

# CITY TOUR

## COLONIAL BUILDINGS

SIEM REAP contains the third most populous city in the country after Phnom Penh and Battambang. This city has always been a popular destination for its nearby ancient temples, French colonial architecture, and Buddhist shrines. The streets are filled with remarkably well-preserved French colonial buildings alongside traditional Cambodian houses, markets, and riverside.

– OLD MARKET, 1920s shop houses, and covered stalls, now it is a busy place to see Cambodia life food, and Cambodian souvenirs, the old market will make you enjoy city tours and walk around to see and buy some Khmer souvenirs bring back home for family or friend gifts.

– OLD BRIDGE is the bridge over the Siem Reap River from 1928 to 1965 from route 6 to Phsah Chas (Old Market).

– Royal Residence (exterior only): The Royal Residence is located next to the OLD BRIDGE. It isn't open to the public, but you can visit the front of the building, the Royal Garden, the Buddhist Shrine, a nice place to take some photos. It's the king's official residence.



Royal Garden





Old Market

- Preah Ang Chorm & Preah Ang Chek & Yeay Tep are worshipped since 1982. It has so many beautiful views for people to relax and is also one of the devoted blessing places that a lot of people went.

- ANGKOR CONSERVATION is a Ministry of Culture compound that houses more than 5000 statues, lingas (phallic symbols), and inscribed stelae, stored here to protect them from the wanton looting that has blighted hundreds of sites around Angkor.



Old Market





Wat Damnak

- WAT DAMNAK is the biggest Buddhist Monasteries in Siem Reap, Wat Damnak means palace, it was built during the reign of King Sisowath (1904 – 1927). Many Buddhist Monks live in this pagoda. Containing the Center for Khmer Studies (Research Library & public access library) Popular with students

- WAT BO was Founded in the 18th century as the Thai Lord Governor's wat. It contains very spectacular wall paintings of colonial Siem Reap life. Look for the ordinary-life scenes, such as opium- a colonial-era French officer at the market, and French soldiers attending a traditional dance performance. Also of interest is the large collection of Buddha statues located behind the main Buddha. (by donation)

- WAT ENDRAKOSEI (Preah Enkosei )was Located along the Siem Reap river, there is a pre-Angkor clay brick ruins temple. Two laterite stone and sandstone temples and a gate sit to the East of the old Vihear. Some of their lintels and carved sandstone details have been restored. One of the temples also houses a damaged Shiva lingam on a yoni.

- WAT THMEI is located on one of the roads leading to Angkor Wat, a Buddhist temple with a glass-sided memorial housing the skulls of victims of the Khmer Rouge regime. Here at this active monastery, you can understand more about Cambodia's tragic history.





Wat Bo





Wat Thmei



Wat Thmei's Bell





WAT ENDRA KOSEI (Preah Enkosei )



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