



## Half Day Tour Silk Farm & Khmer Arts & Craft Workshops

### **Trip Overview:**

Cambodia is also known for its arts and crafts. The concept of silk weaving, painting, basket making, wood carving, silver crafting, buffalo skin carving, knife/sword making, stone sculpting, pottery and ceramic are some of the ancient traditions of Khmer ancestors that still last till present time. It is worth paying a visit to some the workdshops and witness the techniques in making them.

**What's Included:** Experienced and licensed English-speaking tour guide, transport by Tuk Tuk, entry fees, bottle water.

**What's Not Included:** Travel insurance, meals, personal expenses

**Pick Up Details:** Pick up and drop off at hotel

### **Detailed Itinerary:**

Get pick up from your guide and Tuk Tuk driver, set out 20km from the city to visit Angkor Silk Farm. Guided tours through the eight hectare farm give you a unique insight into the different stages involved in silk production, from the mulberry tree orchards, silkworm breeding, the spinning mills and the dying and weaving processes. Back to the city and stop by Senteurs d'Angkor Workshop. Visit the Workshop and be guided by the Scents and Flavours of Cambodia. Through the different stations of the workshop, you will discover how artisans make by hand: soap with coconut oil, natural cosmetics, subtly scented balms, aromatic candles, but also their packagaging that is called "smok" and "krebei riel" boxes. Smok box and krebei riel box are both natural but made of different parts of the palm tree.

Last stop of the day is at Artisan d'Angkor, a Cambodian social business which was originally created to revive Khmer cultural heritage while helping young rural people finding work near their home village. Since its creation at the end of 1990s, Artisans d'Angkor has strived to provide professional skills to communities with limited educational opportunities and has offered good working conditions and social advantages to its employees. It has now opened 48 workshops in Siem Reap province and it provides employment to over 1100 people, including more than 800 artisans. Over the years, Artisans Angkor has become a real showcase of Khmer workmanship for its silk fabrics and garments, stone and wood carving, lacquer ware, polychrome products, silver plating and silk painting. Finish your tour with drop off at the hotel.

### **Additional Information:**

- Tour can be done in the morning or afternoon.
- Pick up time can be a bit flexible to your schedule
- No age limit, the activities is fun for family with kids as well