

Thailand and Cambodia: Culture and Koh Rong - 15 Days

15 days · Tailor-made itinerary



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Your journey. Your pace. Your experiences.

Bangkok - Chiang Mai - Siem Reap - Phnom Penh - Koh Rong - Sihanoukville

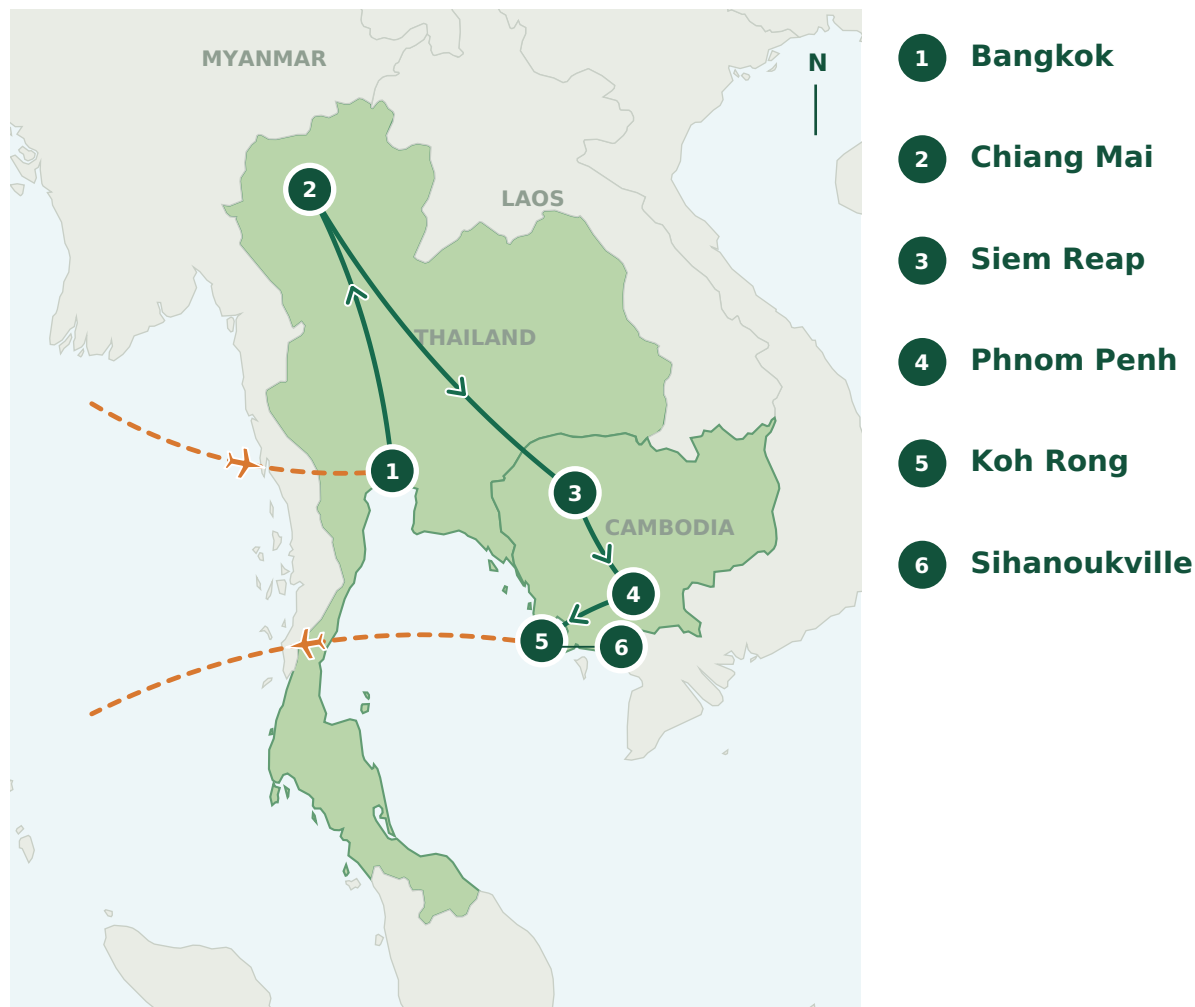
From USD 2,420 per person

Indicative price · international arrival and departure flights excluded

A tour idea we can personalise together.

Your journey at a glance

Destinations: Thailand · Cambodia



— Itinerary - - - Arrival & departure

Connections are schematic. Flights depend on your travel arrangements.

Map data: Natural Earth.

What makes this journey special

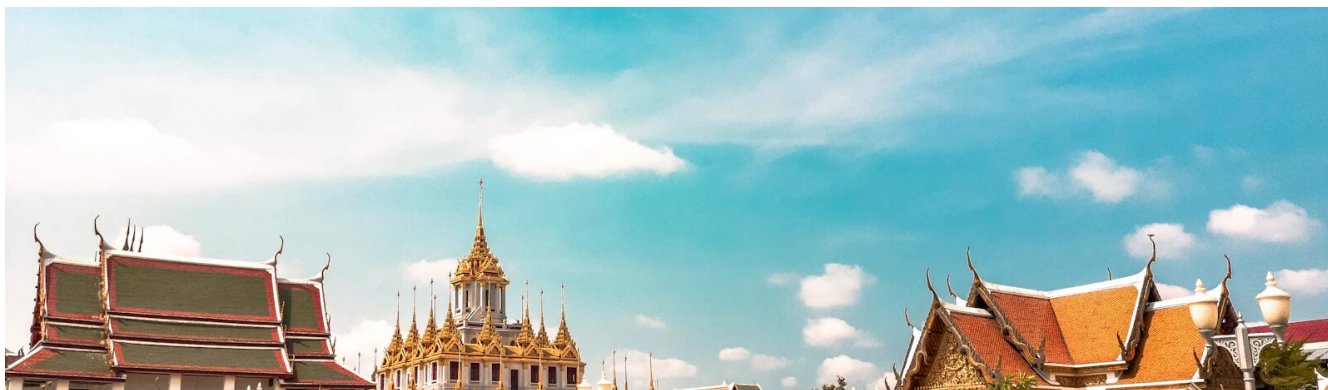
- Damnoen Saduak Floating Market
- Thai cooking class with a market visit
- Doi Suthep and Chiang Mai's city temples
- Angkor and a private Tonle Sap boat trip
- Phnom Penh's history and Royal Palace
- Free beach days on Koh Rong

DAY 1**Arrival in Bangkok**

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Your journey through Thailand begins in Bangkok. Your private driver will meet you at the airport with a name sign and take you to your accommodation in the heart of the city. Explore at your own pace or relax after your flight.

Overnight in Bangkok.

DAY 2**Bangkok's floating market: private excursion (B/L)**

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Your driver will collect you from the hotel at 08:00 for the journey from Bangkok to Damnoen Saduak Floating Market in Ratchaburi province.

Travel southwest from Bangkok to Damnoen Saduak, one of Thailand's best-known floating markets. Along the way, stop at a local producer to see how palm sugar is made.

At the pier, board a long-tail boat and follow small canals towards the market, glimpsing daily life along the waterways. Vendors sell fruit, vegetables, flowers and other goods from their boats to customers along the banks. Try local food, coconut water or fresh fruit juice, and browse for souvenirs.

Overnight in Bangkok.

DAY 3**Thai cooking class in Bangkok: group experience (B)**

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Join a Thai cooking class led by professional instructors at Sompong Thai Cooking School in Bangkok. Begin with a local market visit, where you learn to choose ingredients for the day's dishes and discover their place in Thai cooking.

Each participant has an individual workstation and equipment. Prepare three Thai main dishes, a dessert and a curry paste from scratch, with guidance suited to your experience. Vegetarian options are available; please tell us about any allergies in advance so the school can discuss suitable arrangements.

Afterwards, enjoy the dishes you have made. You can also ask about taking some away to share.

Overnight in Bangkok.

DAY 4

Fly from Bangkok to Chiang Mai (B)

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After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight from Bangkok to Chiang Mai. A local representative will meet you at Chiang Mai International Airport and accompany you to your hotel. After checking in, relax or head out for your first look around the city.

Overnight in Chiang Mai.

DAY 5**Doi Suthep and city temples: group excursion (B)**

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Discover Chiang Mai's history and temples on this excursion. Follow the winding road into the hills to Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, around 3,500 feet above sea level. Its gleaming chedi and five-tiered golden parasol shelter sacred Buddha relics. On a clear day, the terrace offers far-reaching views over the city. The 306-step Naga Staircase, lined with mythical serpent figures, makes a memorable approach.

Back in the city, visit Wat Suan Dok, the Royal Flower Garden Temple with its large central stupa, and Wat Chedi Luang, known for its imposing historic chedi. Together with Doi Suthep, these temples offer a glimpse of Chiang Mai's religious heritage.

Excursion duration: approximately five hours.

Overnight in Chiang Mai.

DAY 6**Free time in Chiang Mai; optional elephant sanctuary visit (B)**

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Explore Chiang Mai at your own pace today.

Optional half-day group visit to an elephant sanctuary, with lunch. The itinerary lists this activity at USD 85 per person, in addition to the tour price; the price will be confirmed when booking.

Morning visit, with an early start around 06:30. Return timing will be confirmed, as the detailed programme includes a 12:00 departure from the sanctuary followed by a drive of around 1.5 hours.

07:00: Drive around 1.5 hours south of Chiang Mai through hills, forests and farmland.

08:30: Arrive at Elephant Jungle Sanctuary. During an introduction to the elephants, change into traditional Karen clothing and prepare medicine for the animals.

09:00: Meet the elephants. The programme includes feeding them, giving them medicine and interacting with them while learning about their histories and behaviour. There will be opportunities for photographs.

09:45: Mud bath with the elephants.

10:30: Accompany the elephants to the river for the bathing activity included in the programme.

11:30: Enjoy a traditional meal and say goodbye to the elephants.

12:00: Leave Elephant Jungle Sanctuary for the drive of around 1.5 hours back to Chiang Mai. The optional programme's final timings will be confirmed before booking.

Overnight in Chiang Mai.

DAY 7**Fly from Chiang Mai to Siem Reap (B)**

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After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your international flight from Chiang Mai to Siem Reap. A local representative will meet you on arrival and take you to your hotel. After checking in, enjoy time to relax or begin exploring the city.

Overnight in Siem Reap.

DAY 8**Angkor temples: private excursion (B)**

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After breakfast, explore Angkor Thom, including the South Gate, Bayon Temple with its stone towers and faces, the former Royal Palace enclosure, Phimeanakas, the Terrace of the Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King. Continue to Preah Khan, the large Buddhist monastic and teaching complex that King Jayavarman VII dedicated to his father.

This afternoon, visit jungle-framed Ta Prohm, then explore Angkor Wat. Its vast temple grounds, moat and enclosing walls reveal the scale of this extraordinary Khmer monument.

Overnight in Siem Reap.

DAY 9**Tonle Sap Lake: private boat trip (B)**

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After breakfast, explore Tonle Sap Lake by private boat with your guide. This great freshwater lake is connected to the Tonle Sap River, which meets the Mekong in Phnom Penh.

Visit a floating fishing village, where schools, a police station and other facilities form a community on the water. The village adapts its position to changing water levels and currents.

Overnight in Siem Reap.

DAY 10**Bus from Siem Reap to Phnom Penh (B)**

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After breakfast, transfer to the bus station for the journey of around five hours to Phnom Penh. On arrival, transfer to your hotel and check in.

Overnight in Phnom Penh.

DAY 11**Phnom Penh: private city tour (B)**

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After breakfast, visit the Royal Palace, the residence of Cambodia's king and royal family. Continue to the Silver Pagoda, known for its cultural treasures and richly adorned Buddha figures, then visit Wat Phnom, the hilltop pagoda associated with the city's founding story and Lady Penh.

This afternoon, visit Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, the former S-21 prison. Once a school, it became a prison under Pol Pot's security forces and now tells the stories of those held there during the Khmer Rouge regime. Continue to the Russian Market, or Toul Tumpong, to browse clothing, Buddha figures, woodcarvings, betel-nut boxes, silk, silver jewellery and traditional musical instruments.

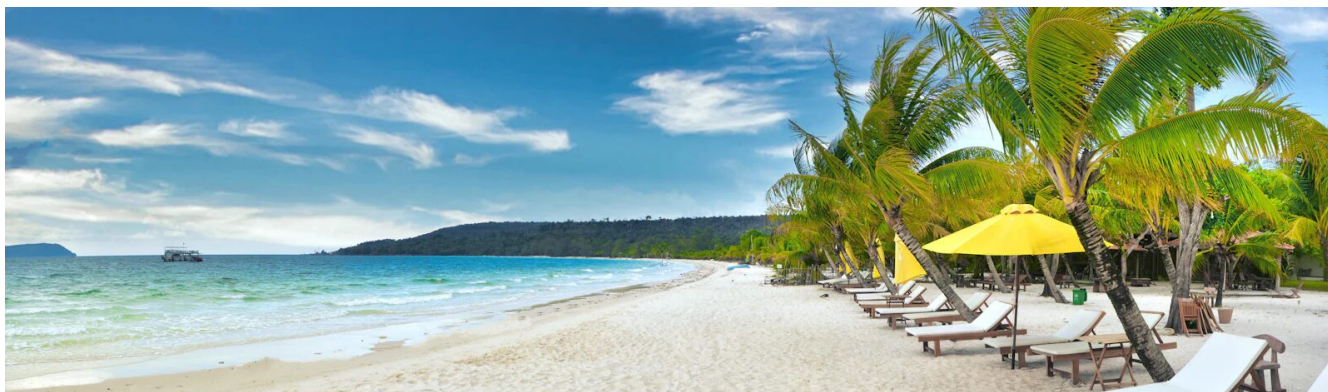
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DAY 12**Phnom Penh to Koh Rong (B)**

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After breakfast, transfer by road to Sihanoukville's port without a guide. From there, take a speedboat to Koh Rong island.

Overnight on Koh Rong.

DAY 13**Free beach day on Koh Rong (B)**

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After breakfast, the day is yours to relax and enjoy the beach.

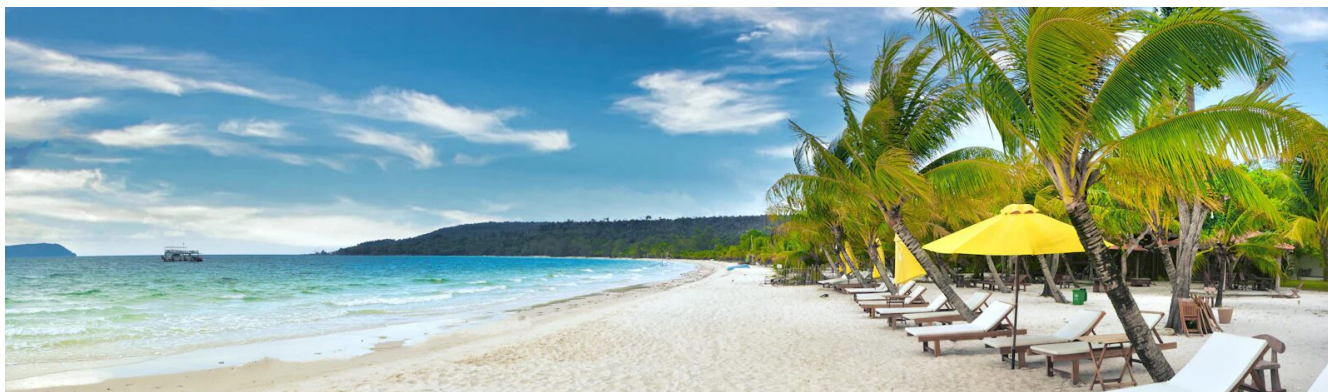
Overnight on Koh Rong.

DAY 14**Another free day on Koh Rong (B)**

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After breakfast, spend another day exactly as you wish, making the most of your time by the sea.

Overnight on Koh Rong.

DAY 15**Departure via Sihanoukville (B)**

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After breakfast, take the speedboat back to Sihanoukville's mainland port. Your driver will meet you and take you to Sihanoukville Airport for your departing flight. This transfer is without a guide.

Included services

- Economy-class flights from Bangkok to Chiang Mai and from Chiang Mai to Siem Reap, each with 20 kg of checked baggage per person.
- Child airfares follow the airline's conditions at booking. Please contact us for a quote if travelling with more than one child.
- Experienced English-speaking guide. German-, French-, Spanish- or Dutch-speaking guides are available on request for a supplement.
- Meals as listed in the itinerary: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner.
- Private vehicles for collection, drop-off and excursions as listed in the itinerary.
- Private door-to-door transfers.
- All sightseeing and admission tickets listed in the itinerary.
- Tissues and drinking water in the vehicle.

Your personal proposal will set out the included services. Any changes and availability will be confirmed before you book.

Additional costs

- International arrival and departure flights.
- Travel insurance.
- Drinks, personal expenses and tips.
- Early check-in and late check-out unless expressly included.
- Compulsory gala dinners on 24 and 31 December, where applicable.
- Holiday surcharges at Christmas and New Year, where applicable.
- Airport-transfer surcharges between midnight and 5 am.
- An e-visa or visa for Cambodia and Thailand, where required.
- Other activities and services not expressly included, including the optional elephant excursion.

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Carefully selected accommodation

Suggested hotels by destination and category. Your personal proposal will confirm room types and availability.

Bangkok

3 stars**True Siam Rang Nam or similar****4 stars****Silom Serene, a Boutique Hotel or similar****5 stars****The Sukosol Bangkok or similar**

Chiang Mai

3 stars**De Charme or similar****4 stars****Empress Chiang Mai Hotel or similar****5 stars****NA NIRAND Romantic Boutique Resort or similar**

Siem Reap

3 stars**Royal Crown Hotel & Spa or similar****4 stars****Saem Siem Reap or similar****5 stars****Borei Angkor or similar**

Phnom Penh

3 stars**LCS Hotel or similar****4 stars****Anik Palace or similar****5 stars****Palace Gate Hotel & Resort or similar**

Koh Rong

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
Long Set or similar	Anaya Hotel or similar	The Royal Sands or similar

Final accommodation is confirmed when you book.

These hotels are suggestions, not reservations. If unavailable, a comparable alternative will be offered.

Columns show the trip categories; some lodges, homestays and cruises may be the same across categories.

Turn your idea into your journey.

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