



RICHES OF THE MEKONG 7 NIGHT CRUISE ITINERARY

Optional land programmes available on request

During your cruise aboard RV Amadara, you will see daily life come alive as you pass traditional villages, experience glorious sunsets, and learn about the activities, history and cultures along this amazing river. Enjoy an extensive lineup of included tours. The large variety of activities on offer allows you to choose how you want to explore. No matter your preference, your days will be filled with discovery and wonder.

Day 1: KAMPONG CHAM - EMBARKATION

Lunch, Dinner

Transfer via motorcoach to the AmaDara in Kampong Cham for your seven-night cruise. Board a motorcoach to the Twin Mountains, known as Phnom Pros and Phnom Srei (male and female mountains). In the annals of Khmer legend, the twin mountains were formed as the result of a competition between the men and women of an ancient Cambodian kingdom to resolve which gender would be responsible for wedding proposals.

Join fellow guests for an evening Welcome Dinner.

Note: *All cruise only guests must meet at our designated hotel in Siem Reap on Embarkation day to join the transfer to the ship in Kampong Cham. We recommend that you fly into Siem Reap at least one day prior to embarkation; please inquire about important arrival arrangements prior to your cruise.*



Day 2: ANGKOR BAN - OKNHATEY VILLAGE - PHNOM PENH

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Morning walking tour to Angkor Ban, one of the few villages in Cambodia not destroyed under the Khmer Rouge regime in the 1970s. Here people still live in their traditional wooden abodes and keep their old cultural traditions alive. Shaded by banana trees, hundreds of wooden houses stand intact on stilts among the hustle and bustle of the daily agricultural activities of the local villagers. After the visit, the ship sails to Oknhatey or "Silk Island," located on the lush banks of the Mekong River. This island is known for its rich tradition of silk weaving. While here, you will visit a local elementary school and observe the traditional silk weaving of handicrafts. Your cruise continues to sail to Phnom Penh, the capital of Cambodia.

Day 3: OUDONG - KAMPONG TRALACH - PHNOM PENH

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Your morning excursion takes you to Oudong, Cambodia's former royal capital from the early 17th century until 1866. Today, Oudong is a place of pilgrimage for Cambodians. While here, you will be treated to a memorable Buddhist Blessing Ceremony at a monastery.

After visiting Oudong, enjoy a truly authentic excursion - an oxcart ride through a local village, Kampong Tralach. Later in the day, experience a tuk tuk ride in Phnom Penh and be enchanted by the city's French Colonial architecture and tree-lined boulevards set amidst monumental Angkorian architecture.

On returning to the ship, enjoy Khmer folk dancing performed by local children in the Saigon Lounge.

Day 4: PHNOM PENH

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

This morning's excursion takes you to Cambodia's infamous Killing Fields and the Khmer Rouge's grim Tuol Sleng S21 detention center (Genocide Museum). Alternatively, you may wish to shop for unique treasures at the bustling yellow-coloured Central Market.

After lunch on board, explore the highlights of the city, followed by a visit to the Royal Palace, the spectacular Silver Pagoda and the National Museum, which has an outstanding collection of Khmer crafts.

Day 5: BORDER CROSSING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Spend the day cruising the Mekong River as your ship crosses the border into Vietnam.

Day 6: TAN CHAU - SA DEC

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Enjoy a visit to Tan Chau, a small Mekong River town unspoiled by tourism. You will have the opportunity to take a traditional "xe-loi" (trishaw) ride around the town, with stops at silk-making and rattan mat workshops, followed by a boat ride through the narrow channels of the Mekong River to "Evergreen Island."

Alternatively, simply take the boat ride to Evergreen Island and return to Tan Chau, where you will visit a rattan mat workshop.

Later in the day, cruise to Sa Dec.

Day 7: SA DEC - XEO QUYT - CAI BE

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Once ashore in Sa Dec, tour the town where French writer Marguerite Duras spent many years in her youth. Visit a colourful local market and the 19th century house of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le, Duras' Chinese paramour. Later, board a motor coach for Xeo Quyt, once used as a base during the French war and now an important ecological site. Visit candy and rice paper making workshops and the historic Kiet Old House.

Cap the day off with a festive Farewell Dinner on board.

Day 8: HO CHI MINH CITY - DISEMBARKATION

Breakfast

Your cruise comes to an end as the ship docks at My Tho Port in Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), where you disembark and Motorcoach transfer to your hotel or directly to the airport for onward flight connections.

Flight should not be before 14h30.



INCLUDED IN YOUR CRUISE

Personalized service from a highly trained Cruise Manager during both cruise and land programs

SPACIOUS STATEROOMS

- 7 nights luxury accommodation in a twin-balcony stateroom
- Flat-panel screen featuring in-house movies
- Mini-fridge, desk and sitting area

AN ARRAY OF AMENITIES

- Sun deck with pool
- Fitness room and three spas
- Saigon Lounge with panoramic views and bar
- Bottled water in every stateroom replenished daily
- Daily entertainment including cultural performances

AWARD-WINNING DINING

- All onboard dining in a variety of venues
- Regionally inspired cuisine made with locally sourced ingredients
- The Chef's Table specialty restaurant
- Welcome Cocktail and Dinner
- Unlimited wine with lunch and dinner
- Complimentary local beer, house-brand spirits and soft drinks during cruise
- Snacks and refreshments served daily in the Main Lounge

A WORLD OF EXPLORATION

- Immersive tours in every destination
- Gentle, regular, active and late-riser tour options
- Knowledgeable guides
- Personal headset for easy exploration

[To make the most of your time in Vietnam & Cambodia, add a Pre- or Post-Cruise Land Programme](#)

Add 3 nights SIEM REAP PRE-CRUISE

Add 2 nights HO CHI MINH CITY POST-CRUISE

**Add 2 nights HANOI, 1 night HA LONG BAY, 3 nights SIEM REAP PRE-CRUISE
and 2 nights HO CHI MINH CITY POST- CRUISE**

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