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ITINERARY

Retrospect Hidden Gems in Thailand & Indochina (31D30N)

DAY	ITINERARY IN BRIEF
Day 1	Day 1: Phuket Arrival - No guide
Day 2	Day 2: Phuket Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer
Day 3	Day 3: Phuket Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer
Day 4	Day 4: Phuket Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer
Day 5	Day 5: Phuket – Khao Sok (B) No guide
Day 6	Day 6: Khao Sok – Choew Lan Lake (B/L/D) Join-in tour
Day 7	Day 7: Khao Sok – Khao Lak (B) Join in tour
Day 8	Day 8: Khao Lak - Phuket – Fly to Bangkok (B) No guide in Khao Lak and Phuket airport
Day 9	Day 9: Bangkok – City Tour (B)

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Day 12	Day 12: Chiang Mai – City tour – Doi Suthep (B)
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Day 23	Day 23: Heavens gate to Sapa valley - Night train to Hanoi (B/L) No guide in Lao Cai train - overnight train cabin
Day 24	Day 24: Hanoi- HaLong Bay (B/L/D) No guide in Hanoi Train Station - Sharing english speaking guide onboard only
Day 25	Day 25: Ha Long Bay- Hanoi- Flight to Da Nang/Hoi An (B/L) Sharing english speaking guide onboard only - No guide at Hanoi airport
Day 26	Day 26: Biking to Tra Que Village- Hoi An city tour (B, L)
Day 27	Day 27: Hoian Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer
Day 28	Day 28: Hoi An- Da Nang- Flight to Siem Reap (B) No guide in Hoi An
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ITINERARY DETAIL

Day 1 — Day 1: Phuket Arrival - No guide

Arrival at **Phuket International Airport**. Transfer to your hotel (check-in time at 14.00, the “early check-in” is not included in the price). Free time after a long flight.

Night in Phuket.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Phuket

Meals: NA

Day 2 — Day 2: Phuket Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer

Breakfast at the hotel. Your time of today will be on your own or you might want to practice swimming, diving; enjoy the seafood or have fun in the bars.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Phuket

Meals: Breakfast

Day 3 — Day 3: Phuket Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer

Breakfast at the hotel. Your time of today will be on your own or you might want to practice swimming, diving; enjoy the seafood or have fun in the bars.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Phuket

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4 — Day 4: Phuket Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer

Breakfast at the hotel. Your time of today will be on your own or you might want to practice swimming, diving; enjoy the seafood or have fun in the bars.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Phuket

Meals: Breakfast

Day 5 — Day 5: Phuket – Khao Sok (B) No guide

After breakfast, free time until transfer **to Khao Sok.**

Check-in the hotel and free time at your leisure.

Overnight in Khao Sok.

Accommodation : In Jungle Camp

Meals: Breakfast

Day 6 — Day 6: Khao Sok – Choew Lan Lake (B/L/D) Join-in tour

08:30–09:00 AM Pick-up at Khao Sok Paradise Resort
10:00 AM Visit local market to buy snacks for the boat ride
11:00 AM Arrive at lake pier, pay entrance fee, board Long Tail Boat
11:30–12:30 PM Sightseeing: Three-Brothers Rock & Boat Safari
13:00 PM Lunch at the raft house
14:00 PM Free time: kayaking & swimming
15:00 PM Cave exploration & jungle trekking up a waterfall
15:30 PM Return boat safari & sightseeing
17:00 PM Arrive back at lake pier
17:30 PM Return to Khao Sok Paradise Resort

What to Bring

- Comfortable clothing & shoes
- Lunch
- Swimwear
- Towel
- Dry spare clothes (for caving & swimming)
- Torch or headlamp
- Waterproof bag
- Cash (for entrance fee)
- Camera
- Water bottle
- Extra items for use at the raft house

Day 7 — Day 7: Khao Sok – Khao Lak (B) Join in tour

Morning, immerse yourself in the awe-inspiring wonders of Khao Sok National Park through an unforgettable jungle trek, offering you a chance to connect with its rich and diverse wildlife.

Embark on a captivating Jungle Odyssey with our half day in the enchanting Khao Sok National Park. Engage in the harmonious symphony of nature as you traverse through the lush jungle, where the vibrant pulse of the day seamlessly transitions into the captivating rhythm of the night. This isn't merely an adventure; it's your exclusive passage to the very heart and soul of Khao Sok's untamed wilderness.
In the afternoon, the driver picks you up at Khao Lak hotel (without guide).
Check-in at the hotel and free at your leisure.
Overnight in Khao Lak.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Khao Lak
Meals: Breakfast

Day 8 — Day 8: Khao Lak - Phuket – Fly to Bangkok (B) No guide in Khao Lak and Phuket airport

After breakfast, transfer from Khao Lak to **Phuket Airport to take the flight to Bangkok**.

Our driver guide will welcome and transfer you to your hotel in Bangkok. The glorious history of the capital of Thailand, Bangkok is closely linked to the Chakri dynasty that still reigns but does rule in Thailand. Check in and enjoy your free time at the hotel or wander to explore the city.

Overnight in Bangkok.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Bangkok

Meals: Breakfast

Day 9 — Day 9: Bangkok – City Tour (B)

After breakfast, we visited **the Grand Royal Palace** dedicated to the ceremony of the royal family of Thailand. In the same compound is the magnificent **Wat Phra Kaew** which is known for the Statue of the Emerald Buddha.

After visiting this complex, we continue to visit **Wat Pho**, a giant house of the lying Buddha. Then, we visited the **Wat Traimit** which is well known as the Golden Buddha.

Afternoon, boarding on **a long tail boat for an excursion along the Chao Phraya River** and many bustling interior canals that offer fantastic views of local life close by. Along the way, we stop at **Wat Arun,** the temple of the Aube.

Return to the hotel and free time for relaxation.

Overnight in Bangkok.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Bangkok

Meals: Breakfast

Day 10 — Day 10: Bangkok – Maeklong Railway market - Damnoen Saduak floating market – Patom Organic Village (B)

Early in the morning, we drive southwest of Bangkok, visit the **Maeklong railway market**, take photos, and enjoy the local snack in the market before driving to **Damnoen Saduak**, a rural floating market. Stop for a motor boat trip along the waterway to the picturesque floating market of Damnoen Saduak. Enjoy your own lunch. In the afternoon we will transfer back to Bangkok.

On the way, stop at **PATOM ORGANIC VILLAGE**.

Patom Organic Village is where you can experience the traditional Thai way of life by learning about the journey of organic raw materials to Patom products.

Our open factory will show you the work that goes into our bakery, supplement, and body care factory before the products make their way to Patom Organic Living stores. Immerse yourself in our concept of organic living and participate in our selective hands-on workshops.

Then, return to the hotel.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Bangkok

Meals: Breakfast

Day 11 — Day 11: Bangkok- Flight to Chiang Mai (B) No guide in Bangkok

You have free time until we drive you to the airport for your flight to Chiang Mai. Upon arrival pick up and transfer you to your hotel overnight.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast

Day 12 — Day 12: Chiang Mai – City tour – Doi Suthep (B)

The morning will be mainly devoted to visiting the old city with a stop at the ancient wall, the moat and a door of the old city. You will see more beautiful temples in Chiang Mai: **Wat Phra Singh Temple, Wat Phan Tao temple and the temple Wat Chedi Luang.** Then you will stroll along streets lined with traditional houses, where you take **a rickshaw ride**. From there, you'll be at the large **Central Market Warorot.**

Lunch at a local restaurant (on your own).

Afternoon, visit **Wat Phra That Doi Suthep,** the most famous pagoda Chiang Mai. It is reached after climbing a staircase of 290 steps with ramps representing two giant nagas. From the square, you can admire the panorama of the whole Chiang Mai Valley.

Then visit **craft villages:** lacquer factories, silk weaving, manufacture of umbrellas, wood carvings and goldsmith work.

Then transfer back to the hotel.

You are free to explore the night market in the evening.

Overnight in Chiang Mai.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast

Day 13 — Day 13: Chiang Mai – Chiang Rai – Half day city tour (B)

Start from the hotel in Chiang Mai driving along a wildly route via Doi Saket through scenic hills, valleys and villages.

A short break is made at **Mae Khachan Hot Spring.**

Visit **White Temple.** Its very recent temple is the most visited monument in the region, the work of Thai artist Chalermchai Kositpipat, started in 1997. Its creator himself announces that he will only be completed 60 to 90 years after his death. Its uniqueness, its whiteness, makes it a unique temple of its kind. In vihaan a fresco mixing Buddhist codes with Matrix, Star Wars, the bombing of the Twin Towers in New York and even Kung Fu Panda stands out from the usual decorations such as monuments.

Proceed to Chiang Rai province. Lunch on your own.

We will visit the **local market** to discover the local products. After that we visit the world-famous **Wat Phra Kaew** where the Emerald Buddha image was once enshrined. Move on to **Wat Phra Singh** where one of Thailand’s most beautiful Buddha images is now enshrined.

Then a short drive from Chiang Rai City to Black House. **Baan Dam (Black House)** is the unique creation of national artist, Thawan Duchanee. Part art studio, part museum, part home, Baan Dam is an eclectic mix of traditional northern Thai buildings interspersed with some outlandish modern designs.

Check in at the hotel. Overnight in Chiang Rai.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Chiang Rai

Meals: Breakfast

Day 14 — Day 14: Chiang Rai – Golden Triangle – Chiang Khong (B)

Breakfast we departed for northern Thailand, a wooded, mountainous and beautiful area. This morning, visit the **Golden Triangle** where the borders of three countries; Thailand, Laos, and Myanmar are met. Arrange a boat trip along the Mekong River at **Sop Ruak**. A quick visit to the island and market at Don Sao, (which belongs to Laos). Then transfer to Chiang Khong overnight.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Chiang Khong

Meals: Breakfast

Day 15 — Day 15: Chiang Khong Border - Huay Xai – Slow boat Cruise Embarkation (Shompoo boat)– Pakbeng (B, L)

In the morning, free time until pick up and transfer to Thai Immigration checkpoint. After leaving Thai immigration, our guide will help you to buy bus tickets to pass the Friendship Bridge to Laos Immigration Office by yourself. At 08:00 am, the guests will meet our English-Speaking guide with a welcome sign at HouayXay immigration office (Lao border).

Our guide will assist customers to apply for the visa. After getting the VISA, guests will take a sharing transfer (minivan) to the slow boat pier to embark on the Shompoo boat (sharing boat + guide on boat). During the morning, Quick lecture about Do’s and Don’ts in Laos and fun facts will be presented by our guide. Lao traditional Lunch set is served on board.

Before reaching **Pakbeng,** we will stop to visit a traditional Kamu village **(Ban Houa Phalam),** a tiny cozy place which host about 90 families. Travelers will learn about rural lifestyle in a very remote area.

The boat will arrive at Pakbeng before the night. Check-in hotel in Pakbeng

Dinner on your own. Overnight in a hotel.

Accommodation: At the Lodge in Pakbeng

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 16 — Day 16: Pakbeng – Cruise to Luang Prabang – Disembarkation (B)

The boat will leave Pakbeng at 08 am toward Luang Prabang.

Enjoy the beautiful nature and jungle during your journey. In the morning, our guide and cooker will make a short demonstration on how to make some lao desserts and local drinks that travelers will eat later in the afternoon.

First stop will be at **Ban Baw village, a** complex but harmonic mixed of three ethnicity: Lao Loun, Shan and Tai Lue. Today the village is famous for its lao lao whiskey making.

Right after the visit, a Lao traditional Lunch set is served on board.

In the afternoon, the boat will stop for the second visit at the **Pak Ou Caves** (Tham Ting) and it's over two thousands Buddha statues. It is one of the most important Pilgrimage place for lao people. After the visit, enjoy the homemade desserts and drinks made by our team and the travelers.

The boat will arrive in Luang Prabang before 4:30 pm. Transfer to a hotel in town for check-in. Time at leisure

Dinner on your own. Overnight in a hotel.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Luang Prabang

Meals: Breakfast

Day 17 — Day 17: Luang Prabang city tour (B)

An optional early start gives you the fantastic opportunity to participate in the daily morning alms giving ritual to saffron clad monks. This tradition is unique to Laos, being the only Buddhist nation still preserving this procession. Stop and visit fresh local markets and back to the hotel for breakfast.

This morning, I departed to visit **Wat Visoun**, the site of the impressive Thad Makmo stupa. The rounded dome is stylistically more Sinhalese than Lao. Continue to visit **Wat Aham**. Then, visit to the most photographed temple, **Vat Xiengthong**. Located at the end of the peninsula close to the confluence of the Mekong and Khan River.

This afternoon, continue to former **Royal Palace**, now the National Museum. Visit **Wat Mai**, a temple renowned for its golden bas-relief. During Pimai, the Lao New Year, the Prabang normally housed in the Royal Palace Museum is brought and put on public display in this temple.

Meals on your own. Overnight in a hotel.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Luang Prabang

Meals: Breakfast

Day 18 — Day 18: Luang Prabang – Elephant Village (B)

After breakfast, you will be driven to the Elephant Village, a center with a focus on the protection and rehabilitation of elephants in Laos.
- Arrival at the Elephant Village Camp: Welcome greetings and participate in a short briefing about elephants

- Elephant Feeding: Get up close and personal with elephants.
- Explore Elephant Village: Visit our elephant hospital, museum, gallery and dung paper making facility!
- Learn to communicate: Enjoy the impressive experience of being a Mahout and how they communicate (elephant riding is not available).
- Boat trip to the Tad Sae Waterfall: Ride in a traditional Lao long boat to the Tad Sae Waterfall and relax or swim in the clear water. Swimsuit recommended! (note: water levels will vary with seasonal conditions).
- Lunch at Elephant Camp restaurant. Your buffet lunch is served with coffee / tea and drinking water (vegetarian options are available).
The afternoon is free on your leisure.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Luang Prabang
Meals: Breakfast

Day 19 — Day 19: Luang Prabang – Farming Experiences – Kuang Si Falls (B)

After breakfast, spend the morning exploring the **rice culture and farming experience** with some hands-on activities along the way. Be welcomed by the hospitable farmers who will show you how rice is grown and harvested. You can plant rice in the rice paddy together with the farmers while seeing the buffalos plough the rice paddies. Discover what rice can be used to produce different products.

This afternoon, driving through green rice paddies and farms. On your arrival at the **Kuang Si waterfall**, enjoy your short walking on trails of falls to visit the bear rescued center. Enjoy spectacular views and the surrounding of orchids inside the park and falls cascade over many calcified tiers and down several hundred feet into a series of cool, turquoise pools. Return to Luang Prabang.

Meals on your own. Overnight in hotel

Accommodation: At the hotel in Luang Prabang

Meals: Breakfast

Day 20 — Day 20: Luang Prabang – Flight to Hanoi (B)

Free time until your transfer by our driver to the airport for your international flight to Hanoi. Upon arrival pick up and transfer you to your hotel for check-in.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Hanoi

Meals: Breakfast

Day 21 — Day 21: Hanoi city tour – Night train to Lao Cai (B) No guide on overnight train

Today, we enjoyed a full day city tour starting with the **Ho Chi Minh Complex.** This famous site contains **the mausoleum** of the nation's founder Ho Chi Minh (Close on Monday, Friday & November), **the Presidential Palace** and the **Ho Chi Minh's house on stilts**. Close to this complex is the **One Pillar Pagoda**, whose origins date back to the foundation of the city. We follow this with the **Temple of Literature**, which is well known as the first university of Vietnam. Have lunch at a local restaurant. In the afternoon, visit the impressive **Ethnological Museum**, dedicated to Vietnam's 54 ethnic groups, several of which we will see on our forthcoming trekking**.**

In the evening transfer to the railway station to **board a soft sleep & AC train to Lao Cai/Sapa (21:00) .**

Accommodation : on overnight train - sharing 4 berth cabins (Sapaly or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 22 — Day 22: Lao Chai/Ta Van Trekking Village (B)

At approximately 06:00 we arrive in Lao Cai. Your driver waits with a 45 minutes' drive by private car, from Lao Cai Station to Sapa.

Highlights:

On the way you will learn more about the different process of making rice field to the rice is on the dinner table. You will hear about the daily life of Black Hmong and Giay minorities.

Itinerary:

You will commence your short journey by driving south toward Muong Hoa valley. You will then start your walk by descending into the valley, which is the largest rice paddy terraced among Sapa area. The guide can provide you interesting information about rice. If you visit the valley sometime in between May and October, you will be able to observe and experience how the local do planting and harvesting, one of the most important activities in the daily life. The walk takes you from Lao Chai village of Black Hmong minority to Ta Van village of Giay minority.

Black H'mong is one of the biggest minority groups in the Sapa area. They are proud of their culture and keep their traditions and way of living. They have their own language and wear traditional indigo blue clothing.

Giay is a fairly small minority group of about 38.000 people who live mainly in the mountains in Northwest Vietnam. The development has meant that some of their old customs have been lost but many women still wear traditional shirts with a purple, blue or green color. The Giay's houses are build of wood and bamboo with a clay floor.

After visiting Ta Van the car will return you to Sapa.

Approx: 1 hours driving/ 2 hours walking.

Day 23 — Day 23: Heavens gate to Sapa valley - Night train to Hanoi (B/L) No guide in Lao Cai train - overnight train cabin

Highlights:

Trekking in the Hoang Lien National Park; visiting a Community Based Tourism village of Black Hmong minority, one of the largest group ethnic minorities in Sapa area; Enjoy the beautiful views of wild landscape and scenery.

Itinerary:

Met up at your hotel in Sapa by local guide and driver then transferred towards the Silver Waterfall. After a short time to take picture of the waterfall, we continue our drive to the Heaven Gate of Tram Ton which can be considered as the highest peak of roads in Vietnam. Enjoy the marvellous views of Fansipan from the Gate, the highest peak of Indochina.

Then we start our walking trip by going downhill a dirt trail, through bamboo forest of Hoang Lien National Park. Your lunch will be served at a nice spot nearby a river.

After lunch, we continue our trek to Sin Chai village, where Community Based Tourism in Sapa takes place. Then we visit the village, inhabited by the Black Hmong people, one of the largest group ethnic minorities in Sapa area. In the late afternoon, we will be picked up by our car for the journey back to your hotel in Sapa. Drive to Lao Cai then board the overnight train to Hanoi **(SP4 - 21:30pm)**

Approx: 1-hour driving/ 5-6 hours walking/ 1-hour lunch.

Day 24 — Day 24: Hanoi- HaLong Bay (B/L/D) No guide in Hanoi Train Station - Sharing english speaking guide onboard only

Pick you up at the railway station and then transfer you to a mini hotel for breakfast and fresh-up. At around 8:30 start a 3-hour drive through the **Red River Delta** to **Ha Long City.** Comfort stopped en route for photos and coffee before arriving at Ha Long City. We then transfer to a refurbished **wooden sailing junk** for a cruise through the limestone cliffs and emerald waters of HaLong Bay to enjoy a fantastic view of the picturesque scenery blending with the sky and some 3,000 limestone this World Heritage Site. While being on board, we will be served a sumptuous fresh, local seafood lunch followed by swimming and exploring some of the limestone caves in this area. The feeling of witnessing the sunset on a boat is really great. Dinner on board. The captain then will anchor for the night near a remote island. In the evening, there is the option for night fishing or just sit out on the deck and relax under the stars. **Overnight on Junk.**

Accommodation : On HaLong Bay boat

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 25 — Day 25: Ha Long Bay- Hanoi- Flight to Da Nang/Hoi An (B/L) Sharing english speaking guide onboard only - No guide at Hanoi airport

Waking up surrounded by the tranquil beauty of the bay, we have time for an early morning dip with joys and emotions for watching sunrise on sea followed by breakfast. The cruise continues to move around the bay for us to discover more secluded areas, we then take kayaking and swimming in the stunning bay. The junk will be near us at all times serving as a backup vessel for those that require it. At around midday we will return to the main harbor before transferring to our awaiting vehicle for a 3-hour journey back to Hanoi and then transfer to the airport for your flight to Da Nang. Upon arrival pick up and transfer you to the hotel in Hoi An for overnight.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 26 — Day 26: Biking to Tra Que Village- Hoi An city tour (B, L)

Morning, you will cycle to **Tra Que Vegetable Village**. Your cycling trip takes you on narrow roads to visit a place of display farming and fishing tools of the local farmers and fishermen. In this place, you will participate in daily activities of the local residents in the old time such as bailing out water with long handles buckets, pounding rice, lifting fishing nets, etc. Especially, you will savor boiled sweet potatoes dipping them into ground salty roasted peanut, drink lotus tea gathered from Tra Que lotus lagoon and listen to folk songs about Quang Nam native country, Hoi An Old Town as well as Tra Que Vegetable Village. After that you will keep going the tour to a house of a local resident to hear about history of the village foundation and the development of this village. Then local farmers will take you to see **vegetable gardens** and instruct you the techniques of planting and cultivating many kinds of vegetables planted in the gardens. You have a chance to join hand in cutting, tying in bundles, and reaping the vegetables to bring home for processing food. Back to Tra Que's family house, you will enjoy yourself with "**foot massage**" before working together with our family chef to learn the traditional ways of preparing and cooking Vietnamese food. Then, sit down and savor the dishes you have just prepared. In the afternoon, say goodbye to your host family and ride back to Hoi An, on the way, visit **Nhat tomb** and **Ba Le well**.

In the afternoon we will have our first glimpse of this beautiful boutique town recognized by UNESCO as a world heritage site. The tranquil and charm of Hoi An with its low tiled **houses of Chinese** appearance, **Japanese covered bridge,** brightly painted **temples and pagodas** make it one of Vietnam's most delightful places. **Overnight at a hotel in Hoi An.**

Accommodation : At the hotel in Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 27 — Day 27: Hoian Free & easy (B) No guide nor transfer

You have free time today to explore Hoi An city by your own

Accommodation : At the hotel in Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast

Day 28 — Day 28: Hoi An- Da Nang- Flight to Siem Reap (B) No guide in Hoi An

You have free time until we arrive and pick you up at the airport for your flight to Siem Reap. Arrival at Siem Reap International Airport, collect your luggage process through custom. Your private tour guide and driver will be waiting for you outside the baggage claim/ custom area to transfer you in a private vehicle to the hotel for check-in.

Free time and overnight at the hotel.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Siem Reap

Meals: Breakfast

Day 29 — Day 29: Siem Reap- Angkor Highlight tour (B)

In the morning, visit the most famous of all the temples on the plain of Angkor: **Angkor Wat**. The temple complex covers 81 hectares and is comparable in size to the Imperial Palace in Beijing. Its distinctive five towers are emblazoned on the Cambodian flag and the 12th century masterpiece is considered by art historians to be the prime example of classical Khmer art and architecture. Angkor Wat's five towers symbolize Meru's five peaks - the enclosed wall represents the mountains at the edge of the world and the surrounding moat, the ocean beyond. Lunch in the local restaurant. Visit the **South Gate**, the ancient capital of Angkor Thom (12th century), **Bayon Temple** (unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara), **the Royal Enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Elephants Terrace** and the **Terrace of the Leper King**. Sunset at Angkor Wat. Overnight in Siem Reap.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Siem Reap

Meals: Breakfast

Day 30 — Day 30: Siem Reap -Banteay Srei temple (B)

Morning, transfer to **Banteay Srei temple** (10th c), regarded as the jewel in the crown of Classical Khmer Art. Continue to **Ta Prohm**, one of the area's most beautiful temples. Ta Prohm has been relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon visit **the Roluos Group**. The monuments of Roluos, which served as the capital of Indravarman I (reigned 877-89), are among the earliest large, permanent temples built by the Khmers and mark the beginning of Khmer classical art. **Preah Ko** erected by Indravarman I in the late 9th century dedicated by the King to his ancestors in 880. **Bakong**, the largest and most interesting of the Roluos group temples, with his active

Buddhist monastery just to the north of the east entrance. **Lolei** ,built on an islet in the center of a large reservoir (now rice fields) by Yasovarman I, the founder to the first city at Angkor. Overnight in Siem Reap.

Accommodation : At the hotel in Siem Reap

Meals: Breakfast

Day 31 — Day 31: Siem Reap - Tonle Sap Lake - Depart (B)

After breakfast, start your day with a short drive to visit **Kampong Phluk** floating village, a permanent settlement on the Tonle Sap Lake with a small land-based village attached to it. Its remarkable mangrove forest is unique in the Siem Reap area. You will board a local boat and cruise the waterways observing the authentic and diverse lifestyle of the local floating community. Once you arrive at the open lake, jump onto the floating restaurant where you will watch the sunset over the great lake.

Transfer to the airport for your international flight home

Accommodation : NA

Meals: Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

DESTINATION	HOTEL	ROOM
Phuket	Kata Palm Resort	Superior Royal Blue Wing
Khao Sok	Khao Sok Paradise	Mountain View Bungalow
Bangkok	W22 BY BURASARI 3*	Superior
Chiang Mai	M Hotel Chiang Mai	Superior
Chiang Rai	Laluna Hotel & Resort	Garden Bungalow
Chiang Khong	Chiang Khong Teak Garden	Deluxe Garden View
Luang Prabang	Villa Maydou	Deluxe Heritage room
Hanoi	Chalcedony Hotel	Deluxe city view
Sapa	SAPA RELAX HOTEL & SPA	Deluxe city view
Halong Bay	RENEA CRUISE	Deluxe Double/Twin Room
Hoi An	Rose Garden	Superior
Phuket	Burasari Phuket 4*	Premier
Siem Reap	Amber Angkor Hotel	Deluxe
Khao Lak	Khao Lak Laguna	Siam Chalet
Bangkok	ARTE HOTEL	Deluxe Double/Twin Room
Khao Lak	Palm Galleria Resort	Superior
Chiang Mai	Bodhi Serene	Deluxe
Pakbeng	Mekong Riverside Lodge	Double/twin room
Penang	OZO Penang	Deluxe
Chiang Rai	Le Patta Chiang Rai Resort & Hotel	Superior
Chiang Khong	Chiang Khong Teak Garden	Deluxe (river view)
Luang Prabang	Souphatra Hotel	Deluxe Pool View
Hanoi	Hanoi Pearl Hotel	Deluxe city view
Sapa	Aliana Boutique Hotel & Spa	Deluxe Balcony
Halong Bay	Mila Cruise	Junior with balcony
Phuket	The Nature Phuket	Deluxe
Khao Lak	The Heaven Khao Lak 5*	Deluxe

DESTINATION	HOTEL	ROOM
Bangkok	Eastin Grand Sathorn Bangkok	Superior
Chiang Mai	U Nimman Chiang Mai	Deluxe
Chiang Rai	The Riverie Chiang Rai	Deluxe Garden
Chiang Khong	Chiang Khong Teak Garden	Deluxe (river view)
Hanoi	GM PREMIUM HOTEL HANOI	Executive City view
Luang Prabang	Satri House	Deluxe
Khao Sok	Khao Sok Paradise	Deluxe Tree House 2 pax
Pakbeng	Le Grand Pakbeng	Double/twin room
Hoi An	Laluna Hoian Riverside Hotel & Spa	Superior
Siem Reap	Somadevi Angkor Hotel	Superior
Khao Sok	Khao Sok Paradise	Standard Tree House
Pakbeng	Sanctuary Pakbeng Lodge	Double/twin room
Sapa	SILK PATH GRAND SAPA RESORT & SPA	Balcony Classic Garden
Halong Bay	Ambassador Cruise	Deluxe
Hoi An	Allegro Hoi An	Junior Suite
Siem Reap	Borei Angkor Hotel	Deluxe

Trip notes

INCLUDED	EXCLUDED
• Accommodation in twin/double room with daily breakfast at the below indicated room types (see hotel category list below) (check-in and check-out around noontime) • 2Days/1Night cruise on board a cruise in Ha Long Bay (double/twin cabin on shared boat). • Services of a driver and private air-conditioned vehicle during all tours and transfers • Experienced English-speaking guide during all tours and transfers • Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary • Meals (B/L/D) (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner) as indicated in the program • 02 bottles of mineral water per person per day on bus - on days of transfer and sightseeing only	• Early check-in or late check-out • International & Domestic flight tickets • Meals (other than mentioned in the program) • Additional transfer required due to any emergency situation • Visa - as per country requirements • Tips • All entrance fees - as per program • Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance) • Airport transfer surcharge for guide between 10:00 pm to 6:30 am is 15 USD/way.