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Tour Name: Phnom Penh Khmer Rouge Regime 1975 to 1979 Killing Field Guided Tour 1d

**Tour Code:** P1

**Tour Duration:** 1 day

Tour Operates: all year round / on demand Number of Pax: available upon request Tour Price: available upon request

## Pick-up and drop-off location

Can be anywhere upon request Hotel in Phnom Penh Upon arrival in Phnom Penh international airport Upon arrival in Phnom Penh bus stations Upon arrival in boat pier in Phnom Penh Any AirBnB and residences in Phnom Penh

## Pick-up and drop-off direction

Kindly provide your pick-up and drop-off styles for direction!

# Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda, National Museum, Toul Slend S21 Genocide Museum and Chhoeung Ek Killing Field Museum

Royal Palace - Silver Pagoda - in the morning, after breakfast at the hotel, you will be met and welcomed by our English speaking guide and then transferred for the visit to Royal Palace, built in 1866 by His Majesty Preah Bat Norodom, the Royal Palace is now home to his Majesty Preah Bat Nodom Sihamony and his mother, her majesty Preah Reach Akka-Mohesey Norodom Monineat. Most of the buildings inside the palace are closed to the public, except for special occasions. Also within the palace walls is the Silver Pagoda, which draws its name from the 5,000 silver tiles that pave its floor. Inside the pagoda there are hundreds of gifts to Cambodian king, including a solid-gold Buddha encrusted with 9,584 diamonds weighing 90 kilograms. For those who love shopping, there are several markets that offer handicraft, silk, silver ware, wood carving, precious stones from the country's famous mines, as well as antique furniture and paintings by local artists.

**National Museum** - located just north of the Royal Palace, the National Museum was recently rested to its former glory as one of the finest examples of Khmer architecture. On display there are more than 5,000 artifacts and objects of 'art from the 6th to the 13th centuries. They include sandstone sculptures, royal barges, palanquins and silk, intricately woven with silver and gold threads. There are also rare religious objects in gold, silver and bronze.

**Toul Sleng S21 Genocide Museum** - when the Khmer Rouge came to power in 1975 they converted a former high school in the suburbs of Phnom Penh into a detention and torture center known as Toul Sleng, or S-21. A genocide museum was established at Tulo Sleng after 1979 and today it remains as it looked when abandoned by the Khmer Rouge. Hundreds of faces of those tortured line the walls inside the old school. Most of the 17,000 people detained at Toul Sleng were eventually transported to Choeung Ek, a mass gravesite located 15 km outside Phnom Penh. Known to locals as the Killing Field, Choeung Ek serves as a memorial to those killed under the Khmer Rouge rule. These sites can be extremely distressing, but are essential part of understanding Cambodia's tragic past.

Lunch at local restaurant (at your own costs)

**Chhoeung Ek Killing Field Museum** - mass graves containing 8,895 bodies were discovered at Choeung Ek after the fall of the Khmer Rouge regime. Many of the dead were former political prisoners who were kept by the Khmer Rouge in their Tuol Sleng detention center and in other Cambodian detention centers.



Today, Choeung Ek is a memorial, marked by a Buddhist stupa. The stupa has acrylic glass sides and is filled with more than 5,000 human skulls. Some of the lower levels are opened during the day so that the skulls can be seen directly. Many have been shattered or smashed in.

Tourists are encouraged by the Cambodian government to visit Choeung Ek. Apart from the stupa, there are pits from which the bodies were exhumed. Human bones still litter the site.

On May 3, 2005, the Municipality of Phnom Penh announced that they had entered into a 30-year agreement with JC Royal Co. to develop the memorial at Choeung Ek. As part of the agreement, they are not to disturb the remains still present in the field.

## Return to hotel.

#### **Tour Ends**

## **Price**

- private solo tour: USD123

- private tour for 2 persons: USD98 per person
- private tour for 3 persons: USD87 per person
- private tour for 4 persons: USD62 per person
- private tour for 5 persons: USD78 per person
- private tour for 6 persons: USD76 per person
- private tour for 7 persons: USD74 per person
- private tour for 8 persons: USD73 per person

- the more people, the better price.

## **Included**

- Full tours and transfers by private luxury A/C vehicle
- English speaking guide
- All entrance fees for mentioned visit.

### **Excluded**

- Meals not mentioned
- Accommodation
- Visa fees \$30 (visa on arrival, please bring 1 of your recent passport-size photo to visit your Cambodia visa). Southeast Asian passport holders do not require a Cambodian visa
- Drinks, laundry, telephone calls, tips and expenditure of a personal nature
- Personal travel insurance
- Any services not mentioned in itinerary.

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