



Canoers on the Mekong. Credit: Radek Kucharski



Phnom Penh national museum. Credit: Ronan Crowley

*Immerse yourself in the cultures and ancient traditions of Cambodia and Vietnam as you sightsee and engage with locals, during an exclusive cruise along the mighty Mekong River. Spend time with artisans crafting traditional items, from boats and candies to beautiful silver artwork. Explore bustling marketplaces and historic houses of worship. Enjoy enchanting views of the countryside in these Southeast Asian countries. Tour managers Audrey Voth Petkau and Terry Petkau will take care of logistics and help to create community.*

*Post-Cruise optional extension in Ho Chi Minh available, arranged by TourMagination. Details to follow soon.*

## Itinerary

### **Thurs., Oct. 22 Phnom Penh, Cambodia**

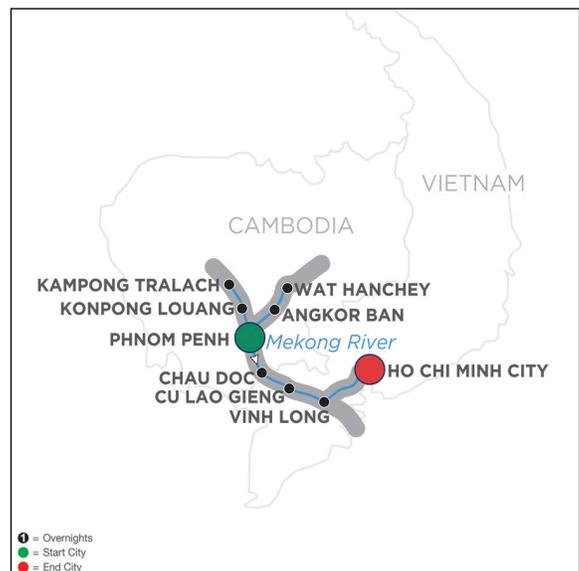
Arrive in Cambodia, and board your ship in Phnom Penh to meet your fellow travellers. Afternoon/evening cruise to Wat Hanchey.

### **Fri., Oct. 23 Wat Hanchey / Angkor Ban**

Visit Wat Hanchey, a hilltop temple dating back to the 8th century. Climb or be driven to the top where you will enjoy stunning views of the surrounding area and take part in a traditional water blessing given by local monks. After lunch, take a walking tour through the rural village of Angkor Ban. Visit a traditional Khmer house and interact with children at a local school. Evening/overnight cruise to Konpong Louang.

### **Sat., Oct. 24 Kampong Tralach / Konpong Louang / Phnom Penh**

Begin the day in Kampong Tralach with an ox-cart ride through the beautiful Cambodian countryside. Along the way, stop to meet a local farmer and learn about his daily life. At a silversmith village in Konpong Louang, see talented craftsmen use age-old techniques to turn pure silver into works of art. Then board the ship to sail to the capital city of Phnom Penh, once known as the "Pearl of Asia."



After lunch, join an optional guided visit to the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum and one of the Killing Fields for a glimpse into the atrocities inflicted by the Khmer Rouge regime during a dark period in Cambodia's history. Or travel by tuk-tuk to the lively Central Market to see its unique Art Deco design. This evening, spend free time exploring the lovely city of Phnom Penh on your own.

### Sun., Oct. 25 Phnom Penh

Join a guided tour of Phnom Penh by private cyclo—see the Royal Palace with its spectacular Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum, featuring an outstanding display of Khmer artifacts. Spend the rest of the day as you wish. Before dinner, children from a local orphanage will perform a show featuring local song and dance. Evening/overnight cruise is to Vietnam/Cambodia border.

### Mon., Oct. 26 Border Crossing / Chau Doc, Vietnam

After crossing the border from Cambodia into Vietnam, take a village walk through the Chau Doc market to watch locals buying and selling fish, meat, and produce. After lunch, embark on a guided trip down the backwaters of the Mekong. Along the way, see traditional floating homes, speedboat merchants, religious sites, a market selling dried goods, and more. Evening cruise to Long Khanh A.

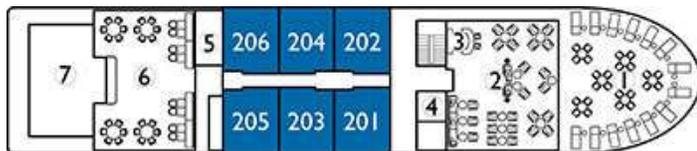
### Fare per person

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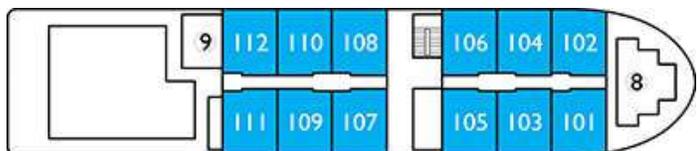
Category A: \$7,020, Promotion -\$1300 = **\$5,720 CAD, \$4,400 USD**

Category B: \$6,500, Promotion -\$1300 = **\$5,200 CAD, \$4,000 USD**

*Single Supplement costs available upon request.*



**Cat. A**



**Cat. B**

### Payments

Rates shown are in effect 07/19. Though every effort is made to maintain established prices, TM reserves the right to adjust prices should it become necessary. The price is guaranteed when paid in full. We accept cheque and credit card payments. Credit card payments are charged a 3% fee.

### Tues., Oct. 27 Long Khanh A / Cu Lao Gieng

This morning, a sampan boat brings you to the village of Long Khanh A, for a demonstration of the well-preserved tradition of cotton weaving. This afternoon, observe scenes of daily life on Cu Lao Gieng Island via sampan and motor cart. Begin with a stop at one of Vietnam's oldest Catholic churches. Then, visit the home of a local family that makes traditional Vietnamese conical hats from materials such as palm leaves and bamboo. Lastly, visit a local workshop where a skilled family hand-crafts sampan boats. Evening cruise to Vinh Long.

### Wed., Oct. 28 Vinh Long

Board a sampan to visit a local workshop in Vinh Long to see how rice paper, rice wine, and traditional candies are made. Then relax on board the cruise ship as you sail to Ho Chi Minh City.

### Thurs., Oct. 29 Ho Chi Minh City

Depart for home filled with memories.

### Fare includes

- Ship transportation & accommodations
- Excursions included in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, lunches, and dinners
- Expert tour leaders & local guides
- Gratuities for local drivers and guides

### Fare excludes

- International airfare & airport transfers
- Taxes & port charges
- Tourist visas
- Gratuities for ship's crew
- Drinks with meals
- Travel medical (out-of-country emergency) and cancellation/interruption insurance

### Insurance

Travel medical (out-of-country emergency) and cancellation/interruption insurance are not mandatory but are highly recommended.

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