

## \* 5D4N Phnom Penh + Siem Reap 2+2 Tour \* (Rafflesia Package)

### Day 1: Arrival to Phnom Penh (Lunch, Dinner)

Upon arrival to Phnom Penh, you will be welcomed by our tour guide at the airport and transferred to hotel before you begin the tour.



- ❖ Your first tour stop in Phnom Penh will be the **Royal Palace**, built by King Norodom in 1866 on the site of the old town. On the south side of the palace is the **Silver Pagoda**, which got its name because its floor is made up of 5,000 silver tiles.
- ❖ After lunch, proceed to the **National Museum**, also called Musee des Beaux-Arts. It contains a collection of Khmer architecture and sculptures since the ancient times.
- ❖ Next, visit the tallest religious structure in the city – the **Wat Phnom**.

It is a Buddhist temple built in 1373. At 27m above ground, you can enjoy stunning views over the tree-lined avenues of the city.

- ❖ Thereafter, head to the **Independence Monument** built in 1958 for Cambodia's independence from France in 1953. It stands on the intersection of Norodom Boulevard and Sihanouk Boulevard in the center of the city.
- ❖ Following, enjoy a leisurely stroll along **Sisowath Quay**, which runs along the west bank of the Tonle Sap River. This is a 3km strip lined with hotels, restaurants, bars, cafes and shops.
- ❖ You can also try your luck at the well-known **NAGA World Casino** before returning to hotel to rest.

### Day 2: Phnom Penh (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)



- ❖ Start your day with a visit to the notorious **Tuol Sleng Museum**. In 1975 Tuol Svay Prey High School, the former site of the museum, was taken over by Pol Pot's security forces and turned into a prison known as Security Prison 21 (S-21).
- ❖ Thereafter, visit the **Killing Fields of Choeng EK**, about 17km south of Phnom Penh. It used to be the site of a former orchard and mass grave of victims of the Khmer Rouge killed between 1975 and 1979.

- ❖ After lunch, you will tour the **Russian Market (Psah Tuol Thom Pong)**, a lively outdoor market where you will find a large selection of souvenirs, curios, antiques, handicraft, and many other things of interest to visitors. It is also the place to buy clothes at big discount prices.
- ❖ Return to your hotel after dinner to rest for the night.



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### Day 3: Phnom Penh – Siem Reap (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

This morning, transfer to Siem Reap – the gateway to the ruins of Angkor by public coach. Upon arrival, have lunch first, check in to hotel before you start a cultural and relaxation tour.

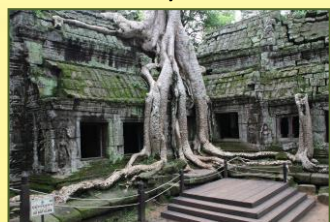
- ❖ First, visit the floating village of **Chong Khneas**, located 10 km south of Siem Reap.
- ❖ Following, take a traditional wooden boat ride on the **Tonle Sap Lake**, the Great Lake of Cambodia.
- ❖ Next, visit the **Les Artisan D' Angkor (Chantiers Ecoles)** – an educational center that trains rural young people in traditional skills of stone carving, wood carving, lacquer and silk weaving.
- ❖ Thereafter, proceed to **Angkor Silk Farm** to understand the fascinating process of silk-making and buy high-quality silk products.
- ❖ Time to explore the **Local Market** at your own leisure.
- ❖ Lastly, enjoy dinner with an **Aspara Dancing Performance** before you return to hotel for the night.



### Day 4: Siem Reap (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Today, you will embark on a tour to discover the spectacular Angkor Thom and Angkor Wat regions.

- ❖ Start the day with a visit to the Angkor Thom area via the **South Gate of Angkor Thom**. Inside the walls of this city, you will tour **Bayon**, standing in the exact center of the city of Angkor Thom. Located 200m northwest of the Bayon is the **Baphuon**, a single sanctuary temple-mountain situated on a high base. Then, visit the **Phimean Akas Temple**, built of roughly hewn sandstone blocks and has little decoration. Next, proceed to the **Elephants Terrace**, dedicated to Buddhist and replica to the Bayon style of art. Afterwards, head to the **Leper King Terrace**, faced with dramatic bas-reliefs, and carries on the grandeur theme that characterizes the building during Jayavarman VII's reign. You will also tour the **Royal Palace, Woman and Man Pond**, enclosed by a laterite wall with only the base remaining today.



- ❖ Next, visit the **Ta-Prohm Temple**, built in the Bayon style from late 12<sup>th</sup> to early 13<sup>th</sup> century. The photogenic and atmospheric combination of trees growing out of the ruins and the jungle surroundings have made the UNESCO World Heritage Site one of Angkor's most visited temples.
- ❖ After lunch, continue your journey to the largest religious monument in

the world – the **Angkor Wat Temple**. This architectural masterpiece is one of the seven greatest architectural wonders of the world.

- ❖ Lastly, make a visit to **Phnom Bakheng** for its beautiful sunset.
- ❖ Transfer back to hotel after dinner for a good night's rest.



### Day 5: Departure from Siem Reap (Breakfast)

Free till departure transfer to airport for homebound flight.

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