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**“10 DAYS ISAN/SOUTH LAOS TOUR”**

High season : Departure every Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday

Low season : Departure every Saturday and Tuesday

\*\*Guarantee departure with minimum of 2 persons\*\*

**Saturday/Monday/Wednesday - Day 1**

**Bangkok – Saraburi - Korat (L/D)**

0800

Depart Bangkok by private airconditioned car/minibus/coach for Saraburi. Visit Phra Buddha Badh with its shrine of the holy footprint of Lord Buddha and large number of temple bells surrounding temple compound. Then drive onto to visit Wat Theppithak with its huge seated Buddha located on hillside and fruit market at Klang Dong.

Lunch at local restaurant

12.30

Visit Thao Suranaree Memorial, built in commemoration of the exploit of Khunying Mo, wife of the town's second in command, who rallied her people to defeat Laotian invaders in 1826, under the reign of King Rama III. Continue to Pimai to visit the museum and the magnificent Khmer temples, the “Angkor Wat of Thailand,” supposedly built by King Jayavarman VI in the eleventh century. Also visit Sai Ngam Banyan Grove, with Thailand's largest banyan tree.

Dinner and overnight at Royal Princess Korat Hotel

**Sunday/Tuesday/Thursday - Day 02**

**Korat – Phnom Rung – Muangtham – Surin (B/L/D)**

0800

American Breakfast

Depart for Wat Prasat Phnom Rung, the most important Khmer Temple complex in Thailand, situated on a small hill. The monumental staircase is most impressive and the sanctuary is one of the best examples of Khmer Building

12.00

Lunch at a local restaurant.

13.00

Continue to visit Muang Tham, a Khmer temple older than Phnom Rung, with many well preserved bas-reliefs. Continue to Surin.

Dinner and accommodation at the ThongTarin Hotel

**Monday/Wednesday/Friday - Day 03**

**Surin - Ubon Ratchathani (B/L/D)**

American Breakfast

08:00

Leave the hotel to visit Khao Phra Viharn. Walking tour of Phra Viharn temple, situated on top of Phnom Donrak mountain range, forming border between Thailand and Cambodia. The mountain is 544 meters high and 657 meters above sea level. Its prominent location on the top of a high cliff is unrivaled by any ancient Khmer sanctuary.

(In case the visit to Khao Phra Viharn is impossible, we reserve the right to arrange other tours with comparable price instead)

12:30

Lunch at local restaurant

Visit Wat Nong Bua, it is only Buddhist monastery in the country with a Buddhagaya-style stupa, and has extensive structure and transfer to hotel  
Dinner and accommodation at Ubonburi Hotel

**Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday - Day 04**  
**Ubon Ratchathani - Pakse – Vat Phou (Cruise down) (B/L/D)**

Pakse to the “Niagara of the East”, and the discovery of one of the wonders of the world, the treasures of Khmer architecture.

American Breakfast

08.00

Transfer to Chong Mek (Thai-Lao border) After immigration/customs clearance at the Thai-Laos side, transfer to Lao – Nippon Bridge, cross the bridge to Pakse. The distance from Chong Mek to Pakse via bridge is 45 kms.

10.30

Departure from Pakse for Champassak, heading south aboard a

Local longtail riverboat, zigzagging through mild rapids and sand banks.

Arrive at champassak in time for a riverside lunch, followed by a guided tour of the mysterious pre-Angkorian 10th century temple of Vat Phou, the boat’s namesake. As dusk falls board the Vat Phou for a relaxing cruise down-river, enjoying the tropical sunset on the deck.

Dinner is served on board, while the boat docks for the night alongside a remote Laotian village.

**Wednesday/Friday/Sunday - Day 5**  
**Huei Thamo-Oum Moug Temple-Khong Island (B/L/D)**

Breakfast on board as well as sail for the village of H uei Thamo, only a few minutes walk away from the spectacular hidden forest temple of Oum Moug.

Afterwards rejoin the boat for a cruise southwards and lunch on the deck, while we continue our leisurely sail further south to the wild paradise of the “4,000 islands”, visiting Khong Island and the village of Muang Khong, where the traditional way of life has not changed in centuries.

Back on board for a sunset cruise and a quiet dinner, under the stars, serenaded by the songs of the buffalo toads

**Thursday/Saturday/Monday - Day 6**  
**Ban Veuthong/the “Niagara of the East/Xieng Di/Pakse (B/L/D)**

07.00

Breakfast on the deck, while cruising to the small village of Ban Veuthong, where we board a local car-ferry to reach the mainland and the amazingly scenic splendor of the Khong Pha Peng waterfall, “the Niagara of the East”, close to the Cambodian border. On arrival at the small fishing village of Xieng di, we will board a small long-tail boat to Khong island, at the very south of this natural water dam, where if you are very lucky, you might glimpse a rare glimpse of the river dolphins !

p.m.

Lunch amid the by-gone splendor of another age; colorful French colonial houses and an old customs post, alongside a stone quay.

Back to “civilization”, for the two hours ride to Pakse.

16.00

Arrive Pakse in the afternoon, about 4 p.m.

Transfer to Champa Residence Hotel

Dinner and accommodation at the Champa Residence Hotel

**Friday/Sunday/Tuesday - Day 07**  
**Pakse – Vientiane (B/L/D)**

Breakfast at hotel

07.30

Transfer to airport for flight to Vientiane

08.35

Depart Vientiane by QV 202

09.45

Arrive Vientiane, transfer to visit Hophrakeo and Patousay (The Arc of Triumph).

Check in at the Novotel Hotel and lunch

p.m.

Visit to Wat Si Saket, That Luang Stupa, Wat Si Muang and local market.  
Dinner at the Kua Lao restaurant  
Accommodation at the Novotel Hotel (standard room)

**Saturday/Monday/Wednesday - Day 08**

**Vientiane – Luang Prabang (B/L/D)**

Breakfast

Transfer to the airport

10.20

Depart Vientiane by QV 012

11.00

Arrive Luang Prabang, transfer to Villa Santi Hotel or similar

Lunch at hotel

p.m.

Sightseeing of Luang Prabang including visits to Wat Visoun, Wat Aham, Wat May, Wat That Luang and climb up to Wat Phousy on the top of the hill overlooking the Mekong River.

Dinner and accommodation at the Villa Santi Hotel

**Sunday/Tuesday/Thursday - Day 09**

**Luang Prabang (B/L/D)**

Breakfast

08.00

Visit Wat Xieng Thong, the most beautiful temple, then take the traditional boat trip upstream on the Mekong river to visit the famous caves of Pak-Ou, located at the side of the steep cliff on the bank of the Mekong River housing hundreds of Buddha statues.

Picnic lunch

p.m.

Visit enroute local rice-wine distillery and Ban Phanom weaving village

Dinner and accommodation at the Villa Santi Hotel

**Monday/Wednesday/Friday - Day 10**

**Luang Prabang-Bangkok (B/L)**

Breakfast

08.00

Visit local market and National museum the former Royal Palace, was built by the French for King Sisavang Vong. The pride of the inhouse collection is the famous Phra Bang buddha image.

Lunch at local restaurant

14.00

Transfer to airport for flight to Bangkok

15.00

Depart Vientiane by PG ... for Bangkok (International airticket not included in the tour)

17.50

Arrive Bangkok and connecting flight to .....

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**Hotel Addresses:**

Royal Princess Korat, 1137 Suranarai Road, Naimuang, Muang, Nakhon

Ratchasima 30000 Tel (044) 256 629-35 Fax (044) 256 601

Thong Tarin Hotel, 60 Sirirat Road, Surin 32000

Tel (044) 614284-8 Fax (044) 511580

Ubonburi Hotel, 1 Srimongkol Road, Warinchamrab District, Ubonratchathani 34190

Tel 045 266 777 Fax 045 288770 <http://www.ubonburi.co.th>

Novotel Hotel, Unit 9, Samsenthai Road, P.O. Box 585, Vientiane,

Tel (856 21) 213570, Fax (856 21) 213 572

Villa Santi Hotel, Sakkarine street, P.O. Box 681, Luang Prabang ,

Tel (856 71) 212157 Fax (856 71) 252158

## 10 DAYS ISAN/SOUTH LAOS TOUR - US Dollar

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Number of passengers (price nett per person in half-twin room)						Single
Number of passengers	2	3-5	6-9	10-14	15-up	Surcharge
Price per person	1,775	1,600	1,546	1,424	1,377	372

\*\* Vat Phou Cruise do not operated on 01 June - 31 June according to "Dry Dock" period\*\*

### HIGH SEASON SURCHARGE

Royal Princess Korat

Jan.11'06 - Feb.28 '06 USD 9 nett/room/night

May.01 '06 – May.31 '06 USD 9 nett/room/night

(incl. the night of Feb.28 '06 & May.31 '06)

### Thong Tarin Hotel

Elephant round up period (Nov.19-21 '05) including compulsory dinner

USD 27.00 nett per single room/night

USD 37.00 nett per twin room/night

USD 46.00 nett per triple room/night

\* During elephant round up period, Thailand Vacation Tour requires non-refundable deposit (USD 49 per single room/night, USD 60 per twin room/night and USD 77 per triple room/night) 45 days prior to arrival date.

### COMPULSORY DINNER

#### Royal Princess Korat

Dec.24 '05

USD 17-nett/person

Dec.31 '05

USD 17.-nett/person

#### Ubonburi Hotel

Dec.31'05 USD 15 nett/person

Candle Festival (Date TBA)

USD15 nett/person

Including:-

Accommodation with full board meals starting with lunch on day 1 and ending with lunch on day 10

Transfers/tours with English/German speaking local guide except

4 day Vat Phou Cruise with English/French assistance of cruise escort.

Domestic airtickets Pakse/Vientiane/Luang Prabang

Domestic airport taxes

All entrance fees and boat fee

Service charges, room tax and baggage handling

Not included:

International airtickets Luang Prabang/Bangkok

Laotian visa fee of USD20.00 nett per person (stamp in Bangkok)

Laotian visa upon arrival of USD30.00 nett per person

Personal insurance

Expenditure of a personal nature, such as drinks, souvenirs and laundry, etc.,

The presently applicable economy class airfares are as follows:-

**LPQ/BKK by PG (Bangkok Airways) = USD 150.00 nett per ticket**

The above rates are subject to change without prior notice.

**VISA PROCEDURES :**

Visas are required by all nationalities. The visa must be obtained in advance at Lao Embassies & Consulates abroad.

In order to get the visa you will need a letter of approval issued by an Asian Trails in Laos. It takes four working days to obtain a letter of approval after receiving passport details of passengers. The letter of approval is sent by fax to your office. In accordance with the current procedure, we can provide the letter of approval. Passenger will produce the letter of approval to apply the visa at the Embassy in Berlin/Germany and Paris/France

**Cancellation charge of cruise**

Between 45 and 30 days before departure date: charge 25% of the price of cruise

Between 29 and 8 days before departure date : charge 50% of the price of cruise

Less than 8 days before departure date : charge 75% of the price of cruise

About Indocruise (VAT PHOU)

The Vat Phou is 34 meters long, steel hull barge, converted in 1993 into a wooden tropical floating hotel. It was launched in 1993 with 10 separate air-conditioned state room. Each room contains 90 cm wide beds, dressing table, wardrobe, private bathroom, hot and cold water shower, toilet, mirror and 220 v outlet. On the lower deck, an air-conditioned restaurant offers the typical Lao and continental food. Up on deck, a comfortable lounge bar welcomes you with cushions, chairs, divans and fresh drinks. A large front deck is a perfect area for sunbathing.

**Remarks:**

Minor program changes are sometimes necessary, depending on road conditions and room availability.