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LUXURY GOLF CRUISE TOUR IN LAOS & THAILAND: THE MIGHTY UPPER MEKONG RIVER

Trip Code: 14DGLFCR

Duration: 15

Destination: Laos & Thailand **Travel Dates**: 2022 / 2023

DAY 1 VIENTIANE ARRIVAL (D)

On your arrival in Vientiane, our tour guide will welcome and transfer you to the hotel.

In the evening, after a short tour briefing, our tour guide will take you out for a Welcome Dinner.

DAY 2 VIENTIANE GOLF ROUND & CITY TOUR (B,L)

Today, enjoy a round of golf at Lakeview Vientiane Golf Club.

In the afternoon, enjoy a sightseeing tour Vientiane, the capital of Laos. Visit the gold-covered Buddhist stupa, the Presidential Palace and the local market. Get a taste of the peaceful city and the Laotian ways of life.

DAY 3 VIENTIANE GOLF ROUND - FLIGHT TO LUANG PRABANG (B,L)

Today, enjoy another round of golf at Long Vien Golf Club in Vientiane. We will take a short domestic flight to Luang Prabang.

On your arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel.

Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure.

DAY 4 LUANG PRABANG GOLF ROUND - CRUISE EMBARKATION (B,L,D)

Today, enjoy a round of golf at Luang Prabang Golf Club. In the afternoon, we will board our boutique Laotian cruise ship and settle into your comfortable cabin and unpack for an eight-day cruise. Your first excursion is a walk up Mount Phou Si, which offers a spectacular sunset view over the Mekong as well as the Khan River and the surrounding mountains.

In the evening, you can take a stroll along the Mekong promenade or visit the colorful Hmong night market. You have time to enjoy the ship's spacious decks and lounge before attending your welcome reception and

dinner. A selection of Asian and European food is provided throughout the cruise.

DAY 5 LUANG PRABANG AND KUANG SI FALLS (B,L,D)

After breakfast on board, you explore the city on a half-day excursion, beginning with the famous Wat Xieng Thong temple and the National Museum of Luang Prabang. You enjoy the city's unique architectural style, which is a blend of Buddhist temples and monasteries with French colonial buildings.

During lunch on board, your vessel starts cruising downstream. An afternoon tuk-tuk excursion takes you to the Kuang Si Falls, one of the most gorgeous waterfalls in Laos.

Overnight on board.

DAY 6 PAK OU CAVES (B,L,D)

After a relaxing morning on board, you stop at the famous Pak Ou Caves, populated by thousands of Buddha statues of all shapes and sizes. From there, you can go on a short jungle trek through the forest to a small riverside village and visit the village distillery. Alternatively, you can reach the village comfortably by boat. That afternoon, you continue cruising upstream towards Oudomxay Province.

Overnight on board.

DAY 7 THE MIGHTY MEKONG (B,L,D)

The river traffic thins out as you proceed upstream, where you enjoy fantastic landscapes along the river. You relax on deck, in your comfortable cabin or in the lounge and soak up the scenery as the landscape becomes more and more spectacular—hills covered with tropical vegetation, awe-inspiring rock formations along the riverbanks, and a diverse array of rapid currents and slow rivulets. The power of the mighty Mekong will give your cruise the feeling of a real expedition.

Overnight on board.

DAY 8 RELAXATION & VILLAGE LIFE (B,L,D)

Today is a day to take it all in—the diversity of the landscape astonishes you as tropical hills emerge in the distance. You enjoy the tranquility of northern Laos, a real retreat from the hustle-and-bustle of life back home. As you cruise past green hillsides, you start heading upstream toward Pak Tha.

In the evening, you enjoy our barbecue dinner in a beautiful riverside location.

Overnight on board.

DAY 9 PAK THA & HUAY XAY (B,L,D)

At Pak Tha, a small village, you take off on a long-tail boat excursion on the Namtha River to visit a Khmu

village. The small village school has been supported by donations from guests for many years. The purely natural landscape is only broken by seldom sights of small villages and herds of cattle.

In the afternoon, you proceed to the Thailand–Laos border at Chiang Khong, Thailand, and Huay Xay, Laos. That evening, you relax and enjoy your final delicious dinner in Laos.

Overnight on board.

DAY 10 THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE (B,L,D)

Today you go on an excursion to the Golden Triangle area at Chiang Saen, where you visit the Golden Buddha of Sop Ruak and the Hall of Opium Museum. This fascinating museum, sponsored by the royal family of Thailand, gives a deep background on the history and politics of the opium trade and the health effects of opium abuse.

Your last evening onboard is celebrated with a farewell dinner.

Overnight on board.

DAY 11 CHIANG RAI - DISEMBARKATION - GOLF ROUND - CHIANG MAI (B,L)

After breakfast, you say goodbye to your Laotian crew. Later you check out and disembark from your boutique ship, taking with you a treasure chest of memories. *Depending on the season and water level, check-out is either at Chiang Saen or Chiang Khong. (B)

After disembarkation, we will visit the iconic White Temple (Wat Rong Khun).

In the afternoon enjoy a round of golf at Santiburi Chiang Rai Country Club.

We will then travel to Chiang Mai for our overnight stay.

DAY 12 CHIANG MAI GOLF ROUND & CITY TOUR (B,L)

Today, enjoy a round of golf at Alpine Golf Resort.

This is one of the best courses in Chiang Mai in spectacular surroundings.

In the afternoon, explore the tranquil Chiang Mai and enjoy a unique Local Experience exclusive to Tweet World Travel.

DAY 13 CHIANG MAI GOLF ROUND & SHOPPING TOUR (B,L)

Today, enjoy a round of golf at Chiang Mai Highlands Golf Club, a spectacular course located amidst the beautiful northern Thai countryside, circled by mountains.

In the afternoon, our tour guide will take you out for a special shopping tour.

Chiang Mai will captivate you with its shopping opportunities. It is home to an impressive choice of markets, boutique and gallery stores with a wide selection of art, antiques and quality handicrafts. Explore one of Thailand's most exciting shopping experiences with a local who knows the in and out of shopping in Chiang Mai.

DAY 14 CHIANG MAI DEPARTURE (B)

After breakfast, our driver will transfer you to the airport for your flights home.

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