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Cambodia

PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION

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INTRODUCTION



Once home to the powerful Angkorian empire, today Cambodia is a fascinating destination steeped in deep history, rich culture, and unspoiled landscapes. Beyond the awe-inspiring Angkor temple complex, the country offers a wide range of activities for different interests from mountain biking adventures to honeymoon holidays on a private island. Cambodia's unique charm along with the seraphic smiles of the Khmer people makes it a welcoming destination for all travellers.

QUICK FACTS



Currency: Riel & USD



Capital City: Phnom Penh



Time Zone: UTC/GMT +7



Electricity: 220volts, 50Hz



International Airport:

Phnom Penh PNH

Siem Reap REP

Sihanouk ville KOS



Population: 17 million



Language: Khmer



Calling Code: +855



Religion: Buddhism
Christianity & Muslim



VISA

Visa exemptions: Visa exemptions policy is applied for the following countries with period of stay from 14 days – 30 days: Thailand, Brunei, Myanmar, Philippines, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, and Vietnam.

E-Visas:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation has launched an e-visa, which enables most of the countries to apply for a Cambodia tourist visa online. Please click [here](#) to start applying.

The validity of e-visa approval letter is valid for 90 days from the issue date. Length of stay is 30 days from the date of arrival in Cambodia. E-visa is only valid for a SINGLE ENTRY.

However, not all borders of Cambodia accept e-visas, please visit this link https://www.evisa.gov.kh/information/port_entry/3 to check your port of entry before applying.

After receiving your e-visa through email, please print and bring it along while travelling to Cambodia. For more information, please visit <https://www.evisa.gov.kh/FAQ>

Visa-on-arrival:

Tourist visas can also be obtained upon arrival at the following Cambodia International Airports in: **Phnom Penh, Siem Reap, and Preah Sihanouk.**

However, please note that not all foreign passport holders can apply for visa on arrival.

Please check with your Cambodia Embassy or Cambodia Consulate in your home country for specific visa requirements.

Not eligible for Visa on Arrival are passport holders from the following countries: Afghanistan, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Sudan and Nigeria. Visas must be arranged prior to entering the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Visa in person: Nationalities who do not qualify for E-Visa must apply for a visa prior to departure.

Please check with the Cambodia Embassy or Cambodia Consulate in your home country for full list of requirements and detailed process.

**For more detailed information, please refer to our Cambodia Visa document.*



CAMBODIA E-ARRIVAL AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

As of July 1, 2024, all passengers entering the International Airport are required to register their immigration, customs information, and health declaration via Cambodia e-Arrival and submit the Cambodia e-Arrival Card within 7 days before their arrival. Paper arrival cards will not be allowed.

The Cambodia e-Arrival Card can be submitted through various methods, including app installation on both Android and iOS, or via the official website: <https://www.arrival.gov.kh/>.

YELLOW FEVER VACCINATION CERTIFICATE

Yellow Fever Vaccination certificate is only required for travellers coming from – or in transit through an airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. The vaccination requirement is imposed by this country for protection against yellow fever since the principal mosquito vector *Aedes aegypti* is present in its territory.

If you are visiting Cambodia and you live in or have travelled through a yellow fever zone, then you need to have a yellow fever certificate to show that you have been vaccinated against the illness.

When you arrive in Cambodia, you will be asked for your yellow fever certificate. You need to show this at the medical counter before queuing for immigration.

Check to see if you have been in any of these places during the last six months. Please consult your doctor to discuss your particular health or immunisation requirements.

If you would like to have a source of further information, please refer to the Centre for Disease Control (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov

AFRICA

Risk of yellow fever transmission exists in these countries: Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Republic of the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Mauritania, Niger, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Sudan, Togo, Uganda.

AMERICAS

Risk of yellow fever transmission exists in these countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, French Guiana, Guyana, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela.

Validity of Certificate: A yellow fever certificate is valid for ten years after vaccination.

Children: A vaccination certificate is required for children over one year of age.

Common Procedure:

1. Complete yellow fever form
2. Wait in queue for an assigned health counter
3. Submit required documents to immigration officer and proceed to arrival immigration counter



Insurance

Travellers are strongly recommended to purchase trip and travel insurance. This can cover anything from trip cancellation to accidents, emergencies, hospital fees, property loss.

In case you need to purchase travel and trip insurance for your coming trip, here is the link to a provider, <https://www.csatravelpro.com/>. Please make sure you will review the policy carefully before you choose a policy of your choice.



Health

Please consult your doctor to discuss your particular health or immunisation requirements. If you would like to have a source of further information, please refer to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov



Medical

Medical care has come a long way in Cambodia, though it is still lacking in comparison to its more developed neighbours. In the event of serious injury, evacuation is necessary. For minor injuries, the Royal Rattanak General Hospital in Phnom Penh, the Royal Angkor in Siem Reap and the Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital in Kep are acceptable. Outside the major cities of Phnom Penh and Siem Reap, local hospitals are far below international standard and should be avoided if possible. However, pharmacies can be found throughout the country but may lack certain medications and may only sell generic brands of common medicines. Should you need medical assistance while travelling in Cambodia, please alert your guide.



PACKING ESSENTIALS



The following should act as a useful checklist of essential items worth taking

- ▣ Travel documents: Valid passport (validity of minimum of 6 months of date of departure), travel itinerary, and any necessary visas.
- ▣ Copies of your passport - it is advisable to leave copies at home as well
- ▣ Sun protection - hat, sunscreen, sunglasses and lip balm
- ▣ Antibacterial wipes and/or gel
- ▣ Comfortable walking shoes
- ▣ Lightweight clothing
- ▣ Some clothing covering the knees and shoulders for visits to religious sites - women may find a shawl or sarong useful in conservative areas
- ▣ Mosquito spray and insect repellent
- ▣ Camera and spare film/memory card – film available in Cambodia tends to be bad quality or sun damaged
- ▣ Spare glasses/contact lenses – it is difficult to repair/replace prescription lenses
- ▣ Money Belt - ensure that it is discrete and comfortable to wear
- ▣ Personal Medication - it is often good to carry a doctor's note to ensure easy passage of medication across international borders
- ▣ Basic First Aid Kit
- ▣ Emergency contact numbers: Trails of Indochina, Insurance Company, credit card companies, friends and family

Clothing

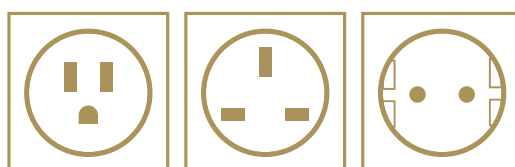
Since the weather is consistently warm throughout the country, it is advisable to bring comfortable lightweight, loose fitting, cotton clothing and long-sleeved items for protection from mosquitoes and the sun.

During the rainy season, an umbrella and open-toe sandals are recommended. Cambodia is a very casual country and a lightweight jacket may only be needed in the more upmarket hotels and restaurants using excessive air-conditioning. A hat and high-factor sun block is advisable for protection against the hot sun when sightseeing.

T-shirts and knee length shorts are acceptable for visiting temples or pagodas.

Plugs and Converters

In Cambodia, the electricity runs at 220volts and 50Hz. Depending on location, three types of





Currency in Cambodia

Cambodia's local currency is the Riel (KHR), and roughly converts at a rate of 4,000 Riel to 1 US Dollar. However, in Cambodia, the US Dollar is widely accepted as a form of currency, and even preferred in most instances. The local Riel is commonly used in markets and outside the tourist areas, but you can expect a combination of the two currencies when travelling in Cambodia. It is recommended to bring clean bills in small denominations (\$1 and \$5) for purchases.

Credit Cards

Credit cards are commonly accepted in the major cities of Phnom Penh and Siem Reap. However, if you are travelling to more rural regions, they may not be accepted.

ATMs

ATMs are widely available throughout Cambodia and can be found dispensing both Cambodian Riel and US Dollars. This is by far the easiest and safest way of accessing money while in Cambodia.

Banks

Many banks are open during normal business hours, from Monday to Friday. These banks can issue cash advances for Visa and MasterCard, usually for a small commission.

Traveller's Cheques

Traveller's cheques are no longer accepted in Cambodia, and if they are, the process of exchanging them is lengthy. We do not recommend the use of traveller's cheques in Cambodia.



Gratuities

When you are pleased with the services provided, tipping is greatly appreciated, though not compulsory. For reference, we have provided a general guideline below.

- ▣ Guides (>4 travelers): \$10 - \$15 per day per traveler
- ▣ Drivers (>4 travelers): \$5 - \$7 per day per traveler
- ▣ Guides (<5 travelers): \$5 - \$10 per day per traveler
- ▣ Drivers (<5 travelers): \$3 - \$5 per day per traveler
- ▣ Restaurants: 5-10% of the total bill
- ▣ Hotel Maid Service: \$2 - \$3 per day
- ▣ Porters: \$1 at time of service
- ▣ Local Boat Transport: \$3 - \$10 per boat
- ▣ Overnight Cruise: \$5 - \$10 per person per night (to cover all crew)

Please note all prices are quoted in USD.

CONTACT US



If you have any questions or encounter any issues, please contact us at our Cambodia office so we can provide an immediate solution.

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