

# EXPLORIENT

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Dear Gene & Friends,

Thank you for choosing Explorient. We are delighted to have the opportunity to serve you on your upcoming trip to Asia. Below please find your summary of services and detailed itinerary for your trip. All services have been confirmed at this time.

## TOUR SUMMARY

### 23 Day / 21 Night Air & Land Custom Bali, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia & Vietnam Superior Package from SFO

- Roundtrip Economy Class Air via Cathay Pacific Airways from SFO
- Economy Class Intra-Asia Airfares per itinerary (Bali / Labuan Bajo / Bali / Bangkok / Yangon / Bagan / Yangon / Bangkok / Siem Reap / Danang / Hong Kong)
- 3 nights at Pita Maha Resort in Bali \*\*\*\*On Passengers' own arrangements\*\*\*\*
- 2 nights on board the M.V. Pasolle in Komodo Island (Private Charter)
- 2 nights at Nusa Dua Beach Hotel & Spa in Bali (Deluxe Room)
- 2 nights at Landmark Hotel in Bangkok (Premier Room)
- 2 nights at Aye Yar River View Resort in Bagan (Grand Deluxe Room)
- 2 nights at Chatrium Hotel in Yangon (Deluxe Room)
- 3 nights at Lotus Blanc Hotel\*\* in Siem Reap (The Privileged Floor)
- 3 nights at Hotel Royal Hoi An by M Gallery (Grand Deluxe Room\*\*)
- 2 nights at Royal Garden Hotel in Hong Kong (Superior Room)
- Hotel Breakfasts Daily
- Lunches & dinners as specified per itinerary (food only)
- Private tour throughout: transfers & sightseeing by private car, driver & professional guides
- Vietnam eVisa Processing

*\*\*Upgraded accommodations in Siem Reap (from Angkor Miracle Grand to Lotus Blanc Hotel) and in Hoi An (from deluxe room to grand deluxe room at Hotel Royal Hoi An), compliments of Explorient.*

## TOUR ITINERARY:

Day	Activity Summary
Oct. 28	<b>Depart USA:</b> Depart SFO on an early morning (12:50am) flight for Bali via Cathay Pacific Airways, connecting in Hong Kong.
Oct. 29	<b>Arrive Bali (Ubud):</b> Upon afternoon arrival in Bali, be met and transferred to the PITA MAHA RESORT & SPA in Ubud for your next 3 nights' accommodations.
Oct. 30	<b>Bali (Ubud):</b> Today's tour showcases Bali's natural, cultural, and artistic aspects for which this exotic island is famous. Beginning with a stop at the village of Batubulan, we attend a cultural performance of Barong and Keris Dance, which depicts the story of the eternal battle between the good and the evil. Proceed to the artisan villages of Celuk, Mas and Ubud, known as the center of Balinese gold and silver jeweler industry, wood carvings and art paintings respectively.

	Visit Gunung Kawi, a fascinating Hindu temple complex north-east of Ubud which comprises of ten rock-cut shrines (candi) carved into the cliff face. The surrounding countryside is extremely lush and the footpath leading down to the temple passes through some beautifully terraced rice fields. Enjoy a cool break at the mountain village of Kintamani with its cool breeze and breathtaking vista of the still-active Mount Batur and its crater-lake. After lunch, visit the Elephant Cave at Bedulu, and be amazed by this ancient holy sight – a former hermitage for Buddhist monks, who used to meditate in small rooms deep inside the cave. The last stop today is at the “monkey forest” to see Ubud’s cheekiest inhabitants – the macaque monkeys! Groups of these fascinating monkeys live in the shaded forest, where they roam freely, jumping from tree to tree. (L)
Oct. 31	<b>Bali (Ubud):</b> Full day free at leisure to relax and explore Bali on your own.
Nov. 01	<b>Bali / Labuan Bajo / Komodo Island (Cruise):</b> Transfer for your early morning flight to Labuan Bajo. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to the harbor and board the M.V. Pasolle for Rinca Island. Led by a park ranger, trek through typical dry forest on Rinca island where a variety of plant and wildlife such as deer, buffaloes, wild boar, long tail-macaque monkeys, as well as the Komodo dragon can be found. The Komodo dragon is scientifically described in 1912 as Varanus Komodoensis – the largest monitor lizard in the world. Afterward, continuing cruising to Komodo island. Lunch and dinner are served on board. Overnight on cruise. (B,L,D)
Nov. 02	<b>Komodo Island – Kanawa Island (Cruise):</b> Today, enjoy a nature walk through Komodo Island to catch a glimpse of the Komodo Dragon along with other wildlife found on the island. Continue cruising toward Taka Kawawa island with lunch served onboard. Here, enjoy swimming or snorkeling at Taka Makassar to see the Manta rays (conditions permitting) before arriving the island in the late afternoon. Dinner and overnight on board. (B,L,D)
Nov. 03	<b>Kanawa Island / Labuan Bajo / Bali:</b> After breakfast on board, cruise back to Labuan bajo. Upon disembarkation and as time permits, visit the Batu Cermin Cave, or Mirror Rock, a tunnel or cave in a dark stone hills of Labuan Bajo,. Sunshine comes in through a hole in the tunnel and then bounces on the stone walls that again reflect small lights to other areas inside the cave like a mirror. Afternoon transfer for your flight to Bali. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to Nusa Dua Beach Hotel & Spa for your next 2 nights’ accommodations. (B)
Nov. 04	<b>Bali:</b> Morning at leisure to relax and enjoy the sun and sand at the resort. This afternoon, enjoy a tour of the Royal Temple, Monkey Forest at Sangeth, and Tanah Lot, an ancient temple built atop a huge rock surrounded by the sea. (B)
Nov. 05	<b>Bali / Bangkok:</b> Transfer for your flight to Bangkok. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to THE LANDMARK HOTEL for your next 2 nights’ accommodations. Enjoy the balance of the afternoon at leisure to explore Bangkok on your own. (B)  ***Tips: recommended places to visit on your own. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chinatown (for food, fruits and street snacks)</li> <li>• Flower Market</li> <li>• Night Markey in Potpong (also known as Bangkok’s Red Light District)</li> <li>• Siam Square (eating and shopping area popular amongst locals)</li> <li>• Khao San Road (backpackers paradise lined with shops, cafes, local bars, etc.)</li> </ul>
Nov. 06	<b>Bangkok:</b> This morning, enjoy a tour of the Thai Capital’s revered sights including the Royal Grand Palace and its Emerald Buddha, Wat Pho (Reclining Buddha), Wat Trimit (Golden Buddha) and Wat Arun (Temple of Dawn), plus a boat trip on a long-tailed boat through the “Klongs” (canals) of the Chao Phraya River.

	Afternoon free at leisure to relax, shop or explore Bangkok on your own. (B)
Nov. 07	<b>Bangkok / Bagan:</b> Transfer for your flight to Yangon for your connecting flight to Bagan. Upon arrival in Bagan, be met and transferred to AYE YAR RIVER VIEW RESORT for your next 2 nights' accommodations. (B)
Nov. 08	<b>Bagan:</b> Start the day with a breathtaking flight on a hot air balloon over Bagan. This once-in-a-lifetime experience boasts an unforgettable bird's-eye-view over the spectacular plain of Bagan. During the 45-minute flight, enjoy the far reaching views as you drift over the thousands of ruined temples. Sip a celebratory glass of champagne before landing. Return to your hotel for breakfast followed by a tour of Bagan's famous temples and palaces. Commence sightseeing of Shwezigon Paya, a pagoda used to ensure relics of Buddha; Gubyaukhyi Temple, originally built in the early 13th Century that houses the colorful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Ananda Pahto, considered one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples; and Manuha Temple, built in 1059 by King Manuha that enshrines several unusual Buddha images. Later in the afternoon, enjoy the fabulous sunset view over the Bagan Temples from Shwesandaw Pagoda. Includes lunch at a local restaurant. Overnight in Bagan. Lunch is served at a local restaurant. (B,L)
Nov. 09	<b>Bagan / Yangon:</b> This morning, continue visiting various temple and palace ruins of Bagan. Including Thatbyinnyu Pahto that rises up to 61 metres and is one of Bagan's tallest monuments; Dhammayangyi Temple where the brickwork here is said to rank as one of the finest in Bagan and Sulamani Temple, one of the best examples of the later, more sophisticated temple styles. Afterwards, proceed to Salay by vehicle to explore local life in this unspoiled Burmese town. Visit the Yoke Son Kyaung, the oldest surviving wooden monastery, with beautiful carvings of court life and scenes from the Ramayana. Continue to wander around the town, visiting the market and if time permits, the Thar Ta Na Yang Chi monastery, which also serves as an orphanage. Transfer back to Bagan for your afternoon flight to Yangon. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to CHATRIUM HOTEL for your next 2 nights' accommodations. (B)
Nov. 10	<b>Yangon:</b> This morning, take an off-the-beaten tourist path and hop onto Yangon's circular train to discover some of the city's best kept secrets. From the colonial-style Yangon Railway Station, board the circular train to Hledan Station. As the train rumbles along the bumpy track look out onto the passing landscape and enjoy the commotion at each station as the food hawkers hop on and off. On arrival in Hledan, walk to the bustling local market to see the array of fresh vegetables, flowers and other produce on sale. From here travel by vehicle to the surreal ruins of the Nagar Glass Factory, torn to shreds by the Nargis Cyclone in 2008. Scattered all over the ground are piles of glittering clear and coloured bottles, bowls, glasses and statues – some broken, some still intact. More can be found on the shelves and in the old cupboards in the remnants of the factory. Pick up what you like and hand it to the old Burmese lady who will recondition the glassware for, a one-of-a-kind souvenir found nowhere else in the world.  Next visit Sein Lann So Pyay Garden, hidden between Inya Lake and Inya Road. Quiet, calm and serene, this garden restaurant has wide patches of green fields. After lunch, return to the city and visit the Sule Museum, Chaukhtatgyi Pagoda famed for its reclining Buddha spanning 65 meters long; and the ever-so-impressive Shwedagon Pagoda. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colours of twilight. (B,L)
Nov. 11	<b>Yangon / Siem Reap:</b> This morning, enjoy additional sightseeing of Yangon City visiting Botataung Pagoda, Bogyoke Aung San Park, Botataung Pagoda, Bogyoke Aung San Park and Scott Market. Transfer for your afternoon flight to Siem Reap, connecting in Bangkok. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to LOTUS BLANC RESORT for your next 3 nights' accommodations. (B)

Nov. 12	<p><b>Siem Reap:</b> Today's tour features three of Cambodia's most famous temples. Starting with Ta Prohm. Featured in the blockbuster hit movie Lara Croft - Tomb Raider, Ta Prohm appears in very much the same state as when the Angkor temples were first discovered by European Explorers back in the 1800s. Next, visit the fortified city of Angkor Thom that covers an area of 10 square kilometers enclosed by a wall and wide moats. This ancient city is home to many of Angkor's most popular sights including its South Gate, Terrace of Leper Kings, and the impressive Bayon Temple.</p> <p>Last and certainly not least, visit the magnificent Angkor Wat, the crown jewel of Khmer architecture and the national symbol of Cambodia. Angkor Wat is the largest, best preserved, and most religiously significant of the Angkor temples. Angkor impresses visitors both by its sheer scale and beautifully proportioned layout, as well as the delicate artistry of its carvings. Lunch is served at a local restaurant. (B,L)</p>
Nov. 13	<p><b>Siem Reap (Tonle Sap Lake):</b> This morning, embark on a culturally inspiring boat trip to Tonle Sap Lake at Kampong Kleang. Tonle Sap, or Great Lake swells up to seven times its original size during the monsoon season with an ecosystem that is one of the richest and most diverse in the region. This boat trip explores the primitive floating fishing villages that dwell atop the Great Lake, passing submerged forests and fishing farms.</p> <p>Afternoon visit to Banteay Srei. Seemingly miniature in comparison to the other Angkor temples, Banteay Srei is considered to be the jewel of classical Khmer art. Built in pink sandstone, the walls are covered in exquisitely preserved carvings of unusual delicacy. Return to your hotel and enjoy the balance of your afternoon at leisure. (B)</p>
Nov. 14	<p><b>Siem Reap / Hoi An:</b> This morning, enjoy sightseeing of additional Angkor Temples including Prasat Kravan: Banteay Kdei Temple, Srah Srang, Ta Keo and Thommanon. Board your afternoon flight to Danang. Proceed to Hoi An by road upon arrival and check-in at ROYAL HOTEL HOI AN by MGallery for your next 3 nights' accommodations. (B)</p>
Nov. 15	<p><b>Hoi An:</b> This morning, enjoy a tour of Hoi An's beautiful Old Town by Cyclo (rickshaw), visiting the colorful morning market, Japanese Covered Bridge, local temples and residence. Then, board a local boat and cruise down the Thu Bon River, enjoying the unspoiled countryside and stopping to visit a pottery village and a woodcarving village before returning to Hoi An harbour. Balance of the afternoon at leisure to relax, shop and explore the cobbled streets of Hoi An your own. (B)</p>
Nov. 16	<p><b>Hoi An:</b> Start your morning on an invigorating ride on an electric scooter thru Hoi An's beautiful countryside. Visit local families to learn about the Vietnamese way of life including a unique behind-the-scenes look at where Hoi An's colourful lanterns come from as well as how the delicious Hoi An rice crackers are produced. Continue riding into the countryside amid rice paddies, monkey bridges and grazing buffalos. Stop at Tra Que Village, Hoi An's vegetable and herb garden, before unwinding at a beach lounge overlooking beautiful An Bang Beach. Return to your hotel and enjoy your afternoon at leisure. (B)</p>
Nov. 17	<p><b>Hoi An / Hong Kong:</b> Morning transfer to Danang Airport for your flight to Hong Kong. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to ROYAL GARDEN HOTEL for your next 2 nights' accommodations. Balance of the afternoon free at leisure. (B)</p>
Nov. 18	<p><b>Hong Kong:</b> Full day free at leisure to shop, eat and explore Hong Kong on your own. (B)</p>
Nov. 19	<p><b>Return Home:</b> Transfer to the airport for your departure flight home. Arrive SFO the same day. (B)</p> <p>****END OF PROGRAM****</p>

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Please review the trip details above for accuracy and contact me with any questions regarding your trip. We appreciate your business and look forward to serving you on this special trip!

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