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Along the Mekong River – Through Unspoilt Beauty of Northern Laos

Duration: 5 nights/6 days

We visit: Luang Prabang, Pak Ou, Tha Deua, Kuang Si, Luang Prabang

Join our unique cruise on formerly inaccessible segments of South-East Asia's most exciting river! Enjoy visiting the UNESCO World Heritage Town Luang Prabang, stroll along colorful markets, get an insight into the traditional way of life of the Lao people, relax aboard your exclusive river vessel Mekong Sun and enjoy the unspoiled nature along the mighty Mekong.

Highlights:

- Luang Prabang - Phou Si-Hill, night market of local Hmong minority, observe the traditional giving of alms in the streets, Wat Xieng Thong temple, Wat Khili, Wat Sene temple
- Pak Ou Caves, Kuang Si Waterfalls, Tha Pan Village
- Farewell dinner with a traditional Lao Baci-friendship ceremony

Tour Itinerary

Day 1 Embark in Luang Prabang

After lunch you will embark on your Mekong Cruise vessel, a comfortable new boutique-cruise ship. (Check in is after 2 PM). Settle into your accommodating cabin and unpack for a six-day cruise. Begin with a guided walk up Phou Si-hill, which offers a spectacular sunset view over the Mekong as well as the Khan River and the surrounding mountains. In the evening, enjoy strolling along the Mekong promenade or visiting the colorful night market of the local Hmong minority. Enjoy the spacious decks, lounge on board and attend our welcome reception this evening. A selection of Asian and European food will be provided throughout the cruise. Overnight in your cabin aboard your river vessel. (D)

Day 2 Departure from Luang Prabang

In the early morning you will be able to observe the traditional giving of alms in the streets of Luang Prabang. Breakfast is on board and the rest of the morning will be spent on a guided city tour with visits of the famous Wat Xieng Thong temple, Wat Khili and the Wat Sene temple as well. Your spectacular cruise begins with the departure from Luang Prabang after lunch from where you will cruise north through beautiful scenery. The night is spent on a secluded river bank or sandbank. Overnight onboard your river vessel. (B/L/D)

Day 3 Pak Ou Caves

After breakfast on board you will explore the famous Pak Ou Caves, with thousands of small Buddha statues inside the caverns. After a short walk through the jungle (optional) you visit a Laotian village. In the village you can observe how the local liqueur Lao-Lao is being distilled traditionally. Before returning to your Mekong vessel, you will see elephants in action (unless they are busy with an off-site contract by the time of your visit). After re-embarkation you will enjoy a few hours of cruising down the Mekong River amidst beautiful landscapes. Overnight onboard your river vessel. (B/L/D)

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Day 4

Mekong Cruise

The ship will head south to the Mekong ferry crossing at Tha Deua, connecting Luang Prabang Province with the Sayaboury province. Further downstream you will discover some of the most remarkable, most impressive landscapes of this still-untamed river. The landscape becomes more and more spectacular: hills covered with tropical vegetation, awe-inspiring rock formations along the river banks, and a fascinating array of fast currents and slower river parts. The power of the mighty Mekong will give your cruise the feeling of a real expedition (due to sudden drops in water level on some days, it may be necessary to make the afternoon excursion down south and upstream again – the wildest and possibly most exciting part of the Mekong – in a local Lao slow boat before returning back onboard). You will visit a local village school, which is supported by guests of the Mekong River Cruises fleet. Enjoy the beautiful views and watch nature's wonders along the shores before you head north again and stop at a sandbank for the night. Overnight onboard your river vessel. (B/L/D)

Day 5

Kuang Si-Luang Prabang

After breakfast on board, enjoy the beautiful view and spot local fishermen onshore as you cruise upstream again. After a few hours of cruising up the river, you will stop and continue by bus to visit the famous Kuang Si Waterfalls, some of the most remarkable waterfalls in Laos. On the way you will stroll through the small village of Tha Pan, where you can observe how the local communities live in Northern Laos. In the afternoon you will return to Luang Prabang. This last evening on board will be celebrated with a farewell dinner with a traditional Lao Baci-friendship ceremony. (B/L/D)

Day 6

Disembarkation

After breakfast you will say goodbye to your Laotian crew. Check-out and disembark. (B)

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Price (per person)	Green Season		High Season	
	Twin	Single	Twin	Single
Classic	\$995	\$1385	\$1325	\$1880
Superior	\$1340	\$1960	\$1825	\$2650

Green Season 2013

03 Apr - 08 Apr, 10 Jul - 15 Jul, 31 Jul - 05 Aug, 21 Aug - 26 Aug, 11 Sep - 16 Sep

High Season 2013

16 Jan - 21 Jan, 23 Jan - 28 Jan, 13 Feb - 18 Feb, 27 Feb - 04 Mar, 06 Mar - 11 Mar, 13 Mar - 18 Mar,
20 Mar - 25 Mar, 02 Oct - 07 Oct, 20 Dec - 25 Dec

The prices of above tour are based on the basis of a minimum of 2 persons traveling together
For 6 or more travelers, please contact us

Inclusions:

Flights-Internal flights and regional flights are included (refer to individual itineraries for included cities).

Accommodations- We use centrally located 4-5 star hotels. In the more remote areas we use the best available hotels.

The hotels we use are a combination of the premier properties and boutique hotels. In each city our hotels are centrally located to ensure you can step out of your hotel door and absorb the atmosphere of the local destination.

Sightseeing- sightseeing is included at every destination to ensure you make the most of your time in each region; there are no "surprise" additional cost tours.

On most tours we also include flexible options, enabling you to tailor your holiday to your personal desires. In each destination we use local English speaking guides who provide information on the history, culture, geography and modern way of life.

Each day whilst sightseeing bottled water is provided.

Dining- Feature dinners with regional entertainment are included on most tours, enabling you to absorb the local culture.

Bottled or purified water accompanies all meals and is provided to you each day whilst sightseeing.

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