



VIENTIANE – LUANG PRABANG

Tour Code: INS-LA05

Duration: 4 days

Accommodation: Included

Meals: Included

Transportation: Private transfer

OVERVIEW:

On this tour we will give you a thorough insight into two of the most beautiful cities in Laos – from the colonial mansions, tree-lined boulevards and gilded Buddhist temples of charming Vientiane to the former royal capital of Luang Prabang, which never fails to enchant visitors with its abundance of temples, faded French architecture, meditating monks and friendly locals.

ITINERARY:

Day 01: Arrival – Vientiane

When you arrive in Vientiane you will be met by your guide and then transfer to your hotel for check-in. Lunch at a local restaurant, and then a tour of the city – visit the religious museums of Wat Sisaket, the oldest temple to have been survived from the Siamese war of 1828 and its cloister containing more than 8000 Buddha statues; Wat Ho Prakeo, the former temple of the Emerald Buddha statue or Pra Keo; That Luang Stupa, Symbol of Lao nation and Patouxay (Gate of Triumph), built quite recently in commemoration of those who died during the wars in the past and it is today a significant landmark of Vientiane.

Meal: Lunch

Accommodation: In Vientiane

Day 02: Vientiane – Luang Prabang

We depart the hotel in the morning to the boat landing, and take an excursion upstream on the magnificent Mekong to visit Pak Ou caves cut into the side of a limestone cliffs and opposite the mouth of the Mekong and Ou rivers. The sanctuaries at Pak Ou consist of two large caves, both repositories for thousands of Buddha images, which range from a mere centimeter to two meters in height. En route, typical Lao villages are barely visible behind the thick foliage. Our first stop will be at Ban Muangkeo, a village well-known for it's Lao traditional rice whisky, namely Laoh-Khao which we will have a tasting of. Lunch is served at a riverside restaurant. We arrive back at Luang Prabang in afternoon and make a visit to Wat Xiengthong, then climb up Phousi Hill to the summit of the mountain that dominates the sky-line of Luang. From there, we explore Street Night Bazaar, where you can browse the lovely collection of handmade textiles made by local hill tribe people from the area.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation: In Luang Prabang

Day 03: Luang Prabang – Kuangsi Waterfall

After breakfast, we will drive south for about 30kms to visit Kuangsi Waterfall with its green surroundings in the preserved National park. We stop to visit the fresh produce market of Talad Phosy, Ban Na Oune, a small village of Hmong hill-tribe people, a well known minority group in Laos and the village of the Khmu minority group, Ban Tha Pane. Our picnic lunch is served in a cool shaded area near the falls. You will have time to relax and a swim in cool waters, before heading back to Luang Prabang in the late afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation: In Luang Prabang

Day4: Luang Prabang – Departure

After breakfast, you will be transferred out to airport for yor onward flight.

Meal: Breakfast
Accommodation: Not included



INCLUSIONS:

- Accommodation in mentioned hotels, including breakfast
- Meals: as mentioned in the program (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner) on the basis of a local restaurant.
- English speaking local guide
- Domestic air
- Transfer services by private minibuses or buses with air conditioning.
- Admission to the sites included in the program
- Boat trip
- Admission to the villages
- Local guide to follow for villages
- Trekking permits
- 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 program
- International airfares
- Entry Visas to Laos (visas are compulsory and must be prearranged)
- Personal insurance, personal expenses and tips

