

Vietnam & Cambodia aboard The Jahan, Asia & River Cruises
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Vietnam and Cambodia: Along the Mekong River, Including Angkor and Saigon

Sail through the heart of the countryside, exploring Vietnam and Cambodia along the Mekong River. Gain access to traditional villages as well as bustling cities for a panoramic and immersive experience of these two very different countries. Spend seven nights aboard *The Jahan*, an extraordinary riverboat that offers her 48 guests a level of luxury previously unavailable on the Mekong.

From

\$ 14,692 / per person
Does not include flights



DATES

Jan and Feb



DURATION

13 Days



SHIPS

The Jahan



STARTS AT

Saigon,
Vietnam



ENDS AT

Siem Reap

Highlights

- ★ Sail the Mekong River in comfort on a seven-night journey aboard *The Jahan* riverboat
- ★ Spend two days exploring the legendary religious sites of Angkor in the company of our experts and local guides
- ★ Visit communities and learn the ways of life along the Mekong River, including subsistence fishing and small industries
- ★ Explore Phnom Penh and Saigon, touring sites important to the cities' 20th-century histories





Day by day

■ DAY 1

Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City), Vietnam

Arrive in Saigon and settle into the Park Hyatt Hotel.

Arrival Time: Arrive before 3:00 p.m. local time.

Arrival City: Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City), Vietnam

◇ DAY 2

Saigon

This morning meet with a local expert on Vietnam's modern development, followed by a tour of Saigon's landmarks, including the Bitexco Tower, post office, and the Reunification Palace, headquarters of the South Vietnamese government during the Vietnam War. Lunch is at leisure. A visit to the War Remnants Museum is offered in the afternoon. In the evening we take in a performance of water puppetry—a distinctive Vietnamese folk art, practiced here for over 300 years—then enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

◇ DAY 3

My Tho / Embark Ship

This morning visit the Cu Chi tunnel, part of a huge network of tunnels used by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. After lunch we drive to My Tho, and stop at the great Vinh Trang pagoda, originally built in 1850. We continue to the Mekong River and embark *The Jahan* for the start of our seven-night sail. Enjoy welcome drinks and dinner aboard our riverboat.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 4

Cai Be / Sa Dec

Take a local boat to experience rural life in the Mekong Delta. See the floating market of Cai Be, step into a rice "factory" to watch rice-based candies being made, and cruise among floating markets and fish farms.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 5

Tan Chau or Chau Doc

Chau Doc has one of Vietnam's most interesting markets, with an astonishing variety of tropical fruits, vegetables, and other goods. We continue to a floating market on the river and a fish farm, where we see fish being fed through trapdoors in the floating platforms. In the afternoon, we continue sailing the Mekong.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 6

Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Explore the Cambodian capital by *cyclo* (bicycle taxi), and visit the Royal Palace and the National Museum of Cambodia. Learn about the reign of the Khmer Rouge on a visit to the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum. This evening, enjoy an Apsara dance performance.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 7

Cruising the River / Kampong Chhnang

This morning, we cruise the Tonle Sap River. In the afternoon we drive a short way from the town of Kampong Chhnang to a village where pottery is still made by traditional methods. We see how

the ceramics are made and learn about the uses of the palm tree, complete with a taste of palm sugar if desired. Then local boats take us along the Tonle Sap for a glimpse into a unique way of life: seeing the floating houses and shops that line the riverbanks here.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 8

Kampong Tralach / Koh Dach or Wat Hanchey

Visit a village where artisans make traditional pottery, and board local boats to see the clustered houses and shops that float in midstream. At Kampong Tralach, take an oxcart ride through rice paddies to a local school.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 9

Angkor Ban / Kampong Cham

We explore the community of Angkor Ban, with many old-style houses built on stilts—some of them very tall. There is a chance to walk through town and meet the friendly residents. There is a fine pagoda along the riverside, and views of the fields across the river that runs into the Mekong. We also stop at the bustling town of Kampong Cham and visit remarkable Wat Nokor, where a well-preserved 11th-century temple forms the heart of a contemporary pagoda that remains in active use. The reliefs on the old temple are exceptional, as are the decorations of the more modern one. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner aboard *The Jahan*.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 10

Kampong Cham / Disembark Ship / Siem Reap / Angkor

Disembark *The Jahan* at Kampong Cham for the drive to Siem Reap, where lunch is available upon arrival to the hotel. We spend the next three nights at the outstanding Raffles Grand hotel d'Angkor located near Angkor Wat. The luxurious rooms are styled with Cambodian furnishings and look out on either the pool or lush temple and lotus gardens. Siem Reap is the gateway to the great temple complex of Angkor, and this afternoon we visit the evocative temple Ta Prohm. The jungle has been allowed to continue growing here, framing the structures with the twisted roots and branches of ceiba and fig trees, giving us an idea of what archaeologists encountered when they began their work in the area. Dinner this evening is at a local restaurant.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 11

Angkor / Siem Reap

We begin early in order to get to Angkor Wat in time for sunrise. This visionary 12th-century temple, the world's largest religious monument, represents the apogee of Khmer art and architecture. Crowned by five towers, with elaborate bas-reliefs and a profusion of statues that dramatically depict complex religious tales, along with some 2,000 carved Apsaras (beautiful female spirits), Angkor Wat is enthralling. We return to our hotel for a late breakfast. In the afternoon we visit Les Artisans d'Angkor to see how local artisans preserve ancient Khmer arts. We then venture out some distance from the central sites to the fine temple of Banteay Srei, known for its exceptional carvings. Tonight we have a very special treat: a private dinner, just for us, by candlelight at one of Angkor's temples, complete with Cambodian music and dance. The effect of seeing the temple gently illuminated and taking in the age-old performing arts is magical, and is bound to stand out as a highlight of your travels.

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

◇ DAY 12

Angkor / Siem Reap

This morning we take *tuk-tuks* (motorized taxis) to the great remains of Angkor Thom, seeing the Bayon Temple, known for its dozens of serene stone faces of King Jayavarman VII, and the Terrace of the Elephants. The afternoon is free to explore further, shop, or just relax.

Meals included: breakfast

■ DAY 13

Siem Reap

Transfer to the airport for our flights home.

Departure Time: Anytime.

Departure City: Siem Reap, Cambodia

Meals included: breakfast

Northbound

Saigon, Vietnam → Siem Reap

2025 Departure Dates

Aboard *The Jahan*

06 Feb

Alternative Routes

Visit Expeditions.com for more information.

2025 Departure Dates

15 Jan, 29 Jan



The Jahan

Guests

48

Cabins

24

Built in 2011, *The Jahan* is appointed in grand style and is without question, the finest ship on the Mekong river.

To sail along the Mekong River is to experience two fascinating countries and discover how life is led along its banks. There is no better way to travel in comfort and grand style than aboard *The Jahan*. She has large, gracious staterooms and luxurious touches. Built in 2011 from the ground up, she is simply the finest ship on the Mekong River. Every cabin has a private balcony and the ship's public spaces offer a relaxed elegance for your Mekong voyage.

At 230 feet long with four decks, she is an expansive ship with public areas where the expedition community can gather to watch life along the riverbank, with everyone sharing in the experience.

Her public spaces are built for easy gathering of small groups, intimate nooks to escape on your own, and open spaces like the lounge, where we gather daily for Recap, or the top deck, where we can gather together in the shade or sun to watch as cities and villages drift past. The dining room easily accommodates all guests at once for a single seating, with no assigned tables for easy mixing. While the ship is luxurious, life aboard is casual in every regard, and there is no need for formal clothing. And you'll find shipboard services like laundry make packing and traveling more convenient.



Cabin Categories

Category 1

Main Deck: #101-112

These 323-square-foot cabins feature a private balcony with floor-to-ceiling glass doors that let in abundant light. Cabins 103-104 have twin beds (which can be pushed together on request), and #105-112 have queen-size beds. You will find a sitting area and spacious bathroom with glass-walled shower.



Category 2

Upper Deck: #201-208

These 323-square-foot cabins feature a private balcony with floor-to-ceiling glass doors that let in abundant light. Cabins 201-202 have twin beds (which can be configured on request), and #203-208 have queen-size beds. You will find a sitting area and spacious bathroom with glass-walled shower.



Category 3

Main Deck: #113-114

Upper Deck: #209-210

Each 376-square-foot cabin has a queen-size bed and a private balcony with floor-to-ceiling glass doors that let in abundant light. There is a television and private DVD player. Each balcony has two sun beds and a table. You will find a sitting area and a spacious bathroom.



Suites

Upper Deck: #211-212

These are the largest and finest accommodations on board. Each has a queen-size bed, a private Deck Jacuzzi, and a private balcony with floor-to-ceiling glass doors. They have separate sitting and living areas, television, and a private DVD player plus a spacious bathroom.






Deck Plans

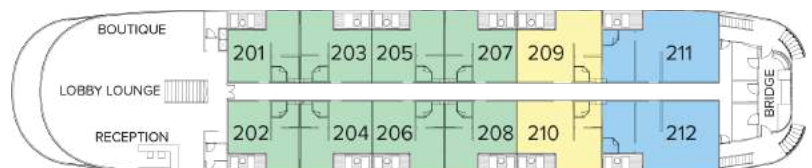
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 Category 3



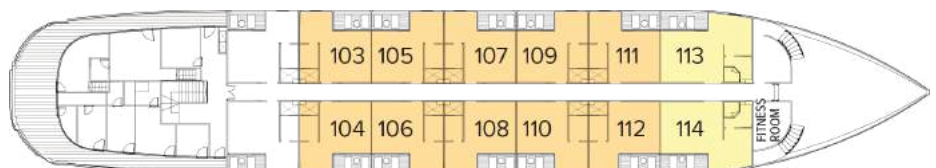
Upper Deck

 Suites
 Category 2
 Category 3



Main Deck

 Category 1
 Category 3



Ship amenities

Public Areas

Public areas have sweeping views and are fully air-conditioned. Outdoor areas include the terrace deck, with both covered and open-air spaces, a small swimming pool, and a full-service bar. The lounge, located on the upper deck, has a library and facilities for films, slide shows, and presentations. Guests are welcome on the “open bridge” to meet the captain and officers and learn about river navigation.



Meals

Dining aboard is an extraordinary event daily. Meals are artfully prepared and spotlight Cambodian and Vietnamese cuisine. Continental options are always available. The dining room accommodates all guests for a single seating.

Cabins

24 outside cabins. All face outside, and all have glass doors and private balconies for enjoying the scenery along the Mekong River and its tributaries. There is a mix of twin-bedded and queen-size bedded cabins. Each has private facilities and hair dryer, individual climate control, music entertainment system and a mini bar.

Expedition Equipment

Search for rare birds and mammals and explore the tributaries that feed these rivers aboard 10-person skiffs, which feature individual seats with cushions and plenty of legroom. Kayaks offer a quiet way to explore remote, seldom-visited side streams.

Special Features

The staff and chefs are Vietnamese and Cambodian to offer a window on the cuisines of the region and more opportunities for cultural insight. The boutique has a curated selection of local art and textiles.



Wellness

Enjoy the spa, which offers a choice of massage treatments, and fitness rooms with steam bath, treadmill, stationary bicycle, and elliptical trainer. Morning tai chi classes are also offered on the Terrace Deck.

Special Offers

CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES

Celebrate a milestone with a group of eight or more and enjoy a special amenity package including: 5% savings on voyage fares, custom group photo, US\$150 shipboard credit for the group, and other special gifts. Milestone celebration to be communicated at time of booking. Valid for new bookings only on select departures, subject to availability, not applicable on airfare or extensions, and may not be combined with other offers. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Call for details.

10% OFF BACK-TO-BACK VOYAGES

Save 10% on consecutive departures, applicable on voyage fares only and not valid on extensions or airfare. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

BRINGING THE KIDS

We believe sharing an expedition with children is a life-enhancing experience. Take \$500 off for each child under the age of 18 on any departure. Not applicable on extensions or airfare. Call for details.

SAVE 5% TRAVELING AS A GROUP

Save 5% when traveling as a group of eight or more people. Valid on voyage fares only and not applicable on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

COMBINING OFFERS

Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings.

Included in price

All accommodations aboard ship and in hotels per itinerary; meals and beverages aboard ship (excluding certain super-premium brands of alcohol); meals on land as indicated, accompanied by nonalcoholic beverages; hors d'oeuvres at Recap, drinking water throughout; excursions per itinerary, including entrance fees and photography fees, arrival and departure airport transfers for any flights into and out of Siem Reap and Saigon; gratuities to all service staff, including guides and ship's crew; guidance and company of our leading expedition staff; assistance of a Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic certified photo instructor; presentations by expedition staff and expert guest speakers; Wi-Fi aboard ship; complimentary reusable water bottle; services of a qualified physician; morning stretch classes aboard ship and access to exercise equipment; and 24-hour access to lounge and other shared spaces onboard ship. Unused services or items included in our programs are non-refundable.

Not included in price

Airfare (except flights when indicated as included); pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights (except when indicated as included), laundry, spa treatments, Wi-Fi in hotels, and phone services (except when indicated as included); travel protection plans; and passport, visa, and immigration fees.

Travel protection plan

We strongly recommend our guests to take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, damage or loss of baggage, medical assistance, and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date, Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased. Learn more about our Travel Protection "Plus" Plan: <https://www.expeditions.com/terms-conditions/travel-protection-plan/>

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