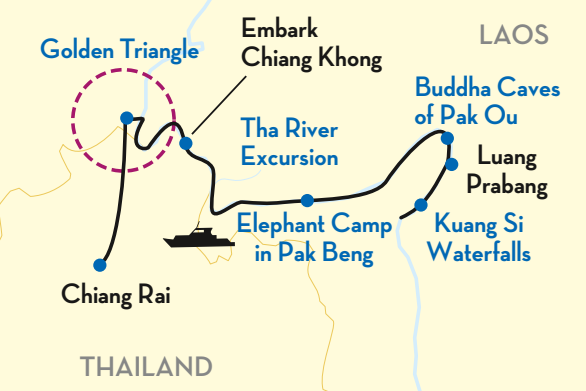




THE MAJESTIC MEKONG BY BOUTIQUE SHIP

Incredible Journeys Through Southeast Asia
Laos · Thailand





KEY ATTRACTIONS

- Travel in style on board your boutique ship and in long-tail boats
- Visit remote riverside villages and marvel at elephants working on shore
- Explore historic sites like Luang Prabang (UNESCO) and the Golden Triangle
- Meet local villagers and experience a traditional Laotian ceremony
- Enjoy Mekong delicacies on board—or simply pick fruits right off the tree!

LAOS REVEALED: FEEL THE BEAT OF ADVENTURE

On this 8-day journey, you go from Thailand to Laos, exploring the hidden reaches of the mighty Mekong River. Let our expert staff and crew show you the sights and sounds of Southeast Asia via boutique ship. This is not just a river cruise—it's the best time of your life.

- DAY 1. THA** Chiang Rai (LD)
- DAY 2. LAO** Huay Xai and Pak Tha
- DAY 3. LAO** Pakbeng
- DAY 4. LAO** Pak Ou
- DAY 5. LAO** Luang Prabang (BL)
- DAY 6. LAO** On the Mekong
- DAY 7. LAO** Kuang Si Falls
- DAY 8. LAO** Luang Prabang (B)

- **7 NIGHTS** on board boutique ship
- **DAYS INCLUDE** breakfast, lunch and dinner (BLD) unless indicated otherwise

Reverse journey also available



KEY ATTRACTIONS

- Enjoy our expert staff, who help make your journey unforgettable
- Discover the natural beauty of the Mekong and its people
- Learn the history of the Mekong from knowledgeable tour guides
- Get insight into Mekong culture, including fishing traditions
- Give your taste buds a treat with regional specialties every day

IMPRESSIONS OF THE MEKONG: A LAOTIAN EXPEDITION

Get the best of the Mekong on this 6-day journey through Laos. Start your adventure in the nation's capital city, Vientiane, and experience the essence of the Mekong on the way to Luang Prabang. From the comfort of your boutique ship, you won't miss a thing.

- DAY 1. LAO** Vientiane (D)
- DAY 2. LAO** On the Mekong
- DAY 3. LAO** Pak Lay
- DAY 4. LAO** Tha Deua
- DAY 5. LAO** Tha Deua
- DAY 6. LAO** Luang Prabang (B)

- **5 NIGHTS** on board boutique ship
- **DAYS INCLUDE** breakfast, lunch and dinner (BLD) unless indicated otherwise

Reverse journey also available



HIGHLIGHTS OF NORTHERN LAOS: DISCOVER THE MEKONG

The Mekong River is one of the longest rivers in the world, and its inner reaches could take a lifetime to explore. On this 6-day, round-trip expedition cruise from Luang Prabang, you harness the power of the Mekong to give yourself a unique look at the river's essence—the Heart of the Mekong.

- DAY 1. LAO** Luang Prabang (D)
 - DAY 2. LAO** Luang Prabang
 - DAY 3. LAO** On the Mekong
 - DAY 4. LAO** Kuang Si Falls
 - DAY 5. LAO** Pak Ou
 - DAY 6. LAO** Luang Prabang (B)
- **5 NIGHTS** on board boutique ship
 - **DAYS INCLUDE** breakfast, lunch and dinner (BLD) unless indicated otherwise

KEY ATTRACTIONS

- Take advantage of our expertise and focus on enjoying the Mekong's beauty
- Visit iconic sights like the Kuang Si Falls in the heart of the Mekong
- Discover the temples, monasteries and colonial buildings of Luang Prabang
- Embrace the locals during visits to remote villages and towns
- Indulge your senses with tasty local drinks like Beerlao and fresh food prepared on board



THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE: MEKONG DREAM

For those who can't get enough of the Mekong, our longest cruise, the Golden Triangle, is a true Mekong dream. This eye-opening 11-day journey between Chiang Rai to Vientiane leaves no stone unturned. It's the majestic Mekong the way it's meant to be—just you and the river, flowing toward adventure.

- DAY 1. THA** Chiang Rai (D)
 - DAY 2. LAO** Huay Xai and Pak Tha
 - DAY 3. LAO** Pakbeng
 - DAY 4. LAO** Pak Ou
 - DAY 5. LAO** Luang Prabang
 - DAY 6. LAO** Luang Prabang
 - DAY 7. LAO** Kuang Si Falls
 - DAY 8. LAO** Tha Deua and Pak Lay
 - DAY 9. LAO** On the Mekong
 - DAY 10. LAO** Vientiane
 - DAY 11. LAO** Vientiane (B)
- **10 NIGHTS** on board boutique ship
 - **DAYS INCLUDE** breakfast, lunch and dinner (BLD) unless indicated otherwise

KEY ATTRACTIONS

- Relax in ultimate comfort on our well-appointed boutique ships
- See the Mekong up close and navigate waters most travelers miss
- Encounter hidden treasures on jungle treks to remote locations like the Buddha caves in Pak Ou
- Take the time to get a deep understanding of the people of the Mekong
- Enjoy Mekong cuisine, signature dishes of Southeast Asia, and lao-lao, a traditional Laotian rice whiskey

Reverse journey also available (12 days)



BENEFITS OF TRAVELING WITH LERNIDEE

For more than a decade, we have been providing travelers with unique opportunities to explore the beauty of the Mekong. But we are more than just tour guides. Our journeys are tailor-made to provide unforgettable adventures and a lifetime of memories.

- **CHOOSE** from a wide selection of ship cabins
- **RELAX** and let our experts guide you on the tour of a lifetime
- **DON'T WAIT** on long lines or travel by bumpy buses
- **CUSTOMIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE** with us and feel right at home on the adventure of your dreams!
- **ENJOY** our detailed service, including delicious local cuisine



1

FIRST-CLASS SERVICE

- **Well-appointed cabins**, each with large windows and balcony
- **Laid-back atmosphere** on board—casual clothing welcome
- **Air-conditioned shuttle** service between hotel and airports on first and last days
- **Entrance fees, sights and excursions** according to itinerary
- **Tours by air-conditioned vehicles** according to itinerary
- **Welcome drink** and a gift for each guest



3

FRESH FLAVORS

- **Daily meals** according to route description, including coffee, tea, water, snacks, and fresh fruit like bananas, papaya, dragon fruit and mangosteen
- **Delights** of regional cuisine freshly prepared on board (vegetarian upon request)
- **Bar service** available on board, featuring cocktails and local drinks like Beerlao and lao-lao
- **Mekong barbecue** with live music on a sandbank



2

EXPERT STAFF

- Friendly and professional **8-person staff** for maximum 29 travelers
- **Experienced, multilingual** tour director available at all times
- **Local English-speaking guides** and service personnel
- **Informative and entertaining** talks on board about lands, culture and history
- **Polite and professional** restaurant and bar staff, serving your meals with a smile
- **Traditional Asian massage** bookable on board (Mekong Pearl)

4

EVERYTHING ELSE

- **Bathrobe** and slippers for each guest
- **Refreshing towelettes** and drinks after excursions
- **Detailed information** package about the destination
- **Whatever it takes** to make your Mekong adventure enjoyable and pleasant!

A HINT OF YOUR EXCURSION

1

UNIQUE EXPEDITION TOURS

TRAVEL

along formerly inaccessible stretches of Southeast Asia’s most exciting river—which most travelers miss.

2

EXPERT CREWS AND MASTER CAPTAINS

RELAX

aboard your boutique ship piloted by our master captains on one of the world’s most difficult rivers to navigate.

3

UNSPOILED NATURE AND WILDLIFE

ENJOY

the Mekong’s natural beauty, immense biodiversity, churning rapids, stunning waterfalls, and narrow inlets.



CHIANG RAI This Thai city is the heart of the infamous Golden Triangle, where guests marvel at the 40-foot golden Buddha of Sop Ruak and visit the Hall of Opium.



PAKBENG This small Laotian village is a perfect example of the immense natural beauty of the Mekong River. Thick jungle and mountainous landscapes combine to create a dreamlike atmosphere.



PAK OU Another small village in Laos, Pak Ou is famous for its stunning Buddha caves, which are filled with thousands of Buddha statues of all shapes and sizes.



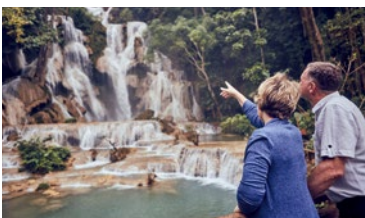
HUAY XAI AND PAK THA Between Huay Xai and Pak Tha is some of the most picturesque territory of the Mekong River. Home to the Khmu and other locals, here guests get insight into daily life on the Mekong.



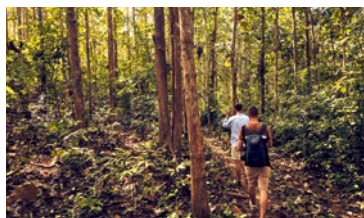
LUANG PRABANG (UNESCO) In this former royal capital of Laos, you visit the Wat Xieng Thong temple, a dazzling example of Buddhist architecture; Mount Pho Si, a hill with panoramic views; and the Hmong night market.



VIENTIANE The modern-day capital of Laos, Vientiane is home to the Pha That Luang temple, a symbol of the nation; and the Patuxai, the so-called Arc de Triomphe—a monument to Laotian independence.



KUANG SI FALLS This unique multilevel waterfall near Luang Prabang is a favorite with travelers because of the gorgeous natural pools that form at its base. Put on your swimsuit and get a taste of paradise!



THA DEUA AND PAK LAY One of the longest stretches of your Mekong River journey is found between the towns of Tha Deua and Pak Lay. Here you visit lush jungles and caves inaccessible to most travelers.



ELEPHANT CAMP In Laos, the Land of a Million Elephants, guests can book a visit to an elephant camp in Luang Prabang to learn about Laos’ relationship with these majestic animals.

GET TO KNOW YOUR BOUTIQUE SHIPS

The **Mekong Sun** and the **Mekong Pearl** are sister ships owned and operated by Lernidee and are the most enjoyable way to navigate the mighty Mekong. It's old-world charm and contemporary comfort—combined! Every journey on our boutique ships is made unforgettable thanks to a laid-back atmosphere, friendly staff, and of course—dazzling views of the Mekong!



THE MEKONG SUN: YOUR HOME ON AN UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY



CLASSIC CABINS

- 11 Classic cabins on the main deck
- Size: 129 ft²/12 m²
- 2 twin beds per cabin
- Sliding windows facing water
- French balcony
- Private bathroom, shower and air-conditioning



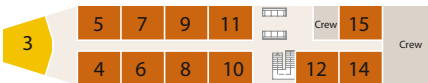
SUPERIOR CABINS

- 3 Superior cabins, 1 on the bow of the main deck and 2 on the upper deck
- Size: 194 ft²/18 m² (upper deck)
172 ft²/16 m² (main deck)
- 2 twin beds per cabin
- Small private balcony (upper deck)
- Panoramic view from bow (main deck)
- Private bathroom, shower and air-conditioning

Upper deck



Main deck



- Classic twin cabins (4 –15)
- Superior cabins (1 and 2: Twin cabins with balcony, 3: Double cabin with panoramic view)



THE BEST WAY TO EXPERIENCE THE MEKONG

1

WELL-APPOINTED CABINS

CHOOSE
between Classic, Superior and Deluxe cabins, all of which provide spectacular views.

2

WORLD-CLASS SERVICE

ENJOY
best-in-class service from friendly and knowledgeable staff, always ready to take care of your needs.

3

DELICACIES OF THE MEKONG

TASTE
a new world of flavor with delicious food and drink served in the restaurant and bar on the sun deck.

THE MEKONG PEARL: THE BIG LITTLE SISTER OF THE MEKONG SUN

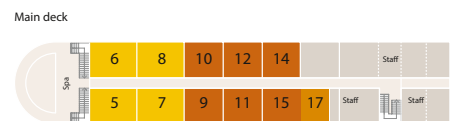
CLASSIC CABINS

- 6 Classic cabins and 1 Single Classic cabin on the main deck
- Size: 129 ft²/12 m²
- 2 twin beds per cabin (excluding Single Classic)
- Sliding windows facing water
- French balcony
- Private bathroom, shower and air-conditioning



SUPERIOR AND DELUXE CABINS

- 4 Superior cabins on the main deck; 2 Superior cabins and 2 Deluxe cabins on the upper deck
- Size: 172 ft²/16 m² (Superior) 237 ft²/22 m² (Deluxe)
- 2 twin beds per cabin
- Sliding windows facing water
- French balcony (Superior)
- Small private balcony (Deluxe)
- Private bathroom, shower and air-conditioning



- Classic cabins (9 – 12, 14 – 16)
- Single cabin (17)
- Superior cabins (3 – 8)
- Deluxe cabins with private balcony (1, 2)

MAKE THE MEKONG YOURS: CHARTER A WHOLE SHIP

With Lernidee, the Mekong experience is always an exclusive, private affair. Make it even more private by booking a whole ship for groups and incentives.

- Laos Revealed—8-day journey between Chiang Rai and Luang Prabang
- Impressions of the Mekong—6-day journey between Vientiane and Luang Prabang
- Highlights of Northern Laos—6-day round-trip journey from Luang Prabang
- The Golden Triangle—11- or 12-day journey between Chiang Rai and Vientiane

FURTHER CRUISE JOURNEYS

- Magical Myanmar—Cruises on the Irrawaddy
- Amazing Amazon—River Cruises Through Brazil
- Russia's Magnificent Rivers—Volga, Lena and Amur

UNIQUE TRAIN JOURNEYS

- Tsar's Gold on the Legendary Trans-Siberian Railroad
- African Explorer—Southern Africa by Private Train
- Rovos Rail—Epic Journeys Across Africa
- The Royal Al Andalus in Spain



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