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Post-Stay Cambodia
Tomb Raider: Angkor Wat
Siem Reap, Cambodia
2025 February 21 - 26

5-night Itinerary



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ITINERARY OUTLINE

Day 1 2025 Feb 21	Siem Reap - Arrival	Day 4 2025 Feb 24	Siem Reap
Day 2 2025 Feb 22	Siem Reap	Day 5 2025 Feb 25	Siem Reap
Day 3 2025 Feb 23	Siem Reap	2025 Feb 26	Flight out



DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1 : SIEM REAP - ARRIVAL

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Upon arrival at Siem Reap International Airport, your local English speaking guide will welcome and pick up for a transfer to your comfortable hotel in the heart of the city for check-in. Normally check-in time is at 1400.

***Siem Reap** nestled between rice paddies and stretched along the Siem Reap River, the small provincial capital of Siem Reap Town serves as the gateway to the millennium-old temple ruins of the Khmer Empire. Designated a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, the Angkor Archaeological Park encompasses dozens of temple ruins including Bayon, Banteay Srey and the legendary Angkor Wat.*

Free at your leisure and relax, or massage, or pool time with a cocktail in a fresh coconut. Dinner on your own account.

Overnight in Siem Reap at Lynnaya Urban River Resort

4 Stars (First Class)

In Deluxe Bungalow with Breakfast for 5 nights from 25 – 30 Jan 2023

DAY 2 : SIEM REAP – PHARE CIRCUS

B/-/-

Breakfast is served at hotel.

Morning is free at leisure to sleep in and rest from yesterday's flight, or perhaps have a message.

19:30 This evening, pick up by your local driver (No Guide) to attend a stunning performance of 'Phare, the Cambodian Circus'. Starting at 2000, professional artists of Phare Ponleu Selpak (PPS) will perform an inspiring show suitable for people of all ages. Set up in Battambang in 1994 by young returnee Cambodians from the refugee camps who learned about using art as a means of coping with trauma, PPS has played an influential role in promoting and developing Khmer culture over the years after the Khmer Rouge genocide. The hour long show mixes traditional and modern theater, music, dance, acrobatics, juggling and contortion performed in a story about Cambodian lives and society. Student performances can still be seen twice weekly in Battambang but now the circus has arrived.



After the show, the driver can drop you off at the hotel/local restaurant or Pub Street where you can enjoy your dinner tonight on your own account.

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DAY 3 : SIEM REAP - ROLUOS GROUP - SMALL CIRCUIT

B/-/-

08:30 This morning after breakfast, get your first close glimpse of Angkor today at the early temples of the **Roluos Group**. Roluos is the site of an ancient center of Khmer civilization known as Hariharalaya. It was the first town built by the Angkorian kings in the 8th and 9th century and consists of three main temples: Bakong, Lolei and Preah Ko. The surrounding countryside with its paddy fields and sugar palm trees is very typical for Cambodia – enjoy the natural beauty on an ox cart ride, a fun way to get in touch with rural Cambodia and its friendly people.

In the contemporary Roluos Pagoda in the vicinity of the monuments, Buddhist monks will celebrate a **private blessing ceremony** for you, wishing you health and a safe journey – a very special experience!

Lunch on your own account.

14:00 After a break for some rest at midday return to explore the temples of the **Small Circuit**. The most illustrious of these is **Ta Prohm**, built in the mid 12th to early 13th centuries. Ta Prohm is unique in that it has been left largely overgrown by jungle trees and vines, with many parts of the temple crumbling to the ground. This makes the ‘Tomb Raider Temple’ one of the most picturesque and memorable of the Angkor temples. Your visit to Ta Prohm will also include **Banteay Kdei**, a Buddhist monastery from the late 12th Century, and **Srah Srang**, also known as the “pool of ablutions”. As an alternative to Ta Prohm and Banteay Kdei you may wish to visit **Preah Khan**, a larger temple built by the same king in honour of his father (Ta Prohm was built for his mother). Less well known and therefore less frequently visited, Preah Khan is more grand in scale and yet provides a more intimate--more “Tomb Raider” if you will--experience because of fewer visitors and it’s many collapsing and crumbling corridors.



Return back to the hotel. Dinner on your own account.

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DAY 4 : SIEM REAP – BENG MEALEA

B/L/-

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30 You will head out to the beautiful Cambodian countryside, as you will drive to the quiet **Beng Mealea**, around 65 km from Siem Reap. If you arrive early enough to be the first at the temple (7:30am), you will feel like an Indiana Jones explorer when you discover this completely overgrown and collapsed temple. Undiscovered for centuries, **Beng Mealea** is now accessible to all visitors, and while it remains unrestored, it is increasingly popular with tour groups, particularly in the later morning hours.

Return back to town, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant.

Afternoon, free at leisure and enjoy the pool or explore the surrounding.

Dinner Show At Por Cuisine

18:30 This evening, pick up from the hotel’s lobby for a welcome dinner at **Por Cuisine restaurant**. Por Cuisine is another on the Siem Reap scene of Khmer fusion fine dining and has its very own daily traditional Apsara dance performance from 19:30-20:30. Set in a sleek, modern and classy environment, this restaurant offers up an exciting array of enticing flavours from local Khmer cuisine to international dishes.



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DAY 5 : SIEM REAP – CYCLE (or Tuk-Tuk) ANGKOR TEMPLE COMPLEX

B/L/-

Breakfast is served at the hotel.

08:00 Start the full day cycling tour (or we can arrange a Tuk-Tuk for you), by first visit the ancient city of **Angkor Thom**, the last capital of the Great Khmer Empire under the reign of Jayavarman VII. This city is surrounded by an

8m high wall, drawing a perfect square. Enter the city through the ancient South Gate, an impressive stone gate carved with three-headed elephants and capped with four giant faces.

From here, continue to **Bayon Temple** in the center of the city. This 12th century masterpiece is a study in grandeur and is well-known for its 54 towers with the faces of the Buddha looking out over the vast provinces of the Great Khmer Empire. The nearby **Terrace of the Elephants** and the **Terrace of the Leper King** are also must-visits as they are both known for their intricate relief carvings.



12:00 Lunch will be at a local restaurant where offer a variety of Khmer cuisine, along with some of the more conventional western dishes.

14:00 In the afternoon, continue the cycling tour to visit the biggest religious temple in the world; the magnificent **Angkor Wat Temple**. Built during the reign of King Suryavarman II in the early 12th century, Angkor Wat is constructed following the model of the temple mountain symbolizing Mount Meru, the home of the gods. Inside the temple, the walls are covered with stone carvings and bas-reliefs depicting Hindu mythology and the wars Suryavarman II fought during his reign. Angkor Wat is well known for the more than 2,000 Apsara dancers decorating the temple. Construction is thought to have taken around thirty years of intensive labor. Today, Angkor Wat is figured on Cambodia’s national flag as the temple symbolizes the soul of the Khmer people.

Dinner on your own account. Evening free on your own to explore Siem Reap.

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DAY 6 : SIEM REAP - DEPARTURE **B/-/-**

Breakfast is served at the hotel. Standard room check-out is at 12hrs00. Free at your leisure until the time your driver and guide pick up for a transfer to Siem Reap Airport for your departure flight to Hanoi.

Siem Reap - Lynnaya Urban River Resort

Only 2625 feet from the lively Pub Street, **Lynnaya Urban River Resort** is a beautifully furnished property located in the heart of Siem Reap. It welcomes guests with an outdoor pool and free WiFi access throughout the property. Free parking is also available. Staff are able to converse in English, Chinese, French, Khmer, Korean and Japanese. Rooms feature classic Cambodian-style furnishings. Amenities include a flat-screen cable TV, an electric kettle, comfortable seating area and air conditioning. Stylish private bathrooms come with a hairdryer, toothbrushes and free toiletries. Slippers are available for your convenience. Rejuvenate with a soothing spa treatment or traditional massage. Friendly staff at the 24-hour front desk can assist you with laundry services, airport transfers and car/bicycle rentals.



VISA REQUIREMENTS PER DESTINATION

Cambodia

[Cambodia eVisa](#)

Notes: Cambodia visa also can apply upon arrival at the airport. USD 40/Pax to be paid on spot.

NOTES:

- Passports must be valid 6 months after departure date from each country

SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Transportation with private driver in air-conditioned vehicle (unless mentioned otherwise)
- Service of English speaking local guide
- Accommodation at Lynnaya Urban River Resort
- Meals (B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner) as mentioned in the itinerary
- Excursions and transfers as mentioned by private air-conditioned vehicles(or by boat if mentioned)
- Entrance fees for mentioned visits
- Bikes and helmet
- Drinking water & cold towel during the tour
- Carbon offsetting for holiday

SERVICES DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Camera / video entrance fees
- Flight not mentioned in the inclusions (please see airfare table)
- Laundry, telephone calls and expenditure of personal nature
- Early check-in and late check-out
- Meals other than mentioned
- Services other than mentioned
- Optional tour of Bambu Stage
- Gratuities, personal expenses, drinks during meals unless mentioned

VISA INFORMATION:

- Please double-check visa requirements for each country and indicate the nationality of each traveler

USEFUL INFORMATION

CURRENCY: Thailand: Thai Bhat. Cambodia: US dollars – take NEW, UNTORN, UNWRINKLED ones, five, tens.

ELECTRIC: 220 V in the majority of both countries. Plug Adapter required. A Converter may be required, depending on what you are plugging in (some items have a built in converter). Carefully review your device.

VISA - CAMBODIA: A visa is required. \$40 USD, purchased at airport

IMMUNIZATIONS/SHOTS: According to the Centers for Disease Control, there are no obligatory vaccines you need before traveling to THAILAND OR CAMBODIA (unless visiting on your own to remote areas). Check your records to see if it's time to update your routine shots. The DPT vaccines, which protect against diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus, should be updated every 10 years.

FLIGHT:

Fly into Bangkok Thailand

Return Home from Bangkok Thailand OR Siem Reap Cambodia.

WEATHER: The climate in THAILAND and CAMBODIA during January& February is very similar to Florida – hot and humid. Daytime temperatures average around a warm upper 80's (Chiang Rai) to low to mid 90°F (Bangkok & Siem Reap); at night upper 70's are normal for January.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Group plan is available and recommended