

Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise Upstream

5 days: Phnom Penh - Siem Reap

A captivating journey throughout Cambodia with the "5-day Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise Upstream" tour ensures an extraordinary adventure for all participants. Over 5 days, our knowledgeable guides will unravel the rich history and diverse cultures from Phnom Penh to Siem Reap. Join us on this remarkable journey now!

- **Durations:** 5 days
- **Trip outline:** Phnom Penh - Kampong Cham - Siem Reap - Kampong Chhnang
- **Price from:** US \$1639/person
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://besttratetours.com/mekong-river-cruises/heritage-line-jayavarman-cruise-serenity-5-days-4-nights>

Trip outline

day	Activities	Accommodations	Meals
	Lower Water (Mid Nov - End Aug)		
Day 1	Phnom Penh City Tour	Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise	Lunch, Dinner
Day 2	Phnom Penh - Kampong Laeang - Kampong Tralach	Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 3	Kampong Luang - Prek Bangkok - Angkor Ban	Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 4	Angkor Ban - Kampong Cham - Stueng Trang	Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 5	Stueng Trang - Siem Reap	NA	Breakfast
	High Water (End Aug - Mid Nov)		
Day 1	Phnom Penh City Tour	Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise	Lunch, Dinner
Day 2	Phnom Penh - Prek Pakbong - Angkor Ban - Kampong Luang	Jayavarman Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 3	Kampong Luang - Kampong Tralach - Kampong Laeang	Jayavarman Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 4	Kampong Laeang - Tonle Lake	Jayavarman Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 5	Tonle Lake - Siem Reap	NA	Breakfast

Itinerary

: Lower Water (Mid Nov - End Aug)

Day 1: Phnom Penh City Tour

Morning

The staff warmly welcomes passengers aboard the luxurious "home" for the next few days. Our first destination - Phnom Penh, once known as the Paris of the East, is a city with centuries of history and culture that remains incredibly charming and elegant.

After breakfast, a full sightseeing tour takes you to the [Royal Palace](#) with its **Silver Pagoda**, which showcases exceptional Khmer tradition.

Next stop is a centrally located prison, "[S21](#)," which depicts the tragic chapter of Cambodia's history during the Khmer Rouge regime of the 1970s.

Afterward, we'll pause for a tasty lunch in town.

Afternoon

After lunch, the day continues with a visit to a famous academy dedicated to preserving traditional arts. Observe young dancers training in the Apsara dance and learn some basic techniques.

The day trip concludes with a stroll along the bustling streets of the French Quarter and the iconic **Wat Phnom** before returning to the ship.

Evening

Passengers can rest or join fellow passengers at the bar for refreshing drinks. Today's evening is a special one, with an open-air gala featuring a barbecue dinner feast, an Apsara dance performance, and other folklore dances.

As the evening unwinds, passengers can enjoy their supper with a good glass of wine and marvel at the skyline of Phnom Penh and the calming flow of the Tonle River.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise

Day 2: Phnom Penh - Kampong Laeang - Kampong Tralach

Morning

The Tonle River is a natural wonder of Cambodia with a true gem of the scenery on both sides, and it is also our visiting destination for our second day.

Our first stop this morning is **Kampong Tralach**. Here, you'll journey by ox-drawn cart along scenic riverside paths and winding roads framed by emerald rice paddies. Along the way, choose to learn about an inspiring local NGO school and library project or visit a centuries-old temple and Buddha shrine that has stood for more than 300 years.

We enjoy lunch as the cruise continues to sail upstream. Following lunchtime, our crew showcases various traditional Khmer fashions worn by locals during special occasions.

Afternoon

We arrive at **Kampong Laeang**, situated just across from the famous pottery town of Kampong Chhnang. Once ashore, we hop on the exciting tuk-tuk trip to travel to rural Cambodia.

During this excursion, we'll explore various locales, discover the art of pottery making, and visit a charming pre-Angkorian temple. And can not miss out on enjoying panoramic views of the vast floodplains and lush rice fields (seasonal).

Evening

We begin our journey downstream, sailing back towards Kampong Tralach, where we will anchor for the night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise

Day 3: Kampong Luang - Prek Bangkong - Angkor Ban

Morning

Early risers can begin the day with a rejuvenating Tai Chi session on the open deck. Our journey then brings us to **Kampong Luang**, a village famed for its silversmithing tradition.

Here, nearly 400 families dedicate their craft to working with silver, copper, and brass, keeping centuries-old artistry alive. The excursion continues with a visit to Wat Prang, the Royal Buddhist Temple, a sacred place that invites both reflection and reverence, where the king's legacy blends seamlessly with Cambodia's spiritual heritage.

A presentation about the Mekong and the Tonle River is offered as the ship sails downstream, passing Phnom Penh before entering the Mekong River.

Afternoon

We make our way to the confluence of the Tonle and Mekong Rivers. There lies the small village of **Prek Bangkong**, known for its silk-weaving community. Therefore, here, we get to closely observe and learn about the silk-making process.

The visit to the heritage house of H.E. Sam-Ei, once a famous architect for the royal family, will mark the end of the excursion.

Evening

The rest of the day is spent sailing up the Mekong to our overnight location. Guests should relax at the poolside cocktail hour during sunset on board. Also, you can engage in the dance tunes before dinner and an evening at the cinema.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise

Day 4: Angkor Ban - Kampong Cham - Stueng Trang

Morning

Start the morning Tai Chi session to set the mood for the day. For this morning, we will embark on a tour of **Angkor Ban**.

As meeting monks at the monastery and the villagers living in a delightful local village behind it, we will have the opportunity to observe their daily lives, including eating, praying, studying, and engaging in conversation with them.

We will have a simple cooking session with a chef who used to work aboard the ship Jayavarman. At his own house, we will be learning about "Samlor Korko" - a kind of traditional Cambodian fish soup.

The cruise gradually sail to **Kampong Cham** during lunchtime.

Afternoon

After lunch, we visit the Mekong River part of Kampong Cham Province which is an important trade and transportation hub of the region.

We can easily find skilled hands of artisans making all types of handmade items in Cheung Krok. Since this is the low water season, we might have a chance to see the famous Bamboo bridge, which is famous for its

annual re-builtation.

Afterward, the ship makes its final journey, mooring mid-river near **Stueng Trang** with some farewell and party vibes along the way.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise

Day 5: Stueng Trang - Siem Reap

Morning

Enjoy your final breakfast on board our floating sanctuary before disembarking for a bus transfer to **Siem Reap**. This place is an important trade and transportation hub in Cambodia.

The transfer takes approximately 4.5 hours, including a rest stop. Our expert guides provide interesting insights about Cambodia and the region, and snacks are also provided for a long road trip.

You will arrive in Siem Reap in the early afternoon. That is where our 5-day tour comes to an end. Let's carry along memories during the trip with you and share them with many others.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: NA

: High Water (End Aug - Mid Nov)

Day 1: Phnom Penh City Tour

Morning

First off, the cruise team extends a warm welcome to passengers as they embark on a lavish "hotel".

Our initial stop, Phnom Penh, formerly recognized as the Paris of the East, is a city steeped in centuries of captivating history and culture, maintaining its enduring charm and sophistication.

Our full-day sightseeing tour begins right after breakfast, allowing us to explore the city's highlights. We'll start with a cyclo ride, meandering through the town, and then visit historic places such as the **Royal Palace** featuring the **Silver Pagoda**.

Continue the cultural tour to the [Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum](#), also known as S-21, a place that keeps memories of the tragic episode of Cambodia's history during the Khmer Rouge era of the 1970s.

Afternoon

Following lunch, the day proceeds with an exploration of a famous academy dedicated to preserving traditional arts. Observe young dancers training in the Apsara dance and learn some basic techniques.

The day's excursion culminates with a stroll through the lively streets of the French Quarter, including the monument of **Wat Phnom**.

Evening

In the evening, a lecture on board is held by a local expert for everyone to attend.

Passengers can rest or join fellow passengers at the bar for refreshing drinks. Today's evening is a special one, with an open-air gala featuring a barbecue dinner feast, an Apsara dance performance, and other folklore dances.

As the evening unwinds, passengers can enjoy their supper with a good drink and marvel at the skyline of Phnom Penh and the calming flow of the Tonle River.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Line Jayavarman Cruise

Day 2: Phnom Penh - Prek Pakbong - Angkor Ban - Kampong Luang

Morning & Afternoon

We leave Phnom Penh and journey toward **Prek Bangkong**, a quaint riverside village set at the meeting point of the Tonle and Mekong Rivers.

Once home to Cambodia's Royal family before their move to the Royal Palace, the village today is celebrated for its rich silk-weaving tradition. Skilled artisans here continue to produce silk entirely by hand, and guests can observe this intricate craft up close. The visit concludes at the heritage residence of H.E. Sam-EI, a distinguished architect who once served the royal family.

As the ship continues upstream, our guide will deliver an insightful talk about the unique geography of the Mekong and Tonle Rivers.

The **Angkor Ban** complex includes a monastery with a delightful local village behind it. You'll have the chance to meet monks during their morning class and engage in friendly conversations with the villagers.

As we wander around the village, we'll get a glimpse of the local way of life while interacting with the local community. This village also offers a true photographic scene with serene landscapes and pure nature.

Once back on board, the ship turns around, sailing down the Mekong River again to reach our overnight mooring place.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Jayavarman Cruise

Day 3: Kampong Luang - Kampong Tralach - Kampong Laeang

Morning

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Afternoon

In the afternoon, we enjoy an exciting excursion to discover another part of the rural Cambodian **Kampong Tralach** countryside on an ox-pulled cart.

We have a small sightseeing tour through the riverside, back roads, and picturesque rice paddies until we arrive at a small village. Here, we will have the opportunity to learn about a local NGO school and library project.

Alternatively, you can choose to visit the nearby ancient 300-year-old temple and Buddha shrine.

Evening

Join a happy hour at the bar whilst we sail into the sunset. We moor later near Kampong Laeang. After dinner, the nightly cinema has another classic film on display.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Jayavarman Cruise

Day 4: Kampong Laeang - Tonle Lake

Morning

You will wake up in the midst of the vast Tonle region, one of Cambodia's amazing ecosystems.

We will discover **Kampong Laeang** this morning, situated just across from the famous pottery town of Kampong Chhnang.

Foremost, we embark on tuk-tuks to transfer to the heart of the Cambodian countryside. During this journey, we'll explore various locales, discover the art of pottery making, and visit a charming pre-Angkorian temple.

Afternoon

Back on board, the ship makes its way to Tonle Lake.

During the whole afternoon, accompanied by some onboard entertainment, you can enjoy the ocean-like views until we reach our mooring spot mid-lake at the doorstep of Siem Reap.

Evening

We ended the last night on board with a farewell dinner. Guests should immerse themselves in the charming ambiance of the Great Mekong Delta area.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Jayavarman Cruise

Day 5: Tonle Lake - Siem Reap

Morning

The Jayavarman cruise tour ends with breakfast on board our floating sanctuary, the Tonle Sap, the heart of Cambodia.

We disembark the ship and take a local boat to the shore, passing a vast floating community. We arrive at Siem Reap pier and drop off at the city center.

We hope you enjoyed this fascinating river cruise and share the stories of the Mighty Mekong with your crew.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: NA

Booking Policy

Inclusion

- Accommodation
- Daily (group) shore excursions & entrance fees
- Sightseeing and transfers during the cruise
- Transfers from/to Heritage Line's meeting point to/from the ship (please read details in the embarkation guide)
- English-speaking tour guiding on-and offshore
- Entertainment/activities during the cruise as mentioned in the program
- Meals as mentioned in the program
- Welcome drink, brewed coffee, tea, and mineral water

- Complimentary beverage package
- Passenger liability insurance
- Internet on the ship (subject to cellular network signal)
- Complimentary usage of ship facilities (exclusive of spa treatments)
- River pilots
- Fuel
- Taxes

Exclusion

- **Phnom Penh port tax per passenger of 65 USD**
- Crew and guide gratuities
- Visa fees
- Private transfers
- Personal expenses
- Other beverages than those stated under inclusions
- Medical services
- Spa treatments
- Port and anchorage fees
- All other services or items not listed under inclusions

Cancellation Policy

- For cancellations of bookings, the following charges will apply:
- Prior 180 days to embarkation date: 5%
- 180 – 121 days prior embarkation date: 15%
- 120 – 91 days prior embarkation date: 30%
- 90 – 61 days prior embarkation date: 50%
- 60 – 31 days prior embarkation date: 75%
- 30 days – embarkation date: 100%

Children Policy

- A child from 5 to 11 years old: 50% of adult rate (sharing bed), or 75% of adult rate if staying in a cabin with one adult . Children below 5 years are not allowed on board

WHY BOOK WITH US?

Best Rate Guaranteed

Offering the BEST RATE package which is worthy of your payment.

Money Back Guaranteed

In case the service we provide is not qualified enough, except for out-of-control situations such as weather conditions. We will investigate your case and will offer the reimbursement once your complaint is rational.

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