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# BEST OF MYSTERIOUS LAOS

## Vientiane - Luang Prabang - Xieng Khouang – Vang Vieng

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### HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wat Sisaket & Wat Prakeo
- ✓ That Luang Stupa
- ✓ Buddha Park
- ✓ High Speed Train VTE-LPQ-VTE
- ✓ Wat Xiengthong
- ✓ Pak Ou Caves
- ✓ Ban Xanghai
- ✓ Luang Prabang Night Market
- ✓ Phousi Morning Market
- ✓ Phousi Hill
- ✓ Khouang Si Waterfalls
- ✓ The Plain of Jars
- ✓ Phonsavan local Market
- ✓ Tham Phoukham Cave
- ✓ Nam Ngum Lake

### PACKAGE INCLUSIVE

- ✓ 03 nights accommodation at Vientiane
- ✓ 02 night accommodation Luang Prabang
- ✓ 01 night accommodation Vang Vieng
- ✓ 01 night at Xieng Khouang
- ✓ Tours, Meals as per our itinerary
- ✓ English Speaking Guide
- ✓ Mandarin Speaking (surcharge apply)
- ✓ Admission fee as per itinerary

### PACKAGE EXCLUDES

- ✓ Driver & Guide Tipping USD6/pax/day
- ✓ Personal Travel Insurance
- ✓ Personal expenses
- ✓ Visa Fees

### DAY 01 SINGAPORE → VIENTIANE

**(Dinner)**

Upon arrival Laos Vientiane- a charming and fascinating capital, with an interesting mix of Lao, Thai, Chinese, Vietnamese, French, and American influences. Enroute visit the famous **That Luang Stupa**, a sacred monument and one of Laos' most impressive religious structures. You will have the opportunity to take some pictures of the imposing **Patuxay Monument**, which is known as Vientiane's Arc de Triumph. Transfer to local restaurant for dinner (traditional dance show)

Hotel: Sabaidee at Laos or similar 4\*

### DAY 02 VIENTIANE - LUANG PRABANG

**(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Early morning, Check out 0600hr and pick up your meal box for your transfer to High Speed Train station for your journey to Luang Prabang (2.5hrs) via Vang Vieng station. The train departs at 08:30 am. Upon arrival at Luang Prabang Train Station, you will transfer for lunch. After lunch you will have the opportunity to visit local village of the ethnic minority groups at Ban Quay & its traditional handicraft. Cool off the day to the picturesque beautiful **Khouang Si Waterfall** nestled in lush tropical forest. The biggest in Luang Prabang area with three tiers leading to 1 50 metre drop into spectacular azure pools before flowing downstream. The pools also have cascades of up to 5 metre high. Late afternoon return to Luang Prabang town. Visit **Night Market**. **Overnight Luang Prabang**

Hotel: Muang Thong Hotel or similar 4\*

### DAY 03 LUANG PRABANG

**(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

At dawn, monks from the various monasteries walk through the streets collecting alms of rice. This tradition is unique in Laos, being the only Buddhist nation still preserving the rituals. You may wish to start the day early to join the locals in the offerings. Continue to the local morning **Phousi Market** where you will find items such as dried buffalo skin, local tea among the chickens, vegetables and hill-tribe weavings. Next, After Breakfast at Hotel, we Visit **Royal Palace Museum**, which hosts a range of interesting artifacts. **Wat Kili**, the magnificent **Wat Xieng Thong** with its roofs sweeping low to the ground, representing classical Laotian architecture. Cruising upstream on the Mekong



gives you a breath-taking view of the tranquil countryside before reaching the mysterious **Pak Ou Caves**. This is a two linked caves crammed thousands of gold lacquered Buddha statues of various shapes and size left by pilgrims. Enroute stop at the village of Ban Ting Keoi and Ban Xanghai for its local rice wine produce. A short drive to Ban Phanom, a village known for its hand weaving. Have some time visit Ban Xangkhong, Ban Xienglek, small village known for its silk weaving and sea paper making. Explore Luang Prabang Night Market after dinner. It is an amazing sight and offers the most extensive collection of handicraft.

Hotel: Muang Thong Hotel or similar 4\*



### DAY 04 LUANG PRABANG - XIENG KHOUANG

**(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

After breakfast, meet your guide at lobby for the long journey through the wonderful natural scenery to **Xieng Khouang** with opportunities for photos taking and stop by the local hill tribe villages along the way. Xieng Khouang - **The Plain of Jars** is probably South East Asia's most enigmatic tourist attraction. Situated in the remote north east of Laos, the mountainous communist country which has only been open to

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tourists for just over a decade, are hundreds of huge stone jars scattered across several square miles. While most ancient Asian sites, such as the Angkor temples in Cambodia, have revealed many of their secrets, historians are still completely baffled as to where the jars came from, how old they are and what they signify. They are, in short, jars of a deeply spooky nature. Upon arrival, check in hotel. Evening transfer for dinner. Overnight stay at Xieng Khouang

Hotel: Favanhmai Hotel or similar 4\*



### DAY 05 XIENG KHOUANG – VANG VIENG

(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)

After breakfast, you will visit the interesting Central Phonsavan local market in Phonsavan. Next we visit Site 1 of the Plain of Jars, an impressive archaeological site where hundreds of large stone jars are scattered all over. A large area extending around the town of Phonsavan, where huge jars of unknown origin are scattered around the landscape. The stone jars appear in clusters, ranging from a single or a few to several hundred jars. The jars vary in height and diameter between 1 and 3 meters and are all hewn out of rock. These jars are undecorated with the exception of a single jar that has a human bas-relief carved on the exterior. Research of the Plain of Jars suggests that the stone jars are associated with prehistoric burial practices. Set off for **Vang Vieng**, Take in the splendid scenery of the surrounding countryside and the mountain ranges while driving to Vang Vieng is riverside town, located in central Laos. The area's main attraction is the dramatic surrounding karst hill landscape. The limestone cliffs and valleys surrounding the resort complex of Vang Vieng are

home to numerous caves and caverns. The most famous of these caves is ThamJangi which was used by the local people as a refuge from Chinese invaders 200 years ago. Catch the sunset on Namsong River. Overnight in Vang Vieng

Hotel: Diamond Resort or similar 4\*



### DAY 6 VANG VIENG – VIENTIANE

(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)

After breakfast, we start our tour through paddy field areas heading to **Tham Phoukham Cave**, where your breath will be taken away seeing the most beautiful and famous limestone cavern, surrounded by natural forests. Return to Vientiane. Along the way, stop by **Nam Ngum**, a huge reservoir created by damming the Nam Ngum Lake. Before reaching Vientiane, make a stop at **Ban Keun**, known for its salt extraction plant and a village that distills the local Lao whisky. Arrival at Vientiane and check in at hotel. Then, transfer to a local restaurant for dinner. After dinner, enjoy shopping and party at Vientiane Walking street.

Hotel: Sabaidee at Laos or similar 4\*



### DAY 7 VIENTIANE

(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)

After breakfast, A city tour acquaints you with the capital. Start visiting the major sights, including the oldest **Wat Sisaket**, the temple with thousands of miniature Buddha statues and the former temple of **Wat Prakeo**, which previously housed the famous Emerald Buddha Image. **Kaison Museum** ( the first president of Laos). In the afternoon, we continue our journey to visit the **Buddha Park**, an enchanting collection of Buddhist and Hindu sculptures on the Mekong Riverside Meadow, near the Friendship Bridge. There are approximately 200 religious images dating back over 500 years, which were created by a mysterious monk spreading his philosophy on life and to reveal his ideas about the universe. A spectacular view of over the Mekong River. Enjoying Sunset at Chao Anouvong Park. In evening, transfer to Local restaurants for farewell dinner. Enjoy Shopping at night market.

Hotel: Sabaidee at Laos or similar 4\*



### DAY 08 VIENTIANE → SINGAPORE

(Breakfast)

After breakfast, you will visit Talat Sao Mall and . Transfer to Airport for your departure flight

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