



EXCURSIONS & DISCOVERIES

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Siem Reap, which means ‘the Defeat of Siam’, was a little village when the French came across Angkor in the 19th century. With Cambodian independence, Siem Reap began to grow and absorb the first wave of tourists, the first hotel opening its doors in 1932 and the temples of Angkor becoming one of Asia’s leading attractions until the present.

Siem Reap has a colonial and Chinese-style architecture in the Old French Quarter; and around the Old Market. In the city, there are museums and traditional Apsara dance performances that can be watched, and tourists may visit a Cambodian cultural village, souvenir and handicraft shops, silk farms, rice paddies in the countryside, fishing villages and a bird sanctuary near Tonle Sap Lake, to name just a few attractions.

Siem Reap today – being a popular tourist destination – has a large number of hotels, resorts, restaurants; and businesses closely related to tourism. This is owing to its proximity to the Angkor temples, an UNESCO World Heritage site; and the most popular tourist attraction in Cambodia.

Available Tours:

- Half-day tour - Crafts in the Old Town
- Half-day tour – Haute Couture
- Full-day tour - Temples with Khmer Scholar
- Full-day tour - Temples and Haute Couture
- Full-day tour - Temples plus Crafts in the Old Town
- Full-day tour - Temple Hunter
- Full-day tour - Temples Beng Mealea and Banteay Srei
- Sunset Cruise on Tonle Sap Lake

- Half-day tour - Crafts in the Old Town

Discover the old town of Siem Reap and experience the hustle and bustle of daily local life. Capture the moments of its authenticity and uniqueness; from Artisans Angkor featuring fashionable handmade clothing and decorative items, to the old market Phsar Chas where you can find almost everything from food to apparel.

On this tour you will also experience a monk blessing at Wat Damnak Pagoda to make your journey complete.

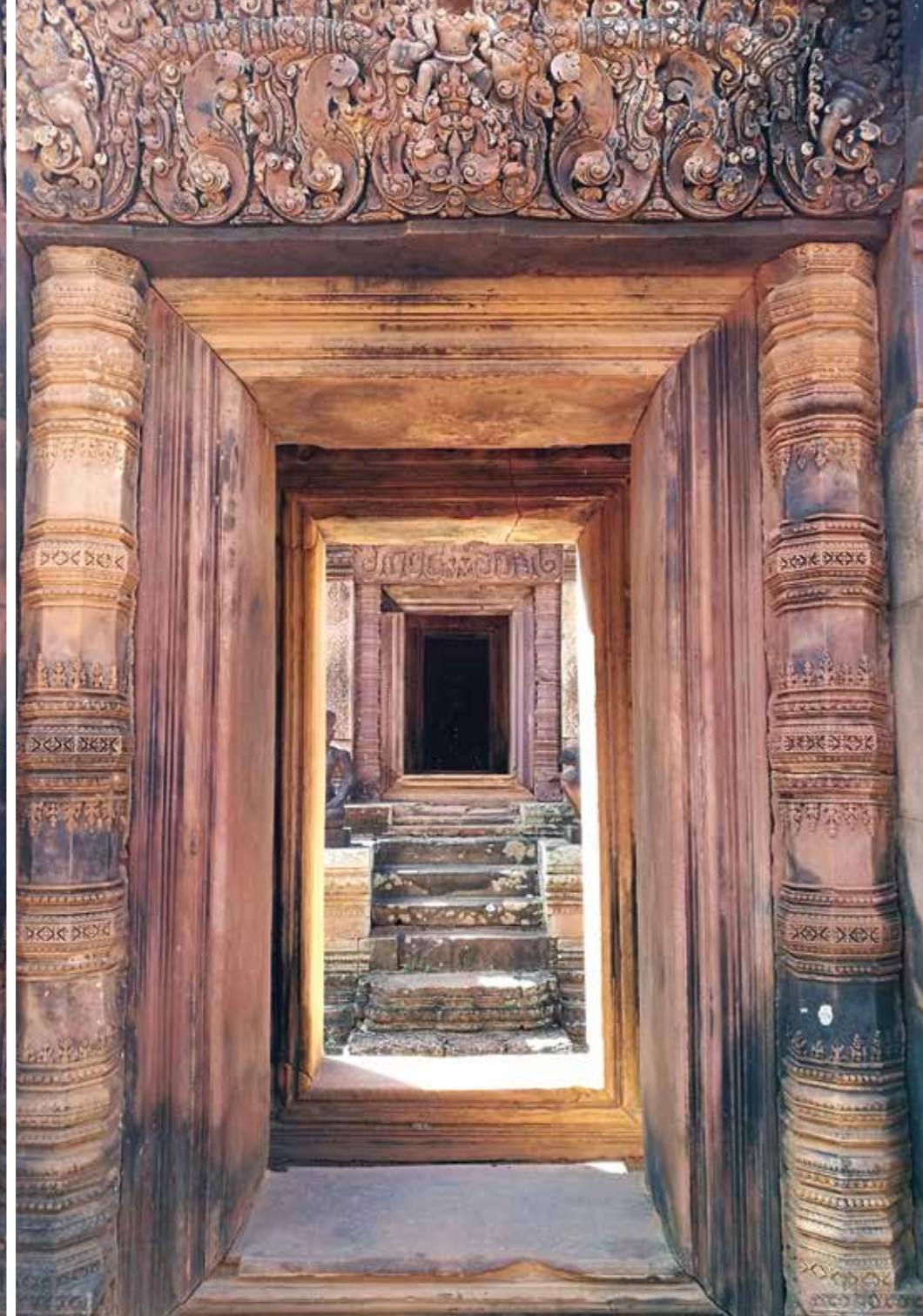
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- Half-day tour – Haute Couture

The half-day haute couture tour experience will unveil Cambodian culture, fashion and arts through the works of local artists at the Artisans Angkor; a Cambodian social enterprise creating jobs for Khmer's young people and reviving traditional Khmer craftsmanship. Theam's house is the home cum-atelier of the Cambodian artist and designer Lim Muy Theam. The award-winning fashion designer Eric Raisina's designs are made of 100% Cambodian silk.

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Theam's House: Born in Takeo, Southern Cambodia, Theam was nine when the Khmer Rouge regime fell and Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1978. Amidst the widespread famine and the trauma caused by the genocide, hundreds of thousands of Cambodians fled the country. Theam was among the refugees who arrived in France in 1980. After receiving a sound artistic and technical education in interior design at the Ecole Boulle and in Painting at the Fine Art School both in Paris, Theam set aside his dreams and journeyed to a place he once fled from 15 years ago to be reunited with those he had left behind and to take part in the rebuilding of a country ravaged by decades of war. Being in Cambodia for more than 15 years helping revive the Cambodian craft sector, he now has launched a new art project that includes training a team of protégé artisans' apprentices while he embarks on a new creative journey of his own painting.

#### ERIC RAISINA:

Born in Madagascar, raised in France and residing in Cambodia. Renowned designer Eric Raisina brings a unique influence to his couture. It was in his home of Madagascar where he began his foray into designing and sewing. Natural materials such as, silk, raffia, sisal, linen and cotton quickly became his trademarks. Eric Raisina Haute Texture collection is composed of unique pieces and accessories which demonstrate his passion and talent for style, which continues to evolve.

ARTISAN'S ANGKOR: Artisans Angkor has developed from the ambitious belief that it is possible to revive ancient Cambodian Arts & Crafts while improving the lives of thousands of people living in rural areas. Not only are we committed to the preservation of Cambodia's cultural legacy, but we also want to empower individuals by helping them secure their future by the means of education and welfare.

#### SAMATOA: A CAMBODIAN SOCIAL BUSINESS

The lotus fabric, the most spiritual fabric in the world, allows the Emancipation to 30 vulnerable Cambodian women. Samatoa uses the best socially responsible manufacturing techniques to create eco fabrics that support women's empowerment in Cambodia. Our aim is to duplicate the workshop pilot project in Siem Reap and increase production capacity.

The impact of expanding of our ecotextile company will be considerable for a variety of reasons. First, of course, we will provide over 500 women with long-lasting employment. We will ensure that these local handicrafts made in traditional ways but using new ecofibers are never forgotten. Poor communities benefit from market for lotus and education for farming. Lotus farming works in parallel with rice farming.









- Full-day tour - Temples with Khmer Scholar

A guided tour with a Khmer Scholar. A Scholar is the highest level of tour guide licensing in Cambodia, registered at CTGA Cambodia Tourist Guide Association. This association were established in 2009, it aim to provide sustainable jobs to registered members who have been trained and working as the professional tourist guides career in both cities of Siem Reap and Phnom Penh.

This full-day tour will take you to Angkor Thom temples and Angkor Wat.

After the morning tour you will return to the hotel for a refreshing shower, lunch at your own arrangement and maybe take a dip in the pool and continue the exploration in the afternoon as arranged by your tour guide.

- Full-day tour - Temples and Haute Couture

This is a combination tour, you may choose a visit to Angkor Wat, Ta Phrom or Angkor Thom temples ( Bayon Temple + Terrance of the Leper King + Terrace of the Elephants) in the morning.

After the morning tour you will return to the hotel for a refreshing shower, lunch at your own arrangement and maybe take a dip in the pool and continue the exploration in the afternoon with the time arranged by your tour guide to unveil Cambodian culture, fashion and arts. (see Haute Couture)

- Full-day tour - Temples plus Crafts in the Old Town

This is a combination tour, you may choose a visit to Angkor Wat, Ta Phrom or Angkor Thom temples ( Bayon Temple + Terrance of the Leper King + Terrace of the Elephants) in the morning.

After the morning tour you will return to the hotel for a refreshing shower, lunch at your own arrangement and maybe take a dip in the pool and continue the exploration in the afternoon with the time arranged by your tour guide to discover the old town of Siem Reap and experience the hustle and bustle of daily local life. (see Crafts in the Old Town)

- Full-day tour - Temple Hunter

A full day of temples. This tour will take you to Angkor Wat, Ta Phrom or Angkor Thom temples (Bayon Temple + Terrance of the Leper King + Terrace of the Elephants), twin temple (Chau Say Tevoda and Thommanon), Ta Keo temple and Banteay Kdei.

A full day tour inclusive of lunch at Srah Srang, is a Baray or reservoir at Angkor, Cambodia, located south of the East Baray and east of Banteay Kdei. Also known as the "Royal bathing pool" a large pond that was used for ritual washings.











- Full-day tour - Temples Beng Mealea and Banteay Srei

This tour is for those who wish to travel the countryside and look deeper into Khmer history and culture by viewing less-visited temples. A pleasant two-hour drive through the Cambodian countryside takes visitors to the sprawling jungle temple of Beng Mealea, which is 65 km (40 mi) from Siem Reap.

This journey continues with a 45-minute drive towards Banteay Srei, where guests will have lunch in a local restaurant.

Banteay Srei temple is built of red sandstone and is one of Angkor's most significant structures, as its walls are decorated with elaborate carvings that have been remarkably well preserved, providing excellent insight into the Angkor civilization and its beliefs. Dedicated to the Hindu god Shiva, the temple was built in the tenth century by a high-ranking Brahmin. Visitors to the temple are advised to wear sturdy walking shoes with good grip.

- Sunset Cruise on Tonle Sap Lake

You will make their own way to the Elephant Terrace restaurant (our concierge team will give you the direction), this is the meeting point for this sunset cruise journey, which departs at 4:00 pm.

The cruise group will transfer to Chhong Kneas, a trading port of agricultural products on the edge of Tonle Sap, before boarding the Sarus, a traditional yet luxurious wooden boat that will take the group on a relaxing and insightful sunset cruise on the lake.

Drinks and snacks will be served while understanding the lifestyle of the lake's residents in their floating and stilted homes.

Towards the end of the day, activity on the lake picks up as people return from their fish farms to present and sell their catches at the local market.

The tour drifts on the open waters and takes in the sunset before returning to the port and transferring back to Siem Reap.

This trip is only available on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday or Sunday.

A minimum of two people and maximum of 25 people is required.









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