



Saigon to Siem Reap E-Bike Tour

DURATION
10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS



DESTINATION
Vietnam & Cambodia



TRIP START | FINISH
Ho Chi Minh City | Siem Reap



TRIP TYPE
Private Group



ACTIVITY LEVEL
Moderate



AVG. DISTANCE
60-70 km per day



TOTAL DISTANCE
Approx. 385 km

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Airport pick up and drop off
- 9 Nights Accommodation
- E-Bike: Giant Talon E+3 and helmet
- Meals mentioned in the itinerary: 9 Breakfasts, 8 Lunches, 1 Dinner
- English-speaking tour leader
- Bike mechanic
- Must-see attraction and sightseeing
- All admission fees at attractions, Angkor temples, and activities as mentioned in the itinerary
- Boat excursion to Cai Rang Floating Market
- Boat ticket to the floating villages in Siem Reap
- Drinking water and snacks, energy bars, and cold beverages
- Support van that follows the day's route
- Trucks that carry the bikes
- Speed Boat from Chau Doc to Phnom Penh
- Vietnam & Cambodia Governments taxes

WHAT'S EXCLUDED

- International and domestic flights
- Visa or visa arrangements
- Travel Insurance
- Sunscreen, mosquito repellent, hats, and protective clothing
- Camera/video entrance fees
- Personal expenses (drinks, laundry, telephone, tips, etc.)
- Other services not clearly indicated in the package

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrive in Ho Chi Minh City & Welcome Dinner

Upon your arrival at the airport, you will be warmly greeted by your Siem Reaper tour leader, who will assist with your transfer to the hotel. Once checked in, take some time to relax, unwind, and settle into your new surroundings.

In the evening, we'll come together for the eBike setup session, ensuring your equipment is perfectly adjusted and ready for the exciting journey ahead. The day concludes with a delightful welcome dinner, where you'll have the opportunity to meet your fellow travelers, share stories, and savor the rich flavors of authentic local cuisine.

 **Included Meals:**
Dinner

 **Hotel:**
Nesta Hotel Saigon



Day 2: Ho Chi Minh City - Ben Tre - Tra Vinh

Today, we leave Ho Chi Minh City and take a short transfer to its outskirts. From there, we journey for 1.5 hours into the heart of the Mekong Delta, a sprawling region of lush greenery, intricate waterways, and tranquil rural life stretching toward the East Vietnam Sea.

Our cycling adventure begins in the city of Ben Tre, where we ease into the rhythm of Vietnamese road dynamics, navigating alongside the ever-present motorbikes. Crossing the Ham Luong River, we enter a serene landscape of coconut farms, banana plantations, sugarcane fields, and small hamlets interwoven with canals and rivers.

The route takes us along narrow farm roads and quiet lanes, offering a peaceful escape from the hustle and bustle of city life. Along the way, we'll cross several small bridges and enjoy two local ferry rides, immersing ourselves in the daily life of the Mekong Delta. The second ferry carries us across the expansive Co Chien River, leading us to the city of Tra Vinh.

Tra Vinh, our destination for the night, is a charming town that reflects a unique cultural blend of Vietnamese and Khmer influences, with its history predating modern borders. Here, you'll have the chance to unwind and soak in the tranquil atmosphere of this culturally rich region.



Included Meals:

Breakfast & Lunch



Today's Ride:

60 km (38 miles)



Hotel:

The Rose Hotel Trà Vinh



Day 3: Tra Vinh – Can Tho

This morning, we set out on an exciting journey to uncover the natural beauty and rich Khmer heritage of the region. Leaving Tra Vinh City, we cycle a short distance to the stunning Ba Om Pond, an 800-year-old Khmer architectural masterpiece. This serene location, adorned with seasonal lotus flowers, offers a tranquil and picturesque setting that is sure to be a highlight of the day.

Continuing our ride, we'll pass through a landscape of rice paddies and towering coconut trees stretching across the horizon. This breathtaking scenery, with its lush greenery and rural charm, offers plenty of opportunities for photo stops. The region is celebrated as Vietnam's second-largest rice producer, and the vast fields testify to its agricultural significance.

As we pedal further, we'll stop to visit a local rice paper-making workshop. Here, you'll get a fascinating glimpse into the traditional process of crafting rice paper, a staple in Vietnamese cuisine. Watch a local transform simple ingredients into delicate sheets of rice paper, and perhaps even try the process yourself!

After lunch, we'll take an approximately 1-hour transfer to Can Tho, the largest city in the Mekong Delta. Here, you'll have the chance to unwind and explore the city's vibrant nightlife. Enjoy rooftop views from restaurants in the city center, and don't miss the lively night markets, where you can immerse yourself in the local culture and cuisine.



Included Meals:

Breakfast & Lunch



Today's Ride:

70 km (43 miles)



Hotel:

Con Khuong Resort Can Tho



Day 4: Can Tho – Chau Doc

Start your day with a morning visit to the famous Cai Rang Floating Market, the largest and most vibrant in the Mekong Delta. Witness boats teeming with fresh produce, local traders exchanging goods, and the lively atmosphere of river commerce. Enjoy the sights and sounds as you glide through the market, capturing the essence of daily life on the water.

After the market visit, hop on your bike and cycle through the peaceful backroads of the Mekong Delta. Pedal past lush rice fields, tropical fruit orchards, and traditional villages, where you'll have the chance to meet friendly locals and learn about their way of life. Stop along the way to interact with farmers, sample fresh fruits, and experience the warm hospitality of the region.

As you continue your ride, explore fishing villages where you can observe traditional fishing techniques and stilt houses built along the riverbanks. Gain insight into the local fishing culture and the importance of the waterways in daily life.

Your journey concludes in Chau Doc, a charming riverside town near the Cambodian border, known for its diverse cultural influences and stunning landscapes. This tour offers a perfect blend of nature, culture, and local experiences, making it an unforgettable cycling adventure in the heart of the Mekong Delta.

 **Included Meals:**
Breakfast & Lunch

 **Today's Ride:**
60 km (37 miles)

 **Hotel:**
Chau Pho Hotel



Day 5: Chau Doc - Speedboat to Phnom Penh

Today is a well-deserved rest day for your legs as we transition from Vietnam to Cambodia. After checking out of your accommodation and enjoying breakfast, you'll board a comfortable speedboat departing at 6:45 am, heading up the Mekong River towards Phnom Penh.

The scenic boat ride takes approximately 5 hours, offering stunning views of the Mekong River's tranquil waters and surrounding landscapes. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the journey, with light snacks provided on board to keep you refreshed.

At the border, the crew will assist with visa arrangements. Please ensure you have 2 ID photos (with a white background) and \$36 USD in cash for the visa fee. Note that the cash must be in pristine condition—no tears, writing, or taped edges.

Upon arrival in Phnom Penh, you'll check into your accommodation and have the afternoon free to explore the vibrant capital city at your own pace. Whether you choose to visit historical landmarks, stroll along the riverside promenade, or indulge in local cuisine, Phnom Penh offers a wealth of experiences to discover.



Included Meals:

Breakfast & Lunch



Hotel:

PATIO Hotel & Urban Resort



Day 6: Cycle Silk Island & Phnom Penh's Historical Treasures

Begin your day with a peaceful bike ride along the Mekong River, watching the city slowly awaken as you pedal past riverfront villages and lush green landscapes. Board a local ferry and cross to the serene Silk Island (Koh Dach), where life moves at a gentle pace.

Cycle through quiet backroads, visit families making Tofu Skin, and witness the intricate art of traditional silk weaving, a craft passed down through generations. Meet the artisans, hear their stories, and gain a deeper appreciation for Cambodia's rural traditions.

Return to Phnom Penh for lunch, followed by an optional city tour. Whether you choose to explore the city's rich history or unwind at your hotel, the day offers something for everyone.

For those eager to explore Phnom Penh's powerful past, start with a visit to the Royal Palace and the Silver Pagoda, iconic symbols of Cambodia's royal heritage and resilience. Then, take a sobering yet meaningful journey to the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum (S21). This poignant site serves as a place of deep reflection, honoring the strength, spirit, and enduring courage of the Cambodian people.



Included Meals:

Breakfast & Lunch



Today's Ride:

35 km (22 miles)



Hotel:

PATIO Hotel & Urban Resort



Day 7: Phnom Penh - Kampong Thom - Siem Reap

After an early breakfast, we depart Phnom Penh by vehicle and travel approximately 1.5 hours to Kampong Thom, the gateway to Cambodia's rural heartland. Here we unload the bikes and begin a scenic ride along the Stueng Sen River, following quiet country roads shaded by palms and rice fields.

Cycling through small villages and farmland, you'll experience everyday Cambodian life up close—children waving as you pass, farmers working the fields, and friendly locals welcoming you with warm smiles. The flat terrain and peaceful surroundings make for an enjoyable and relaxed ride.

Our highlight today is a visit to Sambor Prei Kuk, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Cambodia's oldest temple complexes, dating back to the 7th century. Nestled in the forest, these pre-Angkorian brick temples offer a tranquil and atmospheric contrast to the larger Angkor monuments.

After exploring the temples and enjoying a well-earned break, we load the bikes and transfer onward to Siem Reap, arriving in the late afternoon. This evening is yours to relax and prepare for the wonders of Angkor in the days ahead.

 **Included Meals:**
Breakfast & Lunch



Today's Ride:
70 km (43 miles)

 **Hotel:**
Royal Crown Hotel & Spa



Day 8: Siem Reap, Angkor Hidden Temples & Tonle Sap River

Today, begin with a scenic bike ride to the Rolous Group Temples, one of the earliest complexes of the Khmer Empire. These hidden treasures, often overlooked by visitors, offer a serene and intimate glimpse into Cambodia's ancient history. Wander through the beautifully preserved temples and experience the quiet majesty of this historic site.

For lunch, enjoy a special experience with a meal at a local community. Savor delicious home-cooked Cambodian dishes while supporting a community initiative that empowers local families. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with the people and learn more about their way of life.

In the afternoon, continue your adventure along the Tonle Sap trails, cycling through picturesque countryside and local villages. Your journey leads to Kampong Phluk, a fascinating floating village on the Tonle Sap River. Explore this unique community, where homes are built on stilts to adapt to the seasonal changes in water levels. Witness the daily lives of the villagers, from fishing to boat-making, and gain insight into their resourceful and resilient way of life.

As the day winds down, soak in the tranquil beauty of the Tonle Sap region before returning to Siem Reap, reflecting on the rich cultural and natural wonders you've experienced.

 **Included Meals:**
Breakfast & Lunch

 **Today's Ride:**
50 km (31 miles)

 **Hotel:**
Royal Crown Hotel & Spa



Day 9: Siem Reap, Angkor Sunrise Discovery

Start your day early with a magical sunrise over the iconic Angkor Wat, where the sky glows behind the towers of this ancient masterpiece. Guided by a knowledgeable historian, uncover the rich history and fascinating stories behind it.

After sunrise, enjoy breakfast at a local family home, where warm hospitality and authentic flavors perfectly kick off your adventure.

Hop on your bike and ride through the jungle trails of Angkor Archaeological Park to escape the crowds and immerse yourself in the forest's tranquil beauty. Explore the grand city of Angkor Thom, marvel at the enigmatic smiling faces of Bayon Temple, and discover hidden temples tucked away in the jungle.

Enjoy a delicious Khmer lunch near Srah Srang, relaxing with fresh, home-cooked dishes in a peaceful setting. Afterward, visit the iconic Ta Prohm temple, known for its haunting beauty and massive tree roots entwined with ancient stones. The mystical ambiance feels like stepping into an adventure tale, providing numerous photo opportunities and lasting wonder.

 **Included Meals:**
Breakfast & Lunch

 **Today's Ride:**
40 km (25 miles)

 **Hotel:**
Royal Crown Hotel & Spa



Day 10: Trip Concludes

Enjoy a slow, peaceful morning with breakfast at your hotel, savoring the final moments of your incredible bike journey through Vietnam and Cambodia. Take time to relax, reflect, or soak up a bit more of Siem Reap's charm. Wander into town for a last coffee, some souvenir shopping, or a leisurely stroll through the old markets and cozy cafés.

When it's time to depart, we'll arrange your transfer to Siem Reap Angkor International Airport for your onward journey.

If you're not ready to say goodbye, we'd be thrilled to help you extend your adventure—whether it's more temple discoveries, a rejuvenating wellness retreat, or simply unwinding in a serene corner of this enchanting town.



Included Meals:

Breakfast

TRAVEL DETAILS

Bike & Personal Equipment

We strongly recommend that you ride a mountain bike for our trips that involve asphalt, dirt, and backroads, some of which are sandy and rocky. If you are much more comfortable with your own stuff, we highly suggest bringing items such as pedals, saddles, helmets, and water bottles. Our mechanic will make adjustments to your bikes and personal belongings.

Bike Repairs

The tools and spare parts are carried by your tour guide in the vehicle, along with a full toolkit for the tour. However, it is also gauche for us to carry spares for every eventuality. Therefore, it is necessary that, before departing, you have a quick look at your two-wheeler to see whether it is in good working order.

Safety

We recommend you wear a helmet on all our biking adventures. This is non-negotiable. If you do not wear a helmet, you will not be allowed to cycle. Your tour guide is trained in first aid and emergency rescue, but to a large degree, you must be responsible for your own safety while riding.

Visa & Passport

Vietnam

Vietnam's e-visa application is open to all nationalities. Applicants can choose between a single-entry visa valid for up to 30 days or a multi-entry visa valid for up to 90 days.

It is important to complete the application form carefully and verify all information before submission. Even small spelling mistakes can invalidate your visa and result in denied entry upon arrival.

To ensure a smooth process, it is recommended that you apply for your e-visa as early as possible, but no later than two weeks before your planned arrival in Vietnam. Although processing typically takes 1-3 working days (excluding weekends and Vietnamese holidays), applying early provides extra time in case any issues arise.

For more information to get eVisa: <https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn/>

Cambodia

Visitors to Cambodia require a passport to enter the country, and all travelers must hold a passport with validity for 6 months after their planned exit from Cambodia.

Citizens of the UK, EU countries, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the United States, and almost all other nationalities will require a visa to visit Cambodia. Non-UK residents should check with the Cambodian Embassy in their country of residence for the most up-to-date information.

Most nationalities can get a visa on arrival at Phnom Penh and Siem Reap international airports without prior registration. A visa is issued on arrival for most nationalities for US \$36/pax, and the visa has a one-month validity. You need to pay in cash and in US dollars and provide two recent, identical passport photographs.

Read more about applying for an eVisa here: www.evisa.gov.kh

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is not included in the tour price. You can arrange travel insurance with your preferred insurance company. As medical facilities in Cambodia are rather limited, it is imperative for you to take out a good medical insurance policy when traveling.

Weather

Vietnam

Vietnam's weather is comparable to Cambodia's, with year-round temperatures ranging from 25-30 °C (77-102 °F).

The rainy season in this area usually takes place between June and September, where short but intense showers are common; however, the sun will often break through for extended periods of time allowing people to enjoy the outdoors in spite of the rain. From the end of March to May, right before the monsoon season arrives, Vietnam and Cambodia experience a particularly hot and humid climate with temperatures soaring up to 40 °C (Around 104 °F).

Cambodia

Cambodia is located in the tropical climate zone, in which neither the temperatures nor the hours of sunshine show great variations over the course of the year. Due to the tropical monsoons in Cambodia, a distinction is made between a dry season and a rainy season, and each of these seasons has its own charm.

The dry season runs from October to April and is the time to visit the coastal towns of Cambodia or the tropical islands. The temperatures are warm and comfortable during this time of year, and there are long periods of sunshine. Although it is relatively dry during this time, individual showers can occur.

The rainy season runs from May to September and is ideally suited to experiencing Cambodia's nature in a particularly green and lush way. The warm temperatures remain unchanged, while the rain ensures high humidity. There is a lot of rainfall, especially in the last months of the rainy season. For the entire time, however, the rain falls in short downpours.

While Cambodia can be visited year-round, it is important to note that small country roads that may pass through the more remote areas, e.g., the province of Mondulkiri, are impassable during the last two months of the rainy season.

Drinks

Keeping you hydrated is one of the most important parts of our tours. We provide cold water, as well as local fruit and soft drinks to keep you energized and refreshed during your trip. Beers and alcoholic drinks are freely available everywhere but are not included in the price.

Food & Snacks

The food on this trip is a real highlight for many. South East Asian cuisine is known for its abundance of freshly prepared dishes with strong aromatic flavours. There is a focus on herbs and citrus to ensure each dish packs a punch; chilli is also a common feature, but it's easily avoided if desired.

Typically most dishes will come with rice and many are often served in a banana leaf with a variety of dips and herbs served separately.

The two countries visited ensure a different culinary experience every time you cross the border; try the fish amok curry in Cambodia for a creamy coconut-based fragrant curry, and the Banh Xeo (huge sizzling pancakes) in Vietnam. Western food is readily available almost everywhere except in the Mekong Delta region. Vegetarians are well catered for, but please inform us before departure of any special dietary requests.

Please note that the availability of certain specialised products for restricted diets, eg gluten-free or dairy-free, is minimal or non-existent and we strongly recommend you bring these specialised dietary items from home.

You may find it beneficial to bring cycling snacks with you from home if you use high-energy bars or gels while cycling. If you wish to contribute, a kitty is normally arranged (see extra expenses); fresh fruit, nuts, biscuits and local snacks are all provided from the snack kitty along with drinks and electrolyte powders.

Responsible Travel

At Siem Reaper, we're ensuring that we're fulfilling the core values of our business. We operate in a responsible manner to protect our local culture and environment, as well as youth development in our community. We've made a commitment to be a responsible business and live up to this promise every single day.





WHY SIEM REAPER

Expert Local Guides

Each tour comes with an experienced tour guide responsible for offering local insight, pursuing great experiences and making every tour exceptional. Our guides know their stuff as they are locals who want to share the beauties of Cambodia. They are trained to make your trip magical.

All-Inclusive

At Siem Reaper, we make it easy for our guests to have an unforgettable experience without worrying about the hassle of planning a trip on their own. We provide everything necessary for your tour, from reliable transportation and high-quality bicycles to delicious food and comprehensive safety equipment – all so that our customers can focus solely on the adventure ahead!

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