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Welcome to Luang Prabang

We present to you a collection of bespoke and cultural experiences curated by local professionals under our concept of A Sense of Place®.

To unveil the vibrant and the mysterious of
Luang Prabang or more information,
Please email luangprabang.reservations@rosewoodhotels.com

Let your Rosewood Journey begins.

Guest Experience Team Rosewood Luang Prabang

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LUANG PRABANG

With its charming colonial architecture, glittering Buddhist temples and memorable mountain scenery, Luang Prabang is a unique destination that offers a glimpse of another world. There are endless things to do in Luang Prabang's historic old town area, which sits on a peninsula embraced on two sides by the Mekong and Nam Khan rivers, is a pleasure to explore on foot or by bicycle, its UNESCO-recognized heritage buildings home to an array of French-style cafés, boutique shopping, pleasant restaurants, lively local markets and cultural attractions. Outside the heritage area, the surrounding environment is home to numerous outdoor activities.

Around



NATIONAL MUSEUM

PHOU SI



KHAN RIVER



MEKONG RIVER



ROSEWOOD GUESTS PRIVILEGE

Complimentary on-demand transfers to any place in Luang Prabang.

A local cellular phone is provided for guests. Upon leaving the resort. Speed dial is assigned for an easy pick-up service.



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Resort Tropical Villa













PRELUDE PRELUDE Map & Things You Need to Know





ALMS OFFERING IN PHANOM VILLAGE

Wake up before the sun does for Tak Bat alms giving in Phanom Village where you will be the only foreigners unlike in Luang Prabang town. Experience this longstanding Buddhist tradition in the company of our English speaking monk-in-residence (and activities master) Noi spent many years as a monk himself, including months at a time in silent Vipassana meditation.

Thanks to Noi's insights, we sent you off with fiber-rich seasonal fruits to supplement the monks' diet, be it crimson apples, calyx-stemmed mangosteen or aromatic jackfruit. Following the scenic 15-minute car ride, take a seat in front of Phanom's wing-tipped temple alongside the gossiping local grannies, their woven rattan baskets brimming with sticky rice. Around 20 monks and novices arrive on foot, wrapped in their saffron robes and chanting Buddhist scripture as you make merit by providing their first meal of the day. A short water ritual follows, to symbolize the life-giving nature surrounding us.

USD 90 PER PERSON

COMPLIMENTARY FOR ACCOMPANIED CHILDREN BELOW 12

TEMPLE WALK ACROSS THE MEKONG

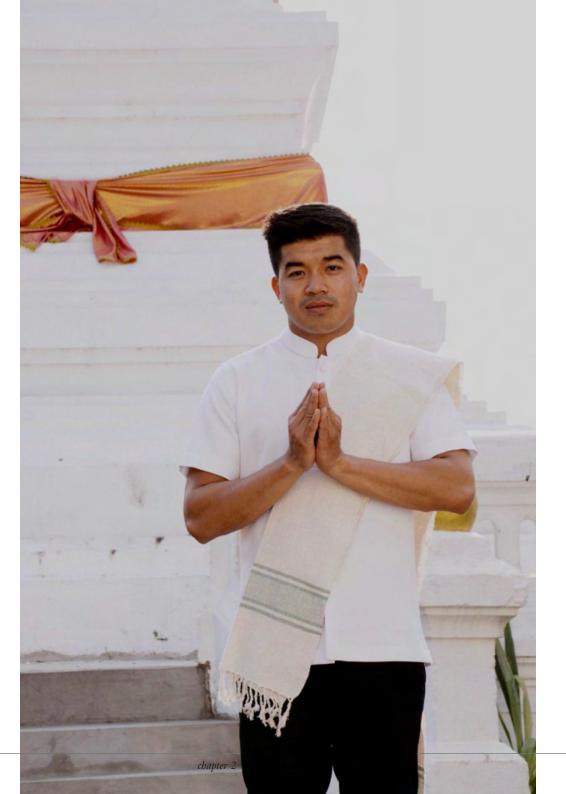
Resting here during his travels, it is said the Buddha smiled and prophesied that this riverside peninsula would one day become a rich and powerful city, as it was from the 14th to the 16th century when Luang Prabang also served as the center of Buddhism for this region.

Inscribed in 1995 on the UNESCO World Heritage List, Luang Prabang is still home to more than 50 Buddhist temples, three of which you'll visit on this easy village walk along paved paths. Follow our Buddhism expert in residence Noi, who spent three years as a monk, crossing the Mekong on a traditional long tail boat.

Abandoned during the war, these once vibrant shrines are now back into use by revered abbots and masters, some of whom still practice the esoteric art of Sak Yant Buddhist tattoos. As you step inside these serene shrines, take a seat beneath Buddha statues large and small, with turmeric hued candles and floral arrangements scattered in between. Try to meditate under Noi's wise guidance – "Ask those thoughts to step aside, promising them you'll pay attention later."

USD 268 PER COUPLE, LUNCH INCLUDED

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MEDITATION

Follow our Buddhism expert in residence Noi's who spent three years as a monk, those curious or inspired will find it a privilege to practice meditating.

Join him in attending an evening of monks chanting at a nearby temple.

USD 98 PER COUPLE, ADDITIONAL PERSON AT USD 40



BACI CEREMONY

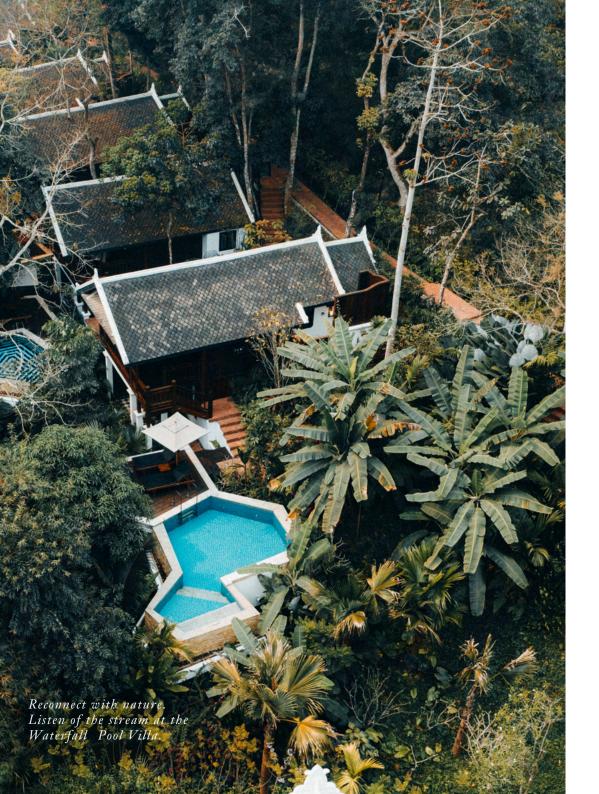
Participate in a traditional Lao Baci Ceremony in at the resort or in a nearby village.

The Baci Ceremony is founded upon the Lao people's belief that a human being is a union of thirty-two organs, each having a khuan (the Lao word for spirit) to protect it. These spirits often wander outside the body causing an imbalance of the soul, which might lead to an illness. This ceremony brings these spirits into harmony and conveys good fortune to your body.

Experience this intimate and exclusive ritual from the true perspective of a Laos native. A perfect ceremony for honeymooners or families for important life milestones.

USD 135 AT THE VILLAGE, PER GROUP, UP TO 10 PEOPLE

USD 225 AT ROSEWOOD LUANG PRABANG, PER GROUP, UP TO 15 PEOPLE



NATURE Adventures



MOUNTAIN BIKE BETWEEN THE HILL TRIBES IN NAHM DONG HILL

Set out to explore the distinct lifestyles of two different ethnic communities; the Khmu and Lao Lum hill-tribes. Begin with a scenic 30-minute journey by car to Ban Panor Village, taking in awe-inspiring views of towering mountains and scenic valleys along the way as you ascend to an altitude of 700m above sea level. Upon arrival, take a leisurely stroll around the simple forest-gatherer settlement and learn about the Khmu inhabitants, descendants from the Khmer people of Cambodia. Discover their simplistic ways of life in tune with nature and look inside their simple bamboo homes, where they live straight off the ground around a centralized firepit. If you are fortunate these hospitable people will invite you in to drink some Laotian rice whisky beside the fire as they recite their ancestral stories.

Next, journey to Xieng Muak village by mountain bike through a lush tapestry of landscapes from picturesque strawberry gardens and endless fields of organic vegetables to water cress farms and rice fields. Stop at a tranquil viewpoint along the way for a moment's contemplation and pick out a water buffalo lazily grazing amid the fields. The Lao Lum tribe of Xieng Muak lead a relaxed Buddhist lifestyle of farming water cress in the shallow river and in recent times have made their income by selling their wares in the town markets to afford western trappings such as fuel for their cars and motorbikes. From here it's a thrilling 30-minute downhill mountain bike ride back to Rosewood.

This can also be done as an off-road motorbike excursion for those who are adventurous.

USD 228 PER COUPLE

COMPLIMENTARY FOR ACCOMPANIED CHILDREN BELOW 12

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A TREK TO KUANG SI WATERFALL A PATH LESS TRAVELLED

Time to take the slow road. Set off into the mountains in the comfort of our Rosewood vehicle, climbing to around 700m for an entrancing glance at the bucolic panorama of the valley below. This thirty-minute drive leads to Long Lao, a Khmu village where today's somewhat challenging trek begins. Walk over forested hills and through enchanting villages past women weavers, farmers cutting sugar cane, school children making toys from tree branches and a seemingly endless procession of kaleidoscopic butterflies towards the spring the feeds Kuang Si Waterfall.

At the three-hour mark, just before you arrive at Kuang Si, detour into a dark, mysterious grotto tucked into the limestone hillside. Laotians hid here during the war, alongside the carved wooden statues of the Buddha still poised on natural niches within this nameless cave. Continue onward in the sunlight then do like the locals and dive under the gushing waterfall to cool off on arrival.

USD 228 PER COUPLE

COMPLIMENTARY FOR ACCOMPANIED CHILDREN BELOW I 2



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MANDALAO ELEPHANTS SANCTUARY

Once known as the Land of a Million Elephants, Laos is now home to fewer than 900 wild pachyderms. Twenty-five minutes by car from our own bucolic retreat, Prasop Tippreasert works tirelessly to change this reality at his ethical MandaLao Elephant Sanctuary on 150-forested hectares along the Nam Khan River. The visionary co-founder of the Thai Elephant Conservation Center and 'elephant father of Southeast Asia' prepares elephants rescued from logging to be released back in to the wild, while educating guests through meaningful elephant encounters.

After arriving by boat, first learn from expert guides and mahouts how to feed, bathe and jungle trek alongside these majestic giants. Then slide on high rubber boots and expect to get muddy as you frolic in their world of pure joy and plenty of water-play. Make sure to get out of the way when they scrub up against the rocky riverside! Yes, it's a jungle out there, which is exactly where they belong. Wind up your heartwarming adventure over cocktails with Prasop, listening as he speaks movingly about rescuing these nine nellies including baby Kit, who's in "training to be wild." That's something those who visit get to do too.

USD 240 PER COUPLE FOR THE EXCLUSIVE ROSEWOOD SUNSET EXPERIENCE



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ARCHITECTURAL INSIGHT TOUR BY FRANCIS ENGELMANN

This walking conference focuses on the heritage architecture of Luang Prabang, both religious and civil. The walk is oriented towards the lesser-known parts of the town including charming lanes showing the more traditional atmosphere of the heritage town. Guests will understand then the different influences which affected the architecture during colonial times up to nowadays. Explanations will be added about the plants encountered on the way.

Francis Engelmann is a writer and an independent consultant, with thirty years of work experience in Laos. He advised UNESCO for 20 years. He also supported the Luang Prabang Conservation Authority (today The Luang Prabang World Heritage Department), and The Quiet in the Land - Art and Education Project.

USD 380 FOR MAXIMUM IO PEOPLE THREE HOURS







Storyteller extraordinaire, Tiao Somsanith Nithakhong spent his childhood between Luang Prabang and Vientiane, studying classical Lao art, music and dance until 1976. After years of exile in France, Nith returned in 2002 to devote his time to passing on vanishing traditions like stenciling, floral temple offerings, Lao puppet theater and gold & silver thread embroidery, an intricate endeavor he calls 'pure meditation.' Living by a mantra of

'showing is sharing,' Nith exclusively invites Rosewood Luang Prabang guests to spend a few hours conversing with and learning from this master of Laos' lost heritage. If your visit with us falls on a Sunday, join Nith's open house where young Lao students gather to practice traditional Lao music and dance in his palm shaded garden.

USD 380 FOR MAXIMUM FOUR PEOPLE

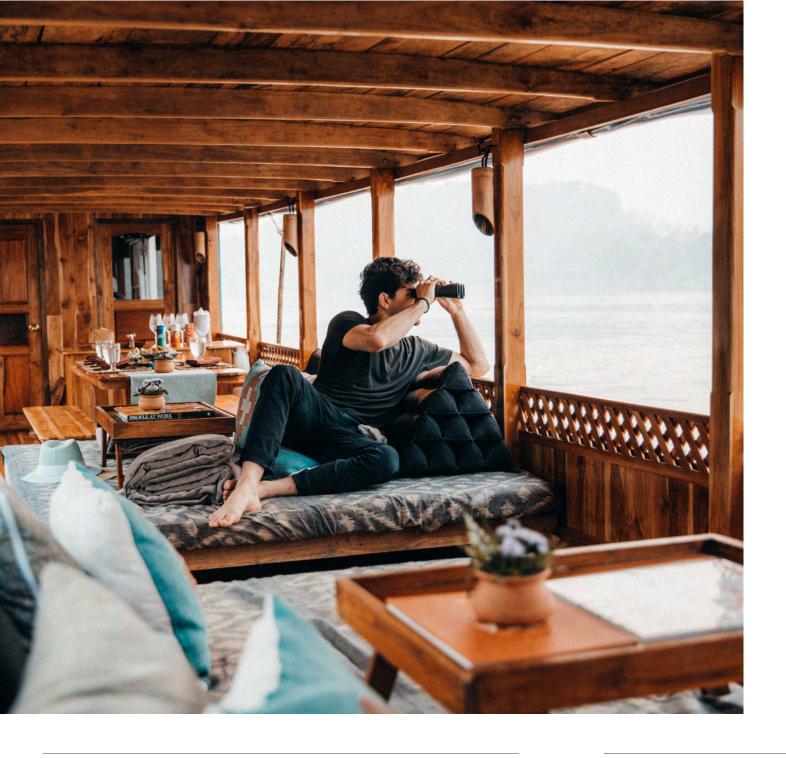








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RIDE THE NEW WAVE. WITNESS A TIMELESS BEAUTY OF A SETTING SUN.

Explore the oldest river of Luang Prabang, Mekong River on our Rosewood Luang Prabang sunset cruise including: canapés, a bottle of wine, beer, and soft drinks.

USD 390 PER COUPLE AND ADDITIONAL ADULT AT USD 60

USD 30 PER ACCOMPANIED CHILD BELOW 12 YEARS OLD

PRIVATE CRUISE TO PAK OU CAVE AT USD 530 PER COUPLE





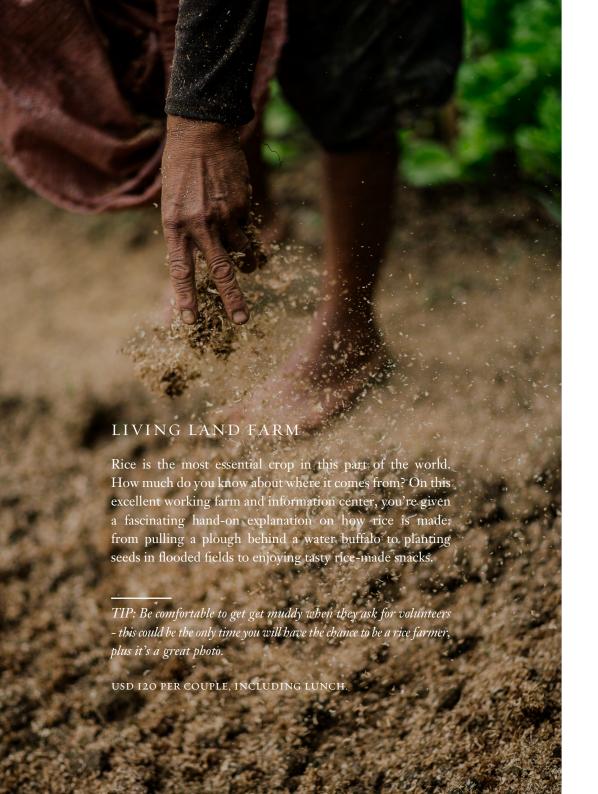
ROYAL LAOTIAN COOKING CLASS

Your day begins with a visit to the local market foraging for ingredients. The class will take place later in the afternoon, at an open-air workshop set against the resort's waterfall. The Elephant Bridge Bar mixologists will kick off with cocktails before the chefs unveil their secrets. Your time to shine.

USD 180 PER COUPLE, USD 45 PER ACCOMPANIED CHILD BELOW 12



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