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6D5N LAOS: Vientiane, Vang Vieng & Luang Prabang

DAY 1: Vientiane arrival (L/D)



8.25am Air Asia arrival Vientiane. Visit **Patuxai Monument** (similar to Arc De Triomphe in Paris) and **That Luang Stupa** (the holiest Buddhist stupa of Laos). After lunch, visit **Ho Phra kaew** (it used to keep the Emerald Buddha, now in Bangkok), **Wat Sisaket** (oldest temple in Vientiane) and the **Buddha Park** (built by a spiritual shaman with many large statues of Buddhist, Hindu and mystical origins). Dinner with **cultural show**. Overnight in Vientiane.

DAY 2: Vientiane - Luang Prabang (B/L/D)



Transfer to **Luang Prabang**, the former royal capital and now a **UNESCO World Heritage** town filled with beautiful temples and French colonial buildings. Go up **Phu Si Hill for sunset viewing**, overlooking the heritage town and the Mekong River. Evening, at leisure to visit the **night market**. Overnight in Luang Prabang.

DAY 3: Luang Prabang & Boat trip to Pak Ou Caves (B/L)





Early morning, option of alms giving to **Buddhist monks along the main street of Luang Prabang** (alms food not included – purchase direct from local vendors). Visit **National Museum** (formerly the Royal Palace). Inside the Museum

grounds is the **Haw Pra Bang** royal temple, housing the Pra Bang Buddha statue, Laos' most sacred Buddha statue). Drop by neighbouring **Wat Mai** temple, where every year, the Pra Bang statue is brought over in a processon and given a sacred ritual wash.



Continue to **Wat Xieng Thong** temple, which is the icon of Luang Prabang and excellent example of classic Luang Prabang style temple architecture. Next is **Wat Visoun** and its **That Makmo "watermelon" stupa**. Then visit **Traditional Arts & Ethnology Centre**; followed by **Ock Pop Tock Living Craft Centre**.



Afternoon, enjoy a **boat trip** on Mekong River to visit **Pak Ou caves** (both lower and upper caves; containing thousands of Buddha statues) and **Ban Sang Hai rice wine making village**. Dinner on own budget (transfer and tour guide assistance at restaurant included). Overnight in Luang Prabang.

DAY 4: Luang Prabang - Kuang Si Falls - Vang Vieng (B/L)



Morning, transfer to visit **Kuang Si waterfalls**; picturesquely framed by abundant flora and shimmering pools of water, considered **the most beautiful of waterfalls in South East Asia**.

Visit also the **Asiatic Black Bear Rescue Centre** and the **Butterfly Park**. Return to Luang Prabang for lunch.



Transfer to **Vang Vieng** ("Guilin of Laos"), a small town surrounded by beautiful mountains and located beside the pristine Nam Song River. Dinner is on own budget (transfer and tour guide assistance at restaurant included). Overnight in Vang Vieng.

DAY 5: Vang Vieng - Vientiane (B/L)

Morning, visit **Tham Jang cave**; from a viewpoint, enjoy the view of the river and Vang Vieng. Rest of morning, at leisure in Vang Vieng.



OPTIONAL: Visit BLUE LAGOON

Entrance Fees & Transfers NOT INCLUDED.

The approximate costs:

- a) Return transfers by local pick-up truck taxi (Song Teaw) for minimum 4 paxs group: 8 USD/pax
- b) Entrance ticket (inclusive swimming fee): 3 USD/pax
- c) Life Jacket rental: 2 USD /piece



After lunch, transfer back to Vientiane. Visit the Mekong Riverside **night market** at **Chao Anuvong Park**. Dinner is on own budget (return transfer to restaurant provided and tour guide will assist with your food order). Overnight in Vientiane.

DAY 6: Vientiane departure (B)

After breakfast, transfer to airport for 8.50am Air Asia flight home.

RATES: per person, twin sharing, for group sizes; travel OCT 2020 to APR 2021. Surcharges may apply for festivals such as X'Mas-New Year, Lao New Year, etc.

3 Star Option: VIENTIANE: Lao Orchid Hotel or similar

LUANG PRABANG: Villa Chitdara or similar

VANG VIENG: Villa Vang Vieng Riverside Hotel or similar

10-14 paxs: RM 2540 8-9 paxs: RM 2590 6-7 paxs: RM 2690

4-5 paxs: RM 3090 SGL Supp: RM 860

4 Star Option: VIENTIANE: Lao Plaza Hotel or similar

LUANG PRABANG: Villa Santi or similar

VANG VIENG: Riverside Boutique Resort or similar

10-14 paxs: RM 3140 6-7 paxs: RM 3290 8-9 paxs: RM 3190

4-5 paxs: RM 3690 SGL Supp: RM 1320

Rates and itinerary subject to changes in FOREX rates, unforeseen surcharges, weather, local conditions, etc.

INCLUSIVE:

- a) Return airport transfers and tour excursion using van or coach (based on group size) on Private basis.
- b) Accommodation 3 nights according to hotel options as above.
- c) Meals: 5 breakfasts, 5 lunch & 2 dinner
- d) English speaking tour guide (Mandarin guide; subject to surcharge & availability)
- e) Entrance fees for attractions as per itinerary
- f) Private boat for trip to Pak Ou Caves
- g) Bottled drinking water during tour sight-seeing

EXCLUDING:

- a) Airfare, Airport taxes and Airline fuel surcharges
- b) Tipping: 4-5 paxs group: Tour guide= USD16/traveler Driver= USD8 /traveler 6 or more group: Tour guide= USD12/traveler Driver= USD6 /traveler
- c) Travel insurance
- d) Malaysian passport holders don't require Laos Visa. Others to be advised.
- e) Expenses of personal nature like activities not part of itinerary, laundry charges, mini-bar charges, etc.