

Vegan Culinary Cruises

ALL VEGAN - ALL INCLUSIVE - LUXURY CRUISE VACATIONS



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Welcome

Discover the Luxury of the Only All Inclusive - All Vegan Cruise & Travel Experience

Vegan Culinary Cruises combines the luxury and ease of riverboat cruising with exciting and educational land touring and delicious vegan cuisine. Whether you are interested in discovering the world's great capitals, exploring fascinating cultures or looking for adventure, or just looking to sit back and relax from the comfort of your floating hotel as you watch the scenery pass you by, then this is the travel experience for you!

Vegan Culinary Cruises stand for the highest level of hospitality and service that is devoted to satisfying your every wish and need. With our reputation and over 30 years of travel and cruise experience, we can guarantee you will feel on top of the world whether on water or land.

Our all-inclusive luxury, 5-star cruise and tour programs include delicious vegan cuisine, engaging lectures and on-board programming and entertainment, as well as local touring at our numerous ports of call, exploring unique history, heritage, culture and adventure.



River Cruises & Tours Overview

Discover

Find the vacation destination of your dreams on board one of our luxurious river boats. Choose from our all-inclusive itineraries, then personalize your experience with one of our optional pre or post city stay extensions!

2020 Departures

Mekong River Cruise — Vietnam & Cambodia

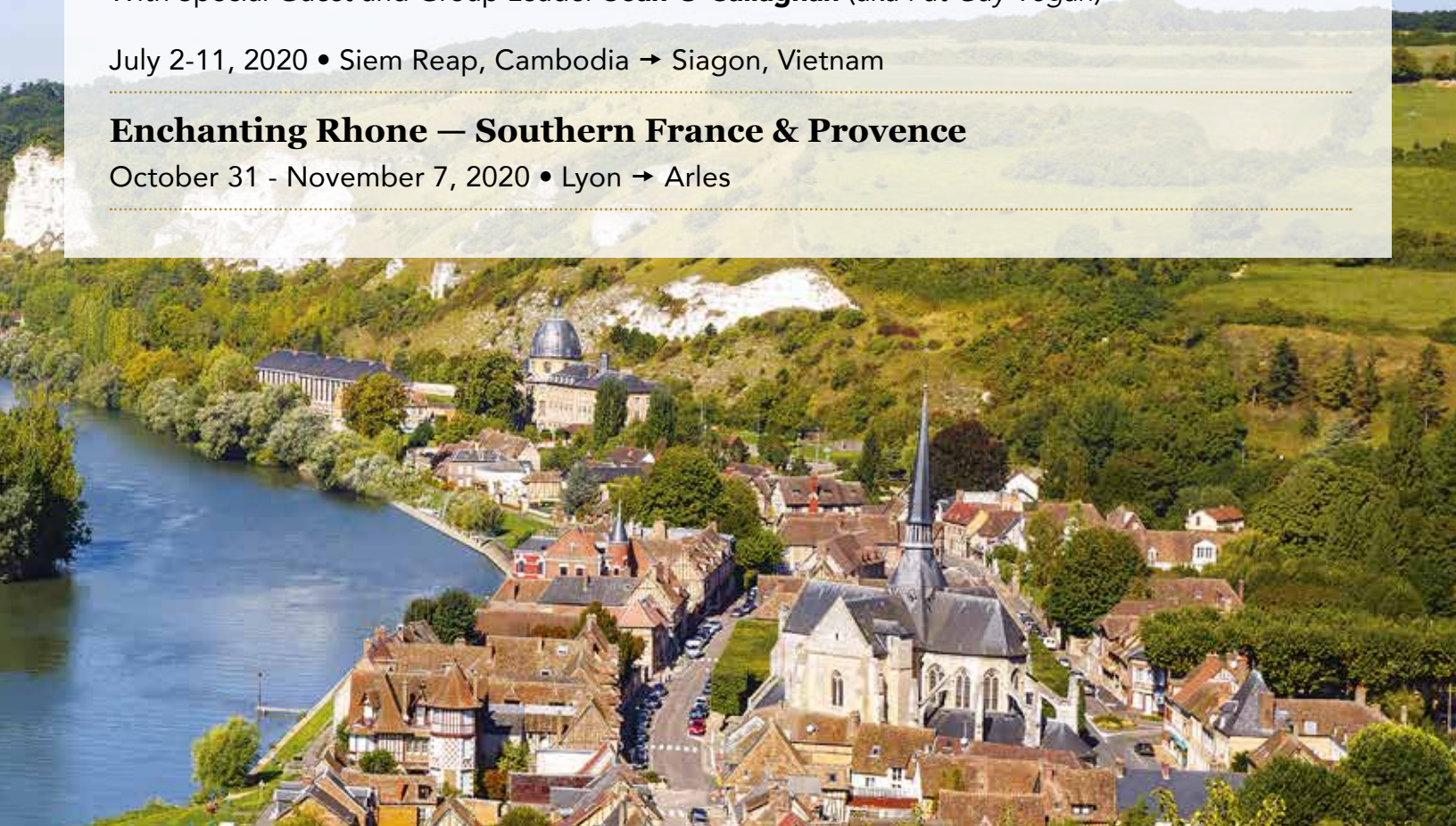
Special LGBT-Focused Vegan Departure “The Only LGBT-Focused – All Vegan Cruise Experience” – all are welcome.

With Special Guest and Group Leader **Sean O’Callaghan** (aka *Fat Gay Vegan*)

July 2-11, 2020 • Siem Reap, Cambodia → Siagon, Vietnam

Enchanting Rhone — Southern France & Provence

October 31 - November 7, 2020 • Lyon → Arles



The Vegan Culinary Cruises

Luxury Experience

What Makes Us Special - The Only All-Vegan, All-Inclusive Luxury Cruise Vacation

All-Vegan Cruises

Vegan Culinary Cruises is one of the only vegan tour operators that charters entire ships for each of its cruise vacations. Unlike many other vegan cruise programs that take place on larger ships—where 50 + vegan passengers share a vessel with thousands of other guests—**Vegan Culinary Cruises** host a maximum of 50 (expeditions vessels) to 140 (established waterways) guests on 5-Star luxury vessels reserved just for us.

Having our very own ship creates a unique sense of community as we travel together with like-minded individuals, creating special connections with fellow passengers. This onboard experience becomes a unique and memorable experience, bringing us all together for a magical event with friends, old and new.

The Perfect Luxury Vacation

After more than 30 years experience in the travel culinary industry, we have created the perfect luxury vacation.

We achieve and maintain the highest standards of luxury, education and quality. No more sitting in a large hotel, moving from point to point, packing and unpacking, and going from restaurant to restaurant with an ever-changing level of quality. Now you will wake each morning, eager to explore a new city or town filled with history and heritage.

Imagine yourself watching the river or new port of call from your balcony, taking you to new places, revealing charming landscapes and unforgettable places. Meanwhile, you can sit back in total relaxation. The elegant comforts and personal service aboard **Vegan Culinary Cruises** create an oasis of inspiration and calm. Experience wonderful, relaxing, luxurious world travel with the sheer ease of river or ocean transport.

All-Inclusive Luxury

Vegan Culinary Cruises includes it all. Unlike many large cruise programs with numerous add-on costs for excursions, amenities, activities, drinks and Internet, we include everything on **Vegan Culinary Cruises**. From the minute you arrive to the minute you depart the ship, we will take care of you. All of our cruises include our own specially developed shore excursions, exploring the wonders of the regions we travel, open bar or drink credit, Internet, educational programming and lectures, special guests and entertainment. Every ship is a luxury 5-star vessel complete with high-end amenities and accommodations, as well as exceptional service from your **Vegan Culinary Cruises** management team.

Exceptional Service

The **Vegan Culinary Cruises** team accompanies each cruise to ensure every detail is perfect. Our team is made up of only the highest quality guides, educators, and cruise directors, including our seasoned kitchen team led by our master chefs, who have created a truly unique and exceptional vegan culinary experience.

Fabulous Vegan Experience

Unlike typical vegan land tours, which travel from point to point, utilizing local vegan restaurants then each morning picking through your standard hotel breakfast buffet looking for something to eat, we bring to you an exceptional culinary event.

We are able to maintain the highest quality and luxury standard of cuisine. Our master chefs create an unforgettable dining experience. We have taken fine dining that symbolizes luxury cruising and combined it with expert chefs to create the perfect vegan cruise experience.

Highest Standards Vegan Cuisine

Our culinary team ensure the highest standards of vegan cuisine. All products are specially sourced, and our menus are created to be fun, unique and delicious, infusing as much of the local flavors and traditions of the regions we travel.



Non-Stop Education, Activities and Adventure – All Included

From morning until night, we have every moment programed. We offer unique land excursions, fabulous entertainment, and informative education lectures from world-class historians, speakers and special guests. Our cruises have something for everyone.

- **Land Tours:** Every cruise includes our famous land tours. **Vegan Culinary Cruises** has spent years preparing and perfecting each destination we travel, searching for hidden and off-the-beaten-path places, and points of interest not found in any guide book or on standard tours.
- **History & Heritage:** Not only do we explore each region's history and heritage, but we immerse ourselves in it. Over the years we have cultivated our access to local communities and their leaders along the rivers and destinations we travel. This provides our guests with unique insight and a connection to the people we meet from across the globe, making for a memorable and once-in-a-life-time travel experience.
- **Moving Experiences:** We develop our programs—not just as a tour vacation, but also as a life-affirming experience. From emotional ceremonies paying tribute to the fallen soldiers of WWI on Frances Seine River, to visiting schools and interacting with the children of Cambodia and Vietnam along the Mekong River, we guarantee a travel experience like no other that will create memories to last a lifetime.
- **Education:** Our education program takes place both on and off the boat. Our special guests, speakers and guides on each cruise offer guests an in-depth, unique, and entertaining insight into the history and heritage of the places we explore. Instead of just a quick tour or brief overview found on other tours and cruise programs, our mission is to supply our guests with the opportunity to create a connection and true understanding of each destination we explore.
- **Activities & Entertainment:** From bus and walking tours to bike rides, hikes, shopping, cooking classes, symphonies, comedies, and sing-a-longs, which are all included, our programming is consistently filled with variety and options.

A Typical Day Aboard:

06:00:	Coffee service begins in the lounge
07:00:	Tai Chi on the top deck
08:00:	Breakfast
09:30:	Morning tour program
12:30:	Lunch
14:00:	Afternoon tour program
16:30:	Tea time in the lounge/free time to explore the port of call/ lecture program
19:00:	Dinner
21:30:	Evening Entertainment or night on the town
22:30:	Evening snack



Creating A Vegan Community

Providing an entire ship just for our guests results in a truly unique travel experience. Almost instantaneously, we become a community of like-minded vegan individuals on a journey of exploration, discovery and growth. From meaningful programming to onboard entertainment, delicious vegan meals and relaxation time with old and new friends, guests can experience what **Vegan Culinary Cruises** is all about.

Experience: More than 30 years in the Culinary Travel & Cruise Business

When you choose **Vegan Culinary Cruises**, you choose one of the most established culinary tour operators with more than 30 years of experience. We develop and run each program using only our in-house staff of travel experts, managers and catering team. We do not sell or buy another company's products. As a fully established tour operator, we comply with the highest level of certification as a fully licensed, insured and bonded U.S. tour operator, so your well-being and investment is always protected.

Numerous vegan tour programs are run by caterers, travel agents or non-licensed individuals—many of whom do not have the experience, expertise or certification to run such operations or to handle the issues that may occur. When you choose **Vegan Culinary Cruises**, you choose an established tour company with offices in Seattle, Mexico City, Dublin, Prague and Vienna that have the expertise and foundation to provide guests with peace of mind, as well as an amazing travel experience!

For complete cruise details please visit our website www.veganculinarycruises.com

This includes details on special guest lecturers, entertainment, itinerary, ports of call, daily touring, cabin information, videos of the ship, program, points of interest and cruise reviews, pricing updates plus much more!



Vietnam & Cambodia Mekong River Cruise 2020

LGBT Vegan Departure with Special Guest and Group Leader
SEAN O'CALLAGHAN (aka Fat Gay Vegan) – all are welcome!

July 2 - 11, 2020 - 10 Day Cruise & Tour

Pre-Tour 3 Days: Siem Reap Cambodia July 2 - 4, 2020



Vegan Culinary Cruises is proud to present the world's first, and only,
fully-vegan LGBT focused cruise experience – all are welcome



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The Cruise

Curated and hosted by vegan blogger, writer, and event planner Sean O'Callaghan (Fat Gay Vegan), our Mekong cruise has been designed to be a relaxed, inclusive, and safe adventure for LGBT travelers as well as their friends and families.

Sean says, "As a gay person, I have often longed for an LGBT-friendly vegan vacation opportunity. I know what it is like to put a lot of effort into planning and paying for a holiday and I want to know that every part of my trip celebrates who I am. My partner and I want to feel safe and relaxed whether we are in our cabin, sharing cocktails in the bar, or dining together at night. **Vegan Culinary Cruises** helped me turn this dream into a reality for me and my LGBT community".

Even though our gorgeous Mekong adventure is focused on celebrating LGBT community members, the cruise is also welcoming to non-LGBT friends and family members. We have worked hard to create an experience in which everyone can celebrate our diverse communities.

The Journey

Vegan Culinary Cruises Vietnam & Cambodia Mekong River Cruise is one of our most spectacular and unforgettable journeys. Marvel at ancient temples, mist-covered mountains and colorful floating markets along the Mekong River as you travel by luxury river cruise through two of Southeast Asia's most beautiful countries. Along the way, visit ancient temples and monasteries, royal palaces and pagodas, rural villages and experience first-hand everyday life in this unique part of the world. Our deluxe river cruise ship features delicious regionally inspired vegan cuisine, spa treatments and a pool on the sun deck so our guests can return to luxury after each exotic adventure.

Our all-inclusive program includes delicious vegan cuisine, thought-provoking lectures, entertainment, and fabulous on-board programming, along with local tours at each locale we visit.

Picture yourself watching the river flow from the window of your cabin or one of the decks as it takes you to new places and reveals storybook landscapes as you relax in total comfort. The sublime ambiance and personal service aboard your Vegan Culinary Cruises ship creates an oasis of relaxation that is simply unexcelled. Each one of the bright, airy cabins has unrestricted views of the scenery through panoramic, glass windows with private balcony that spans the cabin's width. Experience travel like you never have before with the sheer ease of river transport.



Itinerary*

Siem Reap Pre-Tour

Day 1 (Thursday): Siem Reap

Arrive Siem Reap with complimentary airport meet and greet and transfer to the world famous Raffles Hotel for check-in and refreshments. Our program and orientation begin with dinner then a guided tour of the night market. For those guests arriving on the late evening flights, you will be met and transferred directly to the hotel.

Day 2 (Friday): Siem Reap – Angkor Wat & Ta Prohm

Today we begin our tour with the visit to Angkor Wat, one of the modern wonders of the world. Be amazed by the sheer size of the temple and learn how the Khmer Empire prospered between the 9th and 13th centuries, around the time when Angkor Wat was built. Stroll through the intricately carved hallways that show hundreds of fine carvings and discover small shrines still in use today by the local people.

12:00 back to the hotel for lunch and relax before going back out at 13:30 to visit the world-famous masterpieces that are Ta Prohm. Enter Ta Prohm by the west gate and be amazed by its detailed and refined bas-reliefs along with the presence of giant trees and roots that are slowly taking over the stones. Return to hotel by 17:00

After dinner we will depart for the famous Phare Circus 19:45. Phare Circus works mainly with disadvantaged young people. They learn circus skills,

theatre performance, music and a range of visual arts. It combines local traditions with new creative and innovative genres. Daring athleticism is combined with stories that speak powerfully to Cambodia's not-too-distant history; for example, escape from tyranny is depicted through tightrope walking. The dark subject of a young girl trying to deal with memories of atrocities, is depicted by breathtaking acrobatics in which seemingly impossible goals are achieved. More than simply a circus, Phare is an amazing blend of traditional and modern theatre, music, dance, acrobatics, juggling and contortion beautifully choreographed and performed in a story about Cambodian lives and society. Return to our hotel 21:00.

Day 3 (Saturday): Angkor Thom tour, transfer to ship at Kampong Cham

This morning we explore the ancient walled city of Angkor Thom, the former great capital of the Khmer Empire from late 12th century until its ultimate decline in the 15th century. Inside the compound, you will be able to visit some of the most mysterious and fascinating structures of the Angkor complex. Start this morning entering the city by the impressive 23-meter-high South Gate and head to Bayon temple. With its 37 towers and enigmatic smiling faces, it is one of the most emblematic temples. Once your guide has shared with you its knowledge and secrets, continue to Baphuon and learn more about the gigantic project of conservation it has undergone to get back at its monumental appearance. Then join the Terrace of Elephants and the Terrace of the Leper King via Phimeanakas, a small yet wonderful temple hidden in a multi-century old forest behind the terraces.

The Cruise: Late morning, we will meet back at our hotel those guests just arriving and travel overland south to the town of Kampong Cham where our ship awaits us. The transfer through the local countryside takes about 4 hours; box lunch, snacks and beverages are provided during the trip. Upon arrival you check in to your well-prepared staterooms then make yourself familiar with all facilities onboard and take some rest before dinner and orientation.

After dinner we learn more about the education of the young Cambodian generation (NGO project). The children join us on board, always excited to show their skills in music and art. Be sure to be bathed in smiles upon your applause. Late evening our lounge cinema features selected classic movies (every night).

Day 4 (Sunday): Kampong Cham - Oknha Tey - Kampong Chhnang

Every morning, our Tai Chi class on the sun deck will give you energy for the day ahead. Breakfast is served in the dining hall. This morning we tour the rural Angkor Ban village where time stands still. We are transported back a hundred years into an era untouched by modernity. The houses here are truly rustic, made by hand and without any concrete. But most of all, we feel overwhelmed by the unbridled warmth of the villagers. Back on board a Monks' blessing ceremony will deliver spirits and wishes for health and prosperity for all.

Enjoy your lunch as we set sail downstream the Mekong. In the afternoon a High Tea is offered, and our staff is keen to show you the variety of traditional Khmer fashion. We arrive at the Island of Koh Oknha Tey. This spot in the middle of the Mekong owns its fame for manufacturing linen products. By tuk tuk we explore the island with its workshops and learn how top-quality local original Cambodian linens are produced. Guests will have the opportunity to purchase some of these authentic products before we get back onboard. After some additional cruising time, we pass the confluence of the Mekong and Tonle Rivers as the boat anchors near Kampong Chhnang. Have a fresh drink before dinner and marvel at the amazing marshlands of this beautiful region.

Day 5 (Monday): Kampong Chhnang - Kamp. Tralach - Phnom Penh

Wake up early to witness this spectacular scenery at the break of dawn. Our morning Tai Chi class offers the perfect scenery today. Breakfast buffet is served in the dining hall. We are now in Kampong Chhnang, Cambodia's "water world", where everything is on sticks balanced on water rich soil. We take a local boat to the shore then by minibuses we head to a rural village for our walking tour. Our guides introduce you to the village specialties – Khmer style pottery and the making of palm sugar. Before returning to the boat, we explore the floating villages and wetlands of the region then back on board for lunch while the cruise continues with a languid meander along the Tonle

River which glides through leafy swaths of the Southeast Asian jungle before reaching Kampong Tralach.

At Kampong Tralach we are greeted by cacophonous sounds of children who wave enthusiastically from the river's edge. Our afternoon excursion begins with a visit to the local schoolhouse and talk with the kids; they are very eager to practice their English.

After some additional cruising time the boat arrives at the pier of Phnom Penh. Feel free to have your first exploration by yourself after dinner. Stroll along the river promenade and watch the locals chit-chatting, selling odds and ends or have a drink in one of the numerous bars (kindly inform our crew once you are leaving the ship on your own).

Day 6 (Tuesday): Phnom Penh

Welcome to Phnom Penh - the once called Paris of the East. Despite its rapid development, it has retained a lot of its rustic charm and elegance. It is an amazing town with centuries of incredible history and culture which can still be felt at many street corners. We start with a full sight-seeing tour right after breakfast. By bus we visit the Killing Fields at the outside of the city and afterwards the centrally located prison "S21". Both historic sites display the sad and cruel chapter of Khmer history when the Khmer Rouge ruled the country with terror and suppression. Those places have not changed much since this horrific time back in the early seventies and it can be quite heartbreaking. Alternatively, you can explore the city in the morning by your own before re-joining the group for lunch on-board.

Our exploration of Phnom Penh continues with a fascinating cultural heritage program. The golden edifice of the Royal Palace with its Silver Pagoda and the exceptional Khmer crafts at the National Museum are our afternoon highlights. The day trip ends with a "cyclo" ride back to the ship through the bustling streets of downtown Phnom Penh.

Take some rest in your spacious cabin or join other fellow passengers at the bar for refreshing drinks before our captivating evening activities start.

The dinner on the sun deck is accompanied with an Apsara dance performance. You will witness the brilliance and richness of this dance along with the soothing sounds of Cambodia's traditional music. As the evening unwinds, enjoy dinner with a good glass of wine and marvel at the skyline of Phnom Penh, and the calming flow of the Tonle River.

Day 7 (Wednesday): Phnom Penh - Border Crossing - Tan Chau

Early morning, we cast off as we make our way down river to the Vietnam border. After breakfast we gather at the lounge for a captivating lecture about



Cambodian modern history, held by a professor of the Royal University of Phnom Penh. The rest of the morning is at leisure to sit back and relax in cruise mode experiencing the therapeutic influence that this mighty river radiates. It is time for massages, relax on a sun bed by the pool, or your own private balcony, watching the wonders and daily life along the mighty Mekong.

After lunch our vegan culinary class is offered, then in the afternoon our guides lead a class to sharpen your knowledge and skills about the local cuisine, language and fashion.

We reach the border and finally arrive in Vietnam. From here it is just a short distance to Tan Chau, a pleasant, slow-paced border town with a sizeable Chinese, Kinh and Khmer community. We moor near the city with views on the riverbanks. Dinner will be served then join our evening cinema for another selected classic movie.

Day 8 (Thursday): Tan Chau - My An Hung - Sa Dec

Begin your day with a hearty breakfast at the dining hall or in the quiet privacy of your balcony. Brace yourself for a tour around Tan Chau, a pleasant, slow-paced town near the Cambodian border with a sizeable Chinese, Kinh, and Khmer community. Once onshore we hop on “xelois” to explore Tan Chau. A “xelois” is a local vehicle which is still used as a taxi in this region. We slowly move around the streets to see all the workshops, houses and domiciles. Get to feel the laid-back vibes of this off-the-beaten-path region. We stop at the colorful, local market near one of the town’s temples. This is the best time to interact with the vendors of this friendly town and try your hand at bargaining. Next, we board our local boats and cruise among the floating houses of this region.

Back on board before lunch is served. You may like to pamper yourself with a spa treatment or take a dip into the pool on the sun deck. Our expert guides offer a presentation on the “Life on the Mekong Delta” as the ship continues to My An Hung near the Sa Dec province.

This afternoon we will set off for the My An Hung Village. At the village we receive wonderful insights into the private household of a local Vietnamese family. We are allowed to visit their vegetable garden and access the seasonal vegetable fields via crossing a monkey bridge. We are invited to their house for a Vietnamese tea and exotic local fruit tasting. Next a local dance troop performs for us a typical traditional dragon dance unique to this area.

As the sun sets and the light bathes everything golden, we settle on a riverbank gathering with cocktails and river side dance party. Back on the ship we cruise downstream, refresh yourself and get ready for dinner. The ship moors mid-river near Sa Dec.

Day 9 (Friday): Binh Thanh Island - Cai Be - My Tho

In the morning we arrive at the island of Binh Thanh. After breakfast we embark on a local boat for a visit of the Island. Binh Thanh is one of the larger islands in the vast stream of the Mekong. Some communities have settled here and make their living by growing water hyacinths. We explore this area off-the-beaten-path by wandering through a local village to get a true understanding of the area’s native life. Everyday life here includes the entire



process of their traditional mat making. Try some weaving yourself with some instruction from the locals.

We will also meet an older local couple who will share their story of life on this island from childhood, to memories of the war, to today’s globalization of Vietnam and its effect on local life. Back on-board lunch is served, then an early afternoon at leisure as we cruise along the Mekong.

In the early afternoon we arrive in Cai Be, a charming town which is famous for its Catholic French church and their manufacturing of traditional crafts and food products. The floating market of Cai Be is getting smaller every year, since trading on the water is shifting more and more to the modern central markets. We can still see some boat to boat trading of local goods, such as fruits and agricultural products. Our guide will explain all the particulars of this long-lasting trading culture. Each boat has a special marker that lets buyers know what goods they are selling. Afterwards we go onshore to visit a workshop where we learn how rice paste, rice paper, rice cookies and rice wine is manufactured. Cai Be and its surrounding areas are covered by coconut trees and hence the region is also famous for the production of coconut candies. The city is crisscrossed by many water canals. By local boat we will explore the lush and green canal network and observe the farmers working in the fields.

As the sun sets, our crew invites you to a farewell event. Before dinner, enjoy a dance party and music together with the crew. After dinner we have our closing ceremony and presentation as the ship moors at My Tho.

Day 10 (Saturday): My Tho – Saigon

Enjoy your last breakfast aboard then at 9:00 we will disembark the ship with a bus transfer from My Tho to the drop off point in Saigon. It is only around 70 kilometers on the highway. You will arrive in Saigon by mid-morning where taxis can be arranged to your local hotels or have the option to be transfer directly to the airport.



The Ship

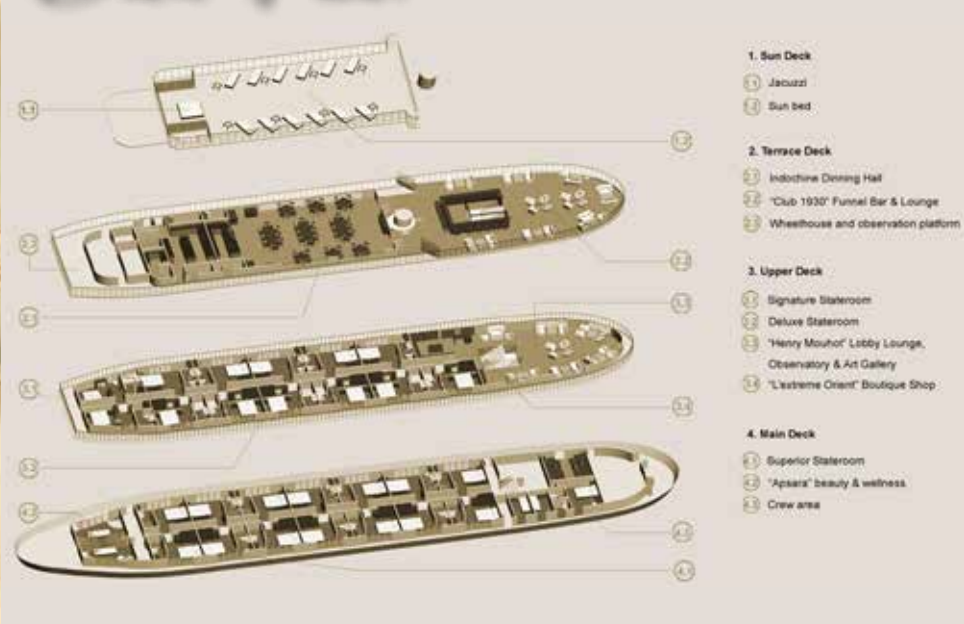
The luxurious **Jayavarman** marries the art deco charm of 1930s France with the romance of Indochina. Measuring 57.8 meters/190 feet from bow to stern, the Jayavarman holds only 25 elegantly decorated cabins for an exclusive journey for 50 passengers. Offering exceptional service, luxury, comfort and style, this beautiful vessel is an unforgettable means of exploring some of the finest scenery in Asia.

Thanks to its intricate woodcarvings, Khmer bas-reliefs and Vietnamese lacquer paintings, this impressive cruise ship resembles a floating art gallery. Wherever you look, guests are reminded of the local arts and culture.

With three-and-a-half decks, the Jayavarman is as spacious as it is beautiful. Guests can admire Khmer artifacts in the Henry Mouhot Lounge, mingle in the Club 1930 Bar, dine in the elegant Indochina Dining Hall, and recharge with spa treatments in the Apsara Spa. A Jacuzzi is located on the top Sun Deck, which offers spectacular views of the passing delta.



Deck Plan





Cabins & Pricing



Superior Stateroom

Main Deck: 21m2 / 227ft2 - balcony 5m2 / 54ft2

Price: \$5990 pp/dbl

Single Supplement 35% of cruise cost

Deluxe Stateroom

Upper Deck: 30m2 / 323ft2 - balcony 5m2 / 54ft2

Price \$6490 pp/dbl

Single Supplement 50% of cruise cost

Boa Dai – Signature State Room

30m2 / 323ft2 - "private" bow balcony 5m2 / 54 m2

Price: \$7690 pp/dbl

Single Supplement N/A

The Jayavarman – Signature Stateroom

30m2 / 323ft2 - "private" bow balcony 5 m2 / 54ft2

Price: \$7690 pp/dbl

Single Supplement N/A

Cabin Amenities: Air conditioning, balcony with 2 chairs and table, mini bar, sun hat, binocular, hand fan, sandals, in-room safe, hair dryer, in-house phone, desk, chairs, luggage rack, and bath robe.



Siem Reap Pre - Tour Extension

3 Days: July 2 - 4, 2020

Accommodations: The Famous Raffles Grand Hotel d'Angkor

Set across from the Royal Palace, our hotel is one of the landmark historic hotels of the legendary Grand Tour of Indochina. It first opened its doors in 1932 and the legend lives on today. The hotel is rich in Cambodia history and full of original treasures. With more than 15 acres of beautifully landscaped French gardens built around the country's largest swimming pool, the hotel is a peaceful oasis to enjoy after exploring the temples in the UNESCO World Heritage site only 10 minutes from the hotel. Relax and revitalize under the fragrant frangipani trees beside the magnificent pool inspired by Angkorian architecture or enjoy a massage in the spa to ease away the travel.

State Room: Room Size: 344ft2 / 32m2 - Price \$1490 pp/dbl

State Rooms offer a blend of colonial charm and modern comfort. All rooms are beautifully appointed with air-conditioning, overhead fans and windows that open for fresh air. Some State Rooms have balconies overlooking the gardens or swimming pool, while others have a daybed for relaxation. All State Rooms feature a separate bathtub and shower.

Single Supplement \$290

Landmark Room: Room Size: 388ft2 / 36 m2 - Price \$1890 pp/dbl

Landmark Rooms, first designed in 1932, are decorated with memorabilia and artifacts reminiscent of the Golden Age of Travel. The Angkorian ambience is completed with high ceilings, wooden floors, historic marble bathrooms with shower/bath and hand-crafted four-poster beds. Rooms feature a balcony with table and chairs that look out onto the pool, the Royal Gardens, or the hotel's lush, landscaped gardens.

Single Supplement \$390

* Suite & Villas available upon request. * Please note prices are subject to change.

* Please note mooring and casting off times in our itinerary are only guidelines. We (Vegan Culinary Cruises) reserve the right to make changes to the itineraries and excursion programs. If due to low or high water or a defective ship a section of the river is closed to travel, the ship-owner reserves the right to transport guests along this section by bus, accommodate them in hotels and/or change the course of this part of the journey. In certain circumstances it may be necessary to transfer to another ship. These situations are rare but do happen from time to time and are all part of riverboat vacations. There's nothing anyone can do to control mother nature.





Enchanting Rhone *Southern France & Provence*

OCTOBER 31 - NOVEMBER 7, 2020



Lyon to Marseilles

The Cruise

Slowly flowing towards the Mediterranean Sea from beautiful old Lyon, the Rhône cuts a serene path through the heart of France. Medieval cities and Roman ruins line the waterway as it journeys south through ancient villages and prosperous towns. Gallic heritage can be experienced on every bend of this beautiful river, from the rustic settlements dotted along the waterway to the acres of wine-producing vineyards, this is a region worthy of your bucket list.

The Journey

Our fascinating **Vegan Culinary Cruises** journey takes you along one of the most beautiful stretches of the Rhône, right in the heart of French Provence; a land of exception, appreciated throughout the world for the beauty of its landscapes and inimitable lifestyle. Provence's azure-blue skies, natural scenery, remarkable heritage, chirping cicadas, lavender fields and hilltop villages make it a holiday destination of which dreams are made. With our starting point the World UNESCO Site of Lyon we cruise downstream to the ancient roman capital of Arles.

During our journey we experience the wonders and beauty of Provence visiting Arles, Avignon, Viviers, Tournon, Lyon and everything in between. This cruise encompasses art, history and culture in places that bear witness to thousands of years of European history. Your experience is further enhanced by your on-board **Vegan Culinary Cruises** staff, chefs and educators, who bring to life each region, rich history, heritage and flavors.



Itinerary*

Day 1 - Arrival Lyon

Welcome to Lyon. You will be met at the airport and transferred to the ship where you will be welcomed by your Vegan Culinary Cruises staff. Tonight, enjoy a welcome reception, orientation, and dinner on board.

Day 2 - Chalon-Sur-Saône – Beaune

Chalon-Sur-Saône is best known as the birthplace of photography and the center of Burgundy's wine region. Travel by road to the quaint village of Beaune, where we visit the Hospices de Beaune, one of the finest examples of French fifteenth-century architecture. Marvel at the multi-colored roofs of this former hospital, now a museum, which has become one of the symbols of Burgundy.

Day 3 - Lyon

Lyon is France's third largest city, a former Roman capital positioned at the confluence of the Rhône and Saône rivers, which is steeped in history. Today be part of the guided tour of Lyon, which starts with a drive to the Basilique Notre Dame de Fourvière, Lyon's hilltop church, with stunning views over the town. Then, pass by the recently re-discovered Roman amphitheater and walk through the cobbled streets of the gastronomic old town including the secret laneways. Alternatively, join a guided bike tour of Lyon. Your choice of walking or guided bike tour.

Day 4 - Tournon

Join your local guide for a walking tour of Tournon, which is dominated by the 16th century castle and roman ruins and is nestled in the valley near the steep slopes of le Massif Central, France's 3rd largest mountain range. The area has a long tradition in wine making, including the renowned wine growing center of Tain l'Hermitage across the river.

Today choose from walking guided walking tour, active hike through vineyards or guided bike tour to Glun. In addition, we host onboard vegan wine lecture and tasting.

Day 5 - Viviers

Arrive in Viviers, a town which still has a lot of flare. Viviers is also the home of one of France's oldest cathedrals and you can join an included city tour exploring all the architectural heritage of this quaint town. Optional tour to Grignan plus onboard olive tasting.

Day 6 - Avignon

Avignon has a rich history from Celtic beginnings, being the residence of the Popes, and later central to the French Revolution. Although a fortified town, it is the Papal Palace which stands more secure on a hill in the center of town; its walls are 17-18 feet thick. Your guided walk with a local guide takes you through this historic center with its cobbled laneways and shops, overlooking the famous 'Pont d'Avignon'. The rest of the day is at leisure. Optional guided active hike in Avignon plus excursion to Pont du Gard.

Day 7 - Arles

Sail into Arles where you will join your local guide for a walking tour showcasing the highlights of the city in particular the 2000-year-old Roman Amphitheatre still in use today, which was originally built to hold 20,000 spectators in the style of the Colosseum in Rome. The rest of the day is at leisure to relax on board and explore Arles further.

Day 8 - Arles Disembarkation - Marseille

After breakfast disembark your river cruise ship in Arles, transfer to Marseille airport for your onward or homebound flight.

* Please note mooring and casting off times are only guidelines. We reserve the right to make changes to the itineraries and excursion programs. If due to low or high water or a defective ship a section of the river is closed to travel, the ship-owner reserves the right to transport guests along this section by bus, accommodate them in hotels and/or change the course of this part of the journey. In certain circumstances it may be necessary to transfer to another ship. These situations are rare but do happen from time to time and are all part of riverboat vacations. There's nothing anyone can do to control mother nature.





The Ship

With a capacity of 138 guests, and a series of cutting-edge amenities, the Emerald Liberté represents the next generation of river cruising. The suites, staterooms and public spaces are set across four beautifully-appointed decks – providing endless scope for relaxation and excitement whilst cruising the river Rhône.

Experience the sleek beauty of the Emerald Liberté as we glide through the south of France. As soon as you set foot on the ship, its coziness and hospitable atmosphere will overtake you and you can relax. Make yourself comfortable in the lounge and drink in your surroundings. The restaurant, surrounded by tall glass walls, offers an unobstructed view of the river and its banks. Watch bucolic landscapes pass as you enjoy fine vegan food and good company. The cabins on the Liberté offer guests a private retreat, with balcony views that take in the river and surrounding landscape.

The Emerald has gone one step further and created a completely new type of cabin that's unique to European river cruising. Each balcony suite boasts a revolutionary indoor balcony design, complete with decking area, table and chairs – generating an entirely new space for you to enjoy the landscapes you pass. With the touch of a button, the upper part of the cabin's floor-to-ceiling window drops down to unveil uninterrupted views of the stunning scenery, opening up the cabin and bringing the outdoors in.

At **Vegan Culinary Cruises** we don't want to just meet your expectations; we aim to create spectacular surprises that exceed what you would expect from any other vegan tour. That's why our new deluxe ships boast all balcony suites and a heated swimming pool complete with retractable roof - creating a brilliant onboard oasis for you to relax, whatever the weather. And on selected evenings, the pool area inventively transforms into a cinema showing a collection of films.

Detailed ship information available at www.veganculinarycruises.com.



Cabins & Suites

Each contemporary, boutique hotel-style room in our wide range of cabin options is designed to really enhance your river cruise experience, with elegant, hand-picked furnishings right down to the smallest, thoughtful detail—like carefully placing mirrors in the best positions to help you get ready for the day ahead. Enjoy your own in suite bathroom, hotel-style bed, flat screen TV and infotainment system, individual climate control, complimentary WiFi, bottled water restocked daily, personal mini-bar fridge, and of course, plenty of storage and living space. All cabins on our Vista and Horizon decks are equipped with our revolutionary open-air system, designed to ensure all-weather enjoyment while taking in Europe's beautiful landscapes.



Pricing

Panorama Balcony Suite - Dimensions: 170 sq ft

Every effort into designing beautiful staterooms and suites, selecting the most elegant décor and furnishings to create a haven for you to relax in as you sail through the most picturesque landscapes.

Category A Horizon Deck: \$6190 pp/dbl

Single Supplement: additional 35% of cruise cost

Category B & C Vista Deck: \$5690 pp/dbl

Single Supplement: additional 35% of cruise cost

Grand Balcony Suite - Dimensions: 207 sq ft

The Grand Balcony Suites offer a larger cabin with a number of additional amenities including a spacious outdoor balcony, allowing you to make the most of your cruise's beautiful landscapes and take in the fresh air. And should the weather take a turn for the worse, all it takes is the touch of a button and our state-of-the-art open-air system window rises from the balcony and encloses the area so that you can still sit out and admire the views or unwind with a drink.

CAT S Horizon Deck: \$6990 pp/dbl

(Single Supplement N/A)

Owner's One Bedroom Suite - Dimensions: 315 sq ft

The Owner's One-bedroom Suites are the largest cabins on-board, boast their very own bedroom which closes off from the rest of the cabin, a separate lounge area and a fantastic outdoor balcony complete with open-air system, allowing you to enjoy the views of your surroundings whatever the weather.

These cabins also include a selection of special features, a spacious bathroom, a luxurious walk-in closet, mini-bar restocked daily with wine, beer and soft drinks. So that you can keep up-to-date with the latest news, you'll have an iPad to use throughout your cruise.

CAT SA Horizon Deck: \$6990 pp/dbl

(Single Supplement N/A)

Emerald Stateroom - Dimensions: 162 ft2

Emerald Staterooms are located on the Riviera Deck with interior fixtures and amenities identical to the Emerald Balcony Suites, the Emerald Staterooms have a small fixed picture windows in place of a balcony due to the lower deck position.

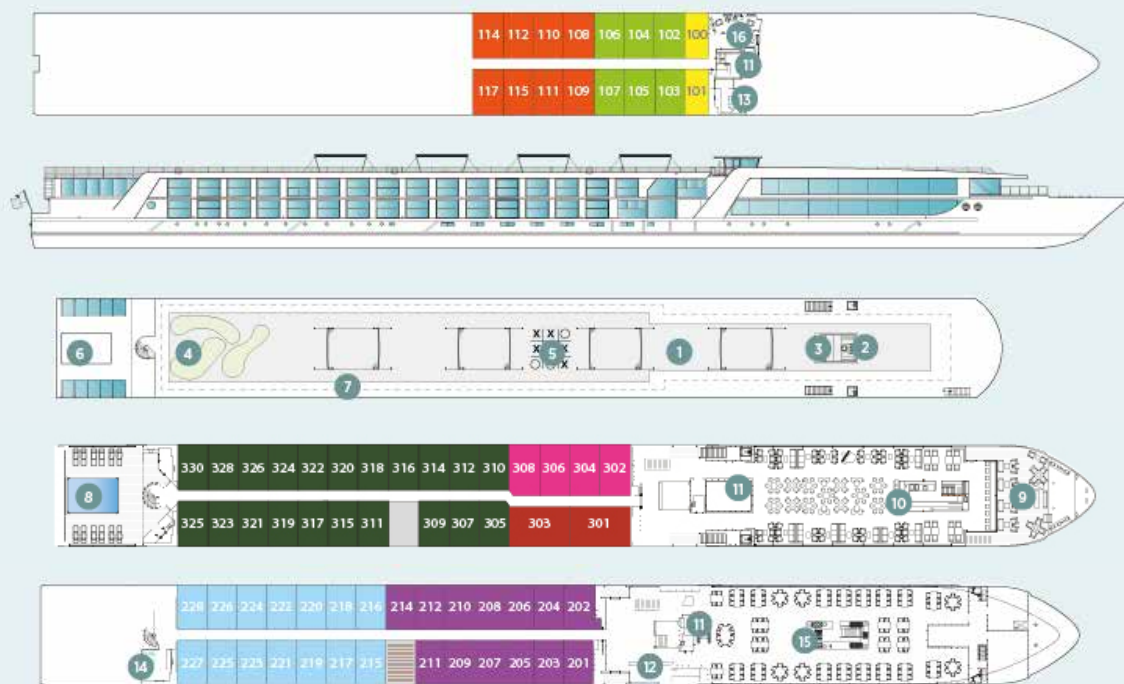
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Deck Plan



- CAT E** Riviera Deck - Emerald Stateroom - 170 ft²
- CAT D** Riviera Deck - Emerald Stateroom - 170 ft²
- CAT ES** Riviera Deck - Emerald Single Stateroom - 105 ft²
- CAT C** Vista Deck - Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite - 170 ft²
- CAT B** Vista Deck - Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite - 170 ft²
- CAT A** Horizon Deck - Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite - 170 ft²
- CAT S** Horizon Deck - Grand Balcony Suite - 207 ft²
- CAT SA** Horizon Deck - Owner's One-bedroom Suite - 315 ft²





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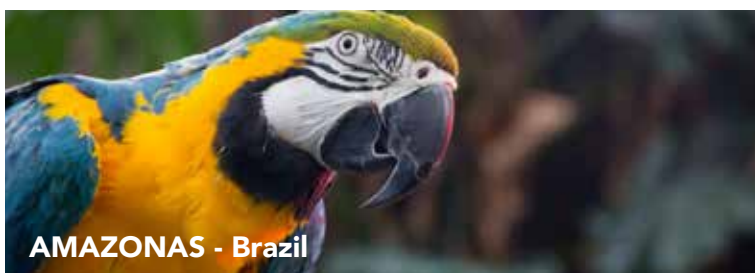
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