

RV Mekong Princess Cruise Upstream 8 days: Saigon - Siem Reap

This 8-day trip on the Mekong River is a real feast for your senses, transporting you from Vietnam to Cambodia. You can explore remote communities with their traditional occupation, visit the fascinating floating market, watch traditional dance performances, and interact with friendly people.

- **Durations:** 8 days
- **Trip outline:** Ho Chi Minh City - Ben Tre - Can Tho - Cu Lao Gieng Island - Phnom Penh - Kampong Cham - Siem Reap
- **Price from:** US \$2120/person
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://bestratetours.com/mekong-river-cruises/rv-mekong-princess-cruise-8-days-the-ultimate-mekong-discover.html>

Trip outline

day	Activities	Accommodations	Meals
Day 1	Ho Chi Minh City - Rv Mekong Princess Cruise	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Lunch, Dinner
Day 2	Ben Tre - Can Tho	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 3	Can Tho - Hoa An	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 4	Gieng Island - Hong Ngu	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 5	Cambodia Border Crossing - Phnom Penh	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 6	Phnom Penh - Choeung Ek - Tuol Sleng	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 7	Angkor Ban - Kampong Cham	RV Mekong Princess Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 8	Kampong Cham - Siem Reap	NA	Breakfast

Itinerary

Day 1: Ho Chi Minh City - Rv Mekong Princess Cruise

Morning

To begin your journey, our motor coach and guide will take you by transfer service from your hotel from **10:00** to **11:00**. Then we will head to the **Saigon Port** - 05 Nguyen Tat Thanh St, Ward 13, District 4, Ho Chi Minh City, where the RV Mekong Princess is waiting for you.

Once aboard, our hospital Vietnamese and Cambodian crew will welcome you warmly with a welcome drink and a safety briefing in the Ramvong Lounge. You will go through the check-in process and then start sailing from midday through the Mekong Delta.

Lunch, with top-notch oriental hospitality, will be served soon after departure as we cruise leisurely through the Saigon River, Soai Rap River, Nuoc Man Canal, Vam Co River, and Cho Gao Canal to the "Mighty Mekong River".

Afternoon

You will have a free midday to settle into your luxurious suite and watch the world pass by. We also have crafted cocktails by skilled bartenders on board for all the guests to enjoy while watching the sunset and sampans passing by.

Evening

At the end of the day, the cruise will anchor overnight in the very center of the Mekong Delta.

In the Indochine Restaurant, a typical Vietnamese "A La Carte" supper will be offered, which embraces a nuanced mix of foods for even the most delicate palates.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

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Day 2: Ben Tre - Can Tho

Morning

After enjoying the new day with breakfast onboard, we'll move to the sampans and travel through a channel line and mangroves for a day of exploration.

When reaching the land, we'll try one of the most popular local transportation named "xe lam" (three-wheeler) to visit a local **coconut candy workshop**. Coming here, you will witness the process of making coconut candy and learn how to make them. You also can taste some and buy them if you want.

After that, we will walk through the village to admire different kinds of Vietnamese fruits and taste sweet fruits in the orchard.

We get back to the pier and board a **small boat trip** to sail through the narrow creeks lined with Nipah Palm. A short glimpse of the charming Mekong Delta will open. After that, lunch will be ready at the Dining Hall as soon as we are back on board.

Afternoon

The cruise continues its journey through the Mekong Delta and stops at Hoang Dieu Habor, next to Can Tho City.

Guests will take a short and oriented city tour, visiting the **Zihuang Pagoda** (Chua Ong) and enjoying the welcome unicorn dance. This place creates a diverse cultural environment and draws visitors from all over the world, in addition to some breathtaking natural sights.

Afterward, you will have spare time for yourself. Getting on a walk to explore the charming city before coming back to the ship is a great idea.

Evening

For the night, you will have an early dinner. The ship will dock overnight in Can Tho.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 3: Can Tho - Hoa An

Morning

We start the early morning breakfast before boarding the sampans through the lively [Cai Rang floating market](#). This is a fantastic floating market, where all the trade of locals goes on the water.

You can see they sell lots of products, fruits, and other items from the Mekong Delta. Of course, enjoying fresh fruit and the Vietnamese “anti-aging drink”, **fresh coconut water** is a cannot-miss-out activity.

Last activity before returning to the ship for a sumptuous buffet, we stop at a **local noodle factory**, where we witness the amazing process of how they are made. After that, we will come back to the ship for a full breakfast.

Afternoon

Lunch will be served onboard before we begin an afternoon excursion. We continue the trip to **Hoa An Village**, which is untouched and famous for its flower growing and handmade crafts. You will explore a flower garden, then walk to visit a local household and chat with the host to learn more about local life.

After a short break, we head on a motor cart to another village. Later on, go for a walk around the village and immerse yourself in its tranquility and untouched beauty through charming rice fields and fruit trees.

Continue the sampan tour through busy canals to the last destination: a **conical hat-making** family. Here, you will have a chance to interact with the community neighbors, discover how to come up with things, and try to weave mats.

Evening

For the rest of the busy day, we will return to the cruise to have dinner and relax onboard. The Princess sails and anchors near **Gieng Island**.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 4: Gieng Island - Hong Ngu

Morning

First off, we head to [Gieng Island](#) on sampans after breakfast. This is a wonderfully peaceful countryside, which does not only attract tourists because of the serenity but also because of many historical attractions.

After a short walk around the local sampan village to see how the locals make sampans, we join a canal journey and stroll through the mango gardens along the riverbanks.

We'll try one of the most popular local transportation named "**xe loi**" (motor trishaw) through the island to visit the Phanxico Monastery.

Afternoon

We visit the local island village of **Hong Ngu**, where many traditional Khmer scarves are made and exported to Cambodia. Here, you can see the weaving process in several home workshops and communicate with the locals to get more knowledge of their daily lives.

Lastly, we will get off to a **local temple** dedicated to the authentic Vietnamese religion - Hoa Hao.

Evening

Later in the day, we will return to the board. During the time aboard back to Tan Chau, we prepare you for an entertaining pastime as well.

After that, all the guests will have dinner and relax. The ship sets off for Tan Chau and anchors there the whole night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 5: Cambodia Border Crossing - Phnom Penh

Morning

You will have breakfast while enjoying the fascinating scenery on both sides of the river.

During the onboard activity, you will be treated to an informative lecture focusing on Cambodia's geography and providing insights into the vibrant life along the Mekong River.

Afternoon

Complete exit procedures and continue upstream to the capital of Cambodia. Once you arrive in Phnom Penh, local cyclos will pick you up for the **half-day city tour**.

The first destination is the [Royal Palace](#) with Throne Hall and Moonlight Pavilion. Strolling around the ground with the wonderful garden, which is perfectly manicured, will give you an overview of the Palace of the Cambodian Royal with its delicate structure.

Next, we'll visit the [Silver Pagoda](#), where the rare Buddha statues are made of thousands of precious jewels.

After a short break, the tour will end in the afternoon by taking you to the [National Museum](#). Numerous of the artifacts discovered throughout the Angkor Archeological Area in Siem Reap, as well as various locations near the former Khmer Empire, will be on display.

Evening

After the city tour, we'll return to the ship and have some leisure time before having dinner. The ship docks in Phnom Penh for the night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 6: Phnom Penh - Choeng Ek - Tuol Sleng

Morning

To get started, a private motor coach transports you on a scenic 45-minute drive to [Choeng Ek - the Killing Fields](#). Over 17,000 individuals lost their lives and were buried in this area. The location is a former orchard and a somber reminder of the Khmer Rouge regime's atrocities. You can take a stroll around the fields and see the modest museum and memorial stupa.

On the way back to Phnom Penh, we will make a quick stop at [Tuol Sleng](#), which the Khmer Rouge had transformed from a sizable school into a prison and center for torture.

Afternoon & Evening

You will have the afternoon free to explore the city on your own. To get closer to Cambodian culture, let's join the **Apsara dance show** performance before dinner aboard. Spend the night on board while the ship moors in Phnom Penh.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 7: Angkor Ban - Kampong Cham

Morning

The morning kicks off by enjoying a hearty breakfast in the dining room while the cruise says goodbye to Phnom Penh and leaves for **Angkor Ban**.

Afternoon

On arrival, we start our tour around the town and discover the daily life of the locals. First, begin with a visit to the **local pagoda** with a special blessing ceremony with local monks. This is a form of praying for peace and happiness in Asian culture in general and Buddhism in particular.

Then we move forward to a local family's home to meet them to learn more about their customs and way of life. Following that, we spend time at the local school, where we become part of the students in their classroom and observe a typical school day.

Evening

You will be welcomed with a cozy and classic dinner in the evening. The ship sails to **Kampong Cham** and docks overnight while everyone stays overnight onboard.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 8: Kampong Cham - Siem Reap

Morning

After breakfast time, we'll pack our package and prepare to say goodbye to RV Mekong Princess. We'll disembark in Kampong Cham.

The last ride of the journey is a motor coach that takes you to Siem Reap. You will arrive at your hotel by noon.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: NA

Booking Policy

Inclusion

- Transfers to/from the meeting points in Siem Reap (Cambodia)/Ho Chi Minh city (Viet Nam) from/to the Embarkation/Disembarkation Points.
- Accommodations in Suite Room
- Butler Service: Available on Angkor Suite & Tonle Suite
- Complimentary Excursion Amenities
- Dining, Wellness & Entertainment.
- Shipboard & Shoreside Gratuities

Exclusion

- Air fare to/from Destination
- All outside transfers are not included in the cruise itineraries of Viet Princess Cruises.
- Premium Wines & Spirits
- All Incidentals

- Visas
- Massage spa onboard
- Gift Shop onboard

Cancellation Policy

- In case we received the written cancellation more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the departure, we shall charge you the amount of US \$450 each Passenger which is non-refundable.
- In case we received the written cancellation within one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the departure, the cancellation charges shall be applied as follows:
- Between ninety one (91) days and one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the departure, the cancellation charges shall be 50% of the total price.
- Within ninety (90) days prior to the departure, even when the passengers absent during the voyage, the cancellation charges shall be 100% of the total price.
- We may cancel the reservation and booked tickets if other Passengers hire the whole vessel, even that the Passengers have made full payment or non-payment or paid deposit only, and we shall refund such payments. Provided that we must notify you at least ninety (90) days prior to the departure

Children Policy

- Children under 6 years old sharing the same bed with her/his parent: The child receives 80% reduction from adult price.
- Children from 6 years old up to 12 years old receives 30% reduction from adult price.
- Children from 12 years old up will be fully charged at the adult price.
- Parents can only bring children under 6 years old on these occasions: Christmas, Thanksgiving and New Year.

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