



Temple Conservation



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📍 Cambodia - Banteay Chhmar

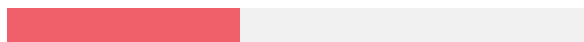
Assist a local team with the conservation of one of Cambodia's best kept secrets, the temples surrounding Banteay Chhmar!

The focus of this project is to assist a local team charged with the task of preserving and conserving the temples around Banteay Chhmar, some of which have been hidden and covered by the forest, causing them to remain mostly undiscovered.

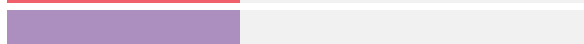
Culture



Learning



Leisure



Community Engagement



Physical Demand



Program Description

Banteay Chhmar is an extremely important-yet lesser known, Angkor period archaeological complex, that is probably the most prominent tourist attraction in the Banteay Meanchey Province.

It is immense in its composition, which includes the temple, shrines and even a reservoir. There are nine other, smaller temples that surround the Banteay Chhmar temple. They are all mostly hidden in the forest and covered with small bushes and trees, due to the lack of regular maintenance carried out over the years, by the local people and authorities.

In this project, you will be assisting a local team with the conservation and preservation of the temple grounds. By doing so, the community around Banteay Chhmar will benefit economically from the conservation of history and preservation of culture, which will in turn, attract more tourists (both Khmer and foreign) to the area.

Modest clothing (covering your legs and shoulders) is requested outside of the accommodation for respect of the community.

Program Duration & Availability

Min duration (weeks): 1

Aims & Objectives

- Participate in the conservation and preservation local history and culture
- Create cultural exchange opportunities through our efforts with the locals
- Gain practical experience in conservation efforts abroad

Schedule

Monday

If this is your first week of this program, In the morning, you will be introduced to Banteay Chhmar and the overall project goals. You will then explore the village and visit some satellite temples. After lunch, you will be taken around Banteay Chhmar, including a visit a local handicraft (scarf weaving) center. If you are continuing on in this project, tasks will resume as outlined in rest of schedule.

Tuesday to Friday

You will assist the local team at the temple's main conservation and preservation sites. Tasks may consist of: Clearing the temples - by cutting back overgrown bushes, trees, and grass, in the surrounding area; Cleaning up the temples - picking up trash, removing stones; Planting trees in the temple compound; Making environment signs; or Going to a school - to educate students on the importance of protecting the temples.

This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances.

Starting Dates

During 2019

This program starts every week.

During 2020

This program starts every week.

Participant Criteria & Requirements

Minimum age:	-
Maximum age:	-
Minimum English level:	Basic
CRB required:	On Signup
Passport copy required:	No
Resume copy required:	No
Required qualification:	None

Additional Requirements

There are no further requirements for this program.

Additional Equipment

- Sturdy shoes