



## HIGHLIGHTS OF PAKSE - WAT PHOU - 4000 ISLANDS

**Code: INS-LA04**

**Duration: 4 days**

**Accommodation: Included**

**Meals: Included**

**Transportation: Private transfer**

### OVERVIEW:

Nestled in a large bend of the Mekong River, Pakse is an important city in the south of Laos and a great spot for the adventurous traveler to get an off the beaten track taste of the country. This trip will reveal beautiful waterfalls, hidden islands and bountiful wildlife in the countryside.

### ITINERARY:

#### Day 01: Arrival – Pakse-Tadlo

Upon arrival at Pakse airport, you will be met by your guide and drive to Saravanh province via Tateng, visiting the beautiful Tad Fan waterfalls on the way. We make a stop to observe locals making tea and coffee the traditional way - the cultivation of rich coffee, tea, cardamom, bananas, and other crops can be seen along the way. We then carry on to Tad Lo waterfall, on the way visiting the villages of Alak, Nge, Katu, the ethnic minority groups of the area.

*Meal: Lunch*

*Accommodation: In Tadlo*

#### Day 02: Tadlo – Pakse-Wat Phou-Don Khong

After early breakfast, we head out toward Khong Island, making a short detour to visit Pha Suam waterfall and Lao Teung Villages on the way, strolling around the ethnic minority villages and then continuing on to Wat Phu via Pakse town, crossing by ferry to visit the pre-angkorian ruins of Wat Phu, one of Southeast Asia's most dramatic temples.

Explore these Khmer ruins, which was recognised as a World Heritage site recognized by UNESCO in 2001. We then make our way to the spectacular 4000 Islands region and catch a ferry boat to Don Khong.

*Meals: Breakfast, Lunch*

*Accommodation: In Don Khong*

### **Day 03: Don Khong – Khone Island - Pakse**

After breakfast, we take off into the surrounding countryside, and board a long boat to tour the Si Phan Don area, taking you to visit the Lphi Waterfall or "the Corridor of the Devil". We return to the mainland at the fishing village of Ban Nakasang and then drive further south to visit Khone Phapheng on the journey, the largest waterfall in South East Asia - it is a really impressive sight near the Lao-Cambodian border, which is teeming with wildlife. Afterward we drive back to Pakse. Overnight in Pakse.

*Meals: Breakfast, Lunch*

*Accommodation: In Pakse*

### **Day4: Pakse – Departure**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight.

*Meal: Breakfast*

*Accommodation: Not included*

### **INCLUSIONS:**

- Accommodation in mentioned hotels, including breakfast
- Meals: as mentioned in the itinerary (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner) on the basis of a local restaurant.
- English speaking local guide
- Transfer services by private minibuses or buses with air conditioning.
- Admission to the sites included in the itinerary
- Boat trip as planned in the itinerary
- Admission to the villages



- Local guide to follow for villages
- Bottled water and tissues per person per day
- Service charges and government tax

**EXCLUSIONS:**

- Drinks other than water during the trip
- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- National and international airfares
- Entry Visas to Laos (visa is compulsory and must be prearranged)
- Personal insurance, personal expenses and tips

