



Vietnam & Cambodia

A fully escorted tour with
YOU Travel & Cruise Orewa

Dates: 12th - 27th October 2025



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Join us to uncover a unique slice of Southeast Asia

Join us as we embark on an epic voyage to discover the rich culture, warm hospitality and savour the sublime food of Southeast Asia. From the bustling cities to the placid countryside, a rich journey of discovery across two wonderful countries - Vietnam and Cambodia. Included is our 7 night luxury cruise onboard the purpose built Mekong Princess. This inspirational, fully escorted tour offers a kaleidoscope of alluring locations and exciting experiences to ensure you return home with unforgettable memories.

At a glance:

15 day tour

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Fully escorted with local English-speaking guides, and a YOU Travel Orewa host
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Visit - the War Remnants Museum, Cu Chi Tunnels, Gieng Island, Cruise Mekong Delta, Zihuang Pagoda, Phnom Penh, Angkor Ban, Angkor Thom, Angkor Wat, Bayon Temple, Ta Prohm Temple
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Highlight - seven night cruise onboard the award winning luxurious **Mekong Princess** from Ho Chi Minh to Siem Reap.

Contact us to register your interest today!

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Itinerary:

Sunday 12 October 2025

Auckland - Airport

Local pick-up and transfer to Airport approx 8pm.

Monday 13 October 2025

Auckland - Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Early morning departure with transit in Singapore. Upon arrival into Ho Chi Minh City, clear passport control and collect your luggage, exit the terminal building where you will meet your local guide. You will be transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the afternoon at leisure. Meet for pre-dinner drinks & dinner at a local restaurant.

~ InterContinental Saigon Hotel **D**

Tuesday 14 October 2025

Ho Chi Minh City

This morning we commence with a guided tour of Ho Chi Minh City. We begin your day with a visit to the beautiful Central Post Office. Visit the Independence Palace designed by the famous Vietnamese architect Ngo Viet Thu. The Palace was the former home of the former South Vietnam Presidents during the Vietnam War. Next we will visit the War Remnants Museum, and the Ben Thanh Market where virtually anything and everything is for sale, including handicrafts, traditional clothing and textiles, t-shirts and local food specialties. A fascinating and vibrant place. We will have lunch and dinner at a local restaurant. **BLD**

Wednesday 15 October 2025

Cu Chi Tunnels

This morning we will depart for the famous Cu Chi Tunnels. The tunnel complex was originally constructed in 1948 as a means to hide weapons and soldiers from the French. Hospitals and living quarters were also built into this system. The tunnels were also used in the fight against the Americans and their allies during the Vietnam War. Our visit to the tunnel system will give you a better understanding of the area's history and the hardship that the Vietnamese soldiers endured during these wars. We will have Lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch we will be transferred back to our hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure. **BL**



Thursday 16 October 2025

Ho Chi Minh City – Embark the RV Mekong Princess

Our guide will meet us at the hotel lobby for our group transfer to the purpose built Mekong Princess docking at Saigon Port. Once aboard, a safety briefing as soon as you embark, will take place in the Ramvong Lounge. We will be welcomed by our Vietnamese and Cambodian ship's crew, before embarking on the most

extraordinary journey of discovery. Lunch, with highly attentive oriental hospitality, will be served soon after departure, as we cruise along the Saigon River. Having settled into your luxurious suites, you can relax and enjoy the new scenes and watch the world pass by. We sail at midday through Saigon river, Soai Rap river, Nuoc Man canal, Vam Co river and Cho Gao canal to the 'Mighty Mekong River'. Later in the day, we anchor in the heart of the Mekong Delta, time to enjoy crafted cocktails by the skilled bartenders and watch the sun sets, and sampans passing by. A traditional Vietnamese "A La Carte" dinner will be served in the Indochine onboard Restaurant. **BLD**



Friday 17 October 2025

Ben Tre - Can Tho

This morning, sampans take you through a channel lined with mangroves to visit a local coconut candy maker and local orchard where fruits native to Vietnam can be seen in various stages of maturity on the vine. Enjoy fresh fruit tasting and continue to a pier where you board small, local boats (two guests per boat) for a trip through the narrow creeks lined with Nipah palm before returning to the ship. This afternoon, the ship sails through an area of the Mekong Delta barely touched by tourism to Can Tho City - the capital riverside city of Mekong Delta, Vietnam. We will take a short and orientated city tour visiting the Zihuang Pagoda (Chua Ong) and enjoying the welcome unicorn dances. There is time to explore on your own around this charming city before having dinner onboard. The ship docks in Can Tho overnight. **BLD**

Saturday 18 October 2025

Can Tho - Hoa An

Prior to breakfast, we begin our morning aboard sampans to fascinating Cai Rang floating market near Can Tho. As they weave through the market, there will be many opportunities for amazing photographs, while enjoying fresh fruit and the Vietnamese "anti-aging drink," fresh coconut water. Stop at a local noodle factory. Return to the ship for breakfast. After lunch, travel by boat to Hoa An village, which is untouched and well-known for its flower growing and handmade craft. Then, a short walk to a local house and introduction with the host. After a short break, continue our excursion on motor cart to another village. We stop by at some conical hat-making and mat weaving families, with time to chat with local family members and learn how to create products through a hands-on experience. Return to the ship by boat. **BLD**

Itinerary:

Sunday 19 October 2025

Gieng Island / Hong Ngu / Border Crossing into Cambodia

After breakfast, we board sampans that take us into Gieng Island. After a short walk around the local sampan village, we take a canal drive to explore the mango gardens along the riverbanks. We will try one of most popular local transportation named "xe loi" (motor trishaw) to visit a Catholic Church, built around the same time as the Notre Dame Cathedral in Saigon in the 1870s. This afternoon, visit the local island village of Hong Ngu. Hong Ngu produces a large number of the traditional, Khmer scarves exported to Cambodia. The inhabitants of this area had only encountered one western visitor prior to the arrival of the Mekong Princess, they are especially friendly and welcoming. Guests will also visit the local temple dedicated to a unique religion founded in this area of Vietnam, Hoa Hoa. Later this afternoon, the Mekong Princess will arrive at the border and continue up the Mekong River to Phnom Penh. We will also have a Cooking Class Demonstration by our Executive Chef onboard. **BLD**

Monday 20 October 2025

Phnom Penh – Cambodia

Mekong Princess will dock at Phnom Penh port. Local cyclo drivers meet us for an exciting city tour of Phnom Penh. We begin our ride along the river front to the Independence Monument. Our cyclos take us to the National Museum. Housing the largest pre-Angkorian and Angkorian holdings in Cambodia, the National Museum ends the morning tour with a comprehensive look at many of the artefacts excavated around the Angkor Archaeological Area in Siem Reap, as well as other areas around the former Khmer Empire. There will be Fruit Carvings & Tropical Fruits Demonstration; Lecture of Cambodia's Geography and Life along the Mekong River by our host. **BD**

Tuesday 21 October 2025

Phnom Penh City

This morning, travel by private motor-coach on a scenic 45-minute drive from the ship, arriving at Choeung Ek, "The Killing Fields", the centre of the darkest days of Cambodian history. We can walk through the fields, visit the small museum and Memorial Stupa. On the return drive to Phnom Penh, a stop is made at Tuol Sleng (infamously known as S-21), which was converted by the Khmer Rouge from a large school to a prison and torture headquarters. Afternoon at leisure to explore the city of Phnom Penh. This evening before dinner, enjoy the entertainment onboard with a cultural performance including Apsara, Cambodia's national dance, as well as several traditional folk dances. **BLD**

Wednesday 22 October 2025

Angkor Ban

Mekong Princess leaves Phnom Penh and sails to Angkor Ban. We start the afternoon tour with a visit to the charming town of Angkor Ban. Here, we witness the daily life of the local people, with a visit to the pagoda with a special blessing ceremony for our guests by local monks, then we visit a local family's home, to meet them and discuss their lifestyle. We visit a local school where we join the children in their classroom and experience what their typical school day is like. **BLD**



Thursday 23 October 2025

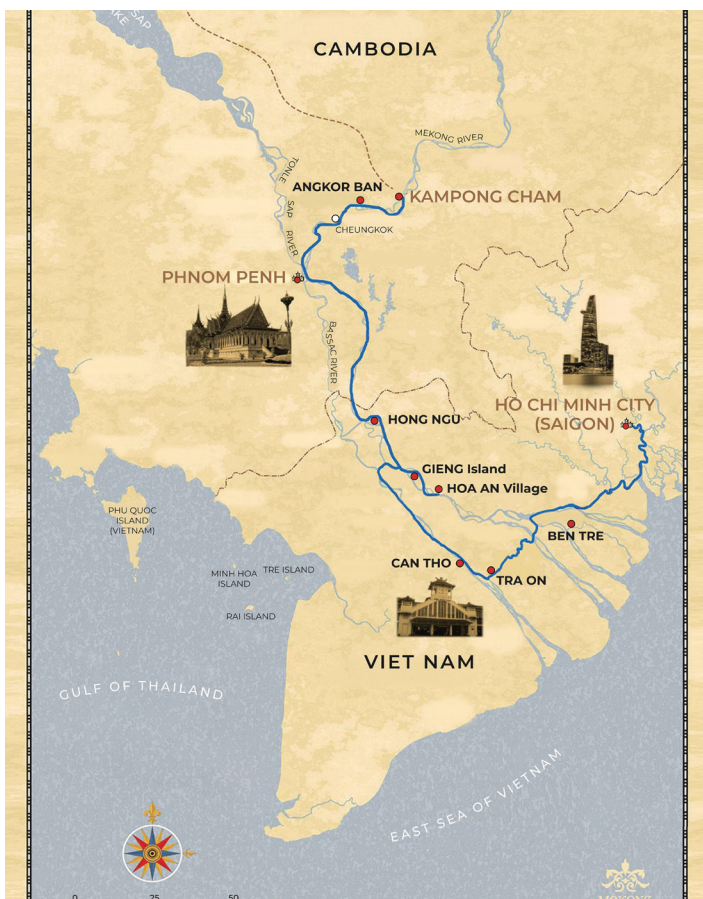
Kampong Cham, Siem Reap

Enjoy a sumptuous buffet breakfast in the Indochine Restaurant. After breakfast, we disembark the Mekong Princess in Kampong Cham. Transfer by motor-coach to Siem Reap, with a lunch stop en-route at a local restaurant arriving at the hotel around noon. Afternoon at leisure. This evening we will be transferred to our Apsara Cultural Evening and Welcome Dinner. ~ Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort **BLD**

Friday 24 October 2025

Angkor Wat Tour

Depart hotel to explore one of the most spectacular religious sites in the world. It's regarded as the pinnacle of the amazing Khmer Empire that flourished here around the 12th Century. Here we will see Angkor Wat Temple & Banteay Srei Temple. We will have lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon / evening at leisure where you may want to visit the famous Pub Street which offers not only Khmer food but cuisines from around the world and is alongside the night market. ~ Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort / Superior **BL**



Highlights:

Saturday 25 October 2025

Angkor Thom Tour

Early morning depart the hotel by TUK TUK to view the sunrise over the 'peaks' of ANGKOR WAT. A stunning experience and can be one of many highlights. After sunrise you will return to your hotel to freshen-up and enjoy breakfast. We depart the hotel to continue exploring the Temples of Angkor Wat. Explore the spectacular remnants of ANGKOR THOM, THE ROYAL CITY. Prepare to be amazed! Built during the 'peak' of the Khmer Empire, which were once lost to the world, hidden under dense jungle. Lunch will be your own arrangements as you explore. This evening we will have dinner at a local restaurant.

~ Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort / Superior **BD**



Sunday 26 October 2025

Siem Reap – Singapore - Auckland

This morning we have breakfast and then check out of our luxury hotel and transfer to Siem Reap-Angkor International Airport for our flight home on Singapore Airlines where we transit in Singapore for 3 hours.

Monday 27 October 2025

Auckland

We arrive at early afternoon . On arrival we will be met and transferred home.

Terms & Conditions: Price is per person based on share twin and subject to minimum group numbers. A non-refundable deposit of \$2000* is required at the time of booking. Cabins will be allocated on a first in first served basis. For full terms & conditions please contact us in store.

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Please register your interest, or request a booking form.

Includes:

- YOU Travel Orewa escort throughout
- Local pick up/drop off to Auckland Airport
- Economy Class airfares throughout
- Personalised meet and greet at all airports
- Accommodation and hotels as per itinerary or similar in 4-star hotels & luxury cruise
- Meals as per stated in itinerary (all meals onboard the Mekong Princess)
- All transfers, tours and excursions by an air-conditioned vehicle or as specified
- Local English-speaking guide for tours
- Gratuities for guide and driver

Not included:

- Tourist Visa and Travel Insurance
- Items of personal nature use eg laundry, drinks etc
- Portage gratuities
- Video camera fees at monuments and parks
- Meals other than those stated in the itinerary

\$12,899^{*FROM*} PP

**TWIN SHARE
SOLO SUPPLEMENT \$7,500**

Please enquire about an option to upgrade to Premium Economy or Business Class on international flights.

Terms and conditions apply, and will be provided with your booking form.



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