as a memorial to his wife. On the way to Ranthambore, visit Chand Baori step well in Abhaneri, one of deepest and largest in India. Continue to Ranthambore National Park which is one of the largest and most famous national parks in North India. Overnight at Tree Leaf Kipling Lodge (or similar). (BD)

### Day 5: Ranthambore

Early morning, enjoy a safari in the national park. After breakfast visit a social project founded by six women united to protect India's traditional artisans. Take an afternoon safari in the national park. Overnight at Tree Leaf Kipling Lodge (or similar). (BD)

### Day 6: Ranthambore / Jaipur

Jaipur is known as the Pink City thanks to the colour of its buildings. Jantar Mantar has a collection of architectural and astronomical instruments. Enjoy a Pink Rickshaw ride, a community organisation where the rickshaw is driven by well-trained women from the low-income areas of Jaipur. Overnight at Alsisar Haveli (or similar). (B)

### Day 7: Jaipur

Early morning, visit the “milk market” and interact with farmers selling milk. Stop for photos at the beautiful Hawa Mahal, the “Palace of Winds.” Enjoy a cup of tea at one of the best chai shops in Jaipur. Take an exhilarating Jeep ride to majestic Amber Fort, a fascinating blend of Hindu and Mughal architecture set in picturesque, rugged hills. Evening walking tour through the Old Bazaar. A farewell dinner with a local Indian family will give you a chance to interact with them

and get to know the Indian culture more closely. Overnight at Alsisar Haveli (or similar). (BD)

### Day 8: Jaipur / Khejarla

Go back in time 400 years and visit the ancient Khejarla fort. Hop on board a Jeep for a Village Safari and enjoy a cultural experience in the best of the Rajasthani villages. Continue to visit Durga temple. The best time to visit this temple is during sunset when the views over the vast stretches of open land is very good. Also enjoy a short session of Henna tattoo. End your day with a nice cooking demonstration followed by dinner. Overnight at Fort Khejarla (or similar). (BD)

### Day 9: Khejarla / Manvar

After breakfast drive to Manvar, nestled in the natural beauty of the great Thar desert. In the evening, take a camel safari through the desert and enjoy sunset drinks at the dunes. Return to the hotel for dinner. Overnight at Manvar Desert Camp (or similar). (BLD)

### Day 10: Manvar / Jodhpur

A morning Jeep safari will take you to explore a nearby Bishnoi village. The journey into the desert is an opportunity to experience village life at close quarters against the captivating beauty and tranquillity of the vast desert. After safari drive to Jodhpur, the “Blue City.” Overnight at Ranbanka Palace (or similar). (BL)

### Day 11: Jodhpur

Visit majestic Mehrangarh Fort, a palace intricately adorned with long carved panels and latticed windows exquisitely wrought from red sandstone. Enjoy a walking tour down to the bazaar to explore the hidden heritage of the medieval Jodhpur. Overnight at Ranbanka Palace (or similar). (B)

### Day 12: Jodhpur / Ranakpur / Udaipur

Ranakpur is a remarkable complex of Jain temples and is one of the five main holy palaces of the Jain sect. Continue to Udaipur, a fascinating destination known as the “City of Lakes.” Overnight at hotel Fateh Niwas (or similar). (B)

### Day 13: Udaipur

Visit the City Palace on the bank of the Pichola Lake. Walk through the small shops in the Bazaar in the old city. Further down the road, is famous Jagdish Temple dedicated to Lord Vishnu. In the evening board a boat ride on picturesque Lake Pichola for a scenic view of the lake, mountains, and important historical monuments dotted along the lakeside or submerged within the lake. End your day with a nice farewell dinner at a rooftop restaurant. Overnight at hotel Fateh Niwas (or similar). (BD)

### Day 14: Udaipur

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

## HIGHLIGHTS OF RAJASTHAN

14 DAYS FROM  
\$ 4,069 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	2	4069	5639
	16	4069	5639
MARCH	15	4069	5639
SEPTEMBER	27	4165	5799
OCTOBER	11	4165	5799
	25	4165	5799
NOVEMBER	22	4165	5799
DECEMBER	6	4165	5799
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	17	4165	5799
FEBRUARY	14	4165	5799
	28	4165	5799
MARCH	14	4165	5799

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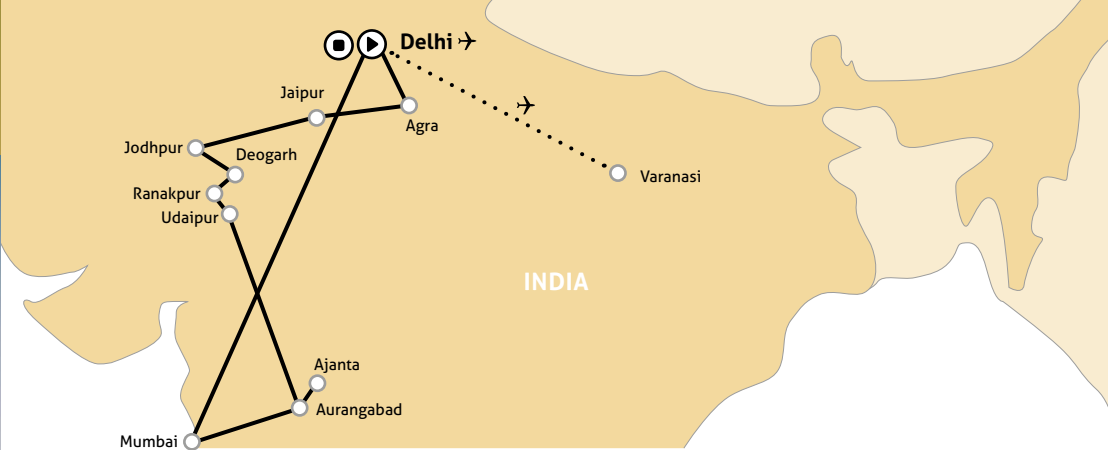
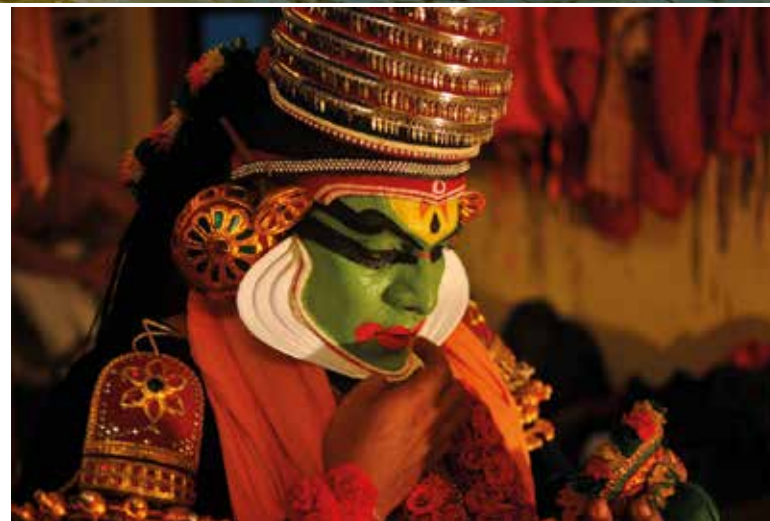






## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Experience Old Delhi on a rickshaw ride tour to see the local way of life.
- Experience the life of this ancient city, Varanasi on a boat ride with traditional flute artist.
- Take a ride on a Pink City Rickshaw tour in Jaipur. The rickshaw will be driven by well trained women, who live in the slums and low income areas of Jaipur.
- A rural train ride may sound simple but is a great journey to enjoy panoramic views, scrub jungle and surrounding hills.
- You will be spellbound with the beauty of Lake Pichola in Udaipur while enjoying a beautiful boat Ride.



### Day 1 Arrive at Delhi

Welcome to Delhi! Our representative will meet you and assist you with your transfer to the hotel. Overnight at The Suryaa (or similar).

### Day 2 Delhi

Visit the Red Fort, built from red sandstone on a riverbank. Experience Old Delhi on an exciting rickshaw ride through Chandni Chowk. Visit a Spice Market and taste the local food. After Old Delhi, experience New Delhi including Humayun's Tomb and Lodhi Art district. Overnight at The Suryaa (or similar). (B)

### Day 3 Delhi / Varanasi

Fly to Varanasi, also known as Kashi – the 'City of Light', one of the oldest cities in the world. Visit Sarnath, an important pilgrimage for Buddhists. Witness a Hindu prayer ritual on the River Ganges. Overnight at Taj Ganges (or similar). (BL)

### Day 4 Varanasi

Embark on a boat ride with a traditional flute musician. Later walk around the ghats followed by a tea break to enjoy some delicious Samosas. Enjoy a walking tour to Ashram and interact with Sadhu. Overnight at Taj Ganges (or similar). (B)

### Day 5 Varanasi / Delhi (Flight) Delhi / Agra

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight to Delhi. Drive to Agra, the city of the inimitable Taj Mahal. Overnight at Tajview Agra (or similar). (B)

### Day 6 Agra / Jaipur

See the sunrise at the Taj Mahal, the world-renowned wonder built as a memorial to an Emperor's wife. Visit the massive Agra Fort. Continue to Jaipur, capital of marvellous Rajasthan. Overnight at Alsisar Haveli (or similar). (B)

### Day 7 Jaipur

Begin with an early morning visit to the "milk market," and chat with the local dairy farmers. Stop for photos at Hawa Mahal, known as "Palace of Winds." Take a Jeep ride to Amber Fort. Hop on a Pink Rickshaw ride and discover the city. Overnight at Alsisar Haveli (or similar). (B)

### Day 8 Jaipur / Jodhpur

After breakfast drive to Jodhpur, The 'Blue City', the second largest city in Rajasthan after Jaipur encircled by a high 10 km long wall. Overnight at Radisson (or similar). (B)

### Day 9 Jodhpur

Start your day with a visit of majestic Mehrangarh Fort, which houses a palace adorned with carved

panels and latticed windows made from red sandstone. Enjoy a walking tour down to the bazaar to explore the hidden heritage of the medieval Jodhpur. Overnight at Radisson (or similar). (B)

### Day 10 Jodhpur / Deogarh

See village life of Deogarh, and Deogarh Mahal itself which is a heritage hotel. Here, you can enjoy a pleasant walking tour around the villages and see the locals in their day to day life. Overnight at Deogarh Mahal (or similar). (B)

### Day 11 Deogarh / Ranakpur / Udaipur

Take a rural train ride with views of jungles, hills and tunnels. Visit a remarkable complex of Jain temples, one of the 5 main holy palaces of the Jain sect. Drive to the "City of Lakes." Overnight at hotel Fateh Niwas (or similar). (B)

### Day 12 Udaipur

From City Palace along the banks of the Pichola Lake, walk to the old city visiting a local bazaar. Visit a famous Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Vishnu. Take boat ride at Lake Pichola, where you can see mountains and historical monuments. Overnight at hotel Fateh Niwas (or similar). (B)

### Day 13 Udaipur / Aurangabad

The morning is at leisure. Later, fly to Aurangabad, gateway to the ancient Caves of Ajanta and Ellora, a place of timeless art and ancient culture. Overnight at Lemon Tree Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 14 Aurangabad / Ajanta / Aurangabad

Excursion to Ajanta Caves, 30 rock-cut Buddhists caves showing the life of Buddha. Overnight at Lemon Tree Hotel (or similar). (B)

### Day 15 Aurangabad / Mumbai

Visit the world-heritage listed Ellora Caves, the masterpiece Kailasa Temple, and Daulatabad Fort. Fly to Mumbai, the city that never sleeps! Overnight at President, Mumbai (or similar). (B)

### Day 16 Mumbai

On your walking tour, see the National Gallery of Modern Art, the David Sassoon Library, the Keneseth Eliyahoo Synagogue, St Thomas' Cathedral, and the Hanging Gardens. Enjoy a farewell dinner. Overnight at President, Mumbai (or similar). (BD)

### Day 17 Mumbai / Delhi

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departure flight to Delhi and onwards to your next destination or flight home. (B)

## ICONIC INDIA

17 DAYS FROM  
\$ 5,999 PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	31	6039	7969
FEBRUARY	21	6039	7969
MARCH	6	6039	7969
SEPTEMBER	25	5999	7879
OCTOBER	9	5999	7879
	23	6115	8119
NOVEMBER	13	6115	8119
DECEMBER	4	6115	8119
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	8	6149	8199
	22	6149	8199
FEBRUARY	12	6149	8199
	26	6149	8199
MARCH	12	6149	8199

All Departures Guaranteed

## Tour price includes

- 16 nights hotel accommodation
- All flights as specified in the itinerary
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles (except rickshaw touring)
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
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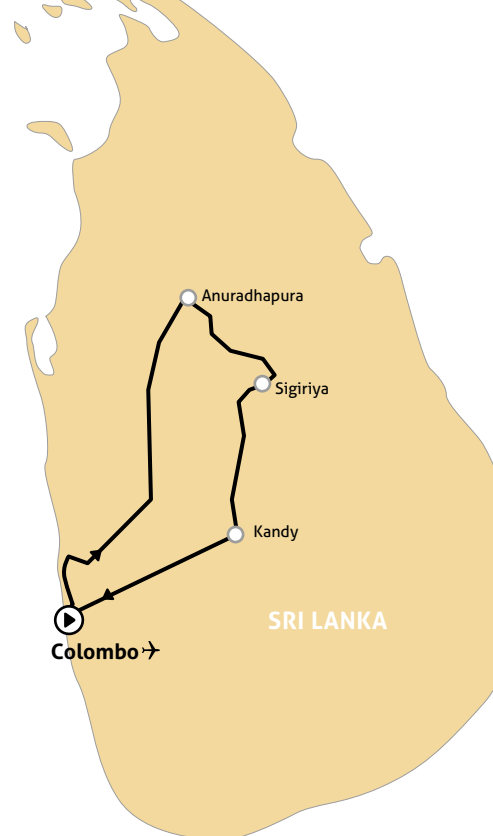
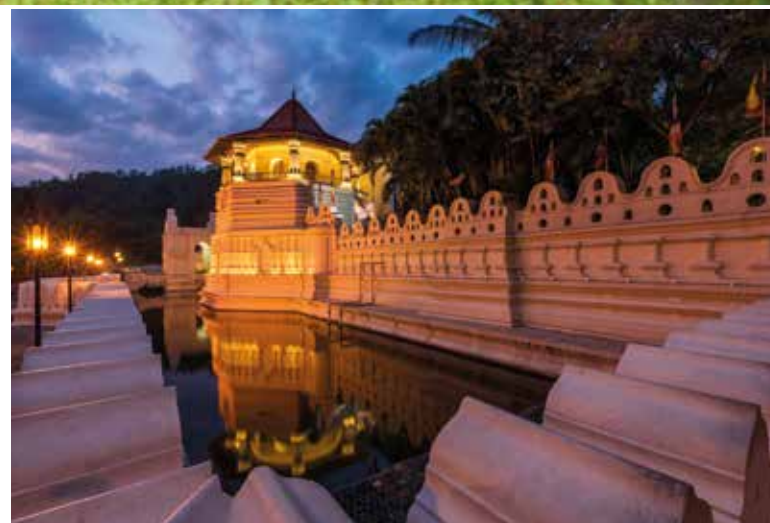






## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Visit one of Anuradhapura's most revered Buddhist temple sites, Ruvanvelisaya Dagoba, where a fantastic atmosphere is created by the many visiting pilgrims.
- Enjoy a fascinating walking tour of Colombo's Pettah market where everything from electrical goods to fresh produce is sold.
- Climb the thousands of steps to the top of Sigiriya Rock and be rewarded with spectacular views of the surrounding countryside.
- Stop at a village near Habarana for an insight into rural Sri Lankan life. Take a bullock cart to see traditional farming life and enjoy a simple local lunch.



### DAY 1 Colombo

On arrival in Colombo, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next two nights at Ramada Colombo (or similar).

### DAY 2 Colombo

Explore the Grand Oriental Hotel, Fort district, kovils (Tamil Hindu temples) and the Gangaramaya Temple. Wander through the Pettah, a vibrant and crowded street market area where everything from televisions to chillies are sold. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore independently. (B)

### DAY 3 Colombo to Anuradhapura

Drive to Anuradhapura and stop en route at Negombo to visit the famous fish market. Along the way, you may see locals performing seasonal 'toddy tapping', a process which produces a popular local alcoholic beverage made from palm trees. Continue to Anuradhapura, the centre of Sri Lanka's cultural heritage. This ancient Buddhist capital also features spectacular ruined stupas set among park-like scenery. Enjoy an evening at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Palm Garden Village (or similar). (B)

### DAY 4 Anuradhapura

Spend the morning at the birthplace of Sri Lankan Buddhism, Mihintale. Climb up to the hill temples for spectacular views. While there are some steep steps the view is well worth the climb. Enjoy free time at your hotel before visiting some of Anuradhapura's main sites including the Thuparama Dagoba, perhaps the oldest Buddhist structure in the world. In the evening, experience one of Anuradhapura's most revered Buddhist temple sites where a fantastic atmosphere is created by the many visiting pilgrims coming to pray under the huge dome of Ruwanwelisaya Dagoba. (B)

### DAY 5 Anuradhapura to Sigiriya

Depart Anuradhapura and stop at a rural village near Habarana for an insight into Sri Lankan rural life. Take a bullock cart ride to see farming life before enjoying a simple lunch using fresh local ingredients including eggplant, yam, green banana or okra. Continue to the ancient capital of Polonnaruwa and visit the remains of the Royal Palace and impressive neighbouring Quadrangle which retains some palace structures. Drive on to Sigiriya and relax over dinner at your hotel. Stay the next two nights at Hotel Sigiriya (or similar). (BLD)

### DAY 6 Sigiriya

Steeped in myth and legend, explore Sigiriya Rock which is an ancient monastery or palace believed to date back two millennia. Depending on your fitness levels, climb to the rock summit and be rewarded with magnificent views of the surrounding jungles and countryside. During the climb, see superb apsara frescoes before seeing two enormous rock lion paws as you begin the ascent to the summit. Return to the hotel and spend the remainder of the morning at leisure. Take an afternoon tour of the deserted forest monastery of Ritigala followed by dinner. (BD)

### DAY 7 Sigiriya to Kandy

Travel from Sigiriya to Dambulla, home to five hilltop cave temples filled with one of Sri Lanka's most celebrated collections of Buddhist art. The temples hold dozens of Buddha images and vast colourful frescoes. Afterwards, visit a tropical spice garden and learn about the plants which are used medicinally and in cooking. Enjoy a local lunch before driving into the central hills to Kandy, Sri Lanka's second largest city set amid forested peaks. Stay the next two nights at Hotel Suisse (or similar). (BL)

### DAY 8 Kandy

Rise early to visit the Temple of the Tooth which houses Sri Lanka's most revered relic, a tooth of Buddha and see one of the daily 'pujas' or prayer ceremonies. Pilgrims from all over the Buddhist world flock to the temple which is regarded as one of the holiest in the religion. Sample a simple local breakfast or a refreshing cup of tea before visiting a colourful central market area and the beautiful Peradeniya Botanical Gardens. Once favoured by Sinhalese kings and British colonial rulers, the gardens feature a spectacular and colourful collection of exotic tropical plants as well as a huge colony of fruit bats. This evening, enjoy a cooking demonstration and farewell group dinner. (BD)

### DAY 9 Kandy to Colombo

Enjoy breakfast before visiting a tea plantation on the way to Colombo for your onward journey. (B)

**9 DAYS** FROM  
**\$ 2,115** PER PERSON

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	16	2365	3315
MARCH	15	2195	2999
APRIL	19	2195	2999
JUNE	21	2115	2845
SEPTEMBER	13	2115	2845
OCTOBER	18	2115	2845
NOVEMBER	15	2115	2845
DECEMBER	6	2115	2845
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	24	2365	3315
FEBRUARY	14	2365	3315
MARCH	14	2195	2999

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 8 nights hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated  
(B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE

ACTIVE





## SRI LANKA DISCOVERY

**15 DAYS FROM**  
**\$ 3,815 PER PERSON**

2020	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
FEBRUARY	16	4475	6525
MARCH	15	4295	6175
APRIL	19	4295	6175
JUNE	21	3815	5465
SEPTEMBER	13	3815	5465
OCTOBER	18	4065	5815
NOVEMBER	15	4065	5815
DECEMBER	6	4065	5815
2021	DAY	TWIN	SINGLE
JANUARY	24	4475	6525
FEBRUARY	14	4475	6525
MARCH	14	4295	6175

All Departures Guaranteed

### Tour price includes

- 14 nights hotel accommodation
- Train from Kandy to Nuwara Eliya.
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles (excluding Jeep safaris)
- Yala National park jeep safaris
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- All tips on tour
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

TRIP GRADING

MODERATE

ACTIVE

## OUR INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- Observe leopards on safari in Yala National Park.
- Referred by locals as the Eighth Wonder of the World – Sigiriya is the most visited highlight in Sri Lanka.
- Search for the world's largest creature, the Blue Whale on a morning cruise off the coast of Sri Lanka (September to April).
- Visit one of Anuradhapura's most revered Buddhist temples sites, Ruwanvelisaya Dagoba.
- On a walking tour, wander through the old streets and ramparts of Galle Fort which has been influenced by Dutch, Portuguese and British.



### DAY 1 Colombo

On arrival in Colombo, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing. Stay the next two nights at Ramada Colombo (or similar).

### DAY 2 Colombo

Discover Colombo's main sites including the Fort district, kovils (Tamil Hindu temples) and the Gangaramaya Temple. Walk through the Pettah street market area before a free evening. (B)

### DAY 3 Colombo to Anuradhapura

Drive to Anuradhapura stopping en route at Negombo's famous fish market. On the journey, you may see locals 'toddy tapping', a process which produces a popular local alcoholic beverage. On arrival in Anuradhapura, enjoy free time to relax. Stay the next two nights at Palm Garden Village (or similar). (B)

### DAY 4 Anuradhapura

Explore the ancient complex of Mihintale and climb to the hill temples for spectacular views. Enjoy free time before an afternoon tour of Anuradhapura's main sites. In the evening, see pilgrims praying under the huge dome of Ruwanwelisaya Dagoba. (B)

### DAY 5 Anuradhapura to Sigiriya

Depart Anuradhapura and visit a rural village near Habarana and have a simple lunch. Journey on to the ancient capital of Polonnaruwa to explore the remains of the Royal Palace complex and neighbouring Quadrangle with superb Buddha images. Continue to Sigiriya and enjoy dinner at the hotel. Stay the next two nights at Hotel Sigiriya (or similar). (BLD)

### DAY 6 Sigiriya

Sigiriya Rock is one of Sri Lanka's iconic attractions. Spend time exploring Sigiriya and depending on your level of fitness, climb to the summit. Return to the hotel and enjoy a morning at leisure. Take an afternoon tour of

Ritigala, a deserted forest monastery followed by dinner. (BD)

### DAY 7 Sigiriya to Kandy

Drive from Sigiriya to Dambulla, where you'll visit the hilltop caves. Before a local lunch, visit a tropical spice garden then continue to Kandy. Stay the next two nights at Hotel Suisse (or similar). (BL)

### DAY 8 Kandy

Rise early to visit the Temple of the Tooth. Enjoy a local breakfast before embarking on a city tour and stroll through the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens. Enjoy a Sri Lankan cooking demonstration with dinner. (BD)

### DAY 9 Kandy to Nuwara Eliya

Take an old-fashioned train from Kandy to Nuwara Eliya. On arrival in Nuwara Eliya, visit a tea plantation and enjoy a short town tour. Overnight at Grand Hotel (or similar). (B)

### DAY 10 Nuwara Eliya to Yala National Park

Descend to the lowlands via the town of Ella. Take an easy walk to Little Adam's Peak and pass the Ravana Waterfalls. In the afternoon, arrive at Tissa, your base for Yala National Park. Stay the next two nights at Kithala Resort (or similar). (B)

### DAY 11 Yala National Park

Enjoy an early morning and late afternoon safari at Yala National Park, famous for its leopards. Spend time relaxing at the resort during the day. (B)

### DAY 12 Yala National Park to Mirissa

Drive from Tissa to Mirissa. Stop en route at Mulkirigala to visit an unusual temple which features Buddhist art. On arrival, enjoy lunch before spending the afternoon at leisure. Relax with dinner at your hotel. Overnight at Mandara Mirissa (or similar). (BLD)

### DAY 13 Mirissa to Hikkaduwa

This morning, board a boat to search for the Blue whale (September to April only – an alternative local activity will be arranged from May to August). After lunch, drive to Galle. Discover Galle Fort, a great place to explore the quaint streets. Stay the next two nights at Hikka Tranz By Cinnamon (or similar). (BL)

### DAY 14 Hikkaduwa

Enjoy free time to further explore. This afternoon, visit a turtle hatchery focussing on conservation before enjoying a farewell group dinner in Galle Fort. (BD)

### DAY 15 Hikkaduwa to Colombo

Enjoy breakfast before transferring to Colombo for your onward journey. (B)







# KUALA LUMPUR

MALAYSIA'S VIBRANT CAPITAL CITY – KUALA LUMPUR – IS KNOWN FOR ART AND CULTURE, SHOPPING AND DINING.

The iconic glass-and-steel 451m-tall Petronas Twin Towers dominate the city's skyline offering visitors a skybridge and observation deck for those who can brave its heights.

At the city's northern edge are the picturesque Batu Caves, natural limestone caves which house brightly covered Hindu temples and troops of mischievous macaque monkeys.

Bukit Bintang offers unique entertainment, boutique designers, and extravagant retail shopping, while the art deco Central Market houses various specialty merchants. Nearby are Brickfields and Chinatown with their colourful Indian and Chinese shops.



# SINGAPORE

ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST IMPORTANT FINANCIAL CENTERS, THIS TROPICAL, MULTICULTURAL, ISLAND CITY-STATE SITS JUST OFF THE COAST OF SOUTHERN MALAYSIA.

Dating back to colonial times, Singapore is full of striking cultural structures juxtaposed against gleaming modern skyscrapers like Marina Bay Sands.

Visit Chinatown and walk through the Buddha Tooth Relic Temple, adorned in red and gold, and believed to house one of Buddha's teeth.

Get your shopping fix at the luxury shopping centres of Orchard Road and the in-vogue boutiques of Kampong Glam. Look for souvenirs in Little India and textiles on Arab Street.

Then there is the street food in the world-famous hawker stalls of Tiong Bahru and Maxwell Road.



# BANGKOK

THAILAND'S FAMOUS CAPITAL IS AN ENORMOUS CITY KNOWN FOR LAVISH BUDDHIST TEMPLES AND LIVELY NIGHT LIFE.

Winding through the centre, the bustling Chao Phraya River feeds the canals of the old city, streaming past the iconic Temple of the Dawn, the lavish Grand Palace and its holy Temple of the Emerald Buddha.

Bangkok is famous worldwide for its food scene. From Michelin-starred gourmet restaurants to food trucks and street food, Bangkok will serve up the sweet, sour, spicy, salty treats you crave.

If it's vibrant nightlife you're looking for, you will find it throughout the city in chic and trendy rooftop bars and nightclubs.

For those more interested in shopping, you can choose from the luxury malls of the Chit Lom and Siam to Chatuchak Weekend Market, southeast Asia's largest outdoor market with more than 15,000 stalls.



# HONG KONG

AS A FORMER BRITISH COLONY, HONG KONG MAINTAINS A SPECIAL STATUS IN SOUTHEASTERN CHINA.

One of the world's most densely-populated urban cores is a worldwide financial centre with a high-rise studded horizon that is second to none.

Cable car rides up to Victoria Peak offer the best views of Hong Kong and Victoria Harbour. Board a Star Ferry boat to cross Victoria Harbour to the Kowloon Peninsula.

Look for Nathan Road, the "Golden Mile of Shopping," the collectible shops of Hollywood Road, the bespoke tailors of Tsim Sha Tsui, or the Night Markets of Temple Street and Mong Kok.

Hong Kong is another Asian city known for its vivacious food scene, from Cantonese dim sum and street side dai pai dongs to extravagant afternoon teas, this city serves up something for every palate.





# KUALA LUMPUR

3 Days/2 Nights



## Day 1 Kuala Lumpur

On arrival in Kuala Lumpur, transfer to your hotel for check in and enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Stay the next two nights at the Ibis Hotel KLCC (or similar).

## Day 2 Kuala Lumpur

Start your morning off with breakfast before enjoying a city tour to uncover the secrets of this culturally diverse city. Known as the “Garden City of Lights”, drive through the city and admire the distinct skyline of iconic landmarks including the King’s Palace,

National Monument and the famous Petronas Twin Towers. Marvel at the contrasting sights as you drive past old-fashioned street vendors against a backdrop of modern skyscrapers before enjoying a local lunch. As the tour concludes, return to your hotel and enjoy an afternoon of free time to do as much or as little as you like. (B, L)

## Day 3 Kuala Lumpur

After breakfast, enjoy a morning of free time before transferring to the airport for your onwards journey. (B)

## KUALA LUMPUR STOPOVER

**3 DAYS** FROM  
**\$244** PER PERSON\*

### Tour price includes

- 2 nights 3 star hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking guide
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)



# SINGAPORE

3 Days/2 Nights



## SINGAPORE STOPOVER

**3 DAYS** FROM  
**\$465** PER PERSON\*

### Tour price includes

- 2 nights 3 star hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking guide
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

## Day 1 Singapore

On arrival in Singapore, transfer to your hotel for check in and enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Stay the next two nights at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront (or similar). (B)

## Day 2 Singapore

Spend the morning exploring the bustling metropolis that is Singapore, on a guided city tour. Drive around the Civic District and stop by the Singapore Cricket Club, the Historic Parliament House and the National Gallery before marvelling at the impressive views of Marina Bay at Merlion Park. Continue on with a visit to Thian Hock Keng Temple,

one of Singapore’s oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, before a drive past Chinatown. Enjoy a leisurely walk through the National Orchid Garden at the UNESCO World Heritage listed Singapore Botanic Gardens, before indulging the senses with a visit to “Little India”. Admire a tea demonstration of Teh Tarik, also known as “pulled tea” before sampling this all-time local favourite beverage. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

## Day 3 Singapore

After breakfast, enjoy a morning of free time before transferring to the airport for your onwards journey. (B)





# BANGKOK

3 Days/2 Nights



## Day 1 Bangkok

On arrival in Bangkok, transfer to your hotel for check in and enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Stay the next two nights at the Century Park Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 2 Bangkok

Spend the day exploring Thailand's capital. Start your touring with a visit to the spiritual epicentre of Thailand with a stop at the Grand Palace, also known as the "Temple of the Emerald Buddha". Admire the magnificent 22-inch tall jade stone Buddha statue which has

made this the most revered and sacred temple in all of Thailand. Continue your journey and explore one of the oldest temples in Thailand, Wat Pho Temple which dates back to the era of King Rama I, whose heirs still hold the throne today. As the tour concludes, drive back to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

## Day 3 Bangkok

After breakfast, enjoy these last moments in Bangkok before you transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

## STOPOVER BANGKOK

**3 DAYS** FROM  
**\$469** PER PERSON\*

### Tour price includes

- 2 nights 3 star hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking guide
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)



# HONG KONG

3 Days/2 Nights



## HONG KONG STOPOVER

**3 DAYS** FROM  
**\$468** PER PERSON\*

### Tour price includes

- 2 nights 3 star hotel accommodation
- Transport in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance Fees
- English-speaking guide
- Return arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

## Day 1 Hong Kong

On arrival in Hong Kong, transfer to your hotel for check in and enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Stay the next two nights at the Eaton HK Hotel (or similar). (B)

## Day 2 Hong Kong

Enjoy your breakfast before embarking on a leisurely city tour to discover the diverse culture and natural beauty of Hong Kong Island. Take a ride on the Victoria Peak Tram as you journey to the top to reach the infamous Victoria Peak. Admire the breathtaking 360 views of this

spectacular city before you visit quaint and charming fishing village in Aberdeen Bay. View the many old fashioned sampans and house boats that line the bay, before heading off to the sundrenched Repulse Bay. Enjoy the sun and sand before returning to your hotel for an afternoon of free time. (B)

## Day 3 Hong Kong

After breakfast, enjoy a morning of free time before transferring to the airport for your onwards journey. (B)





# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## INSIDER JOURNEYS SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS 2020/2021

### BOOKING CONDITIONS

Please read these conditions carefully as they set out the basis upon which we accept all bookings. We reserve the right to amend our booking conditions from time to time. Please check with your travel consultant for our current booking conditions, which are also available on [insiderjourneys.com.au](http://insiderjourneys.com.au) before making a booking.

### BROCHURE VALIDITY

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### RESPONSIBILITY

- Insider Journeys acts as an agent for the Suppliers (transport, tour, event or accommodation providers) who provide the various goods and/or services (Products). All bookings are subject to the terms and conditions and limitations of liability imposed by each Supplier. It is therefore important for you to obtain and read the applicable Supplier's terms and conditions as they may limit or exclude their liability to you. In producing this brochure, we have used information provided by Suppliers. Irrespective of any measures taken by us to ensure the information contained in this brochure is accurate at the time of printing, Insider Journeys disclaims and will be exempt from liability in respect of anything misleading, false, incomplete or inaccurate and any errors, inaccurate description and all associated disappointment, loss, expense, damage, inconvenience, delay, death, shock, illness or injury, however caused. Insider Journeys does not control the manner in which Products featured within this brochure are provided. Insider Journeys disclaims and will be exempt from liability for anything to do with the supply of such Products. This includes liability (whether as a matter of contract, tort, statute, restitution, or otherwise) for any direct, indirect or consequential loss, liability, claim, cost, expense, proceeding, demand, penalty, disappointment, death, injury, illness, shock, inconvenience or delay. This limitation of liability also applies irrespective of the cause, including negligence of us or a Supplier, withdrawal, cancellation or failure to provide a Product, delay, any variation in the Product, the provision of substitute Products or a change in the Supplier. Without limitation, Insider Journeys will not be responsible if the Product is not available due to inclement weather conditions or other acts of God, civil disturbances, fire, floods, acts of Government or any other authorities, accident to or failure of machinery or equipment or industrial action.

### PRICES FOR TRAVEL PRODUCTS

- All pricing is reflected in Australian Dollars and is valid at time of publication but is subject to change. 'From' prices represent land only and low season twin share prices (unless otherwise clearly stated). Unless otherwise stated, prices include all government levies and airport taxes as at the date of publication. Dates, itineraries and prices are indicative only. Prices are valid for travel for the date ranges shown subject to the 'brochure validity' clause. We will use our reasonable efforts to notify you of changes in prices. The Third-Party Travel Provider may be required to impose surcharges depending on currency fluctuations, surcharges or other variables outside of its control. You acknowledge and agree that you shall be responsible for the prompt payment of all surcharges and price increases. A fee will apply for payments made by debit and credit cards. Please check this fee with us or your travel consultant when booking.

### LOYALTY REWARDS

- All discounts must be presented at the time of booking and will apply to the basic tour price. Past traveller discounts will be applied once we receive confirmation (previous booking number) that you have previously travelled on an Insider Journeys Small Group Journey. Discounts are not combinable.

### PRE-TOUR REGISTRATION FORM

- You are required to complete a pre-tour registration form before your booking is complete. Third Party Travel Providers may refuse supply if a completed pre-

tour registration form is not received. You will receive the pre-tour registration form from either us, the Supplier or your Travel Agent. This form requires you to provide your travel insurance information and no booking can be finalised without this preregistration form being completed.

### DEPOSIT & FULL PAYMENT

- A non-refundable deposit of A\$200 per person and passenger names as per passport are required 5 days after issuance of an invoice. Additional deposits may be required depending on the policies of the Third-Party Travel Provider. Any additional deposits will be advised at the time of booking or on the invoice. Full payment is due and payable to us 65 days prior to the scheduled date of departure from Australia and will be notified to you in your confirmation of booking.
- We are not responsible for any changes made by a Third-Party Travel Provider to the balance due date and prices are not guaranteed until payment has been made in full and documents have been processed and issued to you. Failure to pay a deposit within 5 days from the date of confirmation or in full by the due date may result in the automatic cancellation of your booking without refund of monies paid, unless you have been unable to complete the booking and pay the balance by the due date, due to our fault.
- Bookings made within 35 days of scheduled departure require full payment on request.
- Payment for domestic flights and regional flights in Asia must be received within 3 days of booking to avoid automatic cancellation by the airline. All bookings are subject to availability at time of booking.
- Groups – a non-refundable deposit of A\$500 is due within 5 days of confirmation. Final payment is due 65 days prior to departure.

### CANCELLATION BY THE TRAVELLER

- All cancellations must be received by us in writing. No refunds will be made for unused services. Cancellations will be subject to the following cancellation fees applied per person, per confirmed booking: • cancellations made more than 65 days before the scheduled date for departure from Australia - the deposit; • cancellations made between 50-65 days before the scheduled date for departure from Australia - a cancellation fee of 25% • cancellations made between 35-49 days before the scheduled date for departure from Australia - a cancellation fee of 50% • cancellations made within 35 days of the scheduled date of departure from Australia - a cancellation fee of 100%.

### CHANGES MADE BY US

- Each year we review and further develop the Travel Products offered. On occasions, we may be required to make changes to certain Travel Products, where deemed necessary by us and the 'Departure Status Guaranteed' may not apply to the original itinerary or departure date in those circumstances. If we make a significant change, which is not due to an event beyond our control, you will be notified as soon as reasonably possible before your departure of any significant change and you will be offered the following options: • accept a substitute Travel Product (if available). In the event that the substitute Travel Product is of a lower price then you will receive a refund for the price difference between the original Travel Product and substitute Travel Product; or • accept a refund for all monies paid to us. "Significant changes" are normally regarded as: • a change affecting the start date of your journey; or • a change in the arrival or departure city; or • a change in the duration of the itinerary If the significant change is due to force majeure or an event beyond our reasonable control, we will not be liable to offer you any compensation.

### HOTEL CONFIRMATION

- Due to hotel availability in some destinations the accommodation stated in the tour itinerary may change to that of a similar standard. You will be notified in writing 30 days prior to departure.

### AMENDMENTS BY THE TRAVELLER

- Once itineraries are confirmed with deposit on file and provided at the time of amendment the number of passengers on the booked tour is not full, one free amendment is allowed if made 65 days prior to scheduled date of departure. In all other cases, the following amendment fees shall apply: • 50-65 days prior to scheduled date of departure – A\$300 per person;

- 50 days or less prior to scheduled date of departure – standard cancellation fees (refer to section 10) will apply and full price will apply to new travel arrangements;
  - If the traveller has utilised their free amendment and they wish to make an amendment more than 65 days prior to the scheduled date of departure and the number of passengers on the booked tour is full – A\$200 per booking.
- We will not charge any amendment fees if: • you amend your booking due to a breach by us of any of our obligations to you or due to our fault; or • the Third-Party Travel Provider amends your booking for no fault on your part.
  - Notwithstanding clause 13, additional amendment fees may be charged by Third Party Travel Providers such as airlines, hotels or other tour operators in accordance with the terms you agree with the Third-Party Travel Providers (which are separate to our amendment fees). Many Third-Party Travel Providers deem a name change to constitute a cancellation, rather than an amendment and cancellation fees may apply in this instance in accordance with the terms you agree with the Third-Party Travel Provider.

### CANCELLATION & AMENDMENTS BY THIRD PARTY TRAVEL PROVIDER

- If the Third Party Travel Provider changes any part of your booking for reasons beyond its control, for example, if a Third Party Travel Provider changes its schedules, overbooks, or if there are any changes in applicable surcharges, fees or taxes, we will use our reasonable endeavours to notify you. If any such changes result in your Travel Product costing more or otherwise being materially different, then you may cancel the Travel Product and we will refund any monies already paid less any fees charged by us under these terms and conditions and by the Third Party Travel Providers under the terms and conditions you agreed with them. Please check with your consultant before cancelling or amending a Travel Product in these circumstances as some Third-Party Travel Providers may charge cancellation fees up to 100% of the Travel Product's price as per their terms and conditions.

### TOUR GUIDE

- An English-speaking Guide will accompany Small Group Journey tours in all destinations.

### MAXIMUM NUMBERS

- Escorted Small Group Journeys have a maximum group size of 16 people in all destinations (except Japan which has a maximum group size of 12 people). Guaranteed departures will operate once they have two fully paid travellers booked. You are welcome to contact us for up-to-date passenger numbers prior to departure.

### SINGLE TRAVELLERS

- Individuals travelling alone will be required to purchase the single person price for the tour as displayed in the brochure and confirmed by the Insider Journeys Operations team to you or your travel agent.

### SHARED ROOMS & FACILITIES

- On all overnight train trips and homestays all travellers will be in shared compartments, even if a single supplement has been paid, due to cabin/room design. On overnight cruises the boats may have other passengers on board and shore excursions and other activities may include other passengers.

### FAMILIES & CHILDREN

- Bookings are open to people 12 years of age and over. Travellers under 18 will need to either share a room with a parent or another family member or pay the single supplement. Children aged 12-17 (inclusive) must pay the adult price. Triple sharing is usually possible but must be requested at the time of booking. In cases where separate rooms are booked, we will request, but cannot guarantee, interconnecting or adjacent rooms.

### TRIPLE SHARE

- It is not possible to guarantee triple share rooms. This is because many hotels either do not have triple-bed rooms or have fold-away beds only. Travellers can request a triple room at the time of booking, however, the booking will be confirmed as double/twin plus a fold away bed. During the journey, a triple share may be provided wherever possible, however there are no reductions in price for triple shares.

### MINIMUM FITNESS LEVELS

- We may require a doctor's certificate prior to confirmation for any traveller with a pre-existing medical condition or

traveller entering their 3rd trimester of pregnancy. Please carefully consider the Trip Grading for your tour of interest and choose a Small Group Journey appropriate for your level of health and fitness. You must be able to perform the activities outlined in the 'Statement of fitness' section of the 'Insider Journeys Health Form and Condition of Travel' and disclose any pre-existing conditions that may affect the normal conduct of the tour and/or enjoyment of other tour members. Final confirmation of a booking is subject to receipt of complete and accurate information about your fitness. If you are concerned about your ability to undertake a Small Group Journey, we can arrange a tailor-made itinerary for independent travel as an alternative.

### TOUR LEADER/LOCAL GUIDE AUTHORITY

- When on the journey, travellers must abide by and comply with the authority and reasonable directions of the Tour Leader, or where applicable the local guide. At all times, the decision of the Tour Leader will be final on matters regarding group dynamics, and individual and group safety and well-being. If a Tour Leader takes the view that you are unable to meet 'Minimum fitness levels' the Tour Leader may, at his/her sole reasonable discretion, prevent you from further participation in the journey. Additionally, should you fail to comply with a reasonable decision or direction of the Tour Leader, interfere with the well-being of the group, fail to respect the rights or beliefs of your fellow travellers, or commit an illegal, obscene or otherwise inappropriate act while on journey, the Tour Leader may in his/her reasonable discretion prevent your further participation in the journey. In such instances, we will use our reasonable efforts to assist with onward travel arrangements for the relevant traveller. No refund will be given for any unused portion of the journey in these circumstances.

### TRAVEL INSURANCE

- It is a condition of travel that all travellers are adequately covered by travel insurance prior to departure. Insurance should cover personal accident and medical expenses, evacuation and repatriation, baggage loss, and cancellation or curtailment of holiday. Your insurance details must be supplied to us at the time of booking. If you fail to provide the requested insurance information prior to travel as well as on arrival in Asia during registration, we reserve the right, acting in our sole discretion, to cancel bookings and apply charges as per our cancellation policy. In some cases, a pre-existing medical condition may not be covered by your travel insurance company.

### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

- Travel documents will be issued after final payment has been received. Travel documents may include special conditions including restrictions such as baggage size and weight limits. Travel documents are not transferable. All airline tickets must be issued in the name of the passport holder and some carriers will deny carriage if the name varies and the booking may be cancelled. We have no responsibility for any loss or damage arising from the incorrect entry of a passenger's name or as a result of the Third-Party Travel Provider's policies. It is your responsibility to collect all travel documents prior to travel.

### AIRFARES – CANCELLATIONS & AMENDMENTS

- Prices displayed in this brochure or provided by us, do not include airfares from or to your departing destination, unless specified. All flight bookings are subject to the carrier's conditions of carriage. Cancellation and refund policies associated with airfares vary according to airfare terms and conditions and the relevant airline. It is your responsibility to understand the terms and conditions that relate to your airfare and contact the relevant airline if you require further information. It is your responsibility to contact the airline prior to departure to ensure there is no change to the scheduled departure time. Please ensure all flight details are correct prior to ticketing as we cannot assume responsibility for incorrectly issued flights. We do not offer advice on Frequent Flyer eligibility on flights not able to assist with flight check-in or seat allocations.

### RIVER CRUISES – SHORE EXCURSIONS & WATER LEVELS

- The nature of some shore excursions in Asia means that for some excursions there are no formal jetties. While staff are always on hand to assist, those with limited mobility may find these areas difficult to access. Due to the unpredictable nature of weather and its effect on river conditions and water levels, it may on occasions be necessary to complete some elements of the itinerary by land, rather than by boat, or to alter the route of the vessel including substituting some planned stops for others. Such changes can occur at

any time without prior notice or warning and no refunds will be given in this instance.

### OTHER CANCELLATION & AMENDMENTS

- A Third-Party Travel Provider may cancel, reschedule or amend any itinerary in accordance with operating requirements or circumstances beyond its control. This includes alterations to cruise itineraries and schedules including change of embarkation and disembarkation points. We are not responsible for any other travel arrangement affected due to the Third-Party Travel Provider's cancellations or amendments. Amendments beyond the Third-Party Travel Provider's control may involve a surcharge for the additional or amended services.

### STAR RATINGS

- Star ratings are our views and not official ratings.

### PUBLICITY

- You agree that we may use images of you taken during the trip and any comments made in writing by you regarding the trip, without recourse to you and without compensation to you, for publicity and promotion purposes only through whatever medium we choose.

### ERRORS & OMISSIONS

- We reserve the right to correct any errors in rates or content quoted or calculated for any package, with immediate effect. We will use our reasonable endeavours to notify you of such corrections.

### PRIVACY

- You acknowledge and agree that we may disclose some or all of your personal information as outlined in our Privacy Policy. The terms of our Privacy Policy are incorporated into these terms. A copy of our Privacy Policy is available on [www.insiderjourneys.com.au](http://www.insiderjourneys.com.au).

### JURISDICTION & LAW

- This brochure and all matters arising out of or in connection with it and all terms are governed by the laws applicable in the State of New South Wales. By acquiring the Booking and Advisory Services from us, you consent and submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of New South Wales.

### COMPLAINT HANDLING

In the unlikely event that you are unsatisfied with any aspect of your Travel Product, you must immediately notify the Third Party Travel Provider of your Travel Product or travel consultant (please refer to your pre-departure guide) to ensure we are given the opportunity to address and attempt to resolve any issue that you may raise at the time they occur. If a problem cannot be resolved to your satisfaction and you wish to pursue this matter further you must write to us within 28 days upon your return to the following address:

**Attention: Customer Service  
Level 10, 338 Pitt Street, Sydney, 2000  
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You must provide your booking reference number and full details of your complaint to allow us the opportunity to respond.

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### ANNEXURE TRAVEL TIPS FOR TRAVEL PRODUCTS

These tips are not legally binding terms and conditions. You should obtain and read the Third-Party Travel Provider's terms and conditions which are legally binding on you.  
**PASSPORTS, VISAS & HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**  
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### TICKETING

For international and domestic departure, e-tickets will be issued upon payment and completion of the booking process. In some instances, an e-ticket on the flights or fares selected may not be able to be issued. Bookings that cannot be issued as an e-ticket will have to be changed to comply with e-ticket regulations. All other travel documentation, such as hotel, car hire, transfer and tour vouchers will be emailed to you as an e-document. Should the Third-Party Travel Provider issue paper vouchers, these will be posted to you.

### SPECIAL NEEDS

Travellers with a physical or mental disability that may require special assistance during their trip must advise us of their needs upon booking and declare all pre-existing medical conditions. This enables us to ensure the suitability of each booking to the individual traveller.

### BEDDING CONFIGURATION

Requests for specific bedding types must be made at the time of booking, however, cannot be guaranteed. Note that double rooms can be fitted with either double or twin beds. Also note that single rooms are often smaller than other rooms. Triple rooms usually comprise a twin bed room with an additional sofa bed, roll-away bed or a foldaway bed for a third person.

### TRAVELLING WITH CHILDREN

Where a child stays for free in a room sharing with two paying adults, generally the hotel will expect the child to share the parent's bed and will not provide an extra bed. Additional charges may be levied for child meals. Where a child rate is provided in this brochure, an extra roll or foldaway bed is usually provided. Children are charged an adult rate if staying in a room without adults.

### FREQUENT FLYERS & SPECIAL REQUESTS

For more information on whether your airfare is eligible for Frequent Flyer rewards, please contact the airline directly. When booking online, please ensure that you have entered your correct number in the special section featured in the booking engine. For Call Centre bookings, please advise your Frequent Flyer details and these will be added to your reservation. We do not take any responsibility should an airline not register your trip. You should retain copies of your air ticket and boarding pass. Special requests will be passed on to the Third-Party Travel Provider but cannot be guaranteed.

### TRIP GRADING

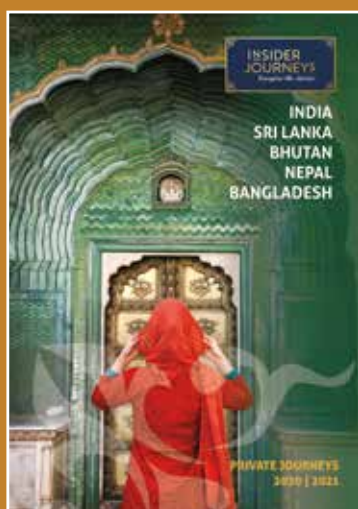
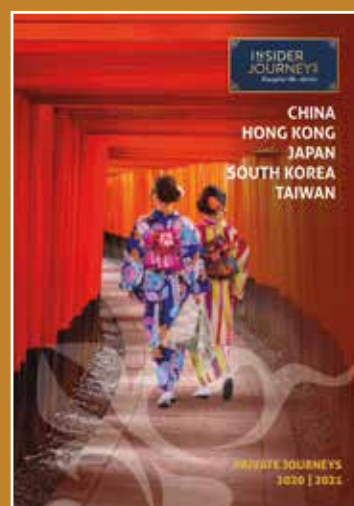
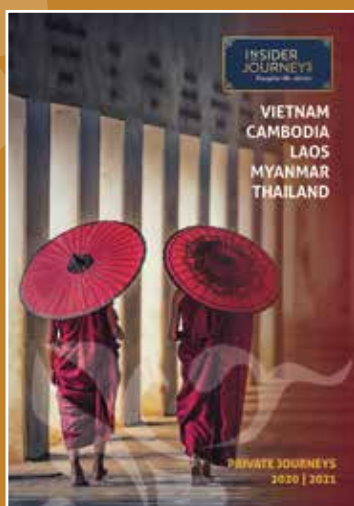
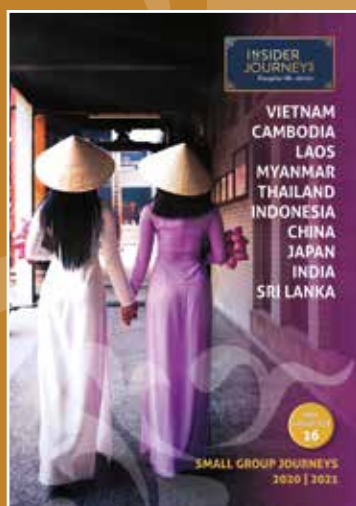
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- Easy – Suitable for travellers with an average level of fitness. You may be required to take part in easy walking tours and board boats. Travel between major destinations on the tour will mainly be by air. Porters will be available at most hotels, although you may need to carry your own luggage at times.
- Moderate – Suitable for travellers with a good level of fitness. You will need to take part in easy extended walking tours and board boats. Travel between major destinations may include long road or train journeys as well as flights. You may need to carry your own luggage through train stations or between the hotel and transfer vehicle.
- Active – Suitable for travellers with a high level of fitness. These tours could include periods of extended walking, climbing stairs, negotiating uneven surfaces, boarding boats and visits to less developed areas with limited facilities. Travel between major destinations will include long road journeys as well as flights. You will be required to carry your own luggage.





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