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SOUTHEAST ASIA DISCOVERY



13 DAYS & 12 NIGHTS / PRIVATE JOURNEY

BANGKOK, CHIANG MAI, HANOI, HALONG BAY, HOI AN, SAIGON & SIEM REAP

From awe-inspiring coastlines to snow capped mountains, rolling landscapes fed by the monsoon rains and frenetic cities buzzing with energy, Southeast Asia's landscapes are incredibly diverse. On this journey, cruise the Mekong, stroll through colonial Hanoi, ride an elephant through the lush forest, go underground to explore the Cu Chi tunnels and discover the wondrous temples of Angkor. With its varied colors, smells and flavors, you will find this journey delightfully rewarding.



2012 DATES	*PRICES FROM
Jan-Sept	\$ 6,755
Single Supplement	4,045
Internal Air	1,100

Note: Upon request, your travel consultant can provide an exact price based on your specific dates of travel.

Day 1: Arrive Bangkok

Upon arrival in Bangkok, you will be welcomed by your Cox & Kings local representative and transferred to your hotel. *The Peninsula (Deluxe Room)* – 2 nights

Day 2: Bangkok

After breakfast, listen to the sonorous chants of the monks at Wat Po, marvel at the reclining Buddha and admire the Emerald Buddha at the Grand Palace. This afternoon, stroll through Chinatown, stop at the Bangkok Folk Museum (closed on Monday and Tuesday) and cruise the Chao Phraya River to the Temple of Dawn. (B)

Day 3: To Chiang Mai

Fly north to Chiang Mai. Spend the afternoon at leisure and then visit the colorful night market. *Four Seasons* – 3 nights (B)

Day 4: Chiang Mai

Take a scenic drive to Chiang Dao for an elephant ride along the river. After lunch, take a tranquil bamboo raft trip down the Mae Ping River. (B)

Day 5: Chiang Mai

In the morning, visit a White Hmong tribal village to learn about their traditional lifestyle. Next, admire the stunning views from the temple of Wat Phra That Doi Suthep. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit several of Chiang Mai's Buddhist temples and the area's largest market. (B)

Day 6: To Hanoi

Bid farewell to Thailand and fly to Hanoi. Upon arrival, visit the Temple of Literature and the Lake of the Restored Sword. Then hop aboard a cyclo (cycle rickshaw) for a tour of the Old Quarter. *Sofitel Legend Metropole (Grand Premium)* – 1 night (B)

Day 7: To Halong Bay

Embark on an overnight cruise through the emerald waters of Halong Bay. From your comfortable boat, marvel at the stunning limestone landscapes of this UNESCO World

HIGHLIGHTS

- ELEPHANT RIDE AND BAMBOO RAFTING IN CHIANG MAI
- CYCLO RIDE THROUGH THE COLONIAL QUARTER OF OLD HANOI
- CRUISE THE MAJESTIC MEKONG RIVER AND HALONG BAY
- EXPLORE THE CU CHI TUNNELS
- DISCOVER THE ENCHANTING HINDU TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

OPTIONALS

- VISIT THE WATER PUPPETRY VILLAGE IN THE RED RIVER DELTA
- COOKING CLASS AND DINNER IN HOI AN
- A MUSICAL PERFORMANCE AT TRUC MAI HOUSE

EXTENSIONS

- LUANG PRABANG • KRABI OR KOH SAMUI • BAGAN (MYANMAR)

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Ho Chi Minh City

Heritage site. *Jasmine Cruise (Deluxe Cabin) – 1 night (B, L, D)*

Day 8: To Hoi An

Enjoy brunch on board before returning to Hanoi and disembark.

Option: En route to Hanoi, stop at a village to enjoy a performance of the traditional Vietnamese art of water puppetry.

Fly to Hoi An late this afternoon. *Nam Hai Resort (One Bedroom Villa) – 2 nights (B)*

Day 9: Hoi An

Take a walking tour of the ancient town center. Spend the afternoon at leisure or relax on pristine Cua Dai Beach. **(B)**

Option: Visit the village of Tra Que for a cooking class and traditional dinner



Village & Rice Field

Day 10: To Saigon

Fly to Saigon and tour the bustling Chinatown district, Thien Hau Pagoda and Binh Tay Market. This afternoon, stroll around colonial Saigon. *Park Hyatt Hotel (Park Room) – 1 night (B)*

Option: Late afternoon, visit Truc Mai House (a family of local artists) for a musical performance.

Day 11: To Siem Reap

Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, an incredible underground network constructed by the Viet Cong. Afternoon fly to Siem Reap. Enter the ancient city of Angkor Thom through the massive South Gate, then visit the Bayon temple and the terraces of the Elephants and the Leper King. *Hotel De La Paix (Garden View Room) – 2 nights (B)*



Angkor Wat Temple, Siem Reap

Day 12: Siem Reap

Morning visit to Angkor Wat, the 12th-century crown jewel of Angkor. The afternoon is at leisure. Stroll through the market, relax by the pool or return to Angkor for more sightseeing. **(B)**

Day 13: Depart Siem Reap

Visit the jungle temple of Ta Prohm, which has been left as it was discovered. Stop at Banteay Kdei, a Buddhist monastery, and the pool of Srah Srang. Alternatively, visit the village of Kampong

Kliang on the shores of Lake Tonle Sap. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to the airport for your international flight. **(B)**

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- All hotel accommodations as per the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch & D=Dinner)
- All transfers and transportation on a private basis
- Private sightseeing as described in itinerary including entrance fees and services of professional local guides

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International air travel (USA to Asia)
- Airport departure taxes
- Flights in Asia
- Visa fees
- Travel insurance
- Excess baggage fees
- Personal items and alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities to your guides, drivers, porters and hotel service

VISA

U.S. Passport Holders do not require a visa if traveling to Thailand as tourist under 30 days. Visas are required for Vietnam and Cambodia.

WEATHER

The best time to visit Southeast Asia is November – March.