

## LAOS EXTENSION

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### OVERVIEW

Duration: 05 days / 04 nights  
Route: Luang Prabang – Vang Vieng - Vientiane

### SHORT ITINERARY

DAY 1. Arrival - Luang Prabang	(-/-/D)
DAY 2. Luang Prabang - Pakou caves- Khouangsy Waterfalls	(B/L/-)
DAY 3. Luang Prabang – Vang Vieng	(B/L/-)
DAY 4. Vang Vieng- Vientiane	(B/L/-)
DAY 5. Vientiane- Departure	(B/-/-)

**Key B= Breakfast / L=Lunch / D= Dinner**

### THE EXPERIENCE

#### DAY 1. Arrival – Luang Prabang (-/-/D)

Upon arrival, you will be met by our staff and transferred to your centrally located hotel. Luang Prabang is perhaps the best-preserved traditional city in Southeast Asia. The tranquility and charm of this town with its splendid natural scenery and cultural sights make it one of the most delightful places to visit in Laos. After a short rest, we'll visit to The National Museum at the former Royal Palace, which displays a lovely collection of artifacts reflecting the richness of Lao culture throughout the ages and Wat Mai; we then climb up to the top of Mount Phousi to explore the sacred, gilded stupa as well as capture a beautiful view of the city and the Mekong River at sunset. From there, we visit the Night Market, where you can browse through a lovely selection of handmade textiles. Overnight in Luang Prabang.

**Meal:** Dinner

#### Day 2. Luang Prabang – Pak Ou cave- Kuangsy waterfalls (B/L/-)

Today, we enjoy a short-guided tour of the city's oldest temple, Wat Sene and the magnificent Wat Xieng Thong where you can see the impressive "tree of life" mosaic set in colored glass. We then board an upstream cruise on the Mekong River, which gives us a panoramic view of the tranquil countryside. We'll make sure to stop at the Pak Ou Caves, sanctuaries consisting of two large caverns, both repositories for thousands of Buddha images. We will also stop at a few villages during the day, including Ban Muangkeo where the local rice wine is produced

In the afternoon, we head out of town 30km to the beautiful Kuang Sy Fall. En route, stop to visit some ethnic minority villages and see how these colorful people live. We then continue to the beautiful Kuangsy Waterfalls where you can swim in the turquoise pools or walk along forest paths. Overnight in Luang Prabang

**Meal:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Day 3. Luang Prabang–Vang Vieng (Express Train/C91 11.40 12.32) (B/L/-)** After breakfast, we catch an express train to Vang Vieng, a small and tranquil town nestled on a bend of the Nam Song River. After check into your hotel, we explore the famous caves of Tham Jang, which was once used by the local people as a hideout from Chinese invaders. Today ends with a superb sunset panorama reflecting over the Nam Song River. Overnight in Vang Vieng

**Meal:** Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 4. Vang Vieng – Tham Phoutham – Vientiane (Express Train/C81 14.49- 15.45) (B/L/-)

After breakfast, we take a drive through paddy fields to the Tham Phoukham caves, the country's beautiful and famous limestone caverns surrounded by forest. Along the way, you will meet local villagers and learn about their daily lifestyle. There is a small natural pool in front of the caves where you can swim and refresh yourself from the heat. After spending the day at the caves and the surrounding area, we make our return to Vang Vieng and catch the train to Vientiane. On arrival at in the capital, you will be met by our staff and transferred to your hotel. Vientiane is a charming and fascinating place, with an interesting mix of Lao, Thai, Chinese, Vietnamese, French, and American influences. After a short rest, an orientation walk is a pleasant way to spend the day, strolling around some of the city's most historical sites and seeing some of the French colonial architecture. We'll bask in the sunset by the Mekong Riverside and continue to explore until the late evening. Overnight in Vientiane.

**Meal:** Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 5. Vientiane- Departure (B/-/-)

Today, we start visiting the major city sights; including Wat Sisaket, the country's oldest temple, with thousands of miniature Buddha statues and the former royal temple of Wat Prakeo. En route to the famous That Luang Stupa, you will have the opportunity to take some pictures of the imposing Patuxay Monument, which is well known as Vientiane's own Arc de Triumph.

(If time permits) We visit the Morning Market and the weaving village of Ban Nong Bouathong. The tour ends after your transfer to the airport for departure.

**Meal:** Breakfast

End of services!

**Please note:** Hotel check-out time is at 12:00

**Have a fantastic trip!**

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#### HOTEL LIST (or similar)

City	Standard hotel ( 3 star )	Superior hotel ( 4 star )	Deluxe hotel ( 5 star )
Vientiane	<b>Lao Orchid hotel</b> (Superior room) <a href="http://www.lao-orchid.com">www.lao-orchid.com</a>	<b>Green Park</b> (Deluxe room) <a href="http://www.greenparkboutiquehotels.com">www.greenparkboutiquehotels.com</a>	<b>Crown Plaza</b> Standard room) <a href="http://www.vientiane.crownplaza.com">www.vientiane.crownplaza.com</a>
Vang Vieng	<b>Vansana Vang Vieng</b> (Standard room) <a href="http://www.vansanahotel-group.com">www.vansanahotel-group.com</a>	<b>Inthira Vang Vieng</b> (Superior) <a href="http://www.inthirahotels.com">www.inthirahotels.com</a>	<b>Amari Vang Vieng</b> (Superior city view) <a href="http://www.amari.com">www.amari.com</a>
Laos	<b>Villa Chitdara</b> (Standard room) <a href="http://www.villachitdara.com">www.villachitdara.com</a>	<b>Le Belair Resort</b> (Ganier room) <a href="http://www.lebelair-resort.com">www.lebelair-resort.com</a>	<b>Villa maly</b> (Superior room) <a href="http://www.villa-maly.com">www.villa-maly.com</a>

Category	Price Minimum ( 2 pax )
3-star	£1099 per person
4-star	£1199 per person
5-star	£1299 per person

#### SERVICES INCLUDED

- ❖ Both ways flight ticket ( to / from Laos )
- ❖ English-speaking tour guides on touring date.
- ❖ Accommodation on twin/double/triple sharing basic
- ❖ Meal plan:
  - Daily breakfast at hotels.
  - Lunch or dinner with local food as mention in the program
- ❖ Air-con transfer for airport transfer and touring
- ❖ Train ticket Luang Prabang- Vang Vieng- Vientiane
- ❖ Boat trip as per program.
- ❖ Entrance fee and Zone fee as per program
- ❖ Water during transfer.

#### SERVICES not INCLUDED

- ❖ International, domestic flights and airport departure tax.
- ❖ Meals not mentioned in Detailed Program.
- ❖ Laos Visa stamp fee
- ❖ Early check-in, late check-out surcharge.
- ❖ Surcharge for Christmas and New Year period (to be advised upon booking confirmation)
- ❖ Tipping for Guides and Drivers
- ❖ Banking fee for payment by bank transfer
- ❖ Other expense not mentioned in the program.



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