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VIETNAM, CAMBODIA & MEKONG RIVER CRUISING 2023 & 2024

Boutique river cruising and touring in Southeast Asia

Welcome

You are invited to navigate Southeast Asia with Emerald Cruises. Join us in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos to lift the veil on over three millennia of proud history.

Sail the vibrant Mekong River on board our custom-built boutique Star-Ship, Emerald Harmony, fusing Asian style with all the amenities of a world-class hotel.

Explore a landscape of lush green jungle, golden beaches and the awe-inspiring remnants of long-lost civilisations.

Southeast Asia showcases an extraordinary diversity of history, culture and tradition, offering new and unforgettable experiences to even the most discerning travellers.

Explore in 2023 and 2024

In the rich and compelling beauty of Southeast Asia, exploration beckons. For each extraordinary itinerary, we've combined seven nights cruising on board our stylish Emerald Harmony Star-Ship.

Travel Vietnam and Cambodia in style and comfort, with land touring days staying in handpicked deluxe hotels selected for their central location and wealth of amenities.

We look forward to welcoming you on board soon.

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Welcome to Southeast Asia

Navigate over three millennia of proud history as we introduce you to Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. Journey across Southeast Asia's Indo-Chinese Peninsula, a treasure trove of natural spectacles, ritualistic cultures and warm locals, with Emerald Cruises.

Explore Halong Bay, Vietnam

Hoi An by night, Vietnam

Statues at Angkor Thom, Siem Reap, Cambodia

For more details on our Southeast Asia collection visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/asia**

Halong Bay

Immerse yourself in the legend of the fabled battleground where dragons, summoned from the heavens, successfully fought off seafaring invaders, gifting these ethereal waters their name, Halong Bay, 'descending dragon'.

In this legendary setting, limestone karsts rise from the tranquil waters of the Gulf of Tonkin. Crossing a network of aquamarine lakes, we drop anchor in the picturesque Trinh Nu and visit Sung Sot (or surprise) Cave, home to a majestic grotto adorned with stalactites and stalagmites.

Meet the locals of the tiny fishing village of Cua Van and kayak out to Ho Ba Ham Lake to enjoy a moment of serenity as you paddle through dark caves and observe the stunning wildlife.

Hoi An

A UNESCO World Heritage-listed Ancient Town, Hoi An is home to an incredible mix of architectural styles. From wooden Chinese shop-houses, decorated Vietnamese tube houses and kaleidoscopic French colonial buildings to the iconic 18th-century Japanese Covered Bridge.

Enjoy plenty of time to explore this eclectic city on foot, take a tour to stunning Ang Bang Beach by cyclo and visit the Reaching Out Project, an NGO created to help improve the quality of life of the city's locals.

Siem Reap

Siem Reap is a vibrant city in the ever-changing image of modern Cambodia and is home to the famed Angkor Wat temples. Here, where floating villages exemplify the importance of the water, traditional handicrafts showcase skills perfected throughout the centuries. The city itself is an exciting mix of delicious cuisine, unforgettable nightlife and spiritual monuments.

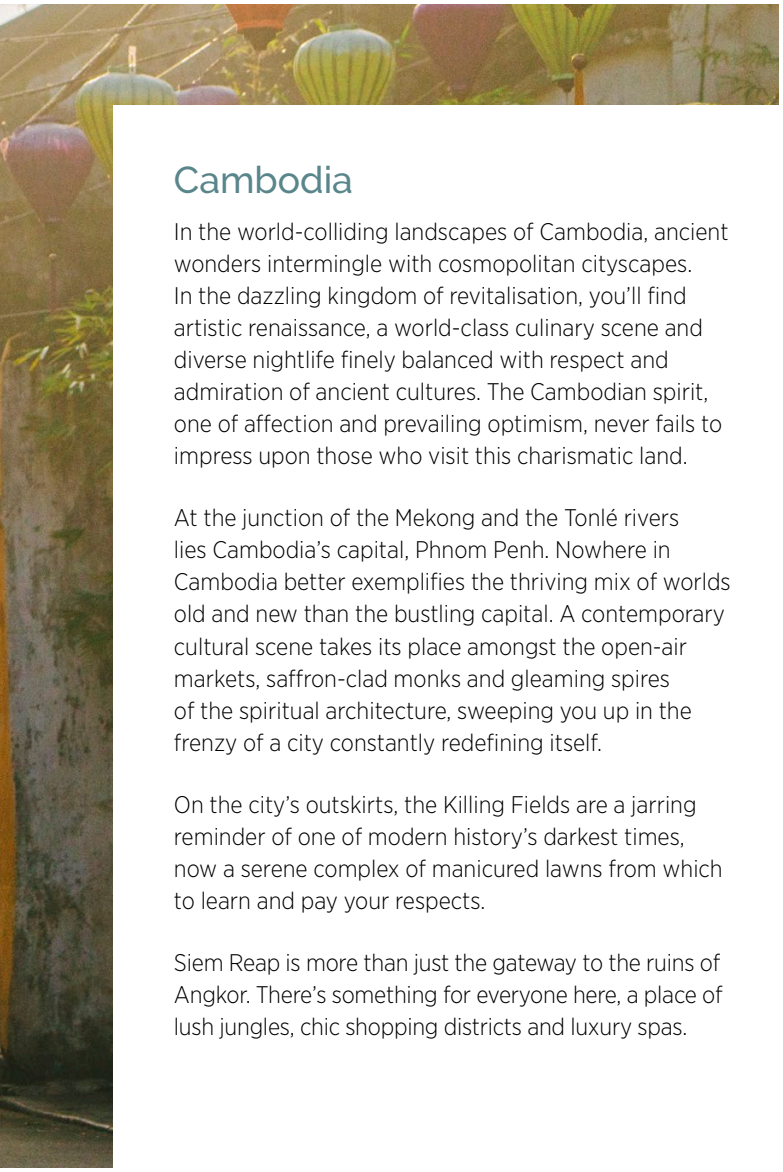
Witness the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Angkor Wat during sunrise, as you walk through its grounds, marvelling at the elaborate carvings at the most peaceful time of day. Tour the overgrown jungle-like temple of Ta Prohm and take your seat for the mesmerising spectacle of high-flying acrobatics and music at Phare, the Cambodian Circus.

Hoi An, Vietnam

Our Vietnam, Cambodia & Mekong river cruising itineraries

To help with your decision on which of our four insightful itineraries to choose, the below table highlights the destinations you will visit across each of our itineraries. Each itinerary can also be enjoyed travelling in the opposite direction on selected dates.

8-Day Majestic Mekong Journey Code: EWVC	Ho Chi Minh City to Prek'kdam **SEVEN NIGHT RIVER CRUISE**		
13-Day Wonders of Vietnam, Cambodia & the Mekong Journey Code: EWVS	Ho Chi Minh City **TWO NIGHT STAY**	Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap **SEVEN NIGHT RIVER CRUISE**	Siem Reap **THREE NIGHT STAY**
17-Day Treasures & Temples of Vietnam & Cambodia Journey Code: EWHA	Hanoi **TWO NIGHT STAY**	Halong Bay **TWO NIGHT STAY**	Ho Chi Minh City **TWO NIGHT STAY**
21-Day Grand Tour of Vietnam & Cambodia Journey Code: EWHH	Hanoi **TWO NIGHT STAY**	Halong Bay **TWO NIGHT STAY**	Hoi An **THREE NIGHT STAY**



Cambodia

In the world-colliding landscapes of Cambodia, ancient wonders intermingle with cosmopolitan cityscapes. In the dazzling kingdom of revitalisation, you'll find artistic renaissance, a world-class culinary scene and diverse nightlife finely balanced with respect and admiration of ancient cultures. The Cambodian spirit, one of affection and prevailing optimism, never fails to impress upon those who visit this charismatic land.

At the junction of the Mekong and the Tonlé rivers lies Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. Nowhere in Cambodia better exemplifies the thriving mix of worlds old and new than the bustling capital. A contemporary cultural scene takes its place amongst the open-air markets, saffron-clad monks and gleaming spires of the spiritual architecture, sweeping you up in the frenzy of a city constantly redefining itself.

On the city's outskirts, the Killing Fields are a jarring reminder of one of modern history's darkest times, now a serene complex of manicured lawns from which to learn and pay your respects.

Siem Reap is more than just the gateway to the ruins of Angkor. There's something for everyone here, a place of lush jungles, chic shopping districts and luxury spas.

Vietnam

Vietnam is a country of unforgettable surroundings and dynamic cultures. Dreamlike seascapes, hilltop villages and contemporary mega-cities all adorn the Vietnamese landscape. Traditional craftsmanship and ancient spirituality exist in harmony, shoulder-to-shoulder with a modern vision of glass skyscrapers and futuristic architecture. Here, history is alive. Communist-era landmarks, French colonial buildings and Buddhist pagodas provide the backdrop to your travels.

In the south, the bustling Ho Chi Minh City unfurls from the banks of the Saigon River. Vietnam's largest city, Ho Chi Minh City, is a vast urban collage bringing together the country's past, present and future. The culinary capital of Southern Vietnam, the city is home to a thriving food scene, from sprawling markets and street food stalls to opulent restaurants. Mouth-watering local specialities and signature dishes are a must try.

In the north, the nation's kaleidoscopic capital, Hanoi, tells a proud and defiant story. While Hanoi's architecture reveals a history of French and Chinese occupation, today, Hanoi is home to a burgeoning artistic and cultural scene, shopping districts and mega-malls, and not forgetting a thriving entertainment industry of both traditional and contemporary recreation.

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap
SEVEN NIGHT RIVER CRUISE

Siem Reap
THREE NIGHT STAY

Hue
ONE NIGHT STAY

Ho Chi Minh City
TWO NIGHT STAY

Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap
SEVEN NIGHT RIVER CRUISE

Siem Reap
THREE NIGHT STAY

Our Emerald Harmony Star-Ship

Sun & Pool Decks

Take a refreshing dip in the pool on warm days, before enjoying a selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks from the bar. Sit back and relax in one of the comfortable chairs in these open-air spaces, or take shelter from the sun, as the river breeze invigorates you.

Sail directly into the heart of Ho Chi Minh City

Emerald Harmony's expertly designed bow thruster allows her to manoeuvre safely through the busy Chao Gao canal. As a result, you'll enjoy unique access into the heart of Ho Chi Minh City, something that other ships of this class and size are unable to do.

Lotus Lounge

Specially designed for our Emerald Harmony Star-Ship, dark wooden tones and muted colours relax you as you sail. Enjoy snacks and a variety of speciality teas and coffees in our Lotus Lounge, as the endless horizons unfold in front of you.

Suites & Staterooms

Choice is a beautiful thing, which is why we offer a selection of four suite or stateroom grades on board our Emerald Harmony Star-Ship. Each stylish retreat boasts its own collection of features and inclusions.

For more details on Emerald Harmony visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/harmony**

Horizon Bar & Lounge

Enjoy a regional or international beer, glass of wine, cocktail or mocktail in the Asian-inspired surrounds of the Horizon Bar & Lounge. Dark wooden interior and indigenous plants create an authentic environment. And, of course, delicious teas and coffees are always available.

Fitness & Wellness Areas

Treat yourself to a soothing massage or facial in our beautiful on board spa, where our experts are on hand to make you feel great through a range of Asian-influenced therapy techniques. Pamper yourself with a wash and blow-dry in the hairdressers, and keep active in our well-equipped gym.

Reflections Restaurant

From delicious breakfasts and Asian-influenced lunches to decadent five-course à la carte dining, the open-plan setting of our Reflections Restaurant is perfect for relaxed dining and socialising with fellow guests.

Emerald Harmony

The most stylish river ship on the Asian waterways, Emerald Harmony will exceed all your river cruising expectations as you sail along the grand Mekong. Upon arrival, you're given a warm welcome into our striking atrium.

Bathed in sunlight, the dark wood tones accentuate specially selected pieces of authentic Asian artwork, inviting outside influences on board.

Reaching 73m (239ft) in length, 42 cabins accommodate just 84 guests for an excellent staff-to-guest ratio. And, unlike other similar-sized ships, Emerald Harmony has been designed to sail through the centre of Ho Chi Minh City, allowing us to dock in the heart of the city and welcome its many sights and sounds to your doorstep.

Pool Deck

Fitness Area

Located on the Riviera Deck, you'll find our gym, the perfect way to stay active on board. Our well-equipped gym has a treadmill and cross trainer for cardio enthusiasts, plus an array of weights and benches to help you keep up with your fitness regime. Dark wooden accents mirror the theme throughout the ship, and warm lighting provides a relaxing setting for stretches and yoga on the provided mats.

Fitness Area

Pool Deck

A remarkable space, our Pool Deck is crafted with your total relaxation in mind. Our wooden decked area is host to a selection of seating, from sun loungers, great for soaking up the sunshine, to comfortable sofas to settle on with a drink from the corner bar. The show-stopper, however, is the pool itself. A great size, with swim-up views of the passing landscape, there really is no better location from which to enjoy your special moments.

Sun Deck

Elevated above the Pool Deck, the Sun Deck is the place to head to for spectacular views and special evenings. A walking track surrounds a putting green and a giant noughts and crosses game, while deck chairs and tables provide a comfortable base for relaxing. Enjoy the climate from this calm, open space and toast with new-found friends during our incredibly vibrant Lion Dance performance, showcased in the open air.

Wellness Area

Relax between exciting days onshore with a selection of regionally inspired treatments in our on board spa. Indulge in traditional Khmer massage, designed to clear energy channels, a Vietnamese massage using essential oils to relax your mind, or a therapeutic Asian Meridien treatment to alleviate aches and pains.

Our Dedicated Team

Emerald Harmony is designed, built, owned and operated directly by our regional Emerald Cruises team. Our locally based offices within the region provide ongoing support and training to our crew, so you can rest assured you will receive first-class service throughout your time on board. Personally handpicked, every member of our English-speaking crew is the finest in the industry. The intimate small guest numbers paired with a 1:2 guest-to-staff ratio means there will always be someone on hand to ensure your every need is met.

Sun Deck

Our Dedicated Team

Sumptuous suites

A blend of traditional Asian tones and contemporary style form the design of our stylish suites and staterooms. With all the amenities of a world-class hotel, our modern sanctuaries are the perfect setting to rest, relax and unwind.

Enjoy a restful sleep in your queen or twin-size bed or unwind in your plush bathrobe, found in your en-suite alongside a luxurious selection of ESPA toiletries. After a day of exploration, relax in front of your HD flat-screen television, or keep up with loved ones using the free Wi-Fi available.

Owner's One-Bedroom Suite

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Reaching a colossal 42m² (452ft²), there are just two of these spectacular suites on board Emerald Harmony, boasting separate bedroom and lounge areas located in the forward of the ship, your private 30m² (323ft²) terrace with hot tub, offers incredible views of the Mekong River.

You'll also be entitled to four laundered items per day, pre-dinner canapés and after-dinner sweet treats in your suite.

For more information and a full list of inclusions for each suite and stateroom, **see pages 58-59**.

Grand Balcony Suite

Grand Balcony Suite

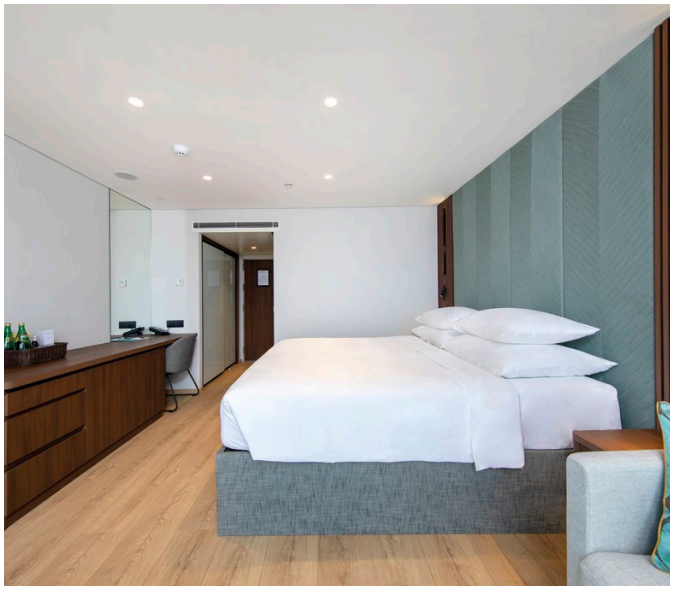
At 37m² (398ft²), these beautifully appointed suites host a private balcony with bi-folding doors and a drop-down window, as well as a separate bedroom and lounge area. Enjoy two laundered items per day, plus pre-dinner canapés and after-dinner sweet treats.

Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite

Our 25.4m² (273ft²) suites provide an indoor balcony with drop-down window, luxurious bathrobes and slippers and a mini-fridge, perfect for storing any food you've picked up during excursions through opulent palaces and lavish temples as you explore a land frozen in time.

Emerald Stateroom

Between 46.6m² (153ft²) and 51.8m² (170ft²), our Riviera Deck staterooms boast port-hole river-view windows, complimentary bathrobes, slippers and a mini-fridge, as well as an alarm clock, safe and telephone.



Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite

Emerald Stateroom

Flavours of Asia

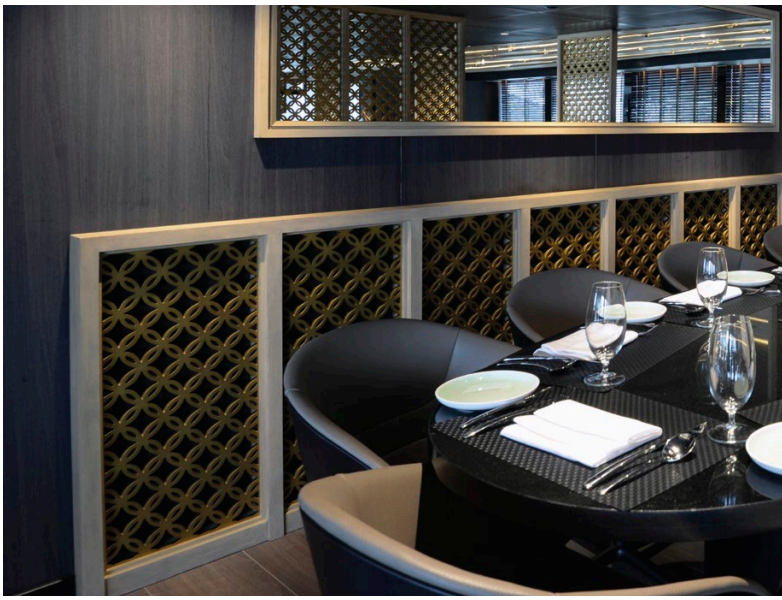
We bring you vibrant local flavours and regional cuisine on board. With most of our produce sourced locally, we ensure every dish is as fresh and authentic as possible and complimentary international wine, beer and soft drinks are available with lunch and dinner.

As with the architecture beyond the shoreline, Vietnamese and Cambodian cooking displays a wealth of influences. French, Indian and Thai inspiration weaves through the local flavours, promising a delightful dining experience.

Asian-inspired dishes

Reflections Restaurant

A vibrant celebration of colour is presented to you by our expert chefs who locally source regional ingredients for an authentic dining experience each day. Savour an excellent variety of Asian-inspired dishes, including delicious lunches and an à la carte evening menu, celebrating the region's gastronomical feats. And, of course, we will always provide a selection of home favourites for you to enjoy, including 'build your own' burgers at our lunchtime Burger Lab.



Reflections Restaurant

Horizon Bar & Lounge

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In our Horizon Bar & Lounge, rich orange tones recall the French architecture of the local region. Warmly welcomed by our talented bartenders, you'll enjoy the best local and international beers, wines and spirits, including a tantalising cinnamon-flavoured whisky. Our cocktails and mocktails are infused with local flavours such as lemon grass and tamarind to awaken the tastes of Asia - not forgetting the delightful selection of complimentary teas and coffees available throughout the day.

Lotus Lounge

Watch as the limitless horizons unfold while you enjoy your favourite drink and try something delicious. Located at the front of the Vista Deck, the Lotus Lounge's dark wooden tones and muted colours relax you as you sail towards your next destination. Savour a fine selection of speciality teas from our tea and coffee station, as well as nibbles and snacks.

Lotus Lounge

Enjoy generous inclusions

Synonymous with outstanding quality, our expert journey planner carefully designs every aspect of your adventure to ensure you have the best experience possible.

With a seamless cruising and touring experience, you'll explore Southeast Asia through the perfect balance of on board and onshore experiences.

Relax knowing that most meals are included, as well as world-class hotel stays and the services of our expert tour directors, always on hand whenever you may need them.

You'll discover a blend of popular attractions and lesser-known gems, found off the beaten track, all of which are included in the price. And not to mention, all transport, hotel porterage, taxes and even tips are also taken care of.

Traditional Aspara Dancer, Cambodia

Emerald**EXPLORER**

We're extremely proud of our continued commitment to providing the best river and yacht cruises. We're delighted that so many of our guests choose to book again with us, that's why we created our Emerald**EXPLORER** loyalty club, to reward you for your loyalty.

Our commitment to your health & safety

With just a small number of guests on board, complemented by a multitude of spacious public areas and dining options, there are plenty of components to assist your wellbeing.

We offer a dynamic programme of activities and excursions, catering to small groups, allowing you to tailor your river cruise to suit your preferences.

The Emerald Cruises team work closely with Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA) and government health agencies to implement a full range of measures for the health and safety of our valued guests and crew.

For more details about our generous inclusions visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/emeraldexperience**

So much is included...

- Airport transfers to and from Emerald Harmony and your hotels
- Deluxe hotels with all service charges, taxes and porterage included
- Stylish accommodation on board Asia's most innovative Star-Ship, built to European safety, fire, hygiene and emission standards
- Innovatively designed to allow sailing into the heart of Ho Chi Minh City
- All on board meals in the Reflections Restaurant, and a selection of meals during touring days
- Complimentary international and local wine, beer and soft drinks to accompany lunch and dinner while on board Emerald Harmony
- From luscious lattes to creamy cappuccinos, our state-of-the-art coffee machines and specialist tea stations are yours to enjoy throughout your cruise
- Complimentary water provided on board and during excursions
- Enjoy an included excursion almost every day of your cruise and tour
- Extra-special excursions and experiences courtesy of our Emerald**PLUS** programme
- First-class service from an English-speaking crew
- Knowledgeable local guides hosting small groups in every destination
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on board
- Complimentary self-service laundry facilities on board.
- Earn Emerald**EXPLORER** loyalty points for every Emerald Cruises river cruise and tour, entitling you to exclusive benefits
- All airport taxes and port charges
- All gratuities included

ESPA Products

Discover hidden gems off the beaten track

For more details on our generous inclusions visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/emeraldexperience**

Emerald**DISCOVERY**

Our river cruise itineraries offer the best way to experience the time-honoured cultures of the world, with included excursions and specially selected Emerald**PLUS** experiences.

Taking your place in small groups of up to 28 guests,you're welcomed into the heart of local life to ensure you see the very best of Vietnam, Cambodia and the majestic Mekong River at no additional cost.

Traditional rice fields,

Sapa Rice Fields, Vietnam

National Museum of Cambodia

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Central Market, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Included Excursions

Spend the day exploring Hanoi on a guided city tour and attend a performance by the famous water puppets. Embark on a Halong Bay cruise, explore the historic underground network of the Cu Chi Tunnels and join an orientation tour of Ho Chi Minh City. Experience the sombre atmosphere of Phnom Penh's Killing Fields, as well as the Royal Palace and the Central Market, and witness Siem Reap's Angkor Thom and a sunrise visit to Angkor Wat. Look out for our included excursions icon in each itinerary.

Emerald**PLUS**

Dine at Hanoi's KOTO not-for-profit restaurant, and pay a visit to the locals of My An Hung, a beautiful village which produces fruit and vegetables, and is particularly known for its hot chilli peppers, and visit the Cao Dai Temple in Tan Chau. Witness daily life as it unfolds before you in this peaceful Vietnamese countryside community. Navigate Phnom Penh by Tuk-Tuk, receive a blessing from a Buddhist Monk and take your seat at Cambodia's famous circus, Phare. Look out for our Emerald**PLUS** icon in each itinerary.

Discover**MORE**

Available at an additional cost, attend a Vietnamese cooking class in Hoi An and indulge in an exciting street food tour of Saigon. Visit a Ramsar Bird Sanctuary, uncover the secrets of Khmer cuisine with a hands-on cooking class. Cruise around town like a local via a tandem Vespa or discover the Tonlé Sap, home to one of the world's most vibrant ecosystems. Look out for the Discover**MORE** icon in each itinerary.

Floating villages on Tonlé Sap Lake

Vietnam, Cambodia & Mekong River 2023/2024 Cruising Offers

Book with Confidence

Now is the time to book with confidence and turn those dreams into reality with our flexible booking protection plans.

Flexible Booking Plan

Our Flexible Booking Plan has been introduced for your complete peace of mind. We understand you may need to adjust your plans, so we're offering the flexibility to change your travel arrangements or re-book for a more suitable time if needed.

For an additional $250pp our Flexible Booking Plan allows you to defer your booking to an alternative date, or cancel your journey, up to 90 day prior to departure, less third-party fees. We will provide you with a Future Travel Credit to use on an alternate tour/cruise, which is valid for 24 months.

For full terms visit emeraldcruises.com.au/emeraldexperience/flexible-booking-plan

Risk-Free Platinum Protection Plan

Take advantage of our Platinum Protection Plan* (PPP) for $395pp for 2023/2024 river cruises. By adding this plan, you are covered if you are unable to travel due to health reasons, or your travel plans are impacted by COVID-19, up to 31 days prior to departure with a 100% refund (less airline cancellation fees, third party fees and PPP cost), or a 70% refund between 15 and 30 days prior to departure (less PPP cost).

For full terms visit emeraldcruises.com.au/platinum-protection-plan

For more details on our Southeast Asia collection visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/asia**

Earlybird Offers: **Best 2023/2024 Offers & Very Limited Availability.**
Book by 31st March 2023 or until sold out.

Best Remaining Offers: From 1st April 2023 onwards.

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Earlybird Savings

SAVE UP TO $1,750 PER PERSON*. Limited availability based on the cruise you select. Once sold out full fare will apply.
SAVE UP TO $1,750pp* when you book a 21 day cruise tour.
SAVE UP TO $1,500pp* when you book a 17 day cruise tour.
SAVE UP TO $1,000pp* when you book a 13 day cruise tour.
SAVE UP TO $500pp* when you book an 8 day cruise

Super Earlybird Savings

Can be combined with Earlybird Savings

SAVE AN ADDITIONAL $400 PER PERSON* on top of your Earlybird Savings when you book and pay in full 12 months prior to departure. Available on Vista, Horizon & Pool Deck suites only.

Book and pay in full by the required date and save.
Book and pay in full over 12 months in advance and **save $400pp.**
Book and pay in full 9-11 months in advance and **save $250pp.**
Book and pay in full 6-8 months in advance and **save $150pp.**

Very limited availability on selected cruises.

Solo Travellers Earlybird Savings

Can be combined with Super Earlybird & Earlybird Savings

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT* on selected Mekong River Cruises of 13 days or more. Offer only applicable on Category A Emerald Balcony Suites and on the cruise portion only.

Limited availability on cruises departing

2023 - August, September, October, December

2024 - January, April, May

"A" Suite Bonus Premium Drinks Package

Can be combined with Super Earlybird, Earlybird & Solo Traveller Savings

COMPLIMENTARY PREMIUM DRINKS PACKAGE* worth over $350 per person when you book an A Category Emerald Balcony Suite on cruises departing

2023 - August, September, October, December

2024 - January, April, May

Best Airfare of the Day

Emerald Cruises has access to the latest flight offers from the best airlines. Ask about our discounted airfares when you book. You can use even use your Earlybird/Super Earlybird savings towards our discounted flights.

*Conditions apply. For full terms and conditions, please refer to pages 64-67 and visit emeraldcruises.com.au/terms-and-conditions. All bookings are subject to our full terms and conditions. Offers are valid for new bookings only and not available for bookings using a Future Travel Credit (FTC) Voucher. Earlybird Savings – Save up to $1,750pp is based on 21-Day Grand Tour of Vietnam & Cambodia (code EWHH). All savings based on selected itineraries and available on limited cabins. Once sold out the standard fare will apply. Super Earlybird Savings – Save up to $400pp is based on full payment 12 months prior to departure date. All savings based on selected itineraries and limited B, A, AP, S or SA category cabins. Once sold out the standard fare will apply. Solo Travellers Earlybird Savings – only available on A category suites on selected dates. Limited availability. Complimentary Premium Drinks Package per person – only available on A category suites on selected departure dates. Limited availability Our standard deposit requirements are: non-refundable booking deposit of $100 per person per cruise/tour must be paid at time of booking, with a further $900pp to be paid within 2 days of making a booking. Prices, dates, taxes, and availability correct at 30/8/2022 and subject to change. All offers are subject to availability at time of booking or until sold out and may be withdrawn at any time. Surcharges may apply on credit card transactions.

Mekong River

At 2,700 miles long, the majestic Mekong weaves through the spectacular natural landscapes of Vietnam, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, China and Myanmar.

This vast, life-supporting waterway is one of the most biodiverse regions on the planet.

"The whole trip met and, in many ways, exceeded our expectations. A beautiful, immaculate ship, big enough to be well equipped and spacious and not too crowded and impersonal. Our suite was contemporary, the food was consistently delicious with plenty of choice, and above all the staff on board were an absolute delight - efficient, helpful, warm, and friendly. The Tuk-Tuk ride in Phnom Penh was brilliant and the tour guides were fascinating and excellent at their jobs."

Lesjan

cruisecritic

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Phnom Penh, Cambodia

The Nine Dragon Delta

Beginning life in the Himalayas, countless tributaries break off and wind between Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam and Cambodia to form the enchanting Mekong Delta. Here, the Mekong River flows through Cambodia and Southern Vietnam, where it is known locally as Nine Dragon Delta, eventually emptying into the South China Sea.

At the confluence of the Mekong and Tonlé River sits the thriving Cambodian capital, Phnom Penh. The river front plays a vital role in the city, where a cultural hub of palm tree-lined boulevards gaze across the waters.

As the Mekong carves its way through Vietnam towards the sea, it flows to the east of another of Southeast Asia's great cities, Ho Chi Minh City. Here, another vital tributary, the Saigon river, weaves its way through the bustling streets of Vietnam's largest city, branching across channels, creeks and canals into the city's neighbourhoods.

Your Mekong voyage

Traverse the spectacular maze that is the Mekong Delta, where traditional life is unique and captivating. Nicknamed the Rice Bowl of Vietnam, the environmental conditions are perfect for cultivating fruit, vegetables and rice, forming the livelihood of millions who call the banks home.

Visit local villages, stop at historic residences, and immerse yourself in local life during perusals of bustling markets. Travel by remork (Tuk-Tuk) to learn about local arts, like that of scarf weaving, visit family-owned factories and observe truly spectacular places of worship.

Spend time in Phnom Penh, allowing you to experience the elaborate Royal Palace complex. Visit a local monastery and receive a traditional Buddhist Monk Blessing.

Highlights:

Each of our itineraries has been carefully designed to give you the freedom to explore at your own pace.

- **Ho Chi Minh City:** Explore the French Quarter including the Old Post Office, Notre Dame Cathedral, Opera House and Town Hall.
- **Sa Dec:** The Chinese Congregational House, the home of Mr Huynh Thuy Le, who inspired Margaret Duras' novel *L'Amant*, and a walk through the Central Market.
- **Tan Chau:** Evergreen Island, a unique and traditional Cao Dai temple and a Xe Loi ride.
- **The Killing Fields:** Now a place of peace, pay your respects to the victims of the infamous Khmer Rouge.
- **The Silver Pagoda:** Adjacent to the Royal Palace, the 'Temple of the Emerald Buddha' has a floor covered in silver.

13-Day Wonders of Vietnam,Cambodia & the Mekong

Your journey begins in Siem Reap, where the dawn sunlight illuminates the ancient architecture. The otherworldly sites of Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom and Ta Prohm are sure to fascinate.

From here, your journey along the majestic Mekong introduces Phnom Penh, invites you inside a traditional Cao Dai temple to discover the unique Vietnamese religion, and continues onwards before leaving Emerald Harmony at Ho Chi Minh City for a two-night stay.

Sunrise at Angkor Wat, Siem Reap, Cambodia,

Siem Reap to **Ho Chi Minh City**

Departing: January 2023 - December 2024

Day 1	Arrive Siem Reap
Day 2	Siem Reap
Day 3	Siem Reap
Day 4	Siem Reap – Prek'kdam Embarkation
Day 5	Oudong – Phnom Penh
Day 6	Phnom Penh – Vietnam/Cambodia Border Crossing
Day 7	Tan Chau – Long Khanh Island
Day 8	An Long – My An Hung
Day 9	Sa Dec – Cai Be
Day 10	My Tho – Ho Chi Minh City
Day 11	Ho Chi Minh City – Disembarkation
Day 12	Ho Chi Minh City
Day 13	Ho Chi Minh City

Floating market, Mekong Delta, Vietnam

Our suite of generous inclusions

- 7 nights on board the luxurious Emerald Harmony
- Deluxe hotels with all service charges, taxes and porterage included
- 30 meals: 12 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 9 dinners
- Complimentary international and local wine, beer & soft drinks to accompany lunch & dinner while on board Emerald Harmony
- Complimentary tea & coffee on board
- Complimentary water provided on board and during excursions
- A variety of on board evening entertainment
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on board
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- Earn Emerald**EXPLORER** loyalty points
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- All gratuities included

Your Emerald**Discovery** highlights:

Emerald**PLUS**

Lunch at KOTO Restaurant

Visit to My An Hung village

Lion dance performance on board

A walking tour through the recently renovated Cao Dai temple

Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour

Traditional Buddhist Monk Blessing

Phare Cambodian Circus performance

A cultural Performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation

Included Excursions

16 excursions, including visits to several UNESCO World Heritage-listed sites

Discover**MORE**

11 optional excursions, available at an additional cost – see pages 56-57

Meet the locals

Silver Pagoda, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Day 1 Arrive Siem Reap

Sous Sdei and welcome to Cambodia. You will be met at the airport and transferred to the Shinta Mani hotel for your included three-night stay in Siem Reap. In the evening, you'll meet your Cambodian tour director to learn more about the days ahead, before enjoying a welcome dinner.

Meals: Dinner.

Day 2 Siem Reap

Today, start with a visit to Angkor Thom. As the last capital of the Khmer Empire, it was a fortified city, home to priests, officials of the palace and military, as well as buildings for administering the kingdom. The city was established in the late twelfth century by King Jayavarman VII and covers an area of 9 square kilometres. Afterwards, visit the sacred Temple of Ta Prohm. Still overgrown by jungle trees, it has been the backdrop for many Hollywood movies.

This evening, attend Phare, The Cambodian Circus, and enjoy an evening of acrobatics, music and dance. Phare is an NGO founded by Cambodian refugees to assist disadvantaged young people by teaching them performing arts.

- Phare, The Cambodian Circus
- Visit to Angkor Thom
- Visit to Ta Prohm Temple
- A Vespa tour of Siem Reap

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 3 Siem Reap

Rise early and witness the sunrise over Angkor Wat. Afterwards, walk through this UNESCO World Heritage-listed site immersing yourself in historic splendour. Return to the hotel and either enjoy the rest of the day at leisure, continue touring or choose a Discover**MORE** excursion.

Included Excursion

Sunrise visit to Angkor Wat

Explore the wonders of the Ancient UNESCO World Heritage-listed Angkor Wat at the most peaceful time of day. Walk through the incredible temple complex as the morning sun soaks the elaborate stone carvings.

- A visit to Banteay Srei
- A visit to Tonlé Sap
- A culinary tour of Cambodia
- Evening - Champagne Sunset Gondola Boat at Angkor
- Evening - Dinner in the Rice Field
- Evening - Evening Cambodian Street Food Discovery Tour

Meals: Breakfast.

Day 4 Siem Reap – Prek'kdam – Embarkation

Today, leave Siem Reap and venture to the town of Prek K'dam to embark your Emerald Cruises award-winning Star-Ship. En route, stop in Kampong Kdei and see the impressive Angkor Bridge, before having lunch at a local restaurant. On arrival in Prek K'dam, you'll be welcomed by your captain and crew. Later, set sail whilst you enjoy your first dinner on board with your fellow guests.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 5 Oudong – Phnom Penh

Start your day with a visit to the Oudong Monastery and Temples. Located north of Phnom Penh, Oudong was the former royal capital of Cambodia until it moved to Phnom Penh in 1866. Receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks as part of our Emerald**PLUS** programme and spend the afternoon as you please, exploring our Discover**MORE** excursion or simply relaxing on board Emerald Harmony. After dinner, enjoy Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour.

Included Excursion

A visit to Oudong Temples

Once the royal residence and Cambodia's capital, the ancient town of Oudong is home to the magisterial Oudong Monastery. Here, you'll receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks.

- A traditional Buddhist Monk blessing
- Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour.
- A silk farm tour at Koh Oknha Tei
- High Tea at Raffles
- Craft beer adventure by remork
- Visit to Koh Chen silversmith village

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Tonlé Sap, Cambodia

Day 6 Phnom Penh – Vietnam /Cambodia Border Crossing

Wake up in Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. The city known as the 'Pearl of Asia', was almost entirely evacuated by the Khmer Rouge in 1975. This morning, you will learn more about the Khmer Rouge and the darkest days of the country's history. A short drive will take you to the Killing Fields at Choeung Ek. Here you will have the opportunity to walk through the fields, visit the small museum and learn about this sad historic chapter. Then, you will visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum (also known as S-21). This is a former school that was converted to the main prison and torture headquarters of the Khmer Rouge.

Back on board Emerald Harmony, enjoy a Cambodian Street Fair lunch, before visiting the majestic Royal Palace with its French-inspired gardens, followed by a shopping trip at the Central Market located in the heart of the city. This evening, enjoy a cultural performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation, before setting sail to the border. Celebrate crossing the border with a Cambodian-style family dinner.

Included Excursion

A visit to the Killing Fields & Toul Sleng Genocide Museum

Experience the sombre atmosphere of Phnom Penh's Killing Fields, a jarring reminder of one of modern history's darkest times, now a serene complex of manicured lawns from which to learn and pay your respects.

- Cultural performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation
- Visit to the Royal Palace and Central Market

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 7 Tan Chau – Long Khanh Island

In Tan Chau, EmeraldPLUS invites you inside a traditional Cao Dai temple to discover the unique Vietnamese religion, or board a sampan to Evergreen Island for a walk through a local village. This afternoon, visit Long Khanh Island, known for its scarf weaving and Hoa Hao Buddhist pagoda. After anchoring for the night near An long, you'll be delighted by an EmeraldPLUS traditional Lion Dance performance on board.

EmeraldPLUS

A walking tour through the recently renovated Cao Dai temple

The unique religion of Cao Dai brings together ideas from other world religions such as Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism and even Christianity.

- Lion Dance performance on board
- Visit to Evergreen Island, a Cao Dai temple & a local house
- A visit to a local scarf weaving workshop and Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda on Long Khanh Island

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 8 An Long - My An Hung

Relax on board this morning or join our DiscoverMORE tour of Tràm Chim National Park, home to Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary. This afternoon, enjoy a visit to My An Hung village as part of our EmeraldPLUS programme. Recognised as a cultural and historical destination, this small village in rural Vietnam specialises in red-hot chilli and peppers. Enjoy some local folk singing during the visit, wander through coconut farms, meet the locals and learn about life in the village. Tonight, enjoy a Vietnamese family-style dinner.

EmeraldPLUS

Visit to My An Hung village

Board a small taxi-boat and sail past bustling waterside villages before stopping to explore the remote village of My An Hung. Take in the village temple, walk around the village and enjoy folk singing in the home of a local.

- Tràm Chim National Park with Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Saigon Central Post Office, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Mekong Delta

Day 9 Sa Dec – Cai Be

Visit Sa Dec on a walking tour, with stops at the Chinese Congregational House in Kien An Cung, the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le, who inspired Marguerite Duras' novel ***L'Amant***, and enjoy a walk through the Central Market to peruse its varied produce. Return to Emerald Harmony by sampan and, after lunch on board, you'll arrive in Cai Be. Travelling via sampan, visit a coconut candy workshop to learn how coconut candy and other local sweets are made, then visit a local French colonial heritage villa.

Included Excursion

Visit to Chinese Congregational House

Visit the Chinese Congregational House in Kien An Cung, followed by a visit to the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le, who inspired Marguerite Duras' novel, ***L'Amant***.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 10 My Tho – Ho Chi Minh City

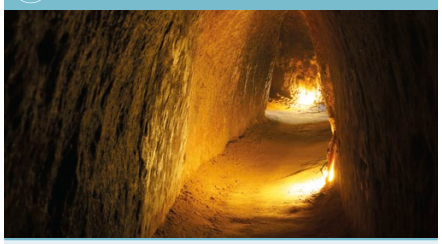
Sit back, relax and take in a full day of sailing the magnificent Mekong River and canals. Watch as life in the Mekong Delta, known as the "rice bowl" of Vietnam, awakens for another day as the ship departs early this morning to begin transiting the Cho Gao canal. This is the perfect opportunity to enjoy the ever-changing vistas from the pool, to enjoy a treatment in the Wellness Area (additional expense), or to read a book and chat with new friends. Cruise past mangroves, narrow canals, fish farms, busy cargo barges and local fishing boats alike. Tonight, dock in the heart of Ho Chi Minh City with views of the city lights.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 11 Ho Chi Minh City Disembarkation

Drive away from Ho Chi Minh City, watching the city skyline fade into the distance as the road winds through rice paddies and villages. Spend a couple of hours exploring the Cu Chi Tunnels with a local guide. Hear how the residents constructed an intricate, underground network of tunnels during the French and American Wars. Once above ground, see the other ingenious items they used to defend themselves, such as bamboo traps and camouflaged pits. Upon your return to Ho Chi Minh City, check into your hotel for your included two-night stay, and enjoy a free afternoon.

Included Excursion



The Cu Chi Tunnels

Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, a sprawling underground network used by guerrilla troops during the Vietnam War. The tunnels proved to be an extremely effective combat tactic when facing better-supplied forces.

Saigon Street Food walking tour (4.5hrs)

One Night In Saigon

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 12 Ho Chi Minh City

Enjoy a guided tour of Ho Chi Minh City, starting with a visit to the city's most iconic building, the Reunification, or Independence Palace. Formerly the South Vietnamese Presidential Palace, images of the building were seen around the world on 30th April 1975 when tanks stormed the gates as Saigon fell to the North Vietnamese. Then, stroll through Ho Chi Minh City's colonial quarter, walking past scenes of everyday life on the way. Admire the beautiful architecture of the Opera House, Notre Dame Cathedral, City Hall and the old Saigon Post Office and listen to the stories about the glory days of French Indochina and how that era continues to influence aspects of modern Vietnamese culture. Tonight, enjoy your farewell dinner with your fellow guests.

An orientation tour of Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast and dinner.

Day 13 Depart Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast this morning, you will be transferred to the airport to catch your onward or homebound flight.

Meals: Breakfast.

This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons such as high and low water. As such, the cruise may operate altered from that stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions on pages 64-67.

2023 & 2024 DEPARTURE DATES, PRICES AND OFFERS

13-Day Wonders of Vietnam, Cambodia & the Mekong
Journey Code: EWVS

	Riviera Deck			Vista Deck			Horizon Deck			Pool Deck								
	D Emerald Stateroom			**B** Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			**A** Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			**AP** Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			**S** Grand Balcony Suite			**SA** Owner's One-Bedroom Suite		
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JAN 04, 12*, 18, 26*	$5,705	$5,205	–	$6,500	$6,000	–	$6,700	$6,200	–	$7,000	$6,500	–	$7,500	$7,000		$8,400	$7,900	–
FEB 01, 09*, 15, 23*	$5,995	$5,495	–	$6,790	$6,290	–	$6,990	$6,490	–	$7,290	$6,790	–	$7,790	$7,290		$8,690	$8,190	–
MAR 01, 09*, 15, 23*	$5,995	$5,495	–	$6,790	$6,290	–	$6,990	$6,490	–	$7,290	$6,790	–	$7,790	$7,290		$8,690	$8,190	–
MAR 29	$5,705	$5,205	–	$6,500	$6,000	–	$6,700	$6,200	–	$7,000	$6,500	–	$7,500	$7,000		$8,400	$7,900	–
APR 06*, 12, 20*	$5,705	$5,205	–	$6,500	$6,000	–	$6,700	$6,200	–	$7,000	$6,500	–	$7,500	$7,000		$8,400	$7,900	–
APR 26	$5,255	$4,755	–	$6,050	$5,550	–	$6,250	$5,750	–	$6,550	$6,050	–	$7,050	$6,550		$7,950	$7,450	–
MAY 04*	$5,255	$4,755	–	$6,050	$5,550	–	$6,250	$5,750	–	$6,550	$6,050	–	$7,050	$6,550		$7,950	$7,450	–
MAY 10, 18*	$4,995	$4,495	–	$5,790	$5,290	–	$5,990	$5,490	–	$6,290	$5,790	–	$6,790	$6,290		$7,690	$7,190	–
AUG 02, 10*, 16	$5,650	$4,650	–	$6,445	$5,445	$5,045	$6,645	$5,645	$5,245	$6,945	$5,945	$5,545	$7,445	$6,445	$6,045	$8,345	$7,345	$6,945
AUG 24*, 30	$6,090	$5,090	–	$6,885	$5,885	$5,485	$7,085	$6,085	$5,685	$7,385	$6,385	$5,985	$7,885	$6,885	$6,485	$8,785	$7,785	$7,385
SEP 07*, 13, 21*	$6,610	$5,610	–	$7,405	$6,405	$6,005	$7,605	$6,605	$6,205	$7,905	$6,905	$6,505	$8,405	$7,405	$7,005	$9,305	$8,305	$7,905
SEP 27	$6,860	$5,860	–	$7,655	$6,655	$6,255	$7,855	$6,855	$6,455	$8,155	$7,155	$6,755	$8,655	$7,655	$7,255	$9,555	$8,555	$8,155
OCT 05*, 11, 19*, 25	$6,860	$5,860	–	$7,655	$6,655	$6,255	$7,855	$6,855	$6,455	$8,155	$7,155	$6,755	$8,655	$7,655	$7,255	$9,555	$8,555	$8,155
NOV 02*, 08, 16*, 22	$7,100	$6,100	–	$7,895	$6,895	$6,495	$8,095	$7,095	$6,695	$8,395	$7,395	$6,995	$8,895	$7,895	$7,495	$9,795	$8,795	$8,395
NOV 30*	$6,690	$5,690	–	$7,485	$6,485	$6,085	$7,685	$6,685	$6,285	$7,985	$6,985	$6,585	$8,485	$7,485	$7,085	$9,385	$8,385	$7,985
DEC 06	$6,690	$5,690	–	$7,485	$6,485	$6,085	$7,685	$6,685	$6,285	$7,985	$6,985	$6,585	$8,485	$7,485	$7,085	$9,385	$8,385	$7,985
DEC 14*, 20, 28*	$6,320	$5,320	–	$7,115	$6,115	$5,715	$7,315	$6,315	$5,915	$7,615	$6,615	$6,215	$8,115	$7,115	$6,715	$9,015	$8,015	$7,615
2024 Departures																		
JAN 03, 11*, 17, 25*	$6,690	$5,690	–	$7,485	$6,485	$6,085	$7,685	$6,685	$6,285	$7,985	$6,985	$6,585	$8,485	$7,485	$7,085	$9,385	$8,385	$7,985
JAN 31	$7,100	$6,100	–	$7,895	$6,895	$6,495	$8,095	$7,095	$6,695	$8,395	$7,395	$6,995	$8,895	$7,895	$7,495	$9,795	$8,795	$8,395
FEB 08*, 14, 22*, 28	$7,100	$6,100	–	$7,895	$6,895	$6,495	$8,095	$7,095	$6,695	$8,395	$7,395	$6,995	$8,895	$7,895	$7,495	$9,795	$8,795	$8,395
MAR 07*, 13, 21*	$7,100	$6,100	–	$7,895	$6,895	$6,495	$8,095	$7,095	$6,695	$8,395	$7,395	$6,995	$8,895	$7,895	$7,495	$9,795	$8,795	$8,395
MAR 27	$6,690	$5,690	–	$7,485	$6,485	$6,085	$7,685	$6,685	$6,285	$7,985	$6,985	$6,585	$8,485	$7,485	$7,085	$9,385	$8,385	$7,985
APR 04*, 10, 18*	$6,690	$5,690	–	$7,485	$6,485	$6,085	$7,685	$6,685	$6,285	$7,985	$6,985	$6,585	$8,485	$7,485	$7,085	$9,385	$8,385	$7,985
APR 24	$6,030	$5,030	–	$6,825	$5,825	$5,425	$7,025	$6,025	$5,625	$7,325	$6,325	$5,925	$7,825	$6,825	$6,425	$8,725	$7,725	$7,325
MAY 02*	$6,030	$5,030	–	$6,825	$5,825	$5,425	$7,025	$6,025	$5,625	$7,325	$6,325	$5,925	$7,825	$6,825	$6,425	$8,725	$7,725	$7,325
MAY 08, 16*	$5,650	$4,650	–	$6,445	$5,445	$5,045	$6,645	$5,645	$5,245	$6,945	$5,945	$5,545	$7,445	$6,445	$6,045	$8,345	$7,345	$6,945
JUL 31	$5,650	$4,650	–	$6,445	$5,445	$5,045	$6,645	$5,645	$5,245	$6,945	$5,945	$5,545	$7,445	$6,445	$6,045	$8,345	$7,345	$6,945
AUG 08*, 14	$5,650	$4,650	–	$6,445	$5,445	$5,045	$6,645	$5,645	$5,245	$6,945	$5,945	$5,545	$7,445	$6,445	$6,045	$8,345	$7,345	$6,945
AUG 22*, 28	$6,085	$5,085	–	$6,880	$5,880	$5,480	$7,080	$6,080	$5,680	$7,380	$6,380	$5,980	$7,880	$6,880	$6,480	$8,780	$7,780	$7,380
SEP 05*, 11, 19*	$6,610	$5,110	–	$7,405	$6,405	$6,005	$7,605	$6,605	$6,205	$7,905	$6,905	$6,505	$8,405	$7,405	$7,005	$9,305	$8,305	$7,905
SEP 25	$6,860	$5,860	–	$7,655	$6,655	$6,255	$7,855	$6,855	$6,455	$8,155	$7,155	$6,755	$8,655	$7,655	$7,255	$9,555	$8,555	$8,155
OCT 03*, 09, 17*, 23	$6,860	$5,860	–	$7,655	$6,655	$6,255	$7,855	$6,855	$6,455	$8,155	$7,155	$6,755	$8,655	$7,655	$7,255	$9,555	$8,555	$8,155
OCT 31*	$7,110	$6,110	–	$7,905	$6,905	$6,505	$8,105	$7,105	$6,705	$8,405	$7,405	$7,005	$8,905	$7,905	$7,505	$9,805	$8,805	$8,405
NOV 06, 14*, 20	$7,110	$6,110	–	$7,905	$6,905	$6,505	$8,105	$7,105	$6,705	$8,405	$7,405	$7,005	$8,905	$7,905	$7,505	$9,805	$8,805	$8,405
NOV 28*	$6,685	$5,685	–	$7,480	$6,480	$6,080	$7,680	$6,680	$6,280	$7,980	$6,980	$6,580	$8,480	$7,480	$7,080	$9,380	$8,380	$7,980
DEC 04	$6,685	$5,685	–	$7,680	$6,680	$6,280	$7,880	$6,880	$6,480	$8,180	$7,180	$6,780	$8,680	$7,680	$7,280	$9,580	$8,580	$8,180
DEC 12*, 18, 26*	$6,320	$5,320	–	$7,115	$6,115	$5,715	$7,315	$6,315	$5,915	$7,615	$6,615	$6,215	$8,115	$7,115	$6,715	$9,015	$8,015	$7,615

SPECIAL OFFERS - LIMITED AVAILABILITY

EARLYBIRD OFFER — SAVE UP TO $1,000^ See pages 20-21 for details

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SUPER EARLYBIRD OFFER — SAVE UP TO AN ADDITIONAL $400^ See pages 20-21 for details

*These departures operate in reverse itinerary from Ho Chi Minh to Siem Reap.

Terms and conditions: All prices are per person, based on a twin share. ^Earlybird and Super Earlybird savings are limited in number, cabin category and departure date, once sold out the full fare shown above applies. The 10% Super Earlybird saving is applied to the cruise element only i.e. excludes flights, gratuities, port charges, hotel & land costs. To qualify for the Super Earlybird saving the booking and full balance must be made at least twelve months before departure. Discover**MORE** optional excursions are at an additional cost (see page 56-57).

To help you select your cabin, detailed cabin and deck plans can be found on pages 58-61.

For more details of extending your stay visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/extend**

17-Day Treasures & Temples of Vietnam & Cambodia

Begin your adventure in Hanoi, where centuries-old architecture is a wonderful nod to the past and the Old Quarter strikes a fine contrast with its many temples.

Cruise the emerald waters of Halong Bay in a traditional junk boat, learn of Ho Chi Minh City's fascinating war history and embark on a once-in-a-lifetime river cruise along the Mekong.

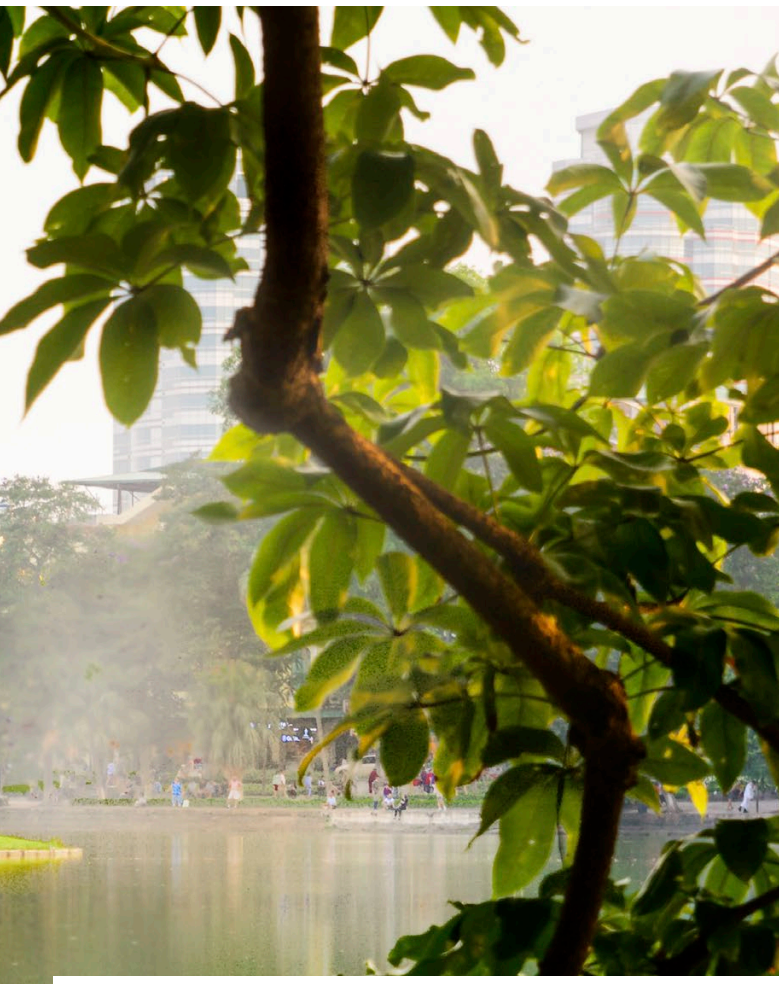
Enjoy a Tuk-Tuk tour in Phnom Penh and finish your adventure in the Cambodian city of Siem Reap, where you'll witness Angkor Wat and attend a circus performance.

Turtle Tower, Hanoi, Vietnam

Hanoi to **Siem Reap**

Departing: January 2023 - December 2024

Day 1	Hanoi
Day 2	Hanoi
Day 3	Hanoi – Halong Bay
Day 4	Halong Bay
Day 5	Halong Bay – Hanoi – Ho Chi Minh City
Day 6	Ho Chi Minh City
Day 7	Ho Chi Minh City – Embarkation
Day 8	Ben Tre – Sa Dec
Day 9	Sa Dec – My An Hung
Day 10	An Long – Long Khanh Island
Day 11	Tan Chau – Vietnam/Cambodia Border Crossing
Day 12	Phnom Penh
Day 13	Phnom Penh – Oudong – Prek K'Dam
Day 14	Prek'kdam Disembarkation – Siem Reap
Day 15	Siem Reap
Day 16	Siem Reap
Day 17	Siem Reap



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Ngoc Son Temple, Hanoi, Vietnam

Hanoi's Water Puppets

Day 1 Arrive Hanoi

Xin Chao and welcome to Hanoi! On arrival, you will be met by your Emerald Cruises representative and transferred to the Anatole Hotel, situated in downtown Hanoi, for your two-night stay. Relax at the hotel, explore the city or wander Hanoi's romantic West Lake, before meeting your tour director for your welcome briefing this evening.

Meals: Dinner.

Day 2 Hanoi

Today you will enjoy a full-day city tour of Hanoi, including its main sights. Enjoy the view from outside 'Uncle Ho's' mausoleum, considered the father of modern Vietnam, and continue to the small but iconic One Pillar Pagoda and to the Temple of Literature. The Temple of Literature was Vietnam's first university, and it was established to educate Vietnam's royalty, mandarins and members of the elite. The university functioned for an incredible 700 years, and its gardens and well-preserved architecture offer a fascinating glimpse into the country's past. As part of our EmeraldPLUS programme, you will enjoy lunch at KOTO (Know One Teach One), a unique restaurant set up to train and educate disadvantaged children.

After lunch, you'll visit Hanoi's Old Quarter, also known as the '36 streets'. Take a walking tour through charming Hang Be Market and around Hoan Kiem Lake, and stop at Ngoc Son temple. This bustling area of narrow streets and alleys is home to literally thousands of small businesses and shopkeepers. It is a great place to explore with plenty of photo opportunities. Later, enjoy a traditional water puppet show, a unique North Vietnamese art form depicting scenes from rural life and episodes of historical significance.

EmeraldPLUS

Lunch at KOTO Restaurant

Enjoy lunch at KOTO, a unique restaurant set up to train and educate disadvantaged street children in Hanoi. KOTO's aim is to end the cycle of poverty by empowering and helping local young people to forge a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

Full day city tour of Hanoi

Traditional water puppet show

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 3 Hanoi - Halong Bay

This morning after breakfast, leave Hanoi and travel to Halong Bay where you will board your traditional-style junk boat. Cruise through the bays and islets enjoying the stunning scenery of this magnificent region. Enjoy the tours offered on board, learn more about the main livelihood of the locals in the area or simply choose to relax. Towards the end of the day, the boat anchors for the night in the Trinh Nu area among the karst formations, and dinner will be served on board.

A Halong Bay cruise

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 4 Halong Bay

Today, continue sailing further into the region's more untouched areas towards Lan Ha Bay. From a smaller boat, enjoy swimming on quiet beaches and kayaking in Ho Ba Ham Lake. Then visit Cua Van fishing village by rowing boat. Return to your traditional junk boat after a full day of exploration. Tonight, try squid fishing.

Included Excursion

A visit to Halong Bay

By private boat, cruise to Halong Bay's most untouched areas. Enjoy swimming on quiet beaches, visiting water tunnels and fishing villages or kayaking. Lunch is served on board the boat by your private chef.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 5 Halong Bay – Hanoi – Ho Chi Minh City

Enjoy the sunrise and breakfast before beginning your cruise back through the magnificent rock formations, visiting Sung Sot Cave and arriving back at port. Bid farewell as you transfer to Hanoi airport, with a stop en-route for a light lunch at a local restaurant. Fly to Ho Chi Minh City for your included two-night stay and, once you arrive, you'll have the afternoon to enjoy your surroundings at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Recently renovated Cao Dai temple, Tan Chau

Day 6 Ho Chi Minh City

Drive away from Ho Chi Minh City, watching the city skyline fade into the distance as the road winds through rice paddies and villages. Spend a couple of hours exploring the Cu Chi Tunnels with a local guide. Hear how the residents constructed an intricate, underground network of tunnels during the French and American Wars. Once above ground, see the other ingenious items they used to defend themselves, such as bamboo traps and camouflaged pits.

Upon your return to Ho Chi Minh City, the afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure.

- A tour of the Cu Chi Tunnels
- Saigon Street Food walking tour
- One Night In Saigon

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 7 Ho Chi Minh City – Embarkation

After checkout, enjoy a tour of the city, visiting the Notre Dame Cathedral, Opera House and Town Hall. Then, visit the Reunification Palace before transferring to the port, where you will board your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, Emerald Harmony. You'll be welcomed on board by your captain and crew before setting sail towards My Tho in the Mekong Delta. This evening, enjoy your first dinner on board with your fellow guests. Your cruise director will conduct a port talk to review the activities and itinerary for the days ahead.

- Orientation tour of Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 8 Ben Tre – Sa Dec

This morning you will be taken to the village of Đat Dua, where you will learn how coconut candy and other local sweets are made, before attending a fruit workshop. Then, travel to the Tan Long Pagoda before returning to Emerald Harmony to sail onwards to Sa Dec, a hidden gem on the Mekong Delta.

- Visit to a workshop in Đat Dua and a visit to Tan Long Pagoda

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 9 Sa Dec – My An Hung

Visit Sa Dec on a walking tour, with stops at the Chinese Congregational House in Kien An Cung, the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le, who inspired Marguerite Duras' novel *L'Amant*, and enjoy a walk through the Central Market to peruse its varied produce. Return to Emerald Harmony by sampan and sail to My An Hung Island. Recognised as a cultural and historical destination, this small village in rural Vietnam specialises in red-hot chilli and peppers. Enjoy some local folk singing during your visit.

EmeraldPLUS

Visit My An Hung village

Recognised as a cultural and historical destination, this small village in rural Vietnam produces a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, specialising in red-hot chilli and peppers.

- Visit to the Chinese Congregational House and the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 10 An Long – Long Khanh Island

The morning is yours to enjoy your free time on board or, if you prefer, partake in a DiscoverMORE optional excursion to the Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary. In the afternoon, embark on a journey to Long Khanh Island, visit a local family to learn about scarf weaving and visit the Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda. Return to Emerald Harmony where, later this evening, you'll be delighted by a traditional Lion Dance performance on board.

- Lion Dance performance on board
- A visit to a local scarf weaving workshop and Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda on Long Khanh Island
- A visit to Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary in Tram Chim National Park

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 11 Tan Chau – Vietnam /Cambodia Border Crossing

In Tan Chau, as part of our EmeraldPLUS programme, visit the recently renovated Cao Dai temple. The religion of Cao Dai is a syncretic, monotheistic religion established in southern Vietnam in the city of Tây Ninh in 1926. Here, you will learn more about the mix of ideas that form the basis of this fascinating religion. After a Xe Loi ride, embark on one of our sampans to Evergreen Island for a walk through a local village to get a glimpse into the lives of the local farming community. Back on board your luxury Star-Ship, cruise to the border between Vietnam and Cambodia. Tonight, celebrate crossing the border with a Cambodian-style family dinner.

- A walking tour through the recently renovated Cao Dai temple.
- A visit to Evergreen Island

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Traditional Apsara greeting, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Angkor Thom, Siem Reap, Cambodia

Day 12 Phnom Penh

Wake up in Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. The city, known as the 'Pearl of Asia', was almost entirely evacuated by the Khmer Rouge in 1975. This morning, you will learn more about the Khmer Rouge and the darkest days of the country's history. A short drive will take you to the Killing Fields at Choeung Ek. Here you will have the opportunity to walk through the fields, visit the small museum and learn about this sad historic chapter. Afterwards visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum (also known as S-21). This is a former school that was converted to the main prison and torture headquarters of the Khmer Rouge. The afternoon is yours to continue exploring or to simply relax on board your Star-Ship. In the evening, you will have a chance to experience Phnom Penh by Remork (Tuk-Tuk).

EmeraldPLUS

Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour

Experience the city lights of Phnom Penh by night during a remork (Tuk-Tuk) drive through this buzzing, vibrant city.

- A visit to the Killing Fields & Toul Sleng Genocide Museum
- A silk farm tour at Koh Oknha Tei
- High Tea at Raffles
- Craft beer adventure by remork
- Visit to Koh Chen silversmith village

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 13 Phnom Penh – Oudong – Prek K'dam

Located north of Phnom Penh, Oudong was the former royal capital of Cambodia up until it moved to Phnom Penh in 1866. Important remnants on the temple site include the burial sites of Khmer kings as well as religious artefacts dating back more than a hundred years. In the main temple of the Oudong Monastery, receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks as part of your EmeraldPLUS excursion. In the afternoon, you will visit the majestic Royal Palace with its gardens, and the Central Market located in the heart of the city. This evening, enjoy a cultural performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation.

EmeraldPLUS

A traditional Buddhist Monk blessing

Once the royal residence and Cambodia's capital, the ancient town of Oudong is home to the magisterial Oudong Monastery. Here, you'll receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks.

- Cultural Performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation
- Visit to Oudong Monastery
- A visit to the Royal Palace and Central Market

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 14 Prek'kdam Disembarkation – Siem Reap

Bid farewell to your Emerald Harmony Star-Ship in the morning and continue by road to Siem Reap for your included three-night hotel stay. This evening, witness the Cambodian Circus, Phare, a spectacle of acrobatics, theatre, dance and music.

EmeraldPLUS

Phare Cambodian Circus performance.

This evening, witness the Cambodian Circus, Phare, a spectacle of acrobatics, theatre, dance and music.

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 15 Siem Reap

Today, start with a visit to Angkor Thom, then visit the sacred Temple of Ta Prohm, still overgrown by jungle trees, it has been the backdrop for many Hollywood movies.

- A visit to Angkor Thom
- A visit to Ta Prohm Temple
- A Vespa tour of Siem Reap
- Evening - Champagne Sunset Gondola Boat at Angkor
- Evening - Dinner in the Rice Field
- Evening - Evening Cambodian Street Food Discovery Tour

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 16 Siem Reap

Rise early and witness the sunrise over Angkor Wat. Afterwards, walk through this UNESCO World Heritage-listed site, known for its elaborate decorations and intricate carvings throughout. This afternoon is free for you to explore more, to go shopping or to relax at your hotel. And, in the evening, you'll enjoy your farewell dinner accompanied by an Apsara dance performance.

- A sunrise visit to Angkor Wat
- A visit to Banteay Srei
- A visit to Tonlé Sap
- A culinary tour of Cambodia

Meals: Breakfast and dinner.

Day 17 Depart Siem Reap

After breakfast this morning, you will be transferred to the airport to catch your onward or homebound flight.

Meals: Breakfast

This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons such as high and low water. As such, the cruise may operate altered from that stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions on pages 64-67.

2023 & 2024 DEPARTURE DATES, PRICES AND OFFERS

17-Day Treasures & Temples of Vietnam & Cambodia Journey Code: EWHA

	Riviera Deck			Vista Deck			Horizon Deck			Pool Deck								
	D Emerald Stateroom			B Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			A Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			AP Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			S Grand Balcony Suite			SA Owner's One-Bedroom Suite		
2023 Departures	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from
JAN 28*	$7,595	$7,095	–	$8,390	$7,890	–	$8,590	$8,090	–	$8,890	$8,390	–	$9,390	$8,890	–	$10,290	$9,790	–
FEB 05, 25*	$7,595	$7,095	–	$8,390	$7,890	–	$8,590	$8,090	–	$8,890	$8,390	–	$9,390	$8,890	–	$10,290	$9,790	–
MAR 05	$7,595	$7,095	–	$8,390	$7,890	–	$8,590	$8,090	–	$8,890	$8,390	–	$9,390	$8,890	–	$10,290	$9,790	–
MAR 25*	$7,305	$6,805	–	$8,100	$7,600	–	$8,300	$7,800	–	$8,600	$8,100	–	$9,100	$8,600	–	$10,000	$9,500	–
APR 02	$7,305	$6,805	–	$8,100	$7,600	–	$8,300	$7,800	–	$8,600	$8,100	–	$9,100	$8,600	–	$10,000	$9,500	–
APR 22*, 30	$6,855	$6,355	–	$7,650	$7,150	–	$7,850	$7,350	–	$8,150	$7,650	–	$8,650	$8,150	–	$9,550	$9,050	–
AUG 12*	$7,235	$5,735	–	$8,030	$6,530	$6,130	$8,230	$6,730	$6,330	$8,530	$7,030	$6,630	$9,030	$7,530	$7,130	$9,930	$8,430	$8,030
AUG 20	$7,675	$6,175	–	$8,470	$6,970	$6,570	$8,670	$7,170	$6,770	$8,970	$7,470	$7,070	$9,470	$7,970	$7,570	$10,370	$8,870	$8,470
SEP 09*, 17	$8,195	$6,695	–	$8,990	$7,490	$7,090	$9,190	$7,690	$7,290	$9,490	$7,990	$7,590	$9,990	$8,490	$8,090	$10,890	$9,390	$8,990
OCT 07*, 15	$8,445	$6,945	–	$9,240	$7,740	$7,340	$9,440	$7,940	$7,540	$9,740	$8,240	$7,840	$10,240	$8,740	$8,340	$11,140	$9,640	$9,240
NOV 04*, 12	$8,685	$7,185	–	$9,480	$7,980	$7,580	$9,680	$8,180	$7,780	$9,980	$8,480	$8,080	$10,480	$8,980	$8,580	$11,380	$9,880	$9,480
DEC 02*	$8,275	$6,775	–	$9,070	$7,570	$7,170	$9,270	$7,770	$7,370	$9,570	$8,070	$7,670	$10,070	$8,570	$8,170	$10,970	$9,470	$9,070
DEC 10	$7,905	$6,405	–	$8,700	$7,200	$6,800	$8,900	$7,400	$7,000	$9,200	$7,700	$7,300	$9,700	$8,200	$7,800	$10,600	$9,100	$8,700
2024 Departures																		
JAN 13*, 21	$8,275	$6,775	–	$9,070	$7,570	$7,170	$9,270	$7,770	$7,370	$9,570	$8,070	$7,670	$10,070	$8,570	$8,170	$10,970	$9,470	$9,070
FEB 04, 10*, 18, 24*	$8,685	$7,185	–	$9,480	$7,980	$7,580	$9,680	$8,180	$7,780	$9,980	$8,480	$8,080	$10,480	$8,980	$8,580	$11,380	$9,880	$9,480
MAR 03, 09*, 17	$8,685	$7,185	–	$9,480	$7,980	$7,580	$9,680	$8,180	$7,780	$9,980	$8,480	$8,080	$10,480	$8,980	$8,580	$11,380	$9,880	$9,480
APR 06*, 14	$8,275	$6,775	–	$9,070	$7,570	$7,170	$9,270	$7,770	$7,370	$9,570	$8,070	$7,670	$10,070	$8,570	$8,170	$10,970	$9,470	$9,070
MAY 04*, 12	$7,235	$5,735	–	$8,030	$6,530	$6,130	$8,230	$6,730	$6,330	$8,530	$7,030	$6,630	$9,030	$7,530	$7,130	$9,930	$8,430	$8,030
JUL 27*	$7,235	$5,735	–	$8,030	$6,530	$6,130	$8,230	$6,730	$6,330	$8,530	$7,030	$6,630	$9,030	$7,530	$7,130	$9,930	$8,430	$8,030
AUG 18, 24*	$7,670	$6,170	–	$8,465	$6,965	$6,565	$8,665	$7,165	$6,765	$8,965	$7,465	$7,065	$9,465	$7,965	$7,565	$10,365	$8,865	$8,465
SEP 15	$8,195	$6,695	–	$8,990	$7,490	$7,090	$9,190	$7,690	$7,290	$9,490	$7,990	$7,590	$9,990	$8,490	$8,090	$10,890	$9,390	$8,990
SEP 21*	$8,445	$6,945	–	$9,240	$7,740	$7,340	$9,440	$7,940	$7,540	$9,740	$8,240	$7,840	$10,240	$8,740	$8,340	$11,140	$9,640	$9,240
OCT 13, 19*	$8,445	$6,945	–	$9,240	$7,740	$7,340	$9,440	$7,940	$7,540	$9,740	$8,240	$7,840	$10,240	$8,740	$8,340	$11,140	$9,640	$9,240
NOV 02*, 10, 16*	$8,695	$7,195	–	$9,490	$7,990	$7,590	$9,690	$8,190	$7,790	$9,990	$8,490	$8,090	$10,490	$8,990	$8,590	$11,390	$9,890	$9,490
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DEC 08, 14*	$7,905	$6,405	–	$8,700	$7,200	$6,800	$8,900	$7,400	$7,000	$9,200	$7,700	$7,300	$9,700	$8,200	$7,800	$10,600	$9,100	$8,700

SPECIAL OFFERS - LIMITED AVAILABILITY

EARLYBIRD OFFER SAVE UP TO $1,500^ See pages 20-21 for details **PLUS** **SUPER EARLYBIRD OFFER** SAVE UP TO AN ADDITIONAL $400^ See pages 20-21 for details

*These departures operate in reverse itinerary from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh; land touring remains as brochured. **Terms and conditions:** All prices are per person, based on a twin share. ^Earlybird and Super Earlybird savings are limited in number, cabin category and departure date, once sold out the full fare shown above applies. The 10% Super Earlybird saving is applied to the cruise element only i.e. excludes flights, gratuities, port charges, hotel & land costs. To qualify for the Super Earlybird saving the booking and full balance must be made at least twelve months before departure. Discover**MORE** optional excursions are at an additional cost (see page 56-57).

To help you select your cabin, detailed cabin and deck plans can be found on pages 58-61.

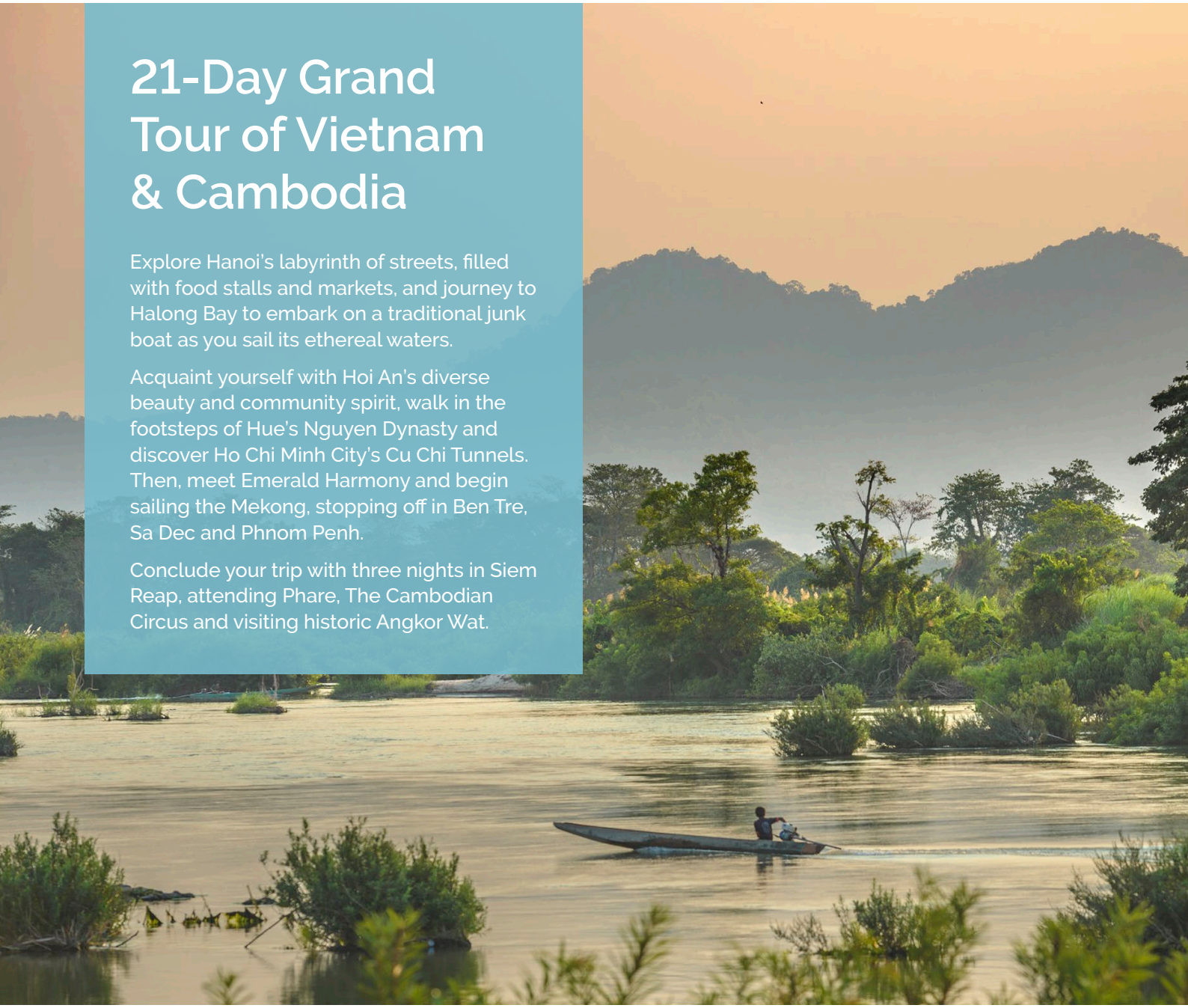
For more details of extending your stay visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/extend**

21-Day Grand Tour of Vietnam & Cambodia

Explore Hanoi's labyrinth of streets, filled with food stalls and markets, and journey to Halong Bay to embark on a traditional junk boat as you sail its ethereal waters.

Acquaint yourself with Hoi An's diverse beauty and community spirit, walk in the footsteps of Hue's Nguyen Dynasty and discover Ho Chi Minh City's Cu Chi Tunnels. Then, meet Emerald Harmony and begin sailing the Mekong, stopping off in Ben Tre, Sa Dec and Phnom Penh.

Conclude your trip with three nights in Siem Reap, attending Phare, The Cambodian Circus and visiting historic Angkor Wat.



Mekong River

Hanoi to **Siem Reap**

Departing: January 2023 - December 2024

Day 1	Hanoi
Day 2	Hanoi
Day 3	Hanoi – Halong Bay
Day 4	Halong Bay
Day 5	Halong Bay – Hanoi – Hoi An
Day 6	Hoi An
Day 7	Hoi An
Day 8	Hoi An – Hue
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Day 16	Phnom Penh
Day 17	Phnom Penh – Oudong – Prek K'Dam
Day 18	Prek'kdam Disembarkation – Siem Reap
Day 19	Siem Reap
Day 20	Siem Reap
Day 21	Siem Reap

Our suite of generous inclusions

- 7 nights on board the luxurious Emerald Harmony
- Deluxe hotels with all service charges, taxes and porterage included
- 47 meals: 20 breakfasts, 14 lunches and 13 dinners
- Complimentary international and local wine, beer & soft drinks to accompany lunch & dinner while on board Emerald Harmony
- Complimentary tea & coffee on board
- Complimentary water provided on board and during excursions
- A variety of on board evening entertainment
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on board
- First-class service from an English-speaking crew and knowledgeable local guides
- Earn Emerald**EXPLORER** loyalty points
- All port charges, airport taxes and transfers
- All gratuities included

Your Emerald**Discovery** highlights:

Emerald**PLUS**

Lunch at KOTO Restaurant

Visit to the Reaching Out Project

Cyclo ride through Dai Noi

Boat trip on the Perfume River to visit the iconic seven-story Thien Mu Pagoda

A traditional Vietnamese royal dinner at a local restaurant

Visit to My An Hung village

Lion Dance performance on board

Tour the recently renovated Cao Dai temple

Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour

Traditional Buddhist Monk Blessing

Phare Cambodian Circus performance

A cultural Performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation

Included Excursions

18 excursions, including visits to several UNESCO World Heritage-listed sites

Discover**MORE**

17 optional excursions, available at an additional cost – see pages 56-57

Temple of Literature, Hanoi, Vietnam

Imperial Palace and Royal Tombs, Vietnam

Day 1 Hanoi

Xin Chao and welcome to Hanoi! On arrival, you will be met by your Emerald Cruises representative and transferred to the Anatole Hotel, situated in downtown Hanoi, for your two-night stay. Relax at the hotel, explore the city or wander Hanoi's romantic West Lake. This evening, meet your tour director for your welcome briefing.

Meals: Dinner.

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Lunch at KOTO Restaurant

A full day city tour of Hanoi

A traditional water puppet show

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

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Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 4 Halong Bay

Today, continue sailing further into the region's more untouched areas towards Lan Ha Bay. From a smaller boat, enjoy swimming on quiet beaches and kayaking in Ho Ba Ham Lake. Then visit Cua Van fishing village by rowing boat. Return to your traditional junk boat after a full day of exploration. Tonight, try squid fishing.

A private boat tour to local beaches, and activities on Halong Bay

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 5 Halong Bay – Hanoi – Hoi An

Enjoy breakfast as the sun rises before beginning your cruise back through the magnificent rock formations, visiting Sung Sot Cave and arriving back at port. Bid farewell as you transfer to Hanoi airport, with a stop en-route for a light lunch at a local restaurant.

At the airport in Hanoi, board your flight to Danang (Hoi An). Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel for your included three-night stay at Hoi An Silk Marina Resort & Spa, where you can relax for the rest of the evening.

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 6 Hoi An

Start your day with an EmeraldPLUS visit to the Reaching Out Project. Reaching Out is an NGO (non-governmental organisation) established in 2000, which provides opportunities for people with disabilities to learn skills and gain meaningful employment. Visit the workshop and get a glimpse of how this NGO helps them to integrate fully with their communities and lead independent and fulfilling lives. In the afternoon, enjoy a half day tour of Hoi An and see the old merchant's houses, the Japanese Covered Bridge and the Assembly Hall of the Chinese Congregation, before trying some delicious street food for lunch.

EmeraldPLUS

Visit to the Reaching Out Project

Established in 2000 to provide learning and development opportunities, helping people gain meaningful employment. We visit their workshop and gain an insight into how this project helps the local community.

A walking tour of Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Reunification Palace, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Day 7 Hoi An

Enjoy a day of leisure to explore Hoi An and its surroundings. Perhaps take the time to explore the Old Town, or take a cyclo to An Bang Beach. The choice is yours.

- A Vietnamese cooking class
- A visit to My Son
- Hoi An Rural Life

Meals: Breakfast.

Day 8 Hoi An – Hue

Leave Hoi An for Hue, the former imperial capital of Vietnam. You will drive through Danang before crossing the Pass of Ocean Clouds and dropping down to the wonderfully photogenic fishing village of Lang Co. Staying for one night at the Indochine Palace, you will visit the Imperial Citadel where the Nguyen Dynasty ruled between 1802 and 1945. As part of our Emerald**PLUS** programme, you'll take a cyclo (bicycle style rickshaw) from Dai Noi 'Old City' to Tinh Tam Lake. Later, join a boat trip to visit Thien Mu Pagoda, before a royal dinner experience with traditional costumes.

Emerald*PLUS*

Cyclo ride through Dai Noi, Hue

Today's programme takes you on a cyclo ride (bicycle-style rickshaw) from Dai Noi "Old City" to the peaceful Tinh Tam Lake, where the emperors used to go to relax.

- A boat tour on the Perfume River to Thien Mu Pagoda
- A traditional Vietnamese royal dinner at a local restaurant.
- A visit to the Imperial Citadel

Meals: Breakfast and dinner.

Day 9 Hue – Ho Chi Minh City

Today, transfer to Hue airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly known as Saigon, for your two-night stay at the Grand Hotel. You will have the afternoon to explore the city before enjoying dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner.

Day 10 Ho Chi Minh City

Drive away from Ho Chi Minh City, watching the city skyline fade into the distance as the road winds through rice paddies, villages and other scenes typical to southern Vietnam. Spend a couple of hours exploring the Cu Chi Tunnels with a local guide. Upon your return to Ho Chi Minh City, the afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure.

- The Chu Chi Tunnels
- Saigon Street Food walking tour
- One Night In Saigon

Meals: Breakfast.

Day 11 Ho Chi Minh City – Embarkation

After checkout, enjoy a tour of the city, visiting the Notre Dame Cathedral, Opera House and Town Hall. Then, visit the Reunification Palace before transferring to the port, where you will board your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, Emerald Harmony. You'll be welcomed on board by your captain and crew before setting sail towards My Tho in the Mekong Delta. This evening, enjoy your first dinner on board with your fellow travellers. Your Cruise Director will conduct a port talk to review the activities and itinerary for the days ahead.

Included Excursion

An orientation tour of Ho Chi Minh City

Tour the bustling Ho Chi Minh City, a vast urban collage of old and new Vietnam. In this kaleidoscopic city, incense-infused temples, French colonial architecture and 21st-century skyscrapers stand side by side.

- An orientation tour of Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 12 Ben Tre – Sa Dec

This morning you will be taken to the village of Đat Dua, where you will learn how coconut candy and other local sweets are made, before attending a fruit workshop. Then, travel to the Tan Long Pagoda before returning to Emerald Harmony to sail onwards to Sa Dec, a hidden gem on the Mekong Delta.

- A visit to a workshop in Đat Dua and a visit to Tan Long Pagoda

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Royal Palace, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

The Cambodian Circus, Phare, Siem Reap, Cambodia

Day 13 Sa Dec – My An Hung

Visit Sa Dec on a walking tour, with stops at the Chinese Congregational House in Kien An Cung, the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le, who inspired Marguerite Duras' novel *L'Amant*, and enjoy a walk through the Central Market to peruse its varied produce. Return to Emerald Harmony by sampan and sail to My An Hung Island. Recognised as a cultural and historical destination, this small village in rural Vietnam specialises in red-hot chilli peppers. Enjoy some local folk singing during your visit.

- Visit to My An Hung village
- Visit to the Chinese Congregational House and the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 14 An Long - Long Khanh Island

The morning is yours to enjoy your free time on board or, if you prefer, partake in a DiscoverMORE optional excursion to the Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary. In the afternoon, embark on a journey to Long Khanh Island, visit a local family to learn about scarf weaving and visit the Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda. Return to Emerald Harmony where, later this evening, you'll be delighted by a traditional Lion Dance performance on board.

EmeraldPLUS

A Lion Dance performance on board

Symbolising the removal of negative energies, this colourful dance mimics the movements of a lion or dragon. In this traditional performance, you'll enjoy a vibrant display, bringing good luck and fortune on board.

- A visit to a local scarf weaving workshop and Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda on Long Khanh Island
- A visit to Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary in Tram Chim National Park

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 15 Tan Chau - Vietnam/ Cambodia Border Crossing

In Tan Chau, as part of our EmeraldPLUS, programme, visit the recently renovated Cao Dai temple. The religion of Cao Dai is a syncretic, monotheistic religion established in southern Vietnam in the city of Tây Ninh in 1926. Here, you will learn more about the mix of ideas that form the basis of this fascinating religion. After a Xe Loi ride, embark on one of our sampans to Evergreen Island for a walk through a local village to get a glimpse into the lives of the local farming community. Back on board your luxury Star-Ship, cruise to the border between Vietnam and Cambodia. Tonight, celebrate crossing the border with a Cambodian-style family dinner.

- A walking tour through the recently renovated Cao Dai temple
- A visit to Evergreen Island

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 16 Phnom Penh

Wake up in Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. The city, known as the 'Pearl of Asia', was almost entirely evacuated by the Khmer Rouge in 1975. This morning, you will learn more about the Khmer Rouge and the darkest days of the country's history. A short drive will take you to the Killing Fields at Choeung Ek. Here you will have the opportunity to walk through the fields, visit the small museum and learn about this sad historic chapter. Afterwards visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum (also known as S-21). This is a former school that was converted to the main prison and torture headquarters of the Khmer Rouge. The afternoon is yours to continue exploring or to simply relax on board your Star-Ship. In the evening, you will have a chance to experience an evening remork (or Tuk-Tuk) ride through Phnom Penh to enjoy the city lights.

Included Excursion

A visit to the Killing Fields & Toul Sleng Genocide Museum

Experience the sombre atmosphere of Phnom Penh's Killing Fields, a jarring reminder of one of modern history's darkest times, now a serene complex of manicured lawns from which to learn and pay your respects.

- Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour
- A silk farm tour at Koh Oknha Tei
- High Tea at Raffles
- Craft Beer Adventure by remork
- Visit to Koh Chen Silversmith village

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Basket boat, Hoi An, Vietnam

Day 17 Phnom Penh - Oudong – Prek K'dam

Located north of Phnom Penh, Oudong was the former royal capital of Cambodia up until it moved to Phnom Penh in 1866. Important remnants on the temple site include the burial sites of Khmer kings as well as religious artefacts dating back more than a hundred years. In the main temple of the Oudong Monastery, receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks as part of your EmeraldPLUS excursion. In the afternoon, you will visit the majestic Royal Palace with its gardens, and the Central Market located in the heart of the city. This evening, enjoy a cultural performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation.

Included Excursion

A visit to Oudong Monastery

Once the royal residence and Cambodia's capital, the ancient town of Oudong is home to the magisterial Oudong Monastery. Here, you'll receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks.

- A traditional Buddhist Monk blessing
- Cultural Performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation
- A visit to the Royal Palace and Central Market

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 18 Prek'kdam Disembarkation – Siem Reap

Disembark Emerald Harmony in the morning and continue by road to Siem Reap for your included three-night stay. Staying at the beautiful Shinta Mani, here, a collection of luxury boutique properties of world-class design, take great care in honouring the environment and paying homage to the traditional, local aesthetics. This evening, attend Phare, The Cambodian Circus, where a combination of acrobatics, music and dance tell a uniquely Cambodian story.

EmeraldPLUS

Phare Cambodian Circus performance.

This evening, witness the Cambodian Circus, Phare, a spectacle of acrobatics, theatre, dance and music.

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 19 Siem Reap

Today, start with a visit to Angkor Thom, not a single temple such as the historic sites it neighbours, but rather one of the most remarkable royal cities of the Angkor Period and an architectural wonder. As the last capital of the Khmer Empire, it was a fortified city, home to priests, officials of the palace, military and buildings for administering the kingdom. Afterwards, visit the sacred Temple of Ta Prohm. In an incredible standoff between human creation and nature, the jungle's root systems have reclaimed this spiritual location now enshrouded in wild vegetation. The backdrop to many Hollywood scenes, the incredible Ta Prohm is both a cinematic and contemplative location.

- Visit to Angkor Thom
- Visit to Ta Prohm Temple
- Vespa tour of Siem Reap
- Evening - Champagne Sunset Gondola Boat at Angkor
- Evening - Dinner in the Rice Field
- Evening - Cambodian Street Food Discovery Tour

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 20 Siem Reap

Rise early and witness the sunrise over Angkor Wat. Afterwards walk through this UNESCO World Heritage-listed site known for its elaborate decorations and intricate carvings throughout. Later this evening, enjoy your farewell dinner accompanied by an Apsara dance performance.

Included Excursion

Sunrise visit to Angkor Wat

Explore the wonders of the Ancient UNESCO World Heritage-listed Angkor Wat at the most peaceful time of day. Walk through the incredible temple complex as the morning sun soaks the elaborate stone carvings.

- A visit to Banteay Srei
- A visit to Tonlé Sap
- A culinary tour of Cambodia

Meals: Breakfast and dinner

Day 21 Depart Siem Reap

After breakfast this morning, you will be transferred to the airport to catch your onward or homebound flight.

Meals: Breakfast.

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Ta Prohm, Siem Reap, Cambodia

2023 & 2024 DEPARTURE DATES, PRICES AND OFFERS

21-Day Grand Tour of Vietnam Journey Code: EWHH	Riviera Deck			Vista Deck			Horizon Deck			Pool Deck								
	D Emerald Stateroom			B Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			A Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			AP Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			S Grand Balcony Suite			SA Owner's One-Bedroom Suite		
2023 Departures	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from
JAN 18*	$7,995	$7,495	–	$8,790	$8,290	–	$8,990	$8,490	–	$9,290	$8,790	–	$9,790	$9,290	–	$10,690	$10,190	–
FEB 15*	$8,285	$7,785	–	$9,080	$8,580	–	$9,280	$8,780	–	$9,580	$9,080	–	$10,080	$9,580	–	$10,980	$10,480	–
MAR 15*	$8,285	$7,785	–	$9,080	$8,580	–	$9,280	$8,780	–	$9,580	$9,080	–	$10,080	$9,580	–	$10,980	$10,480	–
APR 12*, 12	$7,995	$7,495	–	$8,790	$8,290	–	$8,990	$8,490	–	$9,290	$8,790	–	$9,790	$9,290	–	$10,690	$10,190	–
MAY 10*	$7,285	$6,785	–	$8,080	$7,580	–	$8,280	$7,780	–	$8,580	$8,080	–	$9,080	$8,580	–	$9,980	$9,480	–
AUG 02*, 02	$7,995	$6,245	–	$8,790	$7,040	$6,640	$8,990	$7,240	$6,840	$9,290	$7,540	$7,140	$9,790	$8,040	$7,640	$10,690	$8,940	$8,540
AUG 30*	$8,435	$6,685	–	$9,230	$7,480	$7,080	$9,430	$7,680	$7,280	$9,730	$7,980	$7,580	$10,230	$8,480	$8,080	$11,130	$9,380	$8,980
AUG 30	$8,955	$7,205	–	$9,750	$8,000	$7,600	$9,950	$8,200	$7,800	$10,250	$8,500	$8,100	$10,750	$9,000	$8,600	$11,650	$9,900	$9,500
SEP 27*, 27	$9,205	$7,455	–	$10,000	$8,250	$7,850	$10,200	$8,450	$8,050	$10,500	$8,750	$8,350	$11,000	$9,250	$8,850	$11,900	$10,150	$9,750
OCT 25*	$9,205	$7,455	–	$10,000	$8,250	$7,850	$10,200	$8,450	$8,050	$10,500	$8,750	$8,350	$11,000	$9,250	$8,850	$11,900	$10,150	$9,750
OCT 25	$9,445	$7,695	–	$10,240	$8,490	$8,090	$10,440	$8,690	$8,290	$10,740	$8,990	$8,590	$11,240	$9,490	$9,090	$12,140	$10,390	$9,990
NOV 22*	$9,445	$7,695	–	$10,240	$8,490	$8,090	$10,440	$8,690	$8,290	$10,740	$8,990	$8,590	$11,240	$9,490	$9,090	$12,140	$10,390	$9,990
NOV 22	$9,035	$7,285	–	$9,830	$8,080	$7,680	$10,030	$8,280	$7,880	$10,330	$8,580	$8,180	$10,830	$9,080	$8,680	$11,730	$9,980	$9,580
DEC 20*, 20	$8,665	$6,915	–	$9,460	$7,710	$7,310	$9,660	$7,910	$7,510	$9,960	$8,210	$7,810	$10,460	$8,710	$8,310	$11,360	$9,610	$9,210
2024 Departures																		
JAN 03*, 03	$9,035	$7,285	–	$9,830	$8,080	$7,680	$10,030	$8,280	$7,880	$10,330	$8,580	$8,180	$10,830	$9,080	$8,680	$11,730	$9,980	$9,580
JAN 31*, 31	$9,445	$7,695	–	$10,240	$8,490	$8,090	$10,440	$8,690	$8,290	$10,740	$8,990	$8,590	$11,240	$9,490	$9,090	$12,140	$10,390	$9,990
FEB 14*, 14, 28*, 28	$9,445	$7,695	–	$10,240	$8,490	$8,090	$10,440	$8,690	$8,290	$10,740	$8,990	$8,590	$11,240	$9,490	$9,090	$12,140	$10,390	$9,990
MAR 13*, 13	$9,445	$7,695	–	$10,240	$8,490	$8,090	$10,440	$8,690	$8,290	$10,740	$8,990	$8,590	$11,240	$9,490	$9,090	$12,140	$10,390	$9,990
MAR 27*, 27	$9,035	$7,285	–	$9,830	$8,080	$7,680	$10,030	$8,280	$7,880	$10,330	$8,580	$8,180	$10,830	$9,080	$8,680	$11,730	$9,980	$9,580
APR 24*, 24	$8,375	$6,625	–	$9,170	$7,420	$7,020	$9,370	$7,620	$7,220	$9,670	$7,920	$7,520	$10,170	$8,420	$8,020	$11,070	$9,320	$8,920
JUL 31	$7,995	$6,245	–	$8,790	$7,040	$6,640	$8,990	$7,240	$6,840	$9,290	$7,540	$7,140	$9,790	$8,040	$7,640	$10,690	$8,940	$8,540
AUG 14*	$7,995	$6,245	–	$8,790	$7,040	$6,640	$8,990	$7,240	$6,840	$9,290	$7,540	$7,140	$9,790	$8,040	$7,640	$10,690	$8,940	$8,540
AUG 28	$8,955	$7,205	–	$9,750	$8,000	$7,600	$9,950	$8,200	$7,800	$10,250	$8,500	$8,100	$10,750	$9,000	$8,600	$11,650	$9,900	$9,500
SEP 11*	$8,955	$7,205	–	$9,750	$8,000	$7,600	$9,950	$8,200	$7,800	$10,250	$8,500	$8,100	$10,750	$9,000	$8,600	$11,650	$9,900	$9,500
SEP 25	$9,205	$7,455	–	$10,000	$8,250	$7,850	$10,200	$8,450	$8,050	$10,500	$8,750	$8,350	$11,000	$9,250	$8,850	$11,900	$10,150	$9,750
OCT 09*, 23*	$9,205	$7,455	–	$10,000	$8,250	$7,850	$10,200	$8,450	$8,050	$10,500	$8,750	$8,350	$11,000	$9,250	$8,850	$11,900	$10,150	$9,750
OCT 23	$9,455	$7,705	–	$10,250	$8,500	$8,100	$10,450	$8,700	$8,300	$10,750	$9,000	$8,600	$11,250	$9,500	$9,100	$12,150	$10,400	$10,000
NOV 06*, 06	$9,455	$7,705	–	$10,250	$8,500	$8,100	$10,450	$8,700	$8,300	$10,750	$9,000	$8,600	$11,250	$9,500	$9,100	$12,150	$10,400	$10,000
NOV 20	$9,030	$7,280	–	$9,825	$8,075	$7,675	$10,025	$8,275	$7,875	$10,325	$8,575	$8,175	$10,825	$9,075	$8,675	$11,725	$9,975	$9,575
DEC 04*	$9,030	$7,280	–	$9,825	$8,075	$7,675	$10,025	$8,275	$7,875	$10,325	$8,575	$8,175	$10,825	$9,075	$8,675	$11,725	$9,975	$9,575
DEC 18	$8,665	$6,915	–	$9,460	$7,710	$7,310	$9,660	$7,910	$7,510	$9,960	$8,210	$7,810	$10,460	$8,710	$8,310	$11,360	$9,610	$9,210

SPECIAL OFFERS - LIMITED AVAILABILITY

EARLYBIRD OFFER SAVE UP TO $1,750^ See pages 20-21 for details

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SUPER EARLYBIRD OFFER SAVE UP TO AN ADDITIONAL $400^ See pages 20-21 for details

*These departures operate in reverse itinerary from Siem Reap to Hanoi.

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To help you select your cabin, detailed cabin and deck plans can be found on pages 58-61.

For more details of extending your stay visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/extend**

Halong Bay

8-Day Majestic Mekong

From Vietnam's largest city, you'll embark on your eight-day river cruise along the intoxicating Mekong River.

Stop off in small communities along the Mekong Delta, attending craft workshops and perusing ancient pagodas. Visit spectacular premises, some known to have inspired famous novels, learn the tricks of the trade at a local scarf weaving factory and peruse a Cao Dai temple.

Embark on a sobering exploration of the Killing Fields in Phnom Penh, before hitting the city's streets in a Tuk-Tuk, and receive a Buddhist blessing by a monk in the Oudong Temple. All intertwined with awe-inspiring cultural performances, like that of a vibrant open-air Lion Dance on the Sun Deck.

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Ho Chi Minh City to **Phnom Penh**

Departing: January 2023 - December 2024

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Day 8	Prek K'dam – Phnom Penh - Disembarkation

Traditional silk lanterns, Hoi An, Vietnam

Our suite of generous inclusions come as standard

- 7 nights on board the luxurious Emerald Harmony
- 21 meals: 7 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 7 dinners
- Complimentary international and local wine, beer & soft drinks to accompany lunch & dinner while on board Emerald Harmony
- Complimentary tea & coffee on board
- Complimentary water provided on board and during excursions
- A variety of on board evening entertainment
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on board
- First-class service from an English-speaking crew and knowledgeable local guides
- Earn Emerald**EXPLORER** loyalty points
- All port charges, airport taxes and transfers
- All gratuities included

Your Emerald**Discovery** highlights:

Emerald**PLUS**

Phare Cambodian Circus performance.

Traditional Buddhist Monk Blessing.

Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour.

Visit to the recently renovated Cao Dai temple.

Lion dance performance on board.

Visit to My An Hung village.

A cultural Performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation.

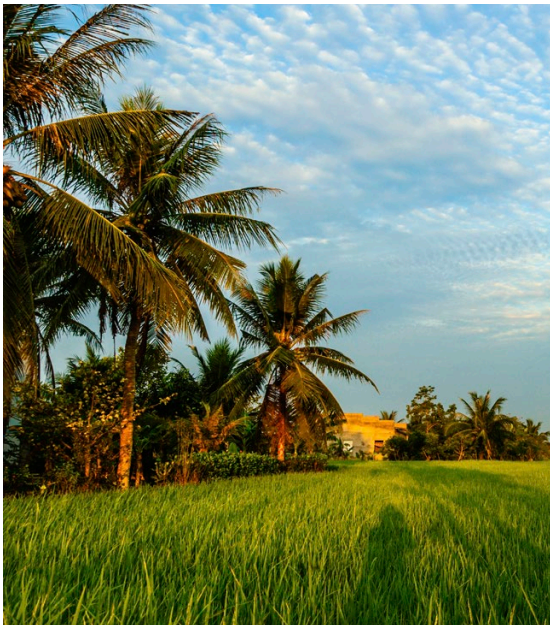
Included Excursions

11 excursions, including visits to several UNESCO World Heritage-listed sites.

Discover**MORE**

13 optional excursions, available at an additional cost – see pages 56-57

The Wat Ounalom Buddhist temple, Phnom Penh, Vietnam



Ben Tre, Vietnam

Day 1 Ho Chi Minh City Embark

Today, board your award-winning Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, Emerald Harmony, where you'll be welcomed by your captain and crew. After lunch on board, set sail to My Tho in the Mekong Delta, and this evening, enjoy your first dinner on board with your fellow guests. Your tour director will also conduct a port talk to review the activities and itinerary for the days ahead.

- Phare, The Cambodian Circus
- Visit to Angkor Thom
- Visit to Ta Prohm Temple
- A Vespa tour of Siem Reap

Meals: Lunch and dinner

Day 2 Ben Tre

This morning you will be taken to the village of Đat Dua, where you will learn how coconut candy and other local sweets are made, before attending a fruit workshop. Then, travel to the Tan Long Pagoda before returning to Emerald Harmony to sail onwards to Sa Dec, a hidden gem on the Mekong Delta.

- Visit to a workshop in Đat Dua and a visit to Tan Long Pagoda

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 3 Sa Dec - My An Hung

Visit Sa Dec on a walking tour, with stops at the Chinese Congregational House in Kien An Cung, the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le, who inspired Marguerite Duras' novel *L'Amant*, and enjoy a walk through the Central Market to peruse its varied produce. Return to Emerald Harmony by sampan and sail to My An Hung Island. Recognised as a cultural and historical destination, this small village in rural Vietnam specialises in red-hot chilli and peppers. Enjoy some local folk singing during your visit.

EmeraldPLUS

Visit My An Hung village

Recognised as a cultural and historical destination, this small village in rural Vietnam produces a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, specialising in red-hot chilli and peppers.

- A visit to the Chinese Congregational House and the home of Mr. Huynh Thuy Le

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 4 An Long - Long Khanh Island

The morning is yours to enjoy your free time on board or, if you prefer, partake in a DiscoverMORE optional excursion to the Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary. In the afternoon, embark on a journey to Long Khanh Island, visit a local family to learn about scarf weaving and visit the Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda. Return to Emerald Harmony where, later this evening, you'll be delighted by a traditional Lion Dance performance on board.

EmeraldPLUS

A Lion Dance performance on board

Symbolising the removal of negative energies, this colourful dance mimics the movements of a lion or dragon. In this traditional performance, you'll enjoy a vibrant display, bringing good luck and fortune on board.

- A visit to a local scarf weaving workshop and Hoa Hao Buddhist Pagoda on Long Khanh Island
- A visit to Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary in Tram China National Park

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Key: EmeraldPLUS Included Excursion DiscoverMORE

Tonlé Sap, Cambodia

Day 5 Tan Chau - Vietnam/ Cambodia Border Crossing

In Tan Chau, as part of EmeraldPLUS, visit the recently renovated Cao Dai temple. The religion of Cao Dai is a syncretic, monotheistic religion established in southern Vietnam in the city of Tây Ninh in 1926. Here, you will learn more about the mix of ideas that form the basis of this fascinating religion. After a Xe Loi ride, board one of our sampans to Evergreen Island for a walk through a local village to get a glimpse into the lives of the local farming community.

Back on board your luxury Star-Ship, cruise to the border between Vietnam and Cambodia.

Tonight, celebrate crossing the border with a Cambodian-style family dinner.

EmeraldPLUS

A walking tour through the recently renovated Cao Dai temple

The unique religion of Cao Dai brings together ideas from other world religions such as Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism and even Christianity.

A visit to Evergreen Island

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 6 Phnom Penh

Wake up in Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. The city, known as the 'Pearl of Asia', was almost entirely evacuated by the Khmer Rouge in 1975. This morning, you will learn more about the Khmer Rouge and the darkest days of the country's history. A short drive will take you to the Killing Fields at Choeung Ek. Here you will have the opportunity to walk through the fields, visit the small museum and learn about this sad historic chapter. Afterwards, visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum (also known as S-21). This is a former school that was converted to the main prison and torture headquarters of the Khmer Rouge regime. The afternoon is yours to continue exploring or to simply relax on board your Star-Ship. In the evening, you will have a chance to experience an evening remork (or Tuk-Tuk) ride through Phnom Penh to enjoy the city lights.

Phnom Penh by night on a remork (Tuk-Tuk) tour

A visit to the Killing Fields & Toul Sleng Genocide Museum

A silk farm tour at Koh Oknha Tei

High Tea at Raffles

Craft beer adventure by remork

Visit to Koh Chen silversmith village

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 7 Phnom Penh - Oudong – Prek K'dam

Located north of Phnom Penh, Oudong was the former royal capital of Cambodia until it moved to Phnom Penh in 1866. Important remnants on the temple sight include the burial sites of Khmer kings as well as religious artefacts dating back more than a hundred years. In the main temple of the Oudong Monastery, receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks as part of your EmeraldPLUS excursion. In the afternoon, you will visit the majestic Royal Palace with its gardens and the Central Market located in the heart of the city. This evening, enjoy a cultural performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation.

Included Excursion

A visit to Oudong Temples

At the Oudong Temples, receive a traditional Buddhist blessing from the temple's resident monks. Explore important remnants including the burial sites of Khmer Kings and religious artefacts dating back more than a hundred years. In one of the Oudong Temples there is a large Buddha statue which was damaged during skirmishes with the Khmer Rouge, who had the hill as one of their last strongholds.

A traditional Buddhist Monk blessing

A cultural Performance by the Cambodian Student and Children's Organisation

A visit to the Royal Palace and Central Market

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 8 Prek K'dam – Phnom Penh - Disembarkation

Disembark Emerald Harmony in the morning after breakfast and transfer to the airport for your journey home.

Meals: Breakfast

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2023 & 2024 DEPARTURE DATES, PRICES AND OFFERS

8-Day Majestic Mekong Journey Code: EWVC

	Riviera Deck			Vista Deck			Horizon Deck			Pool Deck								
	D Emerald Stateroom			B Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			A Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			AP Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite			S Grand Balcony Suite			SA Owner's One-Bedroom Suite		
2023 Departures	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from	Full Fare from	Earlybird Fare from	Super Earlybird Fare from
JAN 07*, 14, 21*, 28	$3,575	$3,075	–	$4,370	$3,870	–	$4,570	$4,070	–	$4,870	$4,370	–	$5,370	$4,870	–	$6,270	$5,770	–
FEB 04*, 11, 18*, 25	$3,865	$3,365	–	$4,660	$4,160	–	$4,860	$4,360	–	$5,160	$4,660	–	$5,660	$5,160	–	$6,560	$6,060	–
MAR 04*, 11, 18*, 25	$3,865	$3,365	–	$4,660	$4,160	–	$4,860	$4,360	–	$5,160	$4,660	–	$5,660	$5,160	–	$6,560	$6,060	–
APR 01*, 08, 15*, 22	$3,575	$3,075	–	$4,370	$3,870	–	$4,570	$4,070	–	$4,870	$4,370	–	$5,370	$4,870	–	$6,270	$5,770	–
APR 29*	$3,125	$2,625	–	$3,920	$3,420	–	$4,120	$3,620	–	$4,420	$3,920	–	$4,920	$4,420	–	$5,820	$5,320	–
MAY 06	$3,125	$2,625	–	$3,920	$3,420	–	$4,120	$3,620	–	$4,420	$3,920	–	$4,920	$4,420	–	$5,820	$5,320	–
MAY 13*, 20	$2,865	$2,365	–	$3,660	$3,160	–	$3,860	$3,360	–	$4,160	$3,660	–	$4,660	$4,160	–	$5,560	$5,060	–
AUG 05*, 12, 19*	$3,980	$3,480	–	$4,775	$4,275	$3,875	$4,975	$4,475	$4,075	$5,275	$4,775	$4,375	$5,775	$5,275	$4,875	$6,675	$6,175	$5,775
AUG 26	$4,420	$3,920	–	$5,215	$4,715	$4,315	$5,415	$4,915	$4,515	$5,715	$5,215	$4,815	$6,215	$5,715	$5,315	$7,115	$6,615	$6,215
SEP 02*	$4,420	$3,920	–	$5,215	$4,715	$4,315	$5,415	$4,915	$4,515	$5,715	$5,215	$4,815	$6,215	$5,715	$5,315	$7,115	$6,615	$6,215
SEP 09, 16*, 23	$4,940	$4,440	–	$5,735	$5,235	$4,835	$5,935	$5,435	$5,035	$6,235	$5,735	$5,335	$6,735	$6,235	$5,835	$7,635	$7,135	$6,735
SEP 30*	$5,190	$4,690	–	$5,985	$5,485	$5,085	$6,185	$5,685	$5,285	$6,485	$5,985	$5,585	$6,985	$6,485	$6,085	$7,885	$7,385	$6,985
OCT 07, 14*, 21, 28*	$5,190	$4,690	–	$5,985	$5,485	$5,085	$6,185	$5,685	$5,285	$6,485	$5,985	$5,585	$6,985	$6,485	$6,085	$7,885	$7,385	$6,985
NOV 04, 11*, 18, 25*	$5,430	$4,930	–	$6,225	$5,725	$5,325	$6,425	$5,925	$5,525	$6,725	$6,225	$5,825	$7,225	$6,725	$6,325	$8,125	$7,625	$7,225
DEC 02, 09*	$5,020	$4,520	–	$5,815	$5,315	$4,915	$6,015	$5,515	$5,115	$6,315	$5,815	$5,415	$6,815	$6,315	$5,915	$7,715	$7,215	$6,815
DEC 16, 23*, 30	$4,650	$4,150	–	$5,445	$4,945	$4,545	$5,645	$5,145	$4,745	$5,945	$5,445	$5,045	$6,445	$5,945	$5,545	$7,345	$6,845	$6,445
2024 Departures																		
JAN 06*, 13, 20*, 27	$5,020	$4,520	–	$5,815	$5,315	$4,915	$6,015	$5,515	$5,115	$6,315	$5,815	$5,415	$6,815	$6,315	$5,915	$7,715	$7,215	$6,815
FEB 03*, 10, 17*, 24	$5,430	$4,930	–	$6,225	$5,725	$5,325	$6,425	$5,925	$5,525	$6,725	$6,225	$5,825	$7,225	$6,725	$6,325	$8,125	$7,625	$7,225
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APR 06, 13*, 20	$5,020	$4,520	–	$5,815	$5,315	$4,915	$6,015	$5,515	$5,115	$6,315	$5,815	$5,415	$6,815	$6,315	$5,915	$7,715	$7,215	$6,815
APR 27*	$4,360	$3,860	–	$5,155	$4,655	$4,255	$5,355	$4,855	$4,455	$5,655	$5,155	$4,755	$6,155	$5,655	$5,255	$7,055	$6,555	$6,155
MAY 4	$4,360	$3,860	–	$5,155	$4,655	$4,255	$5,355	$4,855	$4,455	$5,655	$5,155	$4,755	$6,155	$5,655	$5,255	$7,055	$6,555	$6,155
MAY 11*, 18	$3,980	$3,480	–	$4,775	$4,275	$3,875	$4,975	$4,475	$4,075	$5,275	$4,775	$4,375	$5,775	$5,275	$4,875	$6,675	$6,175	$5,775
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AUG 24, 31*	$4,415	$3,915	–	$5,210	$4,710	$4,310	$5,410	$4,910	$4,510	$5,710	$5,210	$4,810	$6,210	$5,710	$5,310	$7,110	$6,610	$6,210
SEP 07, 14*, 21	$4,940	$4,440	–	$5,735	$5,235	$4,835	$5,935	$5,435	$5,035	$6,235	$5,735	$5,335	$6,735	$6,235	$5,835	$7,635	$7,135	$6,735
SEP 28*	$5,190	$4,690	–	$5,985	$5,485	$5,085	$6,185	$5,685	$5,285	$6,485	$5,985	$5,585	$6,985	$6,485	$6,085	$7,885	$7,385	$6,985
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SPECIAL OFFERS - LIMITED AVAILABILITY

EARLYBIRD OFFER SAVE UP TO $500^ See pages 20-21 for details

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*These departures operate in reverse itinerary from Phnom Penh to Ho Chi Minh City.

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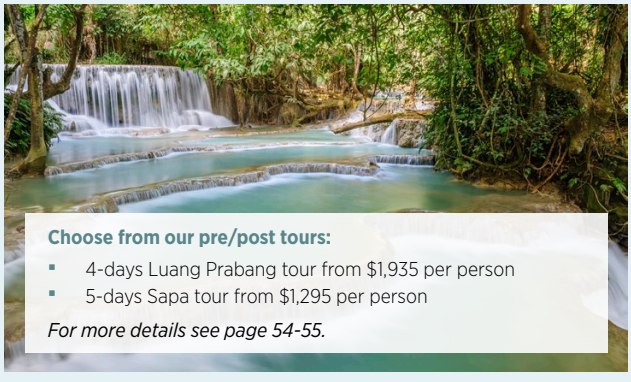

Choose from our pre/post tours:

- 4-days Luang Prabang tour from $1,935 per person
- 5-days Sapa tour from $1,295 per person

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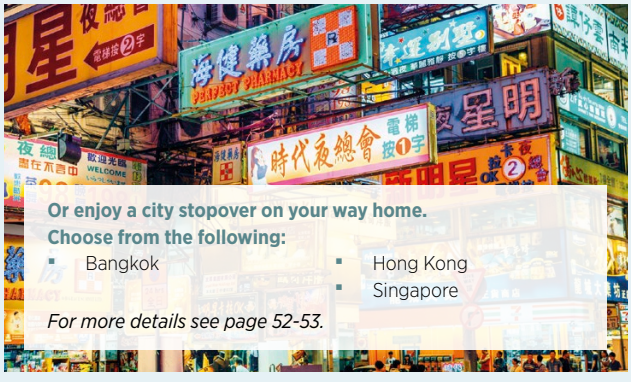

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Choose from the following:

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- Singapore

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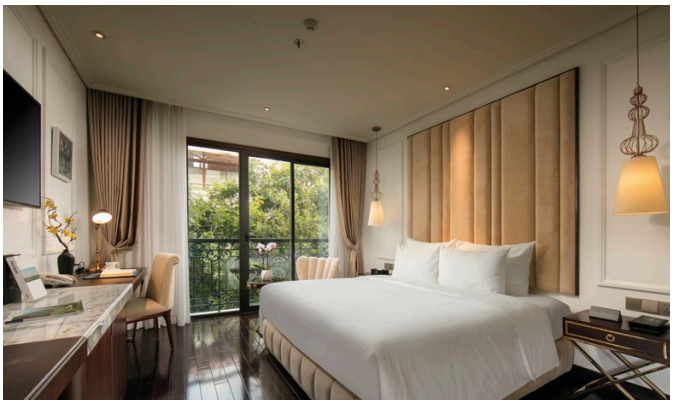
Mekong River, Vietnam

Included hotels

A carefully selected collection of included hotels brings you closer to each destination you visit, chosen for their exceptional quality, ideal location and impeccable service.



Anatole Hotel, Hanoi

Grand Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Hanoi – Anatole Hotel

Your comfortable Deluxe City View room is the perfect base from which to explore Hanoi. Located within the Old Quarter neighbourhood, the Anatole Hotel Hanoi blends modern conveniences with classic charm, and don't forget to take advantage of the rooftop infinity pool, offering views of the Old Quarter rooftops, Hoan Kiem Lake and St. Joseph's Cathedral.

Ho Chi Minh City – Grand Hotel Saigon

This hotel is the perfect starting point for exploring the city. Located in the heart of Saigon, this spectacular colonial-style 1930s hotel is a short walk from the banks of the Saigon River. Stunning, spacious rooms look out over Ho Chi Minh City or the hotel's picturesque pool, and the rooftop café serves hot drinks, cakes, cocktails and wine with panoramic views of the city.

Hoi An Silk Marina Resort

Hoi An – Silk Marina Resort

With breathtaking views of the river, this exquisite 4-star hotel is just a short walk from Hoi An's UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town and, nearby, the white sands of Ang Bang Beach. The hotel is home to a spa, wellness centre and the delightful Marine Restaurant, ensuring your stay is one of tranquillity.

Indochine Palace, Hue, Vietnam

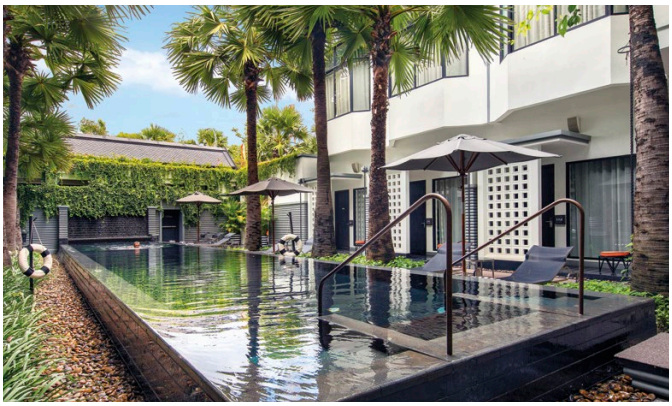
Hue – Indochine Palace

A short walk from the Perfume River and Hue Royal Palace, this palatial setting is encircled by lush exotic gardens setting a new standard for excellence in Hue. Sumptuously appointed rooms with stylish, contemporary facilities complement the opulent colonial design aesthetics and several lounge bars, and the spa offers space for relaxation and indulgence during your stay.

Siem Reap – Shinta Mani

This upscale boutique-style resort is centrally located within the city's leafy French Quarter. Its Khmer-inspired design complements its close proximity to Angkor Wat and it's just a short walk from the Old Market and the famous Pub Street.

A stunning swimming pool and flourishing tropical garden make it a tranquil place in which to reside during your visit, as does the onsite spa and rooftop bar and café.



Shinta Mani, Siem Reap, Cambodia

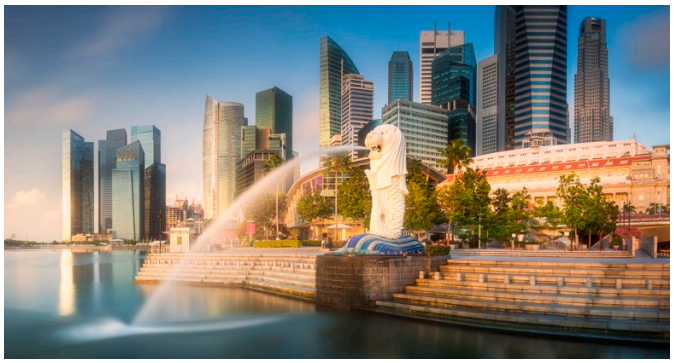
Hotels are subject to change.

Stopovers

Make the most of your trip to Southeast Asia and extend your holiday with an inbound stopover in Singapore, Bangkok, or Hong Kong. Discover somewhere new for two or three nights — the perfect opportunity for you to recharge your batteries during a long-haul journey.

You'll stay in world-class hotels, recognised for their excellent location, close to the main attractions. With everything you could need on your doorstep, you'll truly be able to immerse yourself in the atmosphere of whichever city you choose.

Tuk-tuk in Bangkok



Singapore

Inclusions

- A choice of two or three nights at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel (or similar)
- Breakfast daily
- Airport transfers

Available on: *21-Day Grand Tour of Vietnam & Cambodia, 17-Day Treasures & Temples of Vietnam & Cambodia, 13-Day Wonders of Vietnam, Cambodia & the Mekong, 8-Day Majestic Mekong*

Bangkok

Inclusions

- A choice of two or three nights at the Century Park Hotel (or similar)
- Breakfast daily
- Airport transfers

Available on: *21-Day Grand Tour of Vietnam & Cambodia, 17-Day Treasures & Temples of Vietnam & Cambodia, 13-Day Wonders of Vietnam, Cambodia & the Mekong, 8-Day Majestic Mekong*

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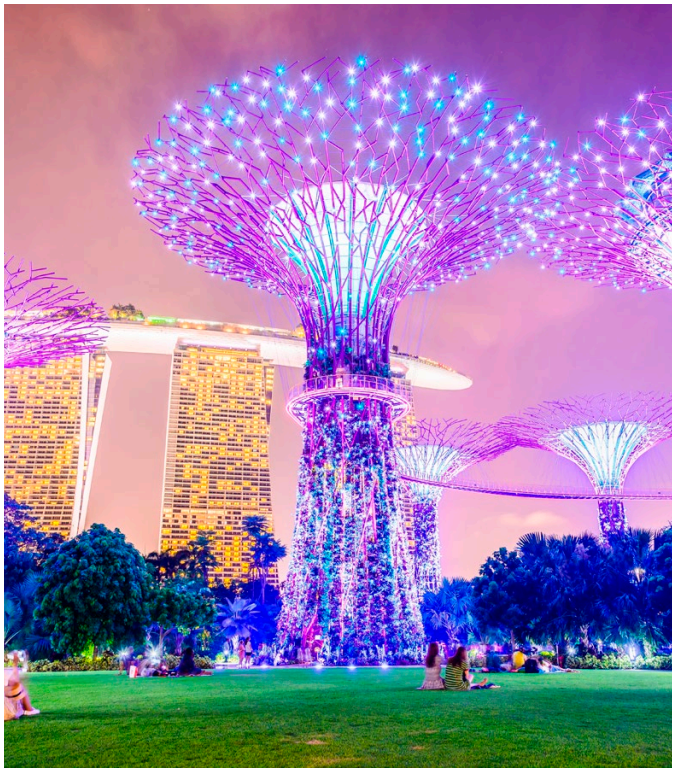

Supertree Grove in Singapore

Grand Palace, Bangkok

Hong Kong

Inclusions

- A choice of two or three nights at the Regal Kowloon Hotel (or similar)
- Breakfast daily
- Airport transfers

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Extend your stay

Luang Prabang (Post tour extension)

Luang Prabang, was the Royal capital of Laos until 1975 and as such is filled with glistening temples and monasteries filled with saffron robed monks and streets lined by French colonial architecture. Surrounded by lush vegetation and located on the juncture of the Mekong and Nam Khan Rivers, it is a tranquil and beautiful town with UNESCO World Heritage status. With its colonial and peaceful laid-back feel, Luang Prabang is the perfect destination to complete your holiday to Indochina.

Day 1 Siem Reap to Luang Prabang

Transfer to the airport in Siem Reap and fly to Luang Prabang, the spiritual capital of Laos! Upon arrival, you will be met by your Emerald Cruises representative and transferred to your hotel. Take a walk through the ambient streets of Luang Prabang before dinner at your hotel. Enjoy a three night stay at the Villa Maly Hotel or similar.

Meals: Dinner.

Day 2 Luang Prabang

Join your local guide for a half day tour of Luang Prabang to discover the rich traditions which still guide the daily lives of the Lao people. Begin at the former Royal Palace which is now serving as the National Museum, before moving to Wat Xieng Thong, Luang Prabang's oldest and most revered temple covered in ornate carvings and mosaics. Continue to Wat Visoun, the holiest temple of the city, which was entirely rebuilt in 1887 after being destroyed by the invading Black Flags from southern China. Leaving the town centre behind, head to the Traditional Arts & Ethnology Centre to learn about the various ethnic groups in Laos. Admire the displays of colourful costumes and traditional tools and learn about the history and beliefs of each of the ethnic groups, a great eye-opener to the diversity of the Lao people.

As part of our EmeraldPLUS program, immerse yourself in the local spirituality during a Baci ceremony and pay respects to ancient Buddhist traditions. Baci is a celebration of important events such as weddings, births, or for welcoming guests, and is a means of expressing goodwill and good luck to others.

The afternoon is at your leisure to enjoy watching life along the rivers. Later climb the 328 stairs to the top of Mount Phousi to watch sunset over the Mekong River before wandering through the famous local night market, a great place to look for souvenirs. Enjoy dinner at one of the many local restaurants.

- Half day tour of Luang Prabang
- Traditional Baci ceremony

Meals: Breakfast and dinner.

Day 3 Luang Prabang

For early risers, there is a very special dawn visit to watch the monks collecting the alms. As the sun begins to rise, long lines of saffron-robed monks leave their pagodas and walk barefoot down the streets collecting offerings from Luang Prabang residents. Return to your hotel for breakfast.

After breakfast, travel to the pier and board your private cruise away from Luang Prabang along the Mekong River. The Mekong is the lifeblood of Laos. View fishermen and other boats transporting goods along the river and pass small villages dotting the shoreline. The passing scenes are fascinating to watch as the boat makes its way to the Pak Ou caves, opposite the Nam Ou River juncture with the Mekong.

Take a short walk into the cavernous limestone caves which are filled with over 4000 Buddha images. It is no surprise this cave is one of the most important pilgrimage sites in Laos.

Return to your boat and coast back down the Mekong, stopping in at a local village to gain further insight into life on the river. Around midday, arrive back in Luang Prabang and transfer to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure.

- Cruise to Pak Ou

Meals: Breakfast,

Day 4 Depart Luang Prabang

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward or homebound flight.

Meals: Breakfast.

This itinerary is designed to operate after your Emerald Cruise and tour as a 4D/3N extension. Independent extension, not escorted by an Emerald Tour Director.

2023/2024 Departure Dates

4 Day Post Tour Departures	Twin Share	Single
Villa Maly Hotel	$1,935	$2,240

Inclusions: 3 nights accommodation, economy flight from Siem Reap to Luang Prabang, transfers, all touring conducted by a local expert guides for Emerald guests including entrance fees and meals as listed. The extension is NOT escorted by an Emerald Tour Director, but will operate as an independent extension or as a small group of Emerald guests with a local guide depending on numbers. Daily excursions are subject to weather and safety conditions prevalent at the time of the tour. Prices are based on low season, per person. Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's eve dinner surcharges apply.

Sapa (Pre tour extension)

Sapa is charming mountain town and home to a number of local minority hill tribes. Marvel at the stunning vistas of this former hill station: drastic landscapes, picturesque villages and rice terraces. Interact with the friendly hill tribe locals, many who still practice their traditions and customs.

Day 1 Arrival Hanoi

Xin Chao and welcome to Vietnam! You will be met at the airport by your Emerald Cruises representative and transferred to your hotel situated in downtown Hanoi. Dinner tonight will be at your hotel.

Enjoy a night stay at the Anatole Hotel or similar.

Meals: Dinner.

Day 2 Hanoi – Lao Cai Overnight Train

This morning join your local guide for a culinary tour of Hanoi's local markets. Sample a piece of fresh spring roll or a crispy pancake before wandering the laneways for traditional Vietnamese sweets. Then stroll around the bustling Old Quarter and find a street side café to sip a cup of traditional Vietnamese coffee while watching local life pass you by. The remainder of your afternoon is at leisure. After a late checkout, transfer to the train station and board your private cabin for two aboard the overnight train to Lao Cai.

Meals: Breakfast.

Day 3 Lao Cai – Sapa

Upon your early morning arrival in Lao Cai, you will be transferred to Sapa and your luggage stored at your centrally located hotel, Amazing Sapa.

Begin your tour of the local region with a drive to Ma Tra Valley and its stunning scenery and impressive terraced rice fields crafted by the Hmong people. Visit local villages by an easy walk through the countryside. Later, return to Sapa town to visit the main Sapa market and lunch in a local restaurant. Your afternoon is at leisure before dinner tonight at a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 4 Sapa – Lao Cai Overnight Train

After breakfast, take a picturesque drive along the Hoang Lien mountain range stopping for scenic shots over the Muong Valley. From Den Thang mountain walk down into the stunning valley of Sa Seng to the Black Hmong villages of Sa Seng and Sau Chau, Wander the hamlets and villages where you will have the opportunity to witness Hmong locals weaving fibres to create traditional costumes.

Return to Sapa town for lunch and the remainder of the afternoon at leisure. After your late checkout until 1800, transfer to Lao Cai for a local dinner before moving to the train station to board your overnight train back to Hanoi.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Day 5 Arrive Hanoi

Upon your early arrival back in Hanoi, transfer to the Anatole hotel for breakfast where your pre-tour ends and your Emerald group tour begins.

This itinerary is designed to operate before your Emerald cruise and tour as a 5D/4N extension. Independent extension, not escorted by an Emerald Tour Director. Guests must be capable of walking moderate distances over walking tracks to undertake this extension.

2023/2024 Departure Dates

5 Day Pre Tour Departures	Twin Share	Single
Anatole Hotel Hanoi / Fanxipan Train / Amazing Sapa	$1,295	$2,125

Inclusions: 2 nights accommodation, 2 nights on board a soft sleeper train in a 4 berth compartment (reserved for 2) from Hanoi to Lao Cai return, transfers, all touring conducted by a local expert guides for Emerald guests including entrance fees and meals as listed. The extension is NOT escorted by an Emerald Tour Director, but will operate as an independent extension or as a small group of Emerald guests with a local guide depending on numbers. Daily treks are subject to weather and safety conditions prevalent at the time of the tour. A good level of fitness is required to undertake the daily treks to the villages. Prices are based on low season, per person. Single Price includes a single cabin on train and single room in hotel. Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's eve dinner surcharges apply..

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Explore Banteay Srei Temple

Cambodia

Phnom Penh

High Tea at Raffles

Travel by remork to Raffles Hotel Le Royal, Phnom Penh's oldest and premier colonial hotel, to enjoy Afternoon High Tea, an institution at Le Royal since the hotel first opened in 1929. Relive the celebrated traditions of one of Asia's greatest heritage hotels with a fine selection of finger sandwiches, pastries and scones along with a Femme Fatale cocktail made in honour of Jackie Kennedy. After, stay for happy hour at the famous Elephant Bar.

Craft Beer Adventure by remork

Travelling around Phnom Penh by local remork, visit multiple local breweries to enjoy a tour of their facilities, and of course, some samples of their craft. Also included is a blind taste test of Cambodia's best-selling commercial beers to determine which of the three most popular lagers is your favourite. Plus, sample some shots of local rice wine infused with different herbs and spices to give them medicinal properties. Your last destination is another cosy beer garden to enjoy beers paired with either beef or falafel sliders and fries.

Kampong Tralach

Visit to Koh Chen Silversmith village

Visit the old Koh Chen Silversmith Village which has been producing royal Khmer silverware since 1620. Koh Chen lies on the Tonlé River close to Oudong, Cambodia's ancient capital. You will have the chance to see local artists working with their silver handicrafts, a craft handed down over generations, and have the opportunity to purchase gifts and wander around the village.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Silk Farm Tour at Koh Oknha Tei

Visit a silk farm in Koh Oknha Tei and learn about the silk creation process, from the growing and harvesting of food for the silkworms, to breeding, their life cycle, and finally the spinning and dying process. Best of all, you may find a lovely handmade souvenir you had the opportunity to see being created.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

My Son Historic Kingdom

Siem Reap

Khmer Cooking Class

Uncover the secrets of Khmer cuisine and join a chef for a cooking class. Buy ingredients at a local market and cook them up in a traditional village kitchen before tasting the finished product. This authentic culinary experience gives you the opportunity to embrace the regional produce and immerse yourself in the local culture.

Includes: Local guide • Tasting • Transfers

Tour of Banteay Srei Temple

Banteay Srei or "Citadel of the Women" remains the best preserved temple in Cambodia. Built between the 11th and 13th centuries (allegedly solely by women), it is made of pink sandstone, that's seen nowhere else in Angkor. Here, you will find some of the finest bas-relief art and examples of Khmer art that depict the Hindu god Shiva.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Tour to Tonlé Sap

Tonlé Sap is a UNESCO Biosphere site and the largest lake in Southeast Asia. It is of extreme importance to the Cambodians who live there and earn their living from fishing. You will have the unique opportunity to visit some of the local floating villages located on the lake and experience the lifestyle of these inhabitants.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers
Please note: This is a seasonal tour that is only offered from July to March.

Tonlé Sap, Cambodia

Vespa Tour of Siem Reap Countryside

Riding tandem on the back of an iconic, elegant Vespa makes for a tour like no other. This incredible experience will take you through the Cambodian countryside in style, where the splendour of these striking surroundings, and the friendly locals will let you discover Siem Reap's authenticity away from the tourist hotspots.

Includes: Local guide • Vespa ride
Please note: Only recommended for guests with no mobility issues.

Evening - Champagne Sunset Gondola Boat at Angkor

On the moat of Angkor Thom, cruise the waters surrounding the ancient city wall in a private gondola paddle boat. Enjoy the scenery as you sip your champagne and enjoy canapés on a 20-minute paddle out to the southwest corner of the wall. Here, ascend the rampart to the ruins of the small Prasat Chrung temple overlooking the moat to the south and west. Enjoy the setting sun before reboarding your gondola boat for the paddle back to the South Gate of the city.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Evening - Cambodian Street Food Discovery Tour

Tonight, sample the offerings of Siem Reap's famous street food hawkers. After a stop at the famous Bugs Café, explore the streets around Psar Chas (Old Market), which are lined with various food stalls. Wash down your food at the Sombai ice wine workshop to sample a selection of spirits made from fermented rice. Continue the culinary adventure around Wat Damnak, where eateries serve some of Siem Reap's most popular BBQ meat street food. End the evening at one of the family-run dessert stalls near Wat Polanka.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Evening – Dinner in the Rice Field

Enjoy a short cruise on the man-made reservoir of West Baray, an impressive engineering feat that was once integral to the complex Angkorian rice irrigation system. Once on the north side of the Baray, it's a short walk into a local village before following the path to Villa Chandara, a wonderful spot to relax in the quiet of the countryside and enjoy a romantic dinner.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Vietnam

An Long

Tam Nong Ramsar Bird Sanctuary in Tràm Chim National Park

Visit Vietnam's magical 1500-hectare Tam Nong Bird Sanctuary. Located in the Tràm Chim National Park, this sanctuary is estimated to house a quarter of the bird species found in Vietnam. You will be guided on a tranquil paddle boat along narrow channels through the gnarled, green sunken forest watching the most unique fauna.

Includes: Local guide • Bird watching
Please note: Not recommended for guests with limited mobility.

Hoi An

My Son Historic Kingdom Tour

Enjoy a walk around the temples of the 500-year-old village of Phuoc Kieu and visit a workshop where bronze goods are crafted using traditional techniques. Continue to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed temple complex at My Son, soak up the atmosphere and learn about the Cham culture, its rulers, and their impressive reign.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Vietnamese Red Bridge Cooking Class

Indulge in the wonderful flavours of Vietnamese cooking during a hands-on cooking class at the Red Bridge Cooking School. After buying your ingredients at Hoi An's morning market with your chef, take their boat along the Thu Bon River to the school for a cooking class and self-made lunch.

Includes: Cooking demonstration • Lunch

Hoi An Rural Life

Head into the tranquil countryside for an unforgettable Hoi An cycling tour. Discover unknown regions of Hoi An from ancient temples and water coconut forests to communal organic gardens where you can help the locals with their daily tasks. Paddle to lunch in a traditional basket boat before being rewarded with a delicious local feast.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Ho Chi Minh City

Evening - Ho Chi Minh Street Food Tour

Join your guide on a journey of incredible food discovery during a memorable evening out in Ho Chi Minh City. A walking tour through the city's fascinating streets will provide you with the opportunity to sample a variety of delicious local foods from different restaurants and food stands featuring some of Saigon's best dishes.

Includes: Local guide • Food tasting

Evening - One Night In Saigon

Experience an in-depth look into the food and nightlife scene of Ho Chi Minh City. Discover modern Saigon through its contradicting vibes of charming and quiet local restaurants nestled in back alleys to local popular restaurants located on busy streets. Sample local craft beers at specialist bars and finish with a cocktail at an elegant and trendy rooftop venue whilst admiring the amazing panoramic views of Saigon by night.

Includes: Local guide • Transfers

Vietnamese cooking class

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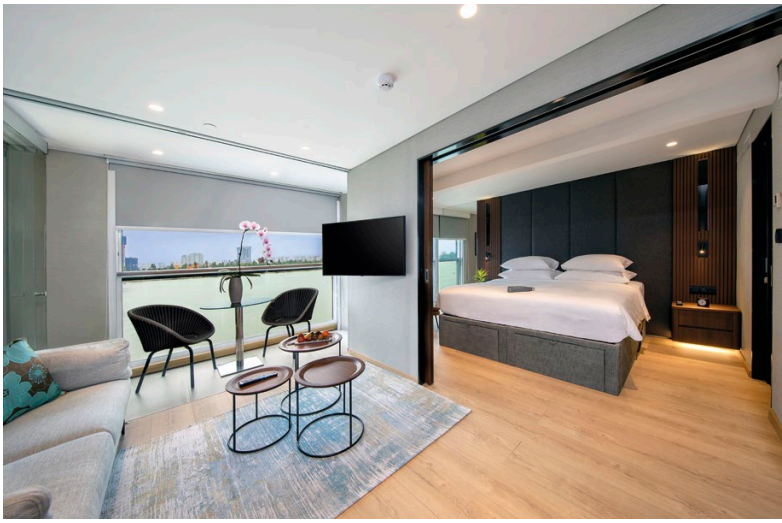
With limited places available, secure your place on your chosen Discover**MORE** activities before you travel.

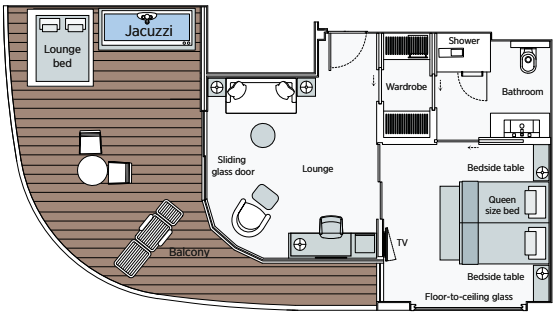
Cabin plans



Owner's One-Bedroom Suite

CAT SA

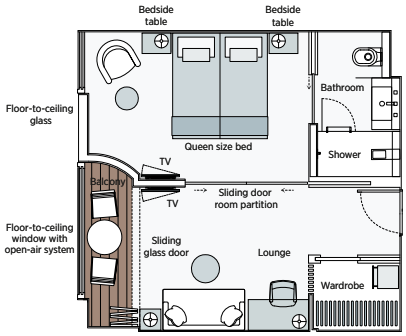
At 42m² (452ft²), this truly spectacular suite boasts separate bedroom and lounge areas, a luxurious en-suite bathroom and a queen-size or twin-style bed, plus enjoy a private terrace, with an additional space of 30m² (323ft²) complete with a hot tub.



Grand Balcony Suite

CAT S

Beautifully appointed with a private balcony, these luxurious suites reach 37m² (398ft²) and host a separate bedroom and lounge. Guests staying in these suites can enjoy the opulent surrounds of the en-suite bathroom, as well as breakfast, canapés and after-dinner treats.

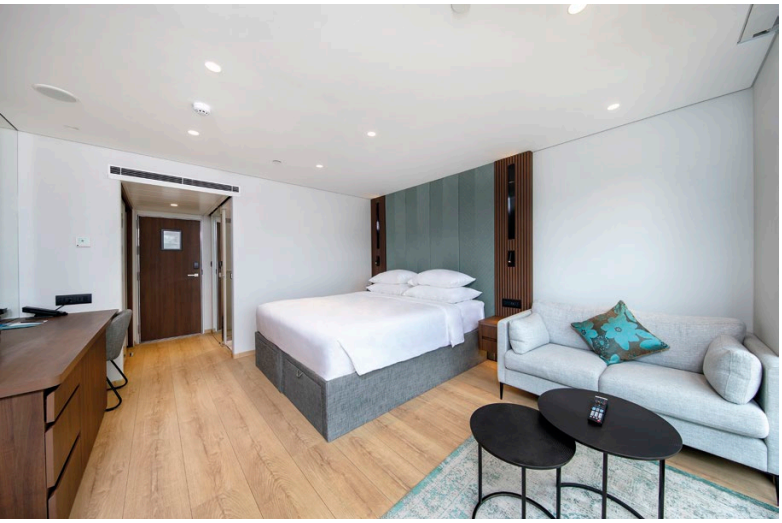


Owner's One-Bedroom Suite

- 42m² (452ft²) plus 30m² (323ft²) terrace
- Private terrace with hot tub
- Separate bedroom and lounge area
- Bathroom with shower, indulgent toiletries, hairdryer, complimentary bathrobes and slippers to use whilst on board
- Walk-in wardrobe
- Complimentary in-suite mini-bar, restocked daily with wine, beer and soft drinks
- Complimentary Nespresso™ machine
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Queen-size or twin hotel-style beds
- Pillow menu
- Telephone
- Alarm clock
- Hairdryer
- Safe for your valuables
- Individual climate control
- Flat-screen TV and infotainment system
- Continental breakfast, pre-dinner canapés and after-dinner sweet treats served in your suite
- Four items of laundry a day

Grand Balcony Suite

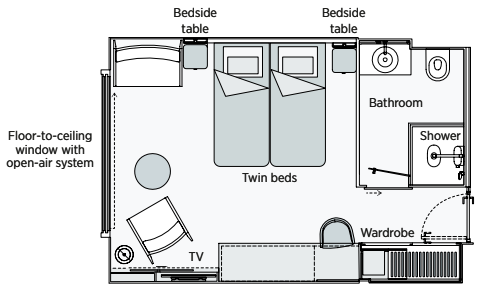
- 37m² (398ft²)
- Indoor private balcony with open-air system and separate door to close from living room
- Separate bedroom and lounge area
- Bathroom with shower, indulgent toiletries, hairdryer, complimentary bathrobes and slippers to use whilst on board
- Walk-in wardrobe
- Complimentary in-suite mini-bar, restocked daily with wine, beer and soft drinks
- Complimentary Nespresso™ machine
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Queen-size or twin hotel-style beds
- Pillow menu
- Telephone
- Alarm clock
- Hairdryer
- Safe for your valuables
- Individual climate control
- Flat-screen TV and infotainment system
- Continental breakfast, pre-dinner canapés and after-dinner sweet treats served in your suite
- Two items of laundry a day



Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite

CAT AP CAT A CAT B

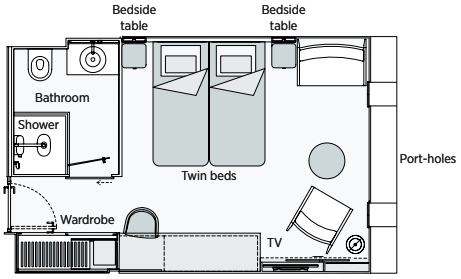
A private indoor balcony design and drop-down window are perfect for enjoying the ever-changing views. Reaching 25.4m² (273ft²), relax and unwind in your opulent en-suite bathroom, complete with ESPA toiletries, and sleep soundly in your queen-size or twin hotel-style bed.



Emerald Stateroom

CAT D

Providing excellent value for money, these staterooms boast ample space in which to relax. Enjoy your time on board in your home-away-from-home, with everything you could possibly need. Emerald Staterooms have port-hole windows, a flat-screen TV and a mini-fridge.



Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite

- 25.4m² (273ft²)
- Indoor balcony with open-air system
- Bathroom with shower, indulgent toiletries, hairdryer, complimentary bathrobes and slippers to use whilst on board
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Queen-size or twin hotel-style beds
- Telephone
- Alarm clock
- Hairdryer
- Safe for your valuables
- Individual climate control
- Flat-screen TV and infotainment system
- Mini-fridge

Emerald Stateroom

- 23.8m² (256ft²)
- Port-hole window
- Bathroom with shower, indulgent toiletries, hairdryer, complimentary bathrobes and slippers to use whilst on board
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Queen-size or twin hotel-style beds
- Telephone
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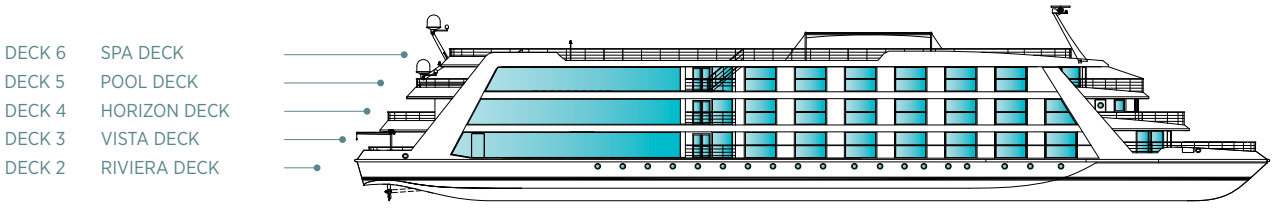
- Safe for your valuables
- Individual climate control
- Flat-screen TV and infotainment system
- Mini-fridge

Deck Plans



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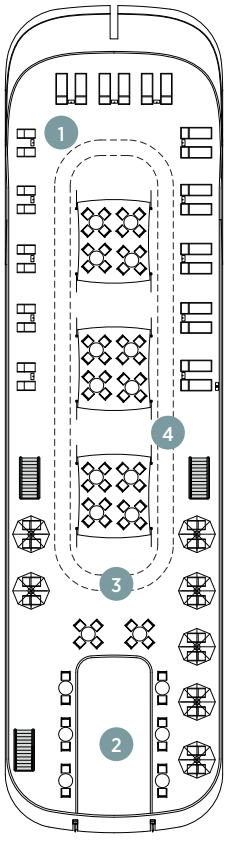
Spa Deck



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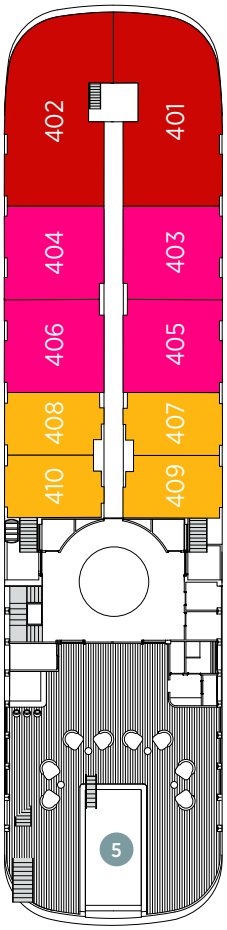
Pool Deck



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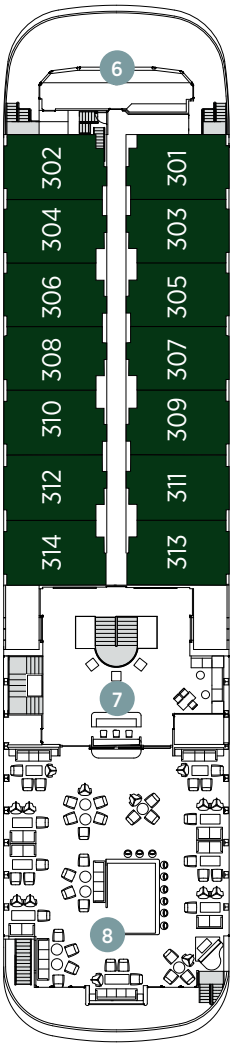
Horizon Deck

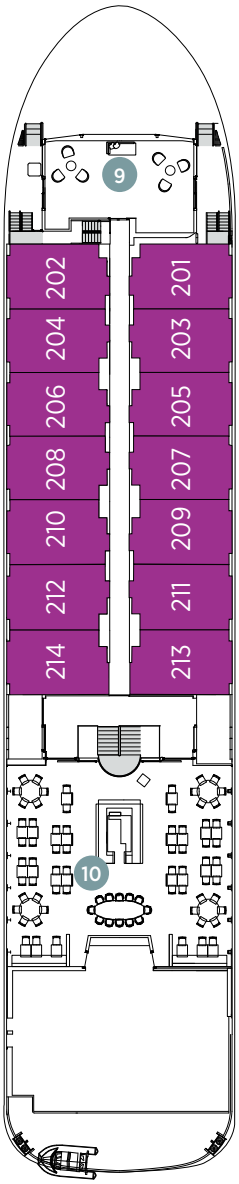


Emerald Harmony Reception

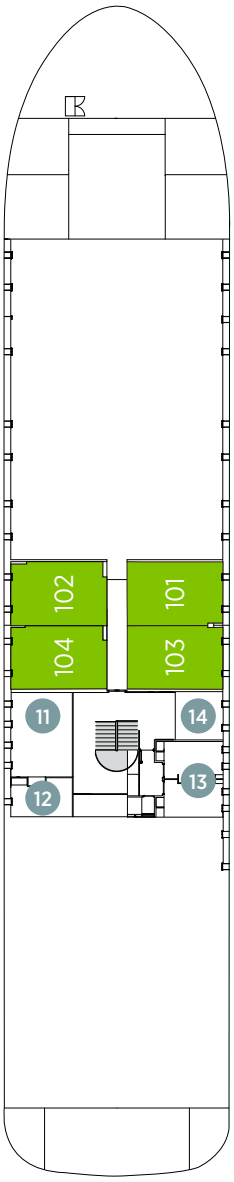
For more details on Emerald Harmony visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/harmony**

Emerald Harmony

Deck 3
Vista Deck



Deck 2
Riviera Deck



- Built: 2019
- Length: 73m (239ft)
- Guests: 84
- Cabins: 42
- Crew Members: 40

1. Sun Deck with Deck Chairs^
2. Retractable Sun Shade Roof
3. Games Area
4. Walking Track
5. Daytime Pool & Bar
6. Wheel House
7. Reception
8. Horizon Bar & Lounge
9. Lotus Lounge
10. Reflections Restaurant
11. Fitness Area
12. Guest Self-Service Laundry
13. Wellness Area
14. Hairdresser

Cabin Categories

Pool Deck		Size (m²)
SA	Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	42m²
S	Grand Balcony Suite	37m²
AP	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	25.4m²
Horizon Deck		**Size (m²)**
A	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	25.4m²
Vista Deck		**Size (m²)**
B	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	25.4m²
Riviera Deck		**Size (m²)**
D	Emerald Stateroom	23.8m²

Important Information: The cabin, deck plans, sizes and photographs are an indication only and are subject to variation. ^Due to safety, the Sun Deck will be closed when travelling under low bridges. Cabin 202 has a smaller bathroom than other Category B bathrooms. Cabins 301 & 302 have a partially obstructed view from the balcony. The balcony window size is not impacted however the Star-Ship structure covers a section of the window.

Cherish the Planet

At Emerald Cruises, our Cherish the Planet ethos is about more than just environmental sustainability.

We are committed to creating positive change in all areas of our business and to fostering sustainable practices and rich community partnerships. Our desire is to protect the Earth by leaving as small a footprint as possible.

Our commitment to the planet is to deliver environmentally responsible tourism to protect each of the destinations we visit. Cherish the Planet was launched in accordance with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and we have gone on to create exceptional carbon-conscious and community-focused experiences in incredible destinations. At Emerald Cruises, we are proud of the positive relationships we have formed within the communities we visit.

Our Cherish the Planet commitment has ensured: the provision of clean running water to the Chiro village in Kampong Cham Province, Cambodia; the construction of sanitation blocks in Yandabo village along the Irrawaddy River; and the continued support of the Bread of Life Project aimed at reducing prejudice against Roma communities in Belgrade.

Cherish the Planet

For more details on Cherish the Planet visit **emeraldcruises.com.au/cherish**

Complimentary refillable bottles on board

Locally sourced food

Sa Dec, Vietnam

Our pillars of sustainability

Cherish the Planet has six key focus areas.

1. Leave no waste

We've eliminated all single-use plastic on board and work closely with, and fund, local projects that collect and recycle plastic waste, helping to maintain the world's natural beauty and improve living conditions. We provide our guests with complimentary refillable Emerald Cruises bottles and filtered water stations across our Star-Ships, as well as refillable toiletries in our suites – and no plastic straws are used on board.

2. Rebalancing of CO_2 emissions

We have concentrated our efforts on minimising our environmental impact, and support causes aligned with rebalancing our CO_2 emissions, including exceptional carbon-conscious experiences, with hiking and e-biking now available on many of our itineraries. We are also working to calculate the CO_2 emissions of each our sailings so we can continue in the future to implement new technologies and initiatives which ensure our carbon footprint is reduced.

3. Sourcing sustainably

As we sail the world, many of our exquisite dishes on board feature local produce. Wine is sourced from small vineyards along the Moselle, Rhine, and Douro rivers, and on the Mekong, we source fresh local produce to create our Asian-inspired menus. Our goal is to source sustainably every step of the way, from produce to packaging, recycling, and our choice of suppliers.

4. Growing with communities

We are committed to meaningful and respectful cultural interactions between local inhabitants and our guests, and many of our itineraries include certified Cherish the Planet experiences that ensure local businesses benefit from our journeys. We're also working with leaders and third parties within the communities we visit to ensure sustainability for the future.

5. Grow from within, value diversity

At Emerald Cruises, we truly value diversity – it is a strength to have different perspectives within our business and we believe it helps us find the best solutions and services for our guests. We treat all crew and all employees equally, independent of gender, sexual orientation, age, race or religion and we currently employ over 50 nationalities from across the globe throughout our vessels.

6. Advocate health, safety & security

We have created an engaging workplace at Emerald Cruises that supports the wellbeing of our staff, prioritising health, and safety. We also want every member of staff to be fully immersed in the ethos at the heart of Cherish the Planet. To ensure this, Emerald Cruises staff will complete extensive training that supports their wellbeing and will ensure health and safety is prioritised.

Booking conditions

1. Contract

1.1 These terms and conditions ("Conditions") form the basis of the contract between You and Scenic Tours Pty Ltd ("Emerald Waterways", "Emerald Cruises", "Evergreen Journeys", "We", "Us" or "Our") ("Contract"). It is important that You read the Contract carefully to ensure that You understand Your rights and obligations. Your Contract may also include additional terms and conditions applicable to a special offer or promotion, and/or, depending on your Journey, Destination Specific Terms.

1.2 If Your Journey includes a Cruise, You will also be subject to the Cruise Conditions.

1.3 You confirm Your understanding and acceptance of the Conditions and the Contract by paying Your Booking Deposit or otherwise paying any part of the price of Your Journey. If you do not understand and accept the Conditions and the terms of the Contract, you should not make any payment to Us and in this case, we will cancel Your Booking in accordance with clause 3.3 of these Conditions.

1.4 If You make a Booking on behalf of any other person, You represent to Us that You have their authority to make the Booking on their behalf and to legally bind them to the terms of the Contract, including the Conditions. Each reference to "You", "Your", "Guest" or "Passenger" means the person who makes the Booking and each other person covered by the Booking.

1.5 Your Itinerary does not form part of the Contract.

1.6 We may amend these Conditions from time to time. If We amend the Conditions, We will publish the amended version on Our Website. We will also provide the current version of the Conditions to You upon request. You will be bound by the current version of the Conditions at the time You make Your Booking.

1.7 If Your Journey includes a Cruise, Your transportation on any river cruise vessel during Your Journey, will also be subject to the terms and conditions of the Operator of the vessel ("Operator Conditions"). Although the Operator may be related to Us, it is a separate legal entity and business and You will enter a separate contract (based on the Operator Conditions) with each Operator. The Operator Conditions are published on Our Website and are also available on request by contacting one of our team at the Customer Service Contact Address. It is important that You read the Operator Conditions carefully to ensure that You understand Your rights and obligations under them. You confirm Your understanding and acceptance of the Operator Conditions by paying Your Booking Deposit or otherwise paying any part of the price of Your Journey to Us.

1.8 All travel involves risks. We strongly recommend You take out comprehensive travel insurance with a reputable insurance company to cover You against risks associated with Your Journey including cover for loss of luggage, medical expenses and costs and expenses incurred due to cancellations, delays or other disruptions.

2. Meaning of Words

In these Conditions, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:

(a) "Booking" means the booking You have made with Us for the Journey.

(b) "Booking Deposit" means a booking deposit in an amount which We have notified You before You make Your Booking;

(c) "Captain" means the captain of a Cruise Vessel

(d) "Cruise" means a cruise constituting or forming part of Your Journey;

(e) "Cruise Director" means any person designated by Us as the cruise director for any Cruise.

(f) "Cruise Vessel" means a vessel used for the purpose of providing a Cruise.

(g) "Customer Service Contact Address" means the details for contacting Us set out in clause 14.1 of the Conditions.

(h) "Flexible Booking Plan" or "Platinum Protection Plan" means Our deposit protection plans as set out on Our Website and referred to in clause 13.1.

(i) "Destination Specific Terms" means terms and conditions specific to a particular Journey, as published in the Journey Brochure or on Our Website for the relevant Journey, or, where applicable, set out in clause 15 of these Conditions.

(j) "Drone" means an unmanned aerial vehicle or UAV, being an aircraft of any size that operates without a pilot on board.

(k) "Force Majeure Event" means any act of God, war, terrorism, fire, flood or any other extreme weather conditions or act of nature, loss of power, epidemics or pandemics, industrial disputes, slow-downs or other strike activities, political unrest, riots or civil disturbances, prohibitions or acts of Federal, State, Territory, or Local government or, quasi-governments bodies or other authorities (including, in each case, their duly constituted or appointed agents), inability to obtain any necessary licence or consent and delays caused by sub-contractors, suppliers or other third parties (including telecommunications carriers), material shortages, any border closure by any country or any Australian States or Territory, or other disruption to the Journey beyond Our control.

(l) "General Waiver" means the general waiver available at Our Website.

(m) "Guest Contact Details" means Your contact details which You have provided to Us at the time of making Your Booking, as amended by any written notice You may provide to Us from time to time in accordance with clause 14.1 of these Conditions.

(n) "Itinerary" means the Itinerary for Your Journey issued by Us, subject to any amendments made by Us from time to time in accordance with the Contract.

(o) "Operator" means the owner or operator of a cruise vessel, who is a separate legal entity and business, whether or not related to Us.

(p) "Operator Conditions" means the Operator's conditions of carriage for a Cruise vessel, which are available on our Website and otherwise on request to Us.

(q) "Personal Information" means information about You and any other person for whom You make a Booking, including Your name, address, phone number and other contact details, details of Your next of kin, Your passport number, credit or debit card details, and information about Your health, medical needs, dietary requirements and any disabilities or other special requirements.

(r) "Service Provider" means any independent contractor engaged by Us to provide a Journey or any part of a Journey, and includes an Operator.

(s) "Journey" means a journey or journey package offered or provided by Us.

(t) "Journey Brochure" means the brochure for Your Journey published by Us in hard copy or electronically and includes any amendments notified on Our Website from time to time.

(u) "Journey Departure Date" means the scheduled departure date for the Journey set out in Your Itinerary.

(v) "Journey Director" means any person designated by Us as the journey director for Your Journey.

(w) "Journey Price" means the total amount payable by You for the Journey. It includes the Booking Deposit.

(x) "Validity Period" means in respect of a Journey Brochure, the validity period stated in that brochure.

(y) "Website" means Emerald's website at www.emeraldcruises.com.au.

(z) "Your Journey" means the Journey You have booked with Us, as outlined in Your Itinerary

(aa) "Future Travel Credit" means a credit Issued by Us to You if We cancel Your Booking as a result of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event under clause 5.4 of these Conditions which may be redeemed against a future booking in accordance with clause 5.4(c).

3. Booking and Payment

3.1 You may make a Booking directly with Us or through a travel agent. Your Booking will be confirmed only when We have received:

(a) Your Booking Deposit; or

(b) if Your Booking is made 90 days or less before the Journey Departure Date, the Journey Price and all other amounts payable under the Contract.

3.2 Except as indicated in clause 3.8, We will notify You of the Journey Price and provide You with Your Itinerary at the time of making Your Booking.

3.3 A booking deposit of $100 per person must be paid within 24 hours. A further $900 per person to be paid within 48 hours. If we do not receive your booking deposit within 2 days of making the booking, we will automatically cancel your booking without further notice to you.

3.4 If You have made Your Booking through a travel agent, Your travel agent should forward Your Booking Deposit or Journey Price to Us on Your behalf. However, payments by You to Your travel agent are not considered to be payments by You to Us. We will consider payment has been received by Us only when We receive payment from Your travel agent.

3.5 Any accommodation, sightseeing or flights We book for You separately to those stated in Your Itinerary are not included in the Booking Deposit or Journey Price and You must pay both the deposit and full costs for such additional services separately to the Booking Deposit and Journey Price at the time which We notify You at or before You make Your Booking. Any requests for such additional services will not be processed until Your Booking Deposit is paid in full.

3.6 For some special offers, We may require payment of a further deposit before the balance of the Journey Price is due. We will notify You of any such requirement before You complete Your Booking and will confirm the payment details when we confirm Your Booking. You must make payment by the date notified by Us.

3.7 Except as required by law or in accordance with the Flexible Booking Plan, Booking Deposits are not refundable and are not transferable to other Journeys or Bookings.

3.8 If You make Your Booking within 90 days of Your Journey Departure Date, You must pay Your Booking Deposit before We can process Your Booking and confirm Your Journey Price. Your Booking is not confirmed until You have paid the Journey Price. We will notify You of the Journey Price promptly after We have calculated it. If You do not confirm Your acceptance of the Journey Price in writing within 7 days of receipt of notification from Us, You will be deemed to have rejected the Journey Price. If You notify Us that You have rejected the Journey Price or if You are deemed to have rejected the Journey Price, We will cancel Your Booking and refund Your Booking Deposit. If You accept the Journey Price, You must pay the outstanding Journey Price within 24 hours of Us notifying You of the Journey Price, or We will cancel Your Booking and retain Your Booking Deposit.

3.9 If clause 3.8 does not apply, You must pay to Us the balance of the Journey Price and all other amounts payable under the Contract no later than 90 days before the Journey Departure Date. If Your Journey includes a Cruise You must pay the balance of the Journey Price to Us no later than 90 days before the Journey Departure Date.

3.10 If You wish to change any incidental component of Your Booking, such as any pre or post-journey accommodation or add-ons, You must contact Us. We may accept or reject Your request at Our absolute discretion and if We accept, You must pay a change fee to Us for each change in accordance with clause 4.7(b) and any additional costs resulting from the change. Additional costs may include additional overnight accommodation required as a result of any change to Your flights.

3.11 You may cancel a Booking by sending Us written notice of cancellation at the Customer Service Contact Address. If You cancel a Booking You will be liable to pay a cancellation fee in accordance with clause 4.8.

3.12 A name change for a Guest or a change to the Journey Departure Date is considered a cancellation of the original Booking.

4. Prices, inclusions and fees

4.1 All Journey Prices are quoted in Australian Dollars.

4.2 If You pay Us by credit card a surcharge may be added, please enquire for details. There is no surcharge for payments made by cash, cheque or direct transfer to Our nominated bank account.

4.3 Your Journey Price includes all coach, rail and cruise travel set out in the Itinerary; the services of a Cruise Director, and/or Journey Director; meals as specified in Your Itinerary; accommodation; sightseeing and admissions; and where stated in Your Itinerary; port charges; all onboard gratuities and tipping; and any other specific inclusions identified in Your Itinerary.

4.4 Unless expressly listed in Your Itinerary as an inclusion, Your Journey Price does not include airfares; airline taxes; shore excursions on ocean cruises; additional optional activities; accommodation upgrades; meals not specified in Your Itinerary; drinks; laundry; passport fees; visas; vaccinations; medical assistance; government taxes and charges (excluding GST); or any items or expenses of a personal nature.

4.5 Unless stated as an inclusion in Your itinerary, overnight accommodation required to meet Your Journey and/or any flight connections are not included in the Journey Price and will be at Your expense.

4.6 We reserve the right not to honour any published prices that We determine were erroneous due to printing, electronic, or clerical error. If You make a Booking based on erroneous pricing, We will offer You the option of cancelling the Booking and receiving a refund of any amount paid by You or confirming the Booking by paying the difference

between the erroneous price and the correct price, as determined by Us.

4.7 The following Fees are payable in addition to the Journey Price:

(a) If You book 21 days or less before the Journey Departure Date, You must pay a late booking fee of $50.00 per Booking.

(b) If You change Your Booking, other than by varying the Journey Departure Date, You must pay a change fee of $50.00 per Booking. This fee is on account of administrative expenses incurred by Us in changing Your Journey and is a genuine and reasonable estimate of Our expenses.

4.8 If You cancel Your Journey for any reason prior to Your Journey Departure Date (including by changing Your Journey Departure Date or the name of a Guest), You will be liable for the following cancellation fee:

Days of notice prior to Tour / Journey commencement	Cancellation charge (per person)
91 days and over	Loss of deposit
90 to 62 days	50% of Tour Price
61 days or less	100% of Tour Price

You may also be liable to pay cancellation fees to air carriers and other third parties.

4.9 If You cancel Your Journey for any reason prior to 91 days of Your Journey Departure Date (including by changing Your Journey Departure Date or the name of a Guest), You will be liable to a cancellation charge of 100% of the Journey Price held as a Future Travel Credit, regardless of when you notify us. If the Future Travel Credit is not utilised within 24 months of the date of cancellation, the full amount will be forfeited. You may also be liable to pay cancellation fees to airlines and other third parties.

4.10 If You cancel Your Journey for any reason within 90 days of Your Journey Departure Date (including by changing Your Journey Departure Date or the name of a Guest), You will be liable to a cancellation charge of 100% of the Journey Price, regardless of when you notify us. You may also be liable to pay cancellation fees to airlines and other third parties.

4.11 We may vary Your Journey Price at any time before You have paid the Journey Price in full to the extent necessary to meet any increase in the Journey costs for reasons outside Our control, including airfares, fuel, government taxes and charges, exchange rate fluctuations or other Journey related costs or tariffs. We will not vary the Journey Price after We have received the total Journey Price from You, regardless of any increases in the costs incurred by Us. We will notify You of any such variation using the Guest Contact Details.

4.12 You are responsible for and must pay for all costs and expenses incurred by You as a result of any change made by You to Your Itinerary after Your Journey Departure Date. This includes changes due to illness or other personal reasons.

5. Cancellation, delays and changes to Your Itinerary

5.1 Although we reserve the right to cancel, delay or alter a Cruise for operational reasons, we will generally not cancel or consolidate a Cruise due to lack of passenger numbers. However, if minimum passenger numbers are not met, we reserve the right to limit the facilities, amenities and activities available on the Cruise Vessel.

5.2 We will endeavour to make any decision to cancel or delay a Journey or Cruise, and to notify You of that decision, at least 60 days prior to the scheduled Journey Departure Date.

5.3 If We cancel or delay the departure of a Journey by 7 days or more before departure for any reason other than as a result of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event:

(a) We will use reasonable endeavours to offer You the closest available journey or cruise departure. If the proposed alternative journey or cruise is:

(i) cheaper than Your original Journey Price, We will refund the difference to You; or

(ii) more expensive than Your original Journey Price, You must pay the difference to Us;

(b) if You accept the proposed alternative journey or cruise, Your Itinerary will be amended accordingly and We will give You an updated Itinerary;

(c) if You do not accept the proposed alternative journey or cruise within 7 days of being notified by Us of the alternative, We will cancel Your Booking, refund to You all monies paid directly to Us and will have no further liability to You; and

(d) We are not liable for any third party costs You may incur, which We have not booked on Your behalf, for example airfares or other arrangements booked independently through or paid to a travel agent.

5.4 If, as a result of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, We;

(a) cancel or delay the departure of a Journey prior to the journey start date We will:

(i) cancel Your Booking and terminate the Contract;

(ii) issue You with a Future Travel Credit to the value of all monies You have paid directly to Us for the cancelled Booking; and

(iii) not refund any amounts You have paid directly to Us for the cancelled Booking;

(b) cancel a Journey after commencement We will:

(i) cancel Your Booking and terminate the Contract; and

(iii) not refund any amounts You have paid directly to Us for the cancelled Booking;

(c) issue a Future Travel Credit to You:

(i) You may apply It towards any future booking for a Journey with a Journey Departure Date within 24 months after the date on which We cancel Your Booking subject to availability and any Future Travel Credit capacity limits applicable to your selected Journey or cruise;

(ii) If your original booking was for an ocean or river cruise, the Future Travel Credit can only be applied to available ocean and river cruises within the Scenic Group (Scenic Luxury Cruises & Journeys, Emerald Cruises and Evergreen Cruises & Journeys).

(iii) If your original booking was for a land Journey, the Future Travel Credit can be applied to available land Journeys or ocean and river cruises within the Scenic Group (Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours, Emerald Cruises and Evergreen Cruises & Tours);

(iv) You may, with our prior written consent, which we will not unreasonably refuse, transfer it to another person to apply towards any future Booking for a Journey with a Journey Departure Date within 24 months after the date on which We cancel Your Booking;

(v) its use for any future booking Is subject to availability;

(vi) It cannot be applied against stand-alone products or upgrades from third parties or Service Providers (as defined in clause 2) in conjunction with the standard Journey itinerary

(vii) It Is not redeemable in whole or in part for cash and will expire to the extent It Is not used; and

(viii) You (or the person to whom It Is transferred) must pay any shortfall between the value of the Future Travel Credit and the Journey Price for the new Booking in accordance with clause 3 of these Conditions.

5.5 We will use reasonable endeavours to provide the Journey You have booked in accordance with Your Itinerary. However, due to the nature of travel, it may not always be possible for Us to adhere strictly to Your Itinerary and the Operator may need to make alterations to the Journey or Your Itinerary, before or after the commencement of the Journey. Where, due to circumstances outside the Operator's control, We are unable to provide the Journey in accordance with Your Itinerary,

We will use reasonable endeavours to:

(a) give You reasonable notice of any alterations, but there may be circumstances beyond Our control in which alterations will be required with little, or no, advance notice; and

(b) provide or arrange appropriate alternative activities, transport and accommodation as required.

5.6 The circumstances in which Your Itinerary or the Journey may be altered include:

(a) tidal waters or high or low water levels in any ocean or sea, river, canal, bay, cove or port;

(b) port closures or port restrictions due to weather or other operational reasons

(c) lock closures, unscheduled vessel maintenance or other operational reasons;

(d) ocean, river, ice or weather conditions;

(e) national or local holidays affecting the closure of public buildings or attractions;

(f) Force Majeure Events;

(g) emergency events, accidents, injuries or other incidents involving You or other passengers; and

(h) any other event beyond Our control.

5.7 Alterations to Your Itinerary or the Journey may include:

(a) substitution of vessels for part or the whole of a Journey;

(b) cabin changes on a vessel;

(c) substitution of another port or anchor location;

(d) additional embarkations and disembarkations;

(e) substitution of alternate transportation, including the use of motor coaches;

(f) substitution of hotel accommodation for accommodation on a vessel;

(g) alterations to arrival and departure times;

(h) alterations to sightseeing activities; and

(i) reductions or increases in the time spent at a location.

5.8 If We or the Operator substitute any vessel, motor coach or accommodation under this clause 5, We or they will use reasonable endeavours to provide You with a substitution of equivalent specification or quality, but some services and facilities may not be available for all substitute arrangements.

5.9 Any changes to Your Itinerary will be notified to You:

(a) if prior to Your Journey Departure Date, by phone, email or post using the Guest Contact Details or via Your Travel Agent; or

(b) if during Your Journey, personally by Your Cruise Director or Journey Director.

5.10 To the maximum extent permitted by law, You agree that We are not liable to You for, and You release Us from, any cost, claim, loss, damage or expense whatsoever arising either directly or indirectly in connection with any alteration to Your Itinerary or substitution carried out in accordance with this clause 5, including without limitation any:

(a) claim for distress, disappointment or loss of enjoyment arising from the alteration;

(b) additional personal expenses incurred by You, including for food, beverages and personal items; or

(c) costs associated with any other travel arrangements affected by the changes, including any costs and expenses incurred by You for cancelling or changing those other arrangements or arising from a failure to meet a connection.

6. Your Journey obligations

6.1 For the comfort and safety of You and Your fellow passengers and other people, You must follow the Captain and Cruise Director's instructions at all times.

6.2 If We, the Captain or Cruise Director or Our staff or any Service Provider consider You are negatively affecting Your own health, safety or enjoyment, or that of other passengers, including by refusing to comply with instructions of the Captain or the Cruise Director, We may terminate the Contract and withdraw You from the Journey with immediate effect. If it is reasonably practicable to do so, the Captain or Cruise Director will provide a warning to You and allow You an opportunity to rectify Your behaviour before We withdraw You from the Journey.

6.3 If You are withdrawn from the Journey under clause 6.2, You must make Your own travel and other arrangements at Your own expense and We are not liable to You for any loss, cost or damage You may suffer or incur.

6.4 You must have a valid passport with an expiry date of at least six (6) months after the last scheduled day of Your Journey.

6.5 You must ensure that You obtain prior to the Journey Departure Date all required entry visas for all countries to be visited during the Journey, as failure to obtain correct documentation may affect Your participation in certain shore excursions and entry to certain countries during the Journey.

6.6 If You do not have the correct visa or other documentation necessary to enter a country or participate in any aspect of a Journey ("Documentation"):

(a) We will not refund to You all or any portion of the Journey Price; and

(b) You will be responsible for any costs You incur as a result of Your failure to obtain the required Documentation, including any costs associated with re-joining the Journey.

6.7 If You are unhappy with something that does or does not happen on Your Journey, You must first use all reasonable endeavours to negotiate with Us in good faith to settle the dispute before commencing proceedings in any court or tribunal. In the first instance You should raise Your concern with the Journey Director or the Cruise Director as soon as reasonably practicable, as it may be possible for them to take steps to resolve Your concern with minimal delay.

7. Notification of General Risks

7.1 You acknowledge and agree that there are general risks associated with travelling, which are beyond Our control and We are not liable to You for any loss, cost or damage You may incur as a result of these general risks. Such general risks include:

(a) Journey variations or interruptions caused by road, river, ocean or sea, ice or weather conditions; national or local holidays affecting the closure of public buildings and attractions; Force Majeure Events; tidal water levels, high water levels; low water levels; flooding; unfavourable ice, or weather conditions; port or lock closures; unscheduled vessel or vehicle maintenance; or any unforeseen events or emergency situations

(b) changes to the Journey and Your Itinerary in the circumstances described in clause 5.6;

(c) forces of nature; illness; flight schedule changes or

cancellations; loss of luggage; epidemics or pandemics; political unrest; accidents; acts of terrorism or other criminal acts; changes to government visa or travel requirements; or
(d) other circumstances beyond Our control.

7.2 You must make Your own enquiries regarding Your Journey, including being aware of any relevant government travel safety warnings.

8. Liability

8.1 Nothing in these Conditions or the Contract operates to exclude, restrict or modify the application of any provision of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth), including the Australian, or New Zealand Consumer Law, or any equivalent State or Territory legislation, the exercise of a right conferred by such a provision, or any of Our liability for breach of a guarantee, condition or warranty implied by such a provision, where it is unlawful to do so. All exclusions and limitations of Our liability under the Contract must be read subject to this clause.

8.2 You acknowledge and agree that We accept no responsibility and will not be liable to You (or any third party) for any loss, cost or damage (including loss of enjoyment) suffered directly or indirectly in connection with:
(a) any Journey risks or other aspects of the Journey disclosed to You in the Contract;
(b) any change to Your Itinerary or delays in departure or arrival times of aircraft, vessels or otherwise during the conduct of the Journey;
(c) any loss or damage to Your baggage or belongings;
(d) any personal injury or death resulting from the acts or omissions or negligence of any third parties providing goods or services to You during the Journey, including air carriers, hotels, shore excursion operators, restaurateurs, transportation providers and medical personnel; or
(e) any disappointment or loss of enjoyment due to circumstances outlined in the Contract or otherwise beyond Our control.

8.3 Subject to clause 8.1, but despite any other provision of the Contract, and to the extent permitted by law, Our maximum liability to You or any third party (including any claims of negligence by Us) is limited to the Journey Price You have paid to Us.

8.4 To the maximum extent permitted by law and subject to clause 8.1, You acknowledge and agree We are not liable to You, under any circumstances, for any loss of enjoyment, opportunity, profit, savings, revenue or interest or any other consequential or indirect, incidental, special or punitive loss, damage or expenses.

8.5 You acknowledge and agree that We are not liable for any delay or failure by Us or a Service Provider to perform Our obligations under the Contract, resulting from or as a consequence of a Force Majeure Event.

8.6 If a delay or failure occurs or is anticipated due to Force Majeure Event, Our obligations are suspended for the duration of the Force Majeure Event.

8.7 We may immediately terminate the Contract, if the Force Majeure Event delays performance of the Journey for a period of 7 days or more, calculated from the date We notify You of the Force Majeure Event.

8.8 To the extent permitted by law, all express or implied warranties, guarantees, representations, or terms are expressly excluded. Where the law implies any guarantee, condition or warranty which cannot be excluded, Our liability to You for breach of such an implied guarantee, condition or warranty is limited, to one or more of the following at Our option:
(a) in the case of goods: the repair of goods, replacement of goods, the supply of equivalent goods or the cost of repair, replacement or supply of equivalent goods; or
(b) in the case of services: supplying the services again or payment of the cost of supplying the services again.

8.9 Subject to clause 8.1, You acknowledge and agree that where Your Journey, any part of Your Journey, accommodation, flights or any other good or service are not directly provided by Us, but is provided by a Service Provider, in the event of any dispute or claim including for loss, damage, breach of contract or negligence arising from the conduct of the Service Provider, You must pursue Your claim directly against the relevant Service Provider.

9. Force Majeure Event

9.1 If the performance of Our or a Service Provider's obligations is prevented, delayed or materially affected by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, those obligations are suspended for the duration of the Force Majeure Event.

9.2 We may cancel or delay a Journey as a result of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event which prevents, materially affects or delays, or which we reasonably determine is likely to prevent, materially affect or delay, Our or a Service Provider's ability to provide the Journey:
(a) in accordance with the Contract; or
(b) to a standard which We consider will meet the reasonable expectations of the Journey participants.

9.3 We will use reasonable endeavours to give You notice as soon as reasonably practicable of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event that prevents, materially affects or delays, or Is likely to prevent, materially affect or delay, the performance by Us or a Service Provider of our obligations under the Contract.

9.4 If we cancel or delay a Journey in the circumstances described in clause 9.2:
(a) to the maximum extent permitted by law, Your sole and exclusive rights and remedies will be those set out in clause 5.4 of these Conditions;
(b) You acknowledge and agree that We are not otherwise liable for any delay or failure by Us or a Service Provider to perform Our obligations under the Contract, resulting from or as a consequence of the Force Majeure Event.

10. Privacy and Data Protection

10.1 In order for Us to process Your Booking and provide the Journey to You, You will need to provide to Us, and We will need to use Personal Information. We will need to provide Your Personal Information to Service Providers, as well as customs and immigration authorities. We may also provide Your personal Information to security and credit checking organisations. Some of the persons to whom We provide Your Personal Information are located overseas, including in countries that may not provide the same level of protection of Personal Information as Australia and New Zealand. By making a Booking You give Us Your consent to use and disclose Your Personal Information in the manner described in this clause 10.1.

10.2 We may also use Your name and the Guest Contact Details for marketing purposes, unless You tell Us that You do not want Us to do so. You may do this by contacting the Customer Service Contact Address.

10.3 We will otherwise deal with Your Personal Information in accordance with Our Privacy Policy, which can be found on Our Website or provided on request.

11. General Provisions

11.1 We may only waive a right or remedy created under these Conditions in writing. Our delay in exercising a right or remedy does not constitute a waiver of that right or remedy, nor does any waiver by Us (either wholly or in part) operate as a subsequent waiver of the same or any other right.

11.2 The Contract is governed by the laws in force in New South Wales.

11.3 The parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New South Wales and any courts competent to hear appeals from those courts.

11.4 Any term which is, by its nature, intended to survive termination of the Contract survives termination.

11.5 In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise indicates a contrary intention:
(a) headings are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation;
(b) singular includes the plural and vice versa;
(c) a reference to a party includes its successors, permitted assigns, administrators and substitutes;
(d) where a word or phrase is defined, its other grammatical forms have the corresponding meaning;
(e) the word 'include' in any form is not a word of limitation;
(f) no rules of construction apply to Our disadvantage on the basis that these Conditions or the Contract were prepared by Us;
(g) a reference to a natural person includes their personal representatives; and
(h) a reference to a body (including institute, association or authority) which ceases to exist or whose powers or functions are transferred to another body is a reference to the body which replaces it or which substantially succeeds to its powers or functions.

11.6 The Journey Brochure is valid for Journey Departure Dates during the Validity Period unless otherwise indicated in Your Itinerary, and supersedes all previous brochures.

12. Important notices about Your Journey

12.1 Journey Participation

(a) Special needs: We welcome You if You have a disability or other special need, provided You are accompanied by a companion capable of providing all the assistance You require. Please note that although We will use reasonable endeavours to provide You with all the activities on Your Itinerary, depending on Your disability, You may not be able to participate in every activity and the Tour Director or Cruise Director will have the right to refuse Your participation if the Tour Director or Cruise Director believes Your health and safety or the health and safety of any other person may be impacted by Your participation. You must advise Us (or Your travel agent) of any disability, medical condition or dietary requirement at the time of Booking.
(b) Facilities: It is important to note that:
(i) some cruise ships do not have elevators, and ships that are equipped with elevators may not have elevator access to all decks;
(ii) wheelchair passengers should be aware that cabin doors, rest rooms and corridors may not be wide enough to provide access for standard wheelchairs;
(iii) requests for disabled rooms must be made at the time of Booking and are subject to availability;
(iv) for safety reasons, passengers in wheelchairs cannot be carried on boarding ramps (which may be steep due to water levels) whilst the vessel is tied up or at anchor, or on to motor coaches; and
(v) wheelchairs and walkers can be carried in the luggage compartment of motorcoaches subject to space limitations.
(c) Our discretion: We may, in Our absolute discretion, decline Your Booking if We are of the view that:
(i) We cannot adequately provide for any or all of Your special needs;
(ii) Your health, safety or enjoyment, or that of any other passengers attending the Tour may be at risk; or
(iii) You cannot or will not abide by any reasonable directions of the Tour Director or Cruise Director.

12.2 Cruises

If Your Tour includes a Cruise, the following provisions apply:
(a) Deckplan: The deck plan, cabin sizes, images, inclusions and layout in the Tour Brochure are indicative only and may vary. Pictured representations of cabins or rooms in Tour Brochures are not drawn to scale.
(b) Cruise Cabins: Your Tour Price is based on the Cabin category indicated in the Tour Brochure. Upgrades are subject to availability and will be at an additional cost.
(c) Shore Excursions: Shore excursions provided by independent third-party Service Providers are at Your own expense and can be purchased prior to Your Tour Departure Date. We recommend booking shore excursions at least 120 days prior to Your Tour Departure Date.
(d) Dinner Reservations: Dinner times are scheduled on board. Preferred meal times may be requested at time of booking and are subject to availability.
(e) Photography: Our tours offer some of the most spectacular and beautiful photographic scenery in the world. However, We cannot guarantee that every scene or highlighted featured in a Tour Brochure or Itinerary will be available on each Tour. No refund or other compensation will be available for any resulting missed scene or photographic "opportunity".
(f) Smoking: Smoking is limited to designated smoking areas during Your Tour.
(i) You acknowledge that We may restrict smoking to specific times and locations during Your Cruise for the comfort of all passengers.
(ii) Smoking is not permitted on coaches or such other places as nominated by Us from time to time.
(iii) Although We will use reasonable endeavours to ensure there are opportunities for You to smoke during the Tour, We cannot guarantee such opportunities will be available.
(g) Noise, vibration and odour: While the Operators take reasonable steps to minimise noise, vibration and odours on the cruise vessels, You acknowledge and accept that some noise, vibration and intermittent odours may be experienced on vessels, and that We accept no responsibility, and will not be liable to You in relation to any such noise, vibration or odour.
(h) Docking Position: During port stops, vessels may dock side by side, obstructing views and requiring You to pass through other vessels to embark and disembark. You agree and acknowledge that You will have no claim in respect of any such matters.
(i) Medical Services:
(i) River cruise ships do not carry a doctor on board (except in Russia), however medical services may be called at Your own expense.
(ii) Due to the large number of passengers on board, We cannot provide a personal escort for medical visits.
(iii) We are not, and our Service Providers and the Operators are not, liable regarding the provision of any medical care You may require or choose to accept during your Tour.
(j) Currency and credit cards
(i) All purchases on board a charge to Your shipboard account. The on-board currency on river cruises is the US Dollar.
(ii) Shipboard accounts may be paid by US Dollar or credit card.
(k) Internet Service: Internet facilities are available on board

your cruise at no additional charge.
(i) Complimentary Internet service does not apply to any third-party suppliers.
(ii) Internet availability and quality may vary from country to country and can also be affected by technical issues, weather or unfavourable terrain and other factors outside Our control.
(iii) We do not guarantee the availability or quality of Internet connections or services.
(l) Beverages: If Your Tour includes an all-inclusive beverage package, the following provisions apply:
(i) Beer, wine and soft drinks are available with meals while cruising on the Emerald Harmony.
(ii) Any additional drinks may be purchased on board. Beverage packages will also be available for purchase on board.
(iii) Responsible service of alcohol is adhered to by all staff on board of all vessels and We reserve the right to refuse service.

12.3 Drones

(a) General prohibition: Unless provided by Us or an Operator as part of an organised activity during Your Tour, the use of Drones is strictly prohibited at all times on Your Tour.
(b) Legal restrictions: You should also be aware that, in addition to the prohibition in paragraph (a), the use of Drones is regulated or prohibited by law in many locations and unlawful use may result in arrest or prosecution by the relevant authorities.
(c) Organised Activities: If We or an Operator allow You to operate a Drone as part of an organised activity during Your Tour, You must strictly comply with all instructions of the activity leader. 13. Additional Important Information

13.1 Air Travel and baggage

(a) Airfare Conditions
(i) All airfares are subject to availability and conditions apply.
(ii) Our reservations consultant will book an appropriate fare for Your Journey.
(iii) Some discounted airfares have conditions which make them unsuitable to be used in conjunction with Our journeys. Full details and conditions may be obtained from Our reservations consultant or Your travel agent. If You have any questions or concerns please contact Our reservations consultant or Your travel agent.
(iv) Airfares booked as part of Your Journey will be through an appropriate route although may not be a direct flight; some included flights are unescorted. If You request a customised route or direct flight You will be responsible for all additional costs.
(v) Depending on departure date and time of booking the required booking class for airfare offer may be too far in advance to book with the appropriate airline. If the required booking class is unavailable air surcharges may apply. The flight quote including air taxes and surcharges will be confirmed once all air sectors are booked and confirmed.
(vi) Taxes are defined as all airline and government taxes and surcharges. Taxes are subject to change and will be advised at the time of flight reservation.
(vii) All flights are subject to schedule changes and class downgrades as determined by the operating airline. You acknowledge and agree that We accept no responsibility and will not be liable to You for any costs associated with these changes.
(viii) All airfares are subject to availability and scheduled for travel to meet the Journey Departure Dates set out in the Journey Brochure. Any requests outside of the journey dates may incur seasonal surcharges as enforced by the airline.
(b) Airport Transfers
(i) Passengers who have purchased Our pre and post Journey hotel accommodation and airfares will be provided airport transfers to/from their hotel in the Journey start or end city only, on the day of the pre or post accommodation booking.
(ii) If You do not book Your flights with Us, You must ensure Your flight details are provided to Us at least 60 days before the Journey Departure Date by:
(a) entering Your flight details at the trip personaliser on the Website; or
(b) contacting Us at the Customer Service Contact Address.
(iv) No refund will be given for unused transfers. Transfers cannot be routed to other pick-up points or destinations.
(v) If You miss the pre-booked transfer You will be responsible for making Your own way to the Journey departure point, at Your own expense.
(vi) Unless expressly stated in Your Itinerary, airport transfers may be group transfers scheduled to coincide with multiple flight arrival and departure times.
(c) Carriers: The carriers (including air carriers, rail and sea carriers used in association with the journeys) are not responsible for statements or features in Journey Brochures. The conditions of carriage of each carrier constitute a separate contract between You and the carrier and We have no responsibility in relation to contracts between You and the carriers and only act as agent in arranging services from the carriers.
(d) Luggage
(i) Journey participants are entitled to one suitcase per person. Your suitcase must not exceed 76 x 53 x 28cms (30" x 21"x 11") and must not weigh more than 23kg (50lbs). All luggage must be stored in your suite; there are no additional luggage storage facilities available.
(ii) Airline passengers should consult with their airline as size and weight restrictions may vary from airline to airline and according to the class booked.
(iii) It is Your responsibility to ensure Your luggage complies with these requirements and You acknowledge that We, contracted carriers or Service Providers may elect not to carry overweight items.
(iv) You will be responsible for any excess baggage charges.

13.2 Sightseeing, Excursions and Special Activities on Journey

(a) Sightseeing: Sightseeing in many historic villages, towns and cities can only be undertaken by walking journeys as motorcoach access is not possible. Consequently, a reasonable level of fitness is required as the sightseeing journey may involve steps and extensive walking over uneven surfaces.
(b) Mountain Excursions: Some journeys include mountain excursions involving high altitudes. Please consult with Your doctor to ensure that You have an adequate level of fitness and are in good health before participating in these excursions.
(c) DiscoverMORE Optional Journeys: Additional activities undertaken by You such as sightseeing journeys purchased by You in addition to those activities outlined in the Journey Brochure during Your Journey are not included in Your Journey Price and incur an additional cost. Additional activities are subject to availability, seasonal and operational factors and must be pre-booked prior to Your departure. Some activities require a minimum and maximum number of participants to operate.

13.3 Passenger Requirements

(a) Special Diets: You must advise Us in writing of any and all special requests and dietary requirements at the time of Booking. We will make every reasonable effort to accommodate Your dietary requests but cannot guarantee that such requests can be met.
(b) Vaccinations: It is Your responsibility to ensure You have all required vaccinations for Your Journey and We recommend You refer to www.smarttraveller.gov.au for full details and also consult Your doctor.
(c) Medical Conditions: We strongly recommend a visit to Your doctor prior to Your journey.
(d) Solo Passengers and Single Accommodation
(i) Prices quoted in Journey Brochures are on a twin share basis. If Your Booking is not a twin share booking We will notify You of the applicable single supplement rate (Single Supplement Rate), and You must pay the Single Supplement Rate for the Journey, at the time of Booking.
(e) Young Passengers:
(i) Passengers under the age of 18 years (as at the Journey Departure Date) must be accompanied by an adult and share their accommodation with an adult.
(ii) Children under the age of 12 years are not encouraged and are accepted or rejected at Our sole discretion.

13.4 Maps, Pictures and Images

(a) Maps: Maps or journey depictions contained in Journey Brochures or any other brochures We issue are intended as an indication only and should not be relied upon as the actual route to be taken during the Journey.
(b) Images: All images in Journey Brochures represent typical scenes and descriptive detail for each journey, however it is possible that the particular subject matter may not be seen or experienced on Your Journey. Also, some pictures may have been digitally enhanced.

13.5 Hotel Accommodation

(a) Substitution: We may substitute hotel accommodation of a similar standard in the place of the advertised hotel due to hotel availability issues. Any changes will be notified once confirmed with the hotel.
(b) Responsibility: Although We have taken reasonable steps to secure the most suitable hotel accommodation in the area of the Journey, We are not liable to You for the quality, size or fitness of hotel rooms.

13.6 Flexible Booking Plan

Our Flexible Booking Plan is available at a cost of $250 per person per Journey excluding Amazon cruises and Galapagos cruises. The cost is non-refundable and must be paid at the time of Booking Your Journey. The Flexible Booking Plan does not, nor is it intended to, replace travel insurance. Details and terms and conditions of the Flexible Booking Plan are available on Our Website.

13.7 Platinum Protection Plan

The Platinum Protection Plan ("PPP") is available for new river and ocean cruising bookings for travel after 1 January 2022 for Scenic and Emerald Cruises ("Eligible Booking"). By adding this plan, you are covered if you unable to travel due to health reasons, or your travel plans are impacted by COVID-19, up to 31 days prior to departure with a 100% refund (less airline cancellation fees and PPP cost), or a 70% refund between 15 and 30 days prior to departure (less PPP cost). The PPP must be purchased together with the Eligible Booking at time such booking is made and may not be added at a later date. The PPP is provided at a cost of $395 per person per river cruise, $495 per person per cruise on Emerald Cruises yacht cruising and $595 per person per cruise on Scenic Eclipse voyages ("PPP Fee").

14. Contact Details

14.1 To make, change or cancel a Booking or to make any enquiries regarding a Booking or to otherwise give Us any notice in accordance with the Contract, You should contact Our customer service centre as follows:
Australia –
Email: info@emeraldcruises.com.au
Telephone: 1300 286 110
Address: 25 Watt St, Newcastle NSW 2300
New Zealand –
Email: info@emeraldcruises.co.nz
Telephone: 0800 003 535
Address: Level 1, 22-28 Customs Street East, Auckland 1010, New Zealand
This is the Customer Service Contact Address.
14.2 Our customer service centre is open from 7.30am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 1.00pm Saturday (excluding public holidays in New South Wales) (Sydney time). Although We hope You won't need it, Our after-hours emergency number when calling in Australia is freecall 1800 620 105. Other emergency contact details are included in Your travel documents. New Zealand emergency phone 0800 441 611. Our New Zealand customer service centre is open from 8.30am to 8.00pm Monday to Friday and 11.00am to 3.00pm Saturday (Auckland time).
14.3 If You need to contact Us during Your Journey, We recommend that if it is practicable to do so, in the first instance You should try to contact the Journey Director or Cruise Director. Depending on the purpose of Your contact, they may be able to assist You, but otherwise they may direct You to contact Our customer service centre.
14.4 We will use the Guest Contact Details if We need to contact You before the Journey Departure Date. It is therefore very important that You keep the Guest Contact Details up to date and notify Us immediately of any changes. To update Your Guest Contact Details, please contact Us at the Customer Service Contact Address.

15. Destination Specific Terms

15.1 (a) if you book Your Tour and pay Your Booking Deposit by 30 November or until sold out, whichever comes first, you may be eligible to receive at Our discretion, one of the following offers:
(i) Earlybirds – amount depending on the itinerary selected as set out on pages 32-37.
(ii) Super Earlybirds – Pay in full 12 months before departure to receive additional 10% discount on your cruise and cabin cost, minus any port charges and taxes, when taking a balcony cabin or higher. Minimum discount is advertised on pages 32-37.
(iii) Early Payment Discount – book and pay Your cruise in full 12 to 6 months prior to departure date to save up to 10% per couple on Your Tour Price.

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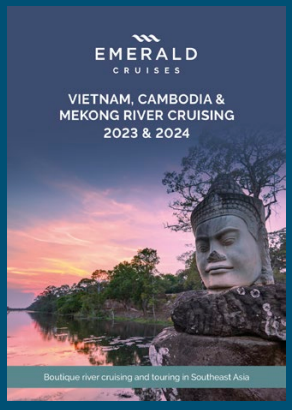

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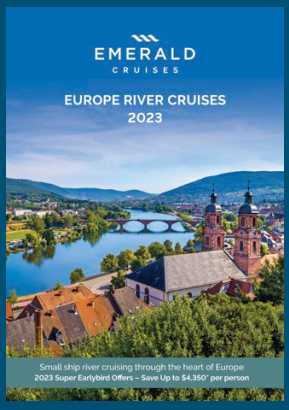

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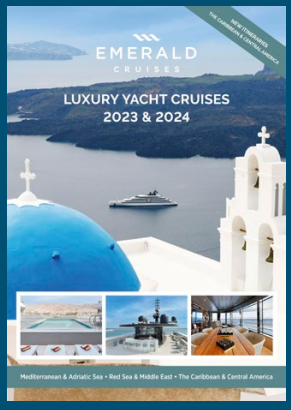

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