

DAY TRIPS IN LAOS

TOURS ESCAPE FROM VIENTIANE

1. OVERVIEW:

Located on the bank of Mekong River, Vientiane is the capital of Laos since 1563 witnessing the many ups and downs of the history. This delightful small city delivers a refreshingly laid-back atmosphere unlike other Asian capitals. The French architectures contrast pleasingly with the ancient Buddhist temples dotted around the town. There are plenty of things to see, from Buddha Park to the morning market and a wide selection of international cuisines. Navigating Vientiane can be done simply on foot or by bike. The rural countryside is never far away with rice paddies providing a backdrop to most streets.

When in Laos, do as the Lao do and slow the pace right down. Vientiane may not reveal its beauty readily as Luang Prabang, but spend a few days visiting its landmarks, sampling its outstanding dishes, and enjoying Beerlao at sunset by the mighty Mekong, you will soon be inspired.

VIENTIANE – FULL DAY VIENTIANE – CITY TOUR – ORCHID FARM

Tour code: VTE-V05
Tour type: Historical & Cultural
City: Vientiane capital
Time: 8:30-17:30

Overview:

Combining a full day touring around the capital Vientiane and travel out to an orchid farm where you can see more than 2,000 plants. Begin at the serene Wat Sisaket, the only temple left intact after the Thai invasion in 1828. It is one of the most beautiful temples in the capital and its breezy teak covered hallways are filled with thousands of miniature Buddha statues. Other stops include the That Luang Stupa - the holiest site in Laos, the Patuxay Monument - the Lao's version of the Arc de Triumph where you can climb up the stairs to the roof for sweeping panoramic views of the city.

Itinerary:

Morning, our guide will pick you up at your hotel then transfer out to visit Wat Si Muang, which is famous for its supernatural power. Continue driving to the city old quarter and visit some main sites here, including Wat Sisaket, the oldest temple with thousands of miniature Buddha statues, and the former royal temple of Wat Prakeo, which previously housed the famous Emerald Buddha Image. Enroute to Lao's national icon, That Luang Stupa, you can take some pictures of the imposing Patuxay Monument, which is known as Vientiane's own Arc de Triumph. Afternoon, transfer out of city to visit the orchid farm, where you can find more than 2 000 plants, in 300 different orchid species coming from different parts of the country. The orchids are arranged by species in a beautiful green garden in Vientiane. A spectacular view over the Mekong River at sunset is a perfect way to finish the day. Return to hotel for relax

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Included: Private transportation with English or French speaking guide/Entrance fee & mineral water, Lunch