

- ◆ One-hour service photo shops are ubiquitous in tourist areas. Positive film can be processed and printed only in Phnom Penh and Siem Reap.
- ◆ Digital cards can be printed and made CD burning only in Phnom Penh and Siem Reap.

Internet

Internet service is easy to find in most cities. Visitors are able to access the Internet at hotels, Internet cafes... Get useful information from these popular and reliable websites: www.cambodia.org, www.apsaratours.com.kh.

Shopping

- ◆ The country was once well-known for its superior silk weaving, metal work and woodcarving. Visitors can find silver items, jewelry, gems, colorful cloth for sarongs and hats (variegated silks), wood carving, papier mâché masks, stone copies of ancient Khmer art, brass and bronze figurines and oil paintings in the different markets and shops on main avenues.
- ◆ The traditional clothing for both men and women is the Krama, a long, narrow checked silk or cotton cloth available in most markets and shops. Jewelry is generally not up to international standards for design and workmanship and buyers should use caution when purchasing gold and gems.
- ◆ Bargaining is essential for all souvenir shopping if travelers are to obtain reasonable prices. Reductions of up to 20 percent are possible.

Health

Although vaccination is not officially required, it is recommended that travelers should check with their doctors or a travel immunization clinic to get advice or vaccination regarding protection against cholera, typhoid, tetanus, and hepatitis A and B. If visitors are going to the provinces, any essential medications should be brought with them as there is no guarantee they will be available in Cambodia.

Clinics with qualified Cambodian and foreign doctors to treat foreign patients:

Naga International Clinic
593 Road No 6 Airport Road
Siem Reap
Tel: (855-63) 964500

American Medical Center

House 7a Street 282
Phnom Penh
Tel: (855-23) 993911

National holidays

- January 1* : International New Year Day
- January 7* : Liberation Day, celebrating the fall of the Khmer Rouge
- January 26 - 29* : Chinese New Year
- Mid-April* : Cambodian New Year
- May 1* : International Labour Day
- May 13, 14, 15* : King's Birth Day, His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromoneath Norodom Sihamoni
- October 29* : Coronation of King, His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromoneath Norodom Sihamoni
- October 31* : King's Birth Day, His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromoneath Norodom Sihanouk
- November 9* : Independence Day
- Early November* : Bon Om Dteuk, "Water Festival"

Other useful tips

- ◆ Business hours: (GMT +7)
 - Offices: 7.00 - 12.00 a.m and 2.00 - 5.30 p.m, Monday to Saturday
 - Banks: 8.00 a.m - 3.00 p.m, Monday to Friday, also open on Saturday morning.
- ◆ Airport tax for every passenger on every departure
 - International flights: US\$ 25 at Siem Reap Airport, Pochentong Airport in Phnom Penh.
 - Domestic flights: US\$ 6
- ◆ Taxis and regular buses are popular. Cyclos (pedicabs) are available in cities and towns. Bicycle or motorbike rental are recommended for visitors in the large cities/ towns.
- ◆ Electrical current: 230 volts 50Hz.

Major places of interest

Phnom Penh



Situated on the banks of the Mekong River where its branches converge (Mekong, Tonle Sap and Bassac), Phnom Penh is the capital city of Cambodia with a population of approximately one million people. The

city still retains the colonial charm of French-styled buildings and tree-lined boulevards with towering traditional Khmer monuments. The recent political changes have encouraged an economic boom, with new hotels, restaurants, bars and nightclubs springing up all over the city. The roads are filled with mostly motorbicycles, pedicabs and cars.

Siem Reap



Siem Reap is home to the most fabulous monuments ever built by mankind including Angkor Wat and Angkor Thom. It is a must-see destination for all visitors to Cambodia. Angkor is one of the greatest Buddhist sites in South

East Asia if not in all of Asia. Surrounded by man-made lakes, this tranquil and movingly beautiful place is the setting for some of the most impressive monuments mankind has ever made. Today the celebrated temples of Angkor are Cambodia's greatest tourist attraction.

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