

TRIP DEPARTURE POINTS & STAY LONGER OPTIONS

Look up the start & end city of your tour below for departure point information about where your tour starts/ends & how to get there/away.

CAMBODIA

SIEM REAP

The Frangipani Villa Hotel,
0603, Street Wat Bo, Salakormreuk Commune,
Siem Reap, Cambodia.
Tel: + 855 23 223320

Getting away: Siem Reap's Airport is 6km from town & therefore only a short drive. The best option is to book a transfer to the airport through the hotel. Prices start at US\$12.00.

CHINA

BEIJING

Novotel Beijing Xin Qiao,
No. 1 West Street, Chongwenmen, Dongcheng District, Beijing 100005
Tel: +861065133366

Getting there: Drive time from Beijing Capital International Airport to the city is approximately 20 minutes. Taxis are recommended. A metered taxi costs ¥100. Ensure the meter is turned on and working! Do not go with people soliciting fares out of the taxi line. Have the hotel details with you to make it easy. We recommend printing out the hotel address in Chinese for the driver.

北京新侨诺富特饭店
北京市东城区崇文门西大街1号 邮政编码: 100005
An airport to hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle.

Beijing Departures: Tours start at the Novotel Beijing Sanyuan Hotel at 6.00pm.

SHANGHAI

Rendezvous Merry Hotel,
396 Yan An West Road, Shanghai,
China (Peoples Republic), 200040
Tel: + 86 21 61715588

Getting away: Shanghai is serviced by two airports: Pudong (PVG) and Hongqiao (SHA) of the two Pudong is where the majority of international flights depart from. Several public transport options connect both airports. Due to traffic the average cost for a taxi is around ¥180 where Hongqiao would be around ¥60.

INDIA

DELHI

Hotel Ashtan Sarovar,
Green Park Extension, Green Park,
New Delhi, Delhi 110016
+91 11 4683 3333

Getting there: Once you exit the airport, look for a stall directly outside with a yellow sign saying "pre-paid taxi". These taxis are run by the Delhi police and are very reliable. Upon approaching the counter, you will be asked where you're going, reply with "Green Park" (The name of the suburb the hotel is in). This will cost you INR350, or roughly US\$5. The closest landmark to the hotel (most taxi drivers may not know specific hotels) is the metro station, so ask your driver to take you to "Green Park metro", they will know where this is. An airport to hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle.

Delhi Departures: Tours start at the Hotel Ashtan Sarovar at 6.00pm.

GOA

Phoenix Park Inn Resort
Sequera Vado, Candolim,
Goa Dabolim, India
Tel: +91 832 6633333

Getting away: A trip to the airport can take up to 1.5 hours with traffic, and shouldn't cost you more than INR1500, roughly. A departure transfer from hotel to airport can be arranged through Contiki to save time and hassle.

JAPAN

OSAKA

Hotel Monterey Grasmere,
1-2-3 Minatomachi, Naniwa-ku,
Osaka 556-0017, Japan
Tel: +81 6 6645 7111

Getting away: JR Namba station is approx 1 minute walk from the hotel. From here, you can take the train directly to Kansai International Airport. It takes around 1 hour and costs ¥890. Alternatively, the Airport Bus is located directly next door to our hotel. Tickets can be purchased at the station for ¥1550

Hotel New Hankyu,
1-1-35 Shibata, Kita-Ku,
Osaka, Japan, 5308310
Tel: +81 6 6372 5101

Getting away: The Airport Bus terminal is located next to the entrance of the hotel. The journey to Kansai International Airport takes approximately 1 hour and services run every 20-30 minutes

TOKYO

Hotel Grand Palace Tokyo,
1-1-1 Iidabashi, Chiyoda,
Tokyo 102-0072, Japan
Tel: +81 3 3264 1111

Getting There: Tokyo is serviced by two main airports, Haneda (25km away) and Narita (80km away). The best option for both Airports is to take an airport limousine bus directly to the hotel. You will find the Airport Limousine Desk at both airports, immediately in front of the arrivals exit after customs with very visible signage. Look for an ORANGE desk. The cost of the Airport Limousine Bus at Haneda Airport is ¥1,150 & it takes around 1 hour to get to the hotel. Service runs from 10:20-17:05. Please note: Not every bus will go to the Tokyo Grand Palace Hotel. The cost of the Airport Limousine Bus at Narita Airport is ¥3,200 & it takes up to 2 hours to get to the hotel. Service runs from 08:00-21:00. Please check with staff at the counter when you purchase your ticket. Have the hotel details with you to make it easy. We recommend printing out this address with Japanese characters as English is not widely spoken or understood in Japan.

ホテルグランドパレス
東京都千代田区飯田橋1-1-1

Taxis are available however they are very expensive, & not recommended. A taxi from Haneda Airport is approx. ¥7,000-10,000 (USD \$70-\$100) and a taxi from Narita Airport is approx. ¥20,000 (USD \$200)

Tokyo Departures: Tours start at the Hotel Grand Palace Tokyo at 6.00pm.

Dai-Ichi Hotel Ryogoku

1-6-1 Yokomi Sumidaku, Tokyo 130-0015 Japan
TEL +81-3-5611-5211

Getting There: Tokyo is serviced by two main airports, Haneda (25km away) and Narita (80km away). Train is the most cost effective way to get to the hotel. The hotel is located next to JR Ryogoku Station. The A1 exit will connect to the hotel. From Narita International Airport take the Keisei Skyliner (2550Y) from Narita Airport Station; change to the JR Yamanote Line at Nippori Station; transfer to the JR Sobu Line at JR Akihabara Station; get off at JR Ryogoku Station. From Haneda International Airport take the Keiiky Airport Line (600Y) from Haneda Airport (connects directly to the Toei Asakusa Line); change to the Toei Oedo Line at the Daimon Station; get off at Ryogoku Station.

Taxis are available however they are very expensive, & not recommended. A taxi from Haneda Airport is approx. ¥7,000-10,000 (USD \$70-\$100) and a taxi from Narita Airport is approx. ¥20,000 (USD \$200)

Tokyo Departures: Tours start at the Daiichi Hotel Ryogoku at 3.00pm.

Shinagawa Prince Hotel,

4 Chome-10-30 Takanawa, Minato,
Tokyo, Japan 108-8611
Phone: +81 3-3440-1111

Getting away: Tokyo is serviced by two main airports, Haneda (25km away) and Narita (80km away). The best option for Haneda Airport is the train. The Keiiky Line is a direct train from Shinagawa Station to Haneda Airport. The cost of the train is ¥410 and will take approximately 11 minutes. The best option for Narita Airport is the limousine bus from the hotel to the airport. Tickets need to be purchased in advance from the hotel lobby and will cost approximately ¥3,100. The service runs from 06:30-17:00 and takes up to 2 hours to get to the airport.

Taxis are available however they are very expensive, and not recommended. A taxi to Haneda Airport is approximately ¥7,000-10,000 (USD \$70-\$100) and a taxi to Narita Airport is approximately ¥20,000 (USD \$200)

Trips that finish here: Japan Winter Wonder

LAOS

LUANG PRABANG

Luang Prabang Inn,
25/2 Bounkhong Road, Ban ThadLuang,
Luang Prabang, Laos
Tel: +856 71 260997-8

Getting there: Luang Prabang airport is located about 15 minutes from the town centre. Average cost to the hotel will cost you approx. 50,000 LAK

Luang Prabang Departures: Tours start at the Luang Prabang Inn at 6.00pm.

SINGAPORE

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Aqueen Hotel Jalan Besar,
230 Jln Besar, Singapore,
Singapore, 208906
Tel: +65 6426 0999

Getting away: Changi International Airport is located approx. 25min from the hotel. All taxis in Singapore charge by the meter and the estimated cost from the hotel to the airport is between US\$18.00 and US\$38.00. There are also Taxi Apps, like Grab Taxi, Easy Taxi and Uber etc, allowing for greater accessibility and convenience, especially during peak periods.

SRI LANKA

COLOMBO

Fairway Hotel,
No. 07 Hospital Street,
Colombo, Sri Lanka, 001000
Phone: +94 11 2153153

Getting away: Bandaranaike International Airport (Also known as Colombo International Airport) is located approx 32km from the hotel. This journey can take up to 1 hour. A hotel to airport transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle.

NEGOMBO

Rani Beach Resort, Negombo,
Lewis Place Beach Front,
Negombo, Sri Lanka.
Tel : +94 312 223 101.

Getting there: The hotel is located 13km North of Bandaranaike International Airport (also known as Colombo International Airport). This journey could take up to 30 minutes. Taxi's can be booked in the arrivals hall at one of the Taxi counters. The fare will be approximately between SLR 1250-1400. An airport to hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle.

Negombo departures: Trips start at the Rani Beach Resort at 6.00pm.

THAILAND

BANGKOK

Nouvo City Hotel,
2 Samsen 2, Samsen Rd, Banglamphu,
Bangkok 10200 Thailand.
Tel: +66 2282 7500

Getting there: Bangkok's Suvarnabhumi International Airport is 30 km from the Nouvo City Hotel, or approximately 50 minutes' drive. Taxis are available from level 1. A taxi will cost around THB500 (not including road tolls along the way). Using the Suvarnabhumi Airport Rail Link (SARL) it is possible to journey some distance into Bangkok for THB45. To complete the journey will require a THB200 taxi ride to the hotel. An airport-to-hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time and hassle.

Bangkok Departures: Tours start at the Nouvo City Hotel at 6.00pm.

CHIANG MAI

Empress Hotel,
199/42 Chang Klan Road,
Chiang Mai 50100, Thailand.
Phone: +66 53 253 199

Getting away: Chiang Mai International Airport is located approximately 5km from the hotel. Due to typical Thai traffic, this journey can take upwards of 20 minutes so leave plenty of time to get to the airport before your flight. Your trip manager can help assist with getting transport to the airport.

Trips that finish here: Northern Thai Highlights (previously called Thai Tripper North).

KOH SAMUI

Nora Chaweng Hotel
(Formerly Floral Hotel Chaweng),
162/49-50 Moo 2, Chaweng Beach,
Bophut, Koh Samui,
Suratthani 84320, Thailand
Tel: +66 7791 3666

Getting there & away: Koh Samui Airport is located in the northeast of the island & is 2km from Chaweng Beach. There are a few transport options from Samui airport, & it's easy enough to get to your destination.

Taxi drivers are reluctant to use the meter & charge a set fare (about THB500) to any destination on the island. Some may show "official looking papers" with set fares – this is not true & once revealed you can bargain with the drivers (THB300-400 is acceptable). The most expensive option is a private taxi. A cheaper option is to book a shared minivan at the transport counter in the arrivals area. The wait is approximately 15-30 minutes depending on the destination & minimum number of passengers. An airport-to-hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle

Koh Samui Departures: Tours start at the Floral Hotel Chaweng (Formerly Nora Chaweng Hotel) at 6.00pm.

PHUKET

Sawaddi Patong Resort,
21 Sainamyen Road, Patong,
Kathu, Phuket, 83150, Thailand
Tel: +66 7634 3444

Getting there & away: Located near the island's northern tip, Phuket International Airport is 40 km from Patong Beach. Near the airport's exit, taxi drivers and private car companies will approach you, with metered taxis no longer existing the fare is a fixed amount depending on your destination. Large signs clearly display the going rate, but confirm it with your driver to avoid any surprises. At the time of writing the rate to Patong is THB800 & this is for the taxi (not per person).

A shared mini-van service runs from the airport to Patong & other locations. The fare is paid before you board (remember to hold on to the ticket) & you must wait until there are enough people before the mini-van departs. At the time of writing, the rate is THB150-200 to Patong. Mini-vans & taxi's sometimes stop off at tour agencies where you will be asked to book a tour from which the driver makes a commission. Mini-vans take longer than a taxi to deliver you to your hotel, as they drop off other passengers at hotels along the way. An airport-to-hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle.

Phuket Departures: Thai Island Hopper West trips start/end at Sawaddi Patong Resort.

Days Inn Patong Beach,
145/2 Thanon Ratuthit Songroipi Rd,
Phuket, 83150, Thailand
+66 76 34 5733

Getting away: Phuket International Airport is located approx 34km away from the Days Inn Patong Beach. This journey can take up to 1 hour. A hotel-to-airport transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time & hassle.

Trips that finish here: Total Thailand (day 16) and Southern Thai Highlights (previously called Thai Tripper South) (Day 8)

VIETNAM

HANOI

Babylon Grand Hotel and Spa
(Formerly Thien Thai Hotel Hanoi)
45 Nguyễn Trường Tộ,
Nguyễn Trung Truc, Ba Đình,
Hà Nội, Vietnam
Tel: +84 24 3716 4126

Getting there: Drive time from Tan Son Nhat International Airport to the Vien Dong Hotel is approximately 45 minutes. Metered taxis cost VND150,000 to VND170,000 (Usually under US\$100). Ensure the taxi meter is turned on & working! Avoid taxis that offer to set the price. Mai Linh & Vinasun Taxis are recommended. An airport-to-hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time and hassle.

HO CHI MINH CITY

Vien Dong Hotel,
275A Pham Ngu Lao Street,
District 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
Tel: +84 8836 8941

Getting there: Drive time from Tan Son Nhat International Airport to the Vien Dong Hotel is approximately 45 minutes. Metered taxis cost VND150,000 to VND170,000 (Usually under US\$100). Ensure the taxi meter is turned on & working! Avoid taxis that offer to set the price. Mai Linh & Vinasun Taxis are recommended. An airport-to-hotel transfer can be purchased through Contiki to save time and hassle.

Ho Chi Minh City Departures: Tours start at the Vien Dong Hotel at 6.00pm