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5 Days Experience Cambodia Tour

Day 1: Singapore ✈️ Phnom Penh (L/D)

Depart from Singapore Changi International Airport (own arrangement) and begin your holiday in Cambodia. Upon arrival at Phnom Penh International Airport, you will be meet and greet by our local tour representative and transferred to the hotel. After hotel check-in, you will proceed to the **Independent Monument**, and the **National Museum**, also called Musee des Beaux-Arts. A French archaeologist and painter, Georges Groslier, designed it in Khmer style in 1917. The museum contains a collection of Khmer art - notably sculptures - from throughout the ages. Next, proceed to visit the **Royal Palace**, built by King Norodom in 1866 on the site of the old town, and the **Silver Pagoda**. Located within the grounds of the Royal Palace, the Silver Pagoda is so named because of its floor, which is made up of 5000 silver tiles. The treasures found inside include a solid gold Buddha encrusted and weighing 90kilograms and a small 17th c. emerald and baccarat crystal Buddha. Lunch at local restaurant and you will then visit the **Wat Phnom** Temple, Phnom Penh's namesake, from where you can enjoy views over the tree-lined avenues of the city. **Remarks: Proper attire must be worn (no sleeveless tops, shorts & Bermudas) when visiting The Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda.**

Day 2: Phnom Penh (B/L/D)

After breakfast at hotel, start your day by visiting the **Notorious Tuol Sleng Museum**. In 1975 Tuol Svay Prey High School was taken over by Pol Pot's security forces and turned into a prison known as Security Prison 21 (S-21). It soon became the largest such center of detention and torture in the country. More than 17.000 people held at S-21 were taken to the extermination camp at **Choeung EK** to be executed; detainees who died during torture were buried in mass graves in the prison ground. The museum displays include room after room of these photographs of men, women and children covering the walls from floor to ceiling; virtually all the people pictured were later killed. Then visit to Killing Fields of Choeung EK just outside Phnom Penh about a 20-40 minute was an orchard and a Chinese cemetery prior to 1975. During the Khmer Rouge regime it became one of the killing fields. Choeung Ek is now a group of mass graves and a memorial stupa containing thousands of skulls. Lunch will be served at one of the local restaurant. Next, enjoy your shopping at the **Russian Market** (Psah Tuol Thom Pong) and the **Central Market** (Psah Thmey), a lively outdoor market where you will find antiquities, silver and gold jewelry, gems, silk, kramas, stone and wood carvings, as well as T-Shirts, CDs and other souvenirs at best bargain price. Transferred back to hotel after dinner at local restaurant.

Day 3: Phnom Penh 🚗 Siem Reap (B/L/D)

This morning, coach will transfer you to Siem Reap after breakfast at the hotel (approximately 5-6hrs) and continued your journey to a local **floating village** of Chong Khneas, located 10 kilometres south of Siem Reap. Then take a traditional wooden boat for a ride on the **Tonle Sap Lake**, the "Great Lake" of Cambodia, one of the largest in Asia. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. Next, visit "**Les Artisans D'Angkor - Chantiers Ecoles**" of Siem Reap. Renowned for it's woodworking, stone carving and polychrome workshops and leisure time will be given at one of the local market. After enjoying your dinner with the dancing show at local restaurant, transfer to Siem Reap hotel for check-in.

Day 4: Siem Reap (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel, proceed to 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 will be served at one of the local restaurant. Then follow by the ancient capital of Angkor Thom (12th c.). See the South Gate with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean of milk, the **Royal Enclosure**, **Phimeanakas**, the **Elephants Terrace**, the **Terrace of the Leper King** and **Bayon Temple** (unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara), **Ta Prohm** Temple of similar design to the Jayavarman VII temples, this quiet sprawling monastic complex is only partially cleared of jungle overgrowth. Intentionally left partially unrestored, massive fig and silk cotton trees grow from the towers and corridors offering some of the best 'tree-in temple' photo opportunities at Angkor Wat until sunset at **Bakheng Mountain**. This evening, you will be transfer back to hotel after dinner at local restaurant.

Day 5: Siem Reap ✈️ Singapore (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Free at leisure till your departure transfer to the airport for flight to Singapore.



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