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UC Davis Cal Aggie Alumni Association September 30 – October 15, 2024



### Dear UC Davis Alumni and Friends,

Join an enthralling 12-night adventure through Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand and Cambodia, extraordinary destinations blessed with long histories and diverse cultures. From the emerald hills of Bali to modern Singapore, vibrant Bangkok to the towering Angkor temples, this adventure will unlock a wealth of relics across Southeast Asia.

Start your adventure in Bali, and witness daily life at a local school, a traditional market and more. Fly to Singapore to explore its myriad attractions and exquisite gardens. Then it's off to Thailand to discover Bangkok's temples, exotic sights and buzzing waterways. Plus, walk through the bygone streets of Ayutthaya, Thailand's ancient capital city. The journey continues in Cambodia amid Angkor's moss-covered ruins, an experience to remember. Along the way, learn to cook delicious dishes and meet friendly locals who are eager to share their lives with you. This experience will connect you with the authentic, untouched culture of Southeast Asia!

This trip combines the security, ease and value of group travel with opportunities for independent exploration. Space on this exclusive journey is limited, and the trip is sure to sell out quickly, so make your reservations today!

Sincerely,

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### AVAILABLE TO ALUMNI, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS...

### **UNESCO World Heritage**

- 1. Angkor, Cambodia
- 2. Historic City of Ayutthaya, Thailand
- 3. Cultural Landscape of Bali Province: the Subak System as a Manifestation of the Tri Hita Karana Philosophy, Bali







Angkor



## **A World of Discovery**



Your next adventure begins in Southeast Asia, where grandeur abounds. Tap into the pulse of this fascinating corner of the globe, a fusion of age-old traditions and modern life. From the island of Bali to beautiful Singapore, irresistible Bangkok to impressive Angkor Wat, you'll stand in awe of centuries-old temples and shimmering palaces, glorious scenery and jungle-shrouded ruins. This specially crafted program brims with wonder!

### Top: Rice terraces, Bali Above: Traditional costume, Bangkok Cover: Wat Arun, Chao Phraya River, Bangkok Mail panel: Angkor Wat | Indonesian gamelan

### Inspiring Moments

- Thrill to the glories of Southeast Asia, a medley of energetic cities, stunning landscapes and ancient ruins.
- Delight in **Bali's** lush beauty, vibrant culture, and sacred traditions.
- Marvel at the ancient temples and complexes of Angkor Wat, Ta Prohm and Angkor Thom.
- Stroll through a remarkable floral oasis at Singapore's Gardens by the Bay.
- Sweet, savory, spicy and tart-delight your palate with the flavors of Southeast Asia's **outstanding food culture.**
- Cruise the legendary Chao Phraya River to witness traditional Thai life.
- Gain insights into Singapore's traditional and modern lifestyles.
- Experience three UNESCO World Heritage sites.

ANTIQUITY | ARCHITECTURE | ART | CULTURE | CUISINE | HISTORY | NATURAL BEAUTY



### Days 1 & 2 | In Transit

Depart gateway city for Bali, Indonesia. Cross the international date line.

### Day 3 | Bali

Arrive in Bali, transfer **Э** and check in to the Belmond Jimbaran Puri. Join us for a Welcome Reception tonight.

### Day 4 | Bali

**Balinese Village Exploration.** The adventure begins! Venture into the green hillsides to visit a local village, and possibly a school to interact with students and teachers. Continue to a traditional housing complex to witness daily life and see family temples and shrines. After, follow a gentle path to a rice field and gain insight into an ancient irrigation system called *subak*. Then, experience a Balinese lunch amid the rice fields before surrendering your feet to a massage.

### Day 5 | Bali

Holy Temple & Ubud. Head to Tirta Empul, a holy water temple near Tampak Siring that is believed to have incredible healing properties. Following lunch, travel to Ubud to tour the Agung Rai Museum of Art, which houses exhibition halls, cultural workshops and art classes. See a demonstration of the Indonesian music ensemble called the *gamelan*. After, you may choose to remain at the museum to browse or visit Ubud's colorful local market filled with exotic spices, handmade items and more.

### Day 6 | Bali | Singapore

After breakfast in Bali, fly to Singapore. Transfer and check in to the Shangri-La Hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to spend how you wish.

### Day 7 | Singapore

Enrichment: Contemporary Singapore.

**Singapore Highlights.** On a panoramic tour, pass by the towering Marina Bay Sands resort, Merlion Park and the mythical Merlion, a nod to Singapore's nautical past. Drive through the Civic District and visit Thian Hock Keng Temple.

**Multicultural Singapore.** Uncover Singapore's diverse cultures and rich history. Drive through Kampong Glam, a Malay enclave that originated as a fishing village. Explore Chinatown and Little India's vibrant flower and spice market.

### Day 8 | Singapore

**Peranakan Heritage.** Engage with a Peranakan family while learning to make traditional Chinese dumplings. Continue to a workshop to learn about traditional beadwork and embroidery.

**Gardens by the Bay.** Discover Singapore's landmark oasis of floral features and garden artistry. See the iconic Supertrees, made up of over 150,000 plants, plus bromeliads, orchids, ferns and climbers. Chart your own course through the Flower Dome, the world's largest



Gardens by the Bay, Singapore



glass greenhouse, and wander through the Cloud Forest, home to unique aerial walkways.

### Day 9 | Singapore | Bangkok, Thailand

Fly to Bangkok. Arrive and transfer to a local restaurant for a flavorful Thai meal. Continue to your hotel, the luxurious Peninsula Bangkok.

### Enrichment: Thailand's History & Culture.

**Chao Phraya River Cruise.** Witness Bangkok's illustrious landmarks during a scenic evening cruise aboard a converted rice barge. Sip cocktails and enjoy Thai dishes.

### Day 10 | Bangkok

Vibrant Bangkok. Cruise the Chao Phraya River and Thonburi canals to witness daily Bankok life and commerce on the waterways. Visit the Grand Palace and 15th-century Emerald Buddha Temple, followed by a tuk-tuk ride to see the reclining Buddha and lunch at the famed Blue Elephant restaurant.

**Elective |** Sala Rim Naam. Join an evening immersed in Thai culture. This unique experience features a Thai dance show and a dinner of classic Thai dishes.



### Day 11 | Ayutthaya

**Ayutthaya**. Start today at the Bang Pa-In Palace, a summer residence for the kings of Thailand. In the ancient capital city of Ayutthaya, view timeworn Buddhas and towering wats. Cruise back to Bangkok, viewing Thai river life as you and enjoy a delicious lunch on board.

### Day 12 | Siem Reap, Cambodia

Fly to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Arrive and transfer to the beautiful Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf and Spa Resort.

**Siem Reap.** Get to know this quaint provincial capital aboard a tuk-tuk. Step into an art and dance center to see local artisans perform.

### Enrichment: Temples of Angkor.

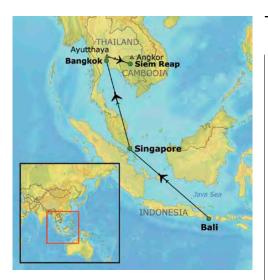
### Day 13 | Siem Reap

**Discover Angkor Wat.** Thrill to the crown jewel of the Angkor Archaeological Park, the 12th-century Angkor Wat. Witness extensive galleries of inspiring bas-relief murals and immerse yourself in a world long forgotten!

**CAHI Connects |** *Local Life.* Uncover culinary traditions with a Cambodian family



Angkor Thom



while making rice noodles, a local specialty.Free Time: Take advantage of leisure time to visit the market or try out the cafe scene.Cambodian Circus. Delight in a cultural show of dance, acrobatics and stories of the Khmer.

### Day 14 | Siem Reap

**Angkor's Temples.** Explore more history at Angkor Thom, the last capital of the Khmer Empire. Note the amazing Bayon Temple. Its 54 towers feature carvings of more than 200 smiling faces. Continue along jungle-claimed paths to the haunting temples of Ta Prohm. Here, the roots of massive kapok trees have overtaken the buildings. Next, see exquisite carvings at the restored Thommanon temple.

**Free Time:** Make your own schedule for your final afternoon at leisure in Siem Reap. Gather for a Farewell Dinner and a lively event featuring Khmer classical dance and music.

### Days 15 & 16 | In Transit

Transfer **C** to the airport for the return flight **t** to your gateway city. Depending on individual flight itineraries, passengers will arrive in North America on Day 15 or Day 16.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Flights and Otransfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Elective experiences available at an additional cost.

### **Note About Activity Levels**

We have designated activity levels for all excursions on this program. For more details, please call or visit our website.

### Excursions on this itinerary require:

- walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches and boats

### Included Features

### Accommodations {with baggage handling}

- -3 nights in Bali, Indonesia, at the deluxe Belmond Jimbaran Puri.
- **3 nights** in Singapore at the deluxe Shangri-La Hotel.
- -3 nights in Bangkok, Thailand, at the deluxe Peninsula Bangkok.
- -3 nights in Siem Reap, Cambodia, at the deluxe Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf and Spa Resort.

### Transfers {with baggage handling}

 Flights to Singapore, Bangkok and Siem Reap and all deluxe motor coach transfers in the Land Program.

### **Extensive Meal Program**

 12 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 2 dinners, including a Farewell Dinner; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- Small group: Sized just right at 28 guests.
- AHI Travel Assurance plan covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- Enrichment by expert speakers enhances your insight into the region.
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- **Electives** and free time to pursue your individual interests.
- AHI Sustainability Promise:
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- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- -Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



Ta Prohm

### Accommodations



Belmond Jimbaran Puri Resort | Bali, Indonesia



Shangri-La Hotel | Singapore





The Peninsula Bangkok | Bangkok, Thailand



Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf and Spa Resort | Siem Reap, Cambodia

Tripadvisor



Grand Palace complex, Bangkok

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### **Program Dates**

### Travel dates 🛧

### September 30 - October 15, 2024

★ Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

### Tour dates\*

### October 2-14, 2024

\* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

### **Land Program**

Full Price

\$6,645 \$250

\$6,395

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### Special Price\*

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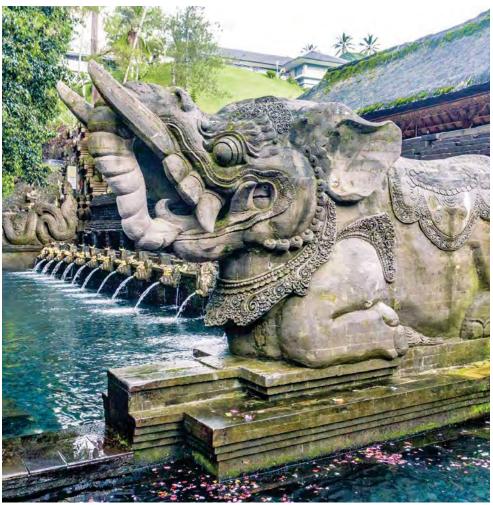
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### Let us arrange your flights

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- flexibility to change or cancel your reservation without penalty up to 60 days before departure on most flights
- assistance in the event of schedule changes or delays

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### Tirta Empul, a holy water temple near Tampak Siring, Bali

### AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

### Before you go:

Travel Consultants stand ready to answer your questions as they guide you through the reservation process.

Travel Coordinator offers personalized assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

Travel Information provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

### Once you arrive:

Your Travel Director, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

Handpicked Expert Guides offer fascinating insights and share their passion for their country with you.

Knowledgeable Lecturers deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.





Buddha head, Ayutthaya

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