

AALP Alumni tour
Vietnam and Cambodia
March 29 – April 11, 2026

Reconnect with old friends and meet new ones as you share experiences and discover innovative practices in agriculture and leadership in Cambodia and Vietnam from March 29th to April 11th, 2026.

Cambodia and Vietnam are neighboring Southeast Asian countries with ancient historical roots and complex relationships that include period of conflict and cooperation. Discover the rich culture and heritage of both countries, from breathtaking landscapes and UNESCO World Heritage sites to unique agricultural producers such as a Lotus Silk Farm and Cambodia's largest dairy farm. Experience floating villages by boat, delicious local cuisine and so much more!

March 29 **Depart Canada** (- / - / -)

15 seats have been reserved on the following Eva Air flights from Toronto:

March 29	BR035	Toronto	Depart:	01:15
March 30		Taipei	Arrive:	05:10
March 30	BR265	Taipei	Depart:	08:45
		Phnom Penh	Arrive:	11:15

Note: Group seats available on a first-come first-served basis. Alternatively, you may opt to arrange independent flights but please arrive close to the group.

March 30 **Arrival/ Phnom Penh** (- / - / D)

Upon arrival in Phnom Penh, we will meet our English-speaking Tour Manager and transfer to the city for a short tour before we check in to our hotel and enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight Phnom Penh

TRIBE Phnom Penh or similar - <https://www.tribephnompenh.com/>

March 31 **Phnom Penh – Kirsu Farm** (B / L / -)

Our group will enjoy breakfast at the hotel before driving south of Phnom Penh to visit Kirsu Farms - www.kirisufarm.com. This is Cambodia's largest and most advanced dairy farm, located on a sprawling 300-hectare site in Phnom Tamao, Takeo province. It's a bold leap into high-tech agriculture, blending traditional farming with cutting-edge innovation.

The trip will go through the country roads of Cambodia where you can see greens and paddy rice fields...which is one of export products in Cambodia economy. We will also visit a Rice Mill to see the local products for export.

Lunch at local restaurant

This afternoon we learn about Cambodia's tragic past on a guided tour of the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, a former school which served as a Khmer Rouge torture center. It's estimated that more than 20,000 people were held and tortured here. Afterwards we hear about a brighter period in Cambodian history with a visit to the Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda.

Return to hotel, dinner on your own.
Overnight Phnom Penh

April 1 Phnom Penh – Siem Reap (B / L / D)

In the morning, we will say farewell to Phnom Penh and take the scenic route to Siem Reap, our home for the next few nights. We will stop along the way to visit a rubber, cassava and banana plantation in the Chamkar Loeu District of Kampon Cham Province. Lunch will be provided at a local restaurant along the way to Siem Reap. Arrival in Siem Reap is expected late afternoon.

Dinner in a local restaurant

Overnight Siem Reap

Tara Angkor Hotel or similar - <https://taraangkorhotel.com/>

April 2 Siem Reap (B / L / -)

After breakfast at the hotel, we will depart for a visit to one of the most well know sites in Cambodia. The group will explore the Angkor Complex at the South Gate of Angkor Thom, which is famous for the impressive Bayon Temple, with its series of colossal human faces carved in stone. Then we will pass by the Terrace of the Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King followed by a short visit to the 8-hectare nursery, one of the four locations under the management of the Apsara Authority's Department of Forest Management.

Note: Minibuses will be used for the Angkor Wat visit as there are size restrictions on buses entering the complex

Following this we continue to visit Ta Prohm, a 12th century Buddhist temple, overgrown with jungle and admired by romantics for their dreamlike qualities, and the Angkor Wat Temples.

Lunch at a local restaurant.

In the afternoon we will enjoy a guided tour of a Lotus Silk Farm, featuring a boat ride, tea and biscuits, a bouquet of flowers and the opportunity to craft lotus-based items (lotus yarn, lotus paper, dried lotus seed bracelets) and a surprise gift for participants.

Dinner on Own

Overnight in Siem Reap

April 3 Siem Reap – Ho Chi Minh (B / L / -)

On our last day in Cambodia, we explore the Tonle Sap Lake area which includes a boat trip to the floating village of Chong Khneas, a visit to the Gecko Center and a crocodile and fish farm.

Lunch will be at a local restaurant, before some free time in Siem Reap or a visit to the Lotus Farm to see how they make silk. We will then head to the airport for our flight to Ho Chi Minh City.

Transfer to the hotel and check in.

Dinner on your own.

Overnight Ho Chi Minh

Eden Saigon Hotel or similar - www.edenstarsaigonhotel.com

April 4 Ho Chi Minh (B / L / D)

On our first day in Vietnam, we explore sites around Ho Chi Minh including the War Remnants Museum, The Cathedral, Post Office and the Opera House.

After lunch we will have free time to explore the city on our own. Some suggestions for things to do:

Independence Palace

Jade Emperor Pagoda

Ben Thanh Market

Evening food tour

Nguyen Hue Walking Street

Saigon Skydeck

Tao Can Park

Overnight Ho Chi Minh

April 5 Ho Chi Minh – Cu Chi (B / L / D)

Our day will begin with a drive to the Cu Chi district with our first stop at the Agricultural Management Center for research and development and Hi-Tech Park. This is a government-backed project which promotes urban agriculture through research, technology application and the production of high-quality crops and livestock.

Next, we shall tour a family orchid, mushroom and worm farm before lunch at Ben Nay restaurant.

In the afternoon we will visit the famous Cu Chi tunnels, a byzantine maze of underground passages, chamber rooms and booby traps used by the Viet Cong soldiers during the war as hiding spots, communication and supply routes, field hospitals and storage spaces for food and weapons.

In the evening, we will have a buffet dinner on a cruise ship riding along the Saigon River.

Overnight Ho Chi Minh

April 6 Ho Chi Minh – My Tho – Can Tho (B / L / D)

After breakfast we will check out of the hotel and drive to Can Tho. Along the way we will stop to visit Than Cuu Nghia Cooperative which produces vegetables on more than 300 Ha. On arrival in Can Tho we will have a quick lunch before visiting a local fish farm to hear about local aquaculture.

Dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight Can Tho – Ninh Kieu Hotel or similar (<http://ninhkieuhotel.com/en>)

April 7 Can Tho – Hanoi (B / L / -)

After breakfast and check out, we take a boat ride on the river to Cai Rang floating market where agri-products are sold on the river. We continue by boat to visit one of the local orchards to see fruit harvesting as well as fishing in natural ponds (fishing is done by hands using traditional fishing equipment – note there will be time to change clothes before and after this).

We will have lunch at the orchard and try our hand at making Banh Xeo (a traditional pancake) After lunch, we transfer to the airport for our flight to Hanoi.

On arrival, we check in to the hotel and have free time for dinner on your own.

Overnight Hanoi

Sunway Hanoi Hotel or similar - www.sunwayhotels.com/sunway-hanoi

April 8 Hanoi (B / L / D)

Breakfast at the hotel.

In the morning, we will head to the outskirts of Hanoi to visit a traditional Vietnamese market which includes local produce. Shortly after we walk to see a vegetable plantation before taking a cooking class and enjoying lunch with our hosts.

In the afternoon we return to Hanoi and visit the “Hanoi Hilton” and Old Quarter area before dinner in a local restaurant. Hoa Lo Prison was used for US prisoners of war during the Vietnam War (referred to as the American was in Vietnam), and eventually became known as the Hanoi Hilton.

Overnight Hanoi

April 9 Ha Long Bay Cruise (B / L / D) Breakfast at the hotel before checking out and departing for Ha Long Bay. Hạ Long Bay, in northeast Vietnam, is known for its emerald waters and thousands of towering limestone islands topped by rainforests. Junk boat tours and sea kayak expeditions take visitors past islands named for their shapes, including Stone Dog and Teapot islets. The region is popular for scuba diving, rock climbing and hiking, particularly in mountainous Cát Bà National Park.

After checking in and enjoying lunch on the cruise, there are multiple options for the group to explore to discover the beauty of the bay: hike to the caves, take a paddle boat out, kayak or simply relax on the cruise.

Overnight – Aqua Elegance Cruise or similar <https://aquaoftheseas.com/about-aqua-elegance-cruise/>

April 10 Ha Long Bay – Hanoi (B / L / D)

For the early risers, enjoy sunset over the Bay or take part in an early morning Tai Chi class. After breakfast we return to the mainland and return to Hanoi. The group will have free time for shopping or independent sightseeing in Hanoi before a farewell dinner.

Overnight Hanoi

Sunway Hanoi Hotel or similar - www.sunwayhotels.com/sunway-hanoi

April 11 Hanoi – Departure (B / - / -)

Check out and depart.

April 11	BR398	Hanoi	Depart:	12:05
		Taipei	Arrive:	15:55
April 11	BR036	Taipei	Depart:	19:25
		Toronto	Arrive:	21:35

Included:

- English speaking Tour Manager
- 12 nights' accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Ha Long cruise and overnight
- Private bus
- Boat rides in Can Tho and Chau Doc
- Entrance fees as noted
- 2 meals minimum per day as noted (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
- Gratuity for guides and drivers
- Domestic flights (Siem Reap to Ho Chi Minh, Ho Chi Minh to Hanoi)

Excluded:

- International airfare (option: to include group air fare)
- Vietnam visa
- Cambodia visa
- Early check in/ late check out
- Meals not listed as included
- Optional insurance
- Personal expenses (souvenirs, tours booked on your own during free time etc.)

TOUR COSTS:

Land Only Cost:

(Note: Land only rate does not include international flights)

Early bird rate (October 31 - December 1, 2025):

Double occupancy	\$3,525 CAD
Single surcharge	\$825 CAD

December 2, 2025 - January 1, 2026:

Double occupancy	\$3,775 CAD
Single surcharge	\$825 CAD

January 2 - 30, 2026:

Double occupancy	\$4,025 CAD
Single surcharge	\$825 CAD

Optional group flight cost: \$2,025 CAD

Note: We require a minimum of 10 passengers to offer the group flight.

TOTAL PACKAGE COST:

(Note: Total Package cost does include the Optional group flight offered by Eva Air)

Early bird rate (October 31 - December 1, 2025):

Double occupancy	\$5,550 CAD
Single surcharge	\$825 CAD

December 2, 2025 - January 1, 2026:

Double occupancy	\$5,800 CAD
Single surcharge	\$825 CAD

January 2 - 30, 2026:

Double occupancy	\$6,050 CAD
Single surcharge	\$825 CAD