LOTUS CRUISES

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Pure *elegance* on the Mekong

Dear Travel Lover,

Do you daydream about a holiday to an exotic and unfamiliar destination to experience a different life from the one you live day-to-day? Are you inspired to immerse yourself in diverse cultures, discover breath-taking landscapes and explore archaeological wonders? Lotus Cruises promise an unforgettable travel experience that allows you to touch, taste and feel the spirit of Southeast Asia.

On board our boutique luxury river ships, influenced by the lavish detailing of 1930s French colonial design, you'll explore the rich history of Vietnam and Cambodia, visit vibrant floating markets by sampan and enjoy time with villagers pursuing time-honoured artisanship.

Spacious and indulgent suites, chef'ssignature dishes, outstanding cultural performances, truly luxurious amenities and our all-inclusive approach ensure a river journey along the Mekong with Lotus Cruises will be a memorable experience. Lotus incorporate everything there is to love about Vietnam and Cambodia in our authentic approach to luxury river expeditions
and look forward to welcoming you on board!

Diep Ngoc Le
Chairwoman

The Lotus *difference*

Lotus Cruises invite you on a luxurious cultural adventure navigating through magnificent remnants of former civilisations in the Mekong Delta. A carefully tailored itinerary and dedicated guide ensure a deep insight into Vietnamese and Cambodian culture.

With an authentic approach to luxury river travel, our boutique ships offer romantic French colonial décor inspired by the spirited heritage of the region combined with elegant spacious suites with full modern facilities. Casually elegant dining showcases French-Indochine inspired dishes from our chef, creating a fusion of flavours using locally sourced produce. Lotus hospitality is unrivalled, ensuring personalised attention to every aspect of your enjoyment on board.

As the ultimate leader of all-inclusive luxury travel in the region, Lotus Cruises offer unmatched value, unrivalled comfort and exceptional hospitality.

What makes us *exceptional*

Lotus Cruises combine the best of traditional elegance with modern comforts to rival even the most luxurious hotels while exploring the culturally rich highlights of the Mekong River. Our aim as a family business is always to be truly outstanding, offer unrivalled hospitality and those little extras in our all-inclusive approach to make your journey truly memorable. We have been awarded Traveller Made affiliation in recognition of our outstanding quality and level of personalised service tailored for each guest.

Truly all-inclusive:

Unrivalled hospitality with exceptional service

Exceptional onboard cultural activities

English, French, German and Italian speaking guides

Welcome champagne reception

Complimentary butler service for top of the range suites

Local spirits offered throughout the day

Most spacious and elegant high-ceilinged suites on the Mekong

Quality imported wine selection at lunch and dinner

The Lotus *Story*

Lotus Cruises proudly adopted the name of this national emblem which like the people of Vietnam and Cambodia faced a challenge of parallels, enduring impossible conditions and long-lasting effects of war, to survive, evolve and flourish in our culture and economy. We proudly share a story of initiative, family unity and growing success with ambition to offer world-class luxury cruises on the Mekong.

Lotus is a family business with more than 20 years' experience in the maritime industry backed by a top team of professional engineers and offer a level of reliability, inclusiveness, luxury and unmatched value on one of the most culturally rich and fascinating rivers of the world. Mme Diep Ngoc Le is at the heart of Lotus Cruises and mother to two Directors of the company. She started her career as a curtain seamstress to the rich families of Saigon with creativity and ambition to preserve the artistic features of colonial Saigon inspiring her to design a unique range of curtains with traditional designs. She often took her children to the beautiful colonial villas in Saigon to show them the rich heritage of her nostalgic designs.

As the economy of Vietnam began to flourish, Mme Le and family ventured into real-estate and shipping, creating Binh An Shipping, which 20 years on is still the only private family-owned company in Vietnam that builds and operates our own fleet of luxury river cruisers, tug boats, offshore supporting vessels and ferries throughout Vietnam and Southeast Asia. Mme Le was the leading light in the creation of the interior design, furniture, uniforms and dining room theme of the first river cruise ship, the Mekong Navigator. Mme Le gave the name Lotus to her treasured cruise line, reflecting her appreciation of the lotus spirit.

The terminal buds of the Lotus emerge from muddy waters into a beautiful blossom, then retreat back into the mud for the "rebirth", never forgetting its origin.

MEKONG NAVIGATOR

Stepping on board The Mekong Navigator, you are welcomed into a bygone era of nostalgic beauty, rich in French colonial décor, enhanced by luxurious modern amenities.

Relax on the sun deck and watch the unfolding contrasts of riverine scenery as you cruise along the mighty Mekong river, explore historic gems with a dedicated guide and sample the rich culture and resilient spirit of the local people.

The Mekong Navigator is an elegant boutique river ship with 34 tastefully appointed suites, an atmospheric dining room and array of spacious areas to relax including a library and internet lounge, a glorious sun deck and a fitness centre with spa. A voyage on The Mekong Navigator will immerse you in the glamour and romance of a golden era combined with modern comforts and the warmth of gracious service for which this region is so widely known. Every detail on board has been carefully selected with the sophisticated traveller in mind.

Le Marché

The casual but elegant Le Marche restaurant offers a gastronomic journey of regional signature dishes as well as a selection of western alternatives with complimentary wine at dinner. Chef creates tribute to the exotic regional flavours and produce of Southeast Asia using locally sourced fruit and vegetables. An indulgent and varied buffet are also served in Le Marche for breakfast and lunch.

La Biblioteque

While on board, guests stay connected with friends and family through wifi provided in La Bibliotheque. For those who prefer to leave the electronic age behind, the library also offers guests the opportunity to immerse themselves in a wide selection of books from many authors who were enchanted by Indochina.

Le Salon

Le Salon is the ideal place to meet up with friends to recount another day of adventure or to simply admire the passing scenery while enjoying unrivalled hospitality. Guests can enjoy complimentary local beer and spirits, coffee, tea, and soda or choose from a selection of premium wines or liqueurs available for purchase. Le Salon is also a great venue for live cultural performances in the evening.

La Vie Spa and Wellness

Enjoy a workout in the well-equipped gym or simply indulge in a treatment at our spa La Vie, choosing from aromatherapy treatments, body wraps, traditional and western massage.

Sun Deck

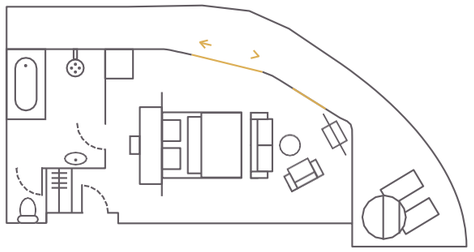
Cool down and watch the world go by from the comfort of shaded sun loungers and wide choice of seating areas on the Sun Deck. Early risers are greeted by the crew with freshly squeezed to begin the day or simply slow down with a personalised cocktail to accompany another incredible sunset at the end of the day.

Accommodations

The Mekong Navigator embodies the grace and style of the French colonial era while incorporating modern conveniences and luxuries that rival the finest hotels in Asia. Each indulgently furnished suite provides individual climate control, flat-screen televisions with a select range of movies, spa-quality robes, slippers and bath amenities, daily housekeeping with turndown service, fine bed linens, premium mattresses, duvets, a pillow menu and newspapers delivered daily. Housekeeping pay meticulous attention to every detail and comfort for our guests.

Grande Suite

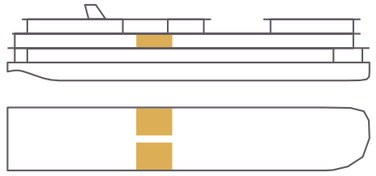
Grand Suites are located in prime position, being forward on the Orchid Deck (upper deck). These two very private suites offer the most luxurious and spacious environment on board, measuring 584 square feet (54 square metres) with full French doors onto a private terrace where complimentary canapes are served at sundown as part of Lotus butler service.



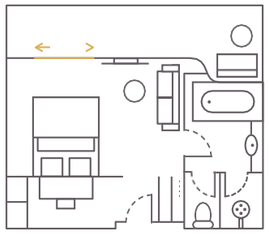
584 square feet / 54sqm

Both suites enjoy panoramic views of the riverine landscape from the private veranda with generous seating area, a fully stocked complimentary mini-bar, free daily laundry and personal daily butler service and private in-room dining options only available to Grande Suite guests. Every detail from our beautiful spa tub and separate rainfall shower to a pillow selection and individual climate control all ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided. Grande Suites are furnished with one king-size bed. Guests in Grande Suites enjoy a one-hour complimentary spa treatment courtesy of Lotus.

Prestige Suite



Prestige Suites are located mid-ship on the Orchid Deck (upper deck) and offer ample living space of 387 square feet (36 square metres) including a private balcony.

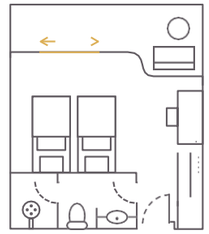


387 square feet / 36 sqm

Thoughtfully designed for comfortable living including a seating area with sofa to relax, the Prestige Suite provides an expansive spa tub and separate rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, a fully stocked complimentary mini-bar, free daily laundry and personal butler service. Personal pillow selection and individual climate control all ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided. Prestige Suites are furnished with one king-size bed. Guests can enjoy a one-hour complimentary spa treatment courtesy of Lotus.

Signature Suite

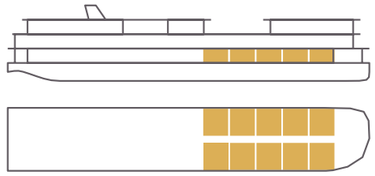
Signature Suites are located on the Orchid Deck (upper deck) enjoying 291 square feet (27 square metres) of living space and offer guests a luxurious haven with panoramic views from the private balcony and the opportunity to enjoy daily continental breakfast here over breath-taking scenery.



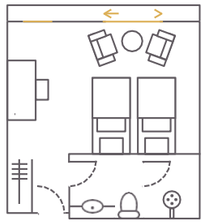
291 square feet / 27 sqm

This calm haven is furnished with two twin-size beds or one queen-sized bed as requested, a rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, a fully stocked mini-bar and personal pillow selection and individual climate control to ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided.

Vista Suite



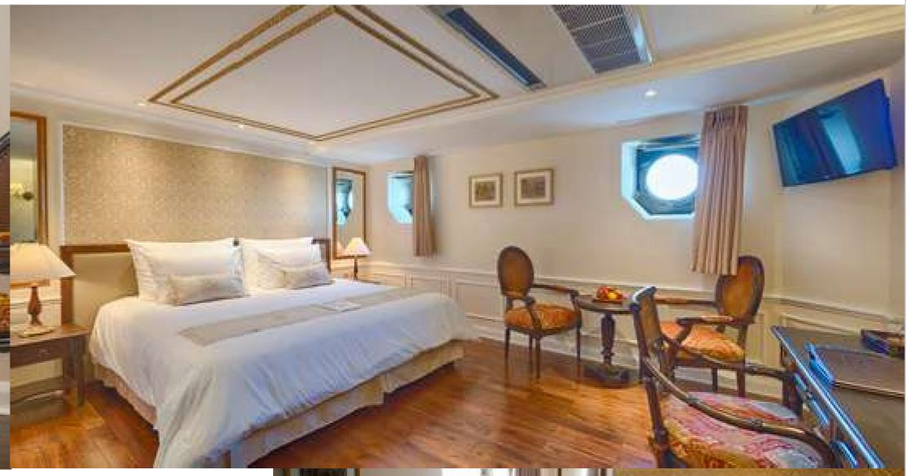
Vista Suites are located on the Lotus Deck (main deck), offering guests a luxurious haven of 276 square feet (26 square metres) of living space, with spacious seating area and French balcony showcasing panoramic views and dramatic sunsets over the Mekong River.

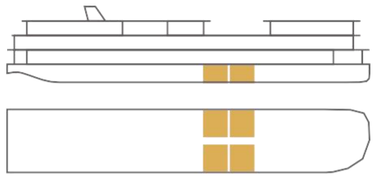


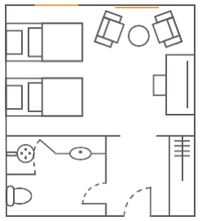
276 square feet / 26 sqm

Vista Suites are furnished with two twin-size beds or one queen-size bed, as requested. A rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, a fully stocked mini-bar and personal pillow selection and individual climate control ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided.

Superior Suite





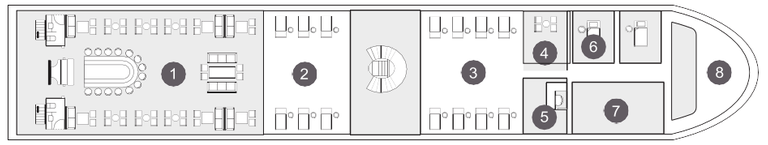


256 square feet / 24 sqm

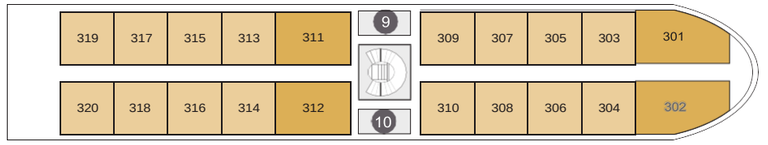
Superior Suites are located on the Jasmine Deck (lower deck) and provide guests with 256 feet (24 square metres) of living space, with two oversized porthole style windows creating a peaceful and private sanctuary. Superior Suites are furnished with two twin-size beds or one queen-size bed, as requested. A rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, a fully stocked mini-bar and personal pillow selection and individual climate control ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided.

MEKONG NAVIGATOR

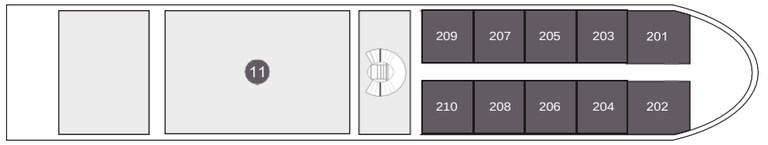
Deckplan



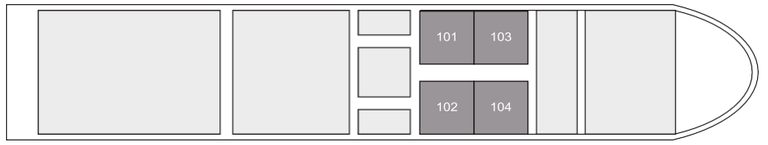
Sun Deck



Orchid Deck



Lotus Deck



Jasmin Deck

1 Le Salon
2 Observation Deck
3 Sun Deck
4 La Bibliotheque
5 Computer Center
6 La Vie Spa
7 Gym
8 Wheelhouse
9 Office
10 Gift Shop
11 Le Marché Restaurant

MEKONG JEWEL

The latest addition to our boutique river ship collection is the Mekong Jewel which redefines elegance and luxury for the sophisticated traveller with 34 indulgently glamorous suites with private balcony and onboard facilities. It sets new standards in all aspects of elite river cruising including the 360-DEgree experience of panoramic views. The Mekong Jewel embodies the atmosphere of a luxury boutique hotel, offering all home comforts with 5-star luxury amenities and attention to every opulent detail.

The Mekong Jewel features an expansive sundeck with jet pool, Moonstone library with spirited tales of ancient Indochina, a choice of cosmopolitan dining areas with spectacular vistas along the Mekong as well as state of the art fitness centre, infrared sauna and relaxing La Vie spa and hair salon. Sunset cocktails at Emerald sky bar create a wonderful ambience as tales of the day's discoveries are shared among guests. The carefully crafted shore itinerary by our own guide, the cultural entertainment provided on board and our all-inclusive approach assure your discovery of the Mekong Delta will be a memorable experience.

Topaz Restaurant

Talented chefs prepare sophisticated signature dishes incorporating local produce and international options to please every palate with complimentary wine served at dinner. This spacious and elegant restaurant illuminated by floor to ceiling windows is the perfect setting to sample the exotic regional flavours and produce of Southeast Asia while enjoying the unfolding riverine views along the Mekong River.

Dining at Pearl Al Fresco

Pear Alfresco offers a more casual open-air bar and dining option featuring glass curtains for breezier days. The menu offers a gourmet selection of chef's dishes which showcase the team's culinary skills in the open kitchen as they prepare world-class Asian and international fare. It's also the perfect place to enjoy a relaxed cocktail with family or friends while watching another spectacular Mekong sunset.

Sapphire Lounge

The Mekong Jewel's serene indoor lounge is the perfect place to quietly relax or share stories with new friends. Hand-sourced furnishings lend Sapphire Lounge an air of antique elegance while the comfortable seating means there's no hurry to leave. All-day refreshments and individual climate control create the perfect ambience to enjoy down time.

Emerald Sky Bar

As evening falls gravitate to the extravagant open-air Emerald Sky Bar where contemporary design blends with tropical paradise and personalised cocktails. Vietnam's biggest cities are known for their extravagant sky bars. Lotus bring the open-air atmosphere and well-crafted cocktails of a Saigon rooftop to the Mekong Jewel's sophisticated Emerald Sky Bar where you can choose from a wide variety of beverages and bar snacks with the cooling breeze from the Mekong.

Sun Deck and Pool

Recline in shaded comfort on a chaise lounger, close your eyes and enjoy the sensation of sunshine and bird song. The Mekong Jewel's sun deck is the ideal place to catch up on reading or to simply soak up the beauty of unfolding landscape while sipping your choice of freshly squeezed fruit. For those looking to recharge while cruising along the river, our pool is equipped with jets to create the feeling of an underwater current, allowing you to swim against the flow. After a refreshing dip, our attentive staff will be ready with a delicious cocktail or beverage of your choice.

La Vie Spa and Wellness

Spa Treatments
Pamper yourself with a traditional Vietnamese massage or ask our skilled therapists to guide you through our menu of international treatments including aromatherapy, body wraps, traditional and western massage. A relaxing and indulgent treatment combined with the healing powers of our infrared sauna and steam room are sure to bring a sense of holistic well-being.

Fitness Centre
If a workout is part of your daily routine, make unlimited use of our state-of-the-art exercise equipment to maintain ideal fitness levels in our well-equipped fitness centre. Dedicate some time to burning calories so that you can indulge in one of chef's selection of desserts.

Hair Salon and Nail Bar
There's no need to miss out on those little extras when on board the Mekong Jewel. Treat yourself to a visit to our professional Hair Salon & Nail Bar, created for guests who love to be looked after while on holiday. Stop in for a blow dry or a manicure to create that wow factor.

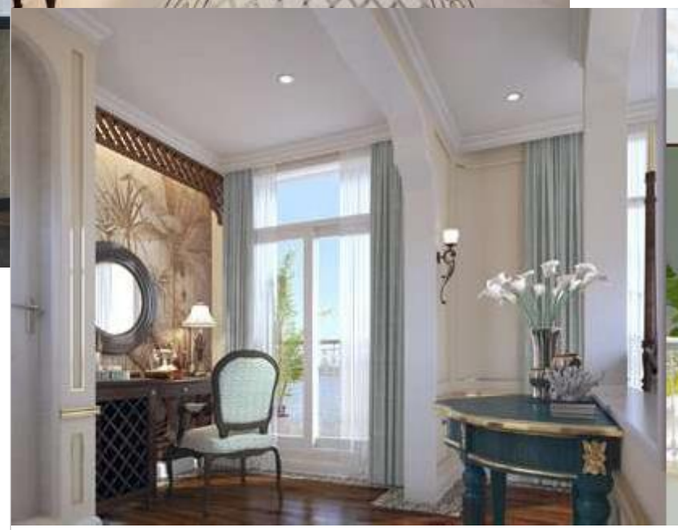
Moonstone Library

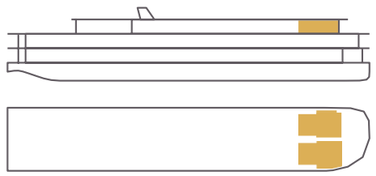
Gently cruising the Mekong there's ample time to get lost in reading tales of ancient Indochina from our excellent selection of books in the Moonstone Library. Guests will find a variety of books and magazines to suit all reading tastes, whether your genre of choice tends towards biographies, business papers or love stories set in French Indochina. Board games are also available to entertain family and new friends.

Accommodations

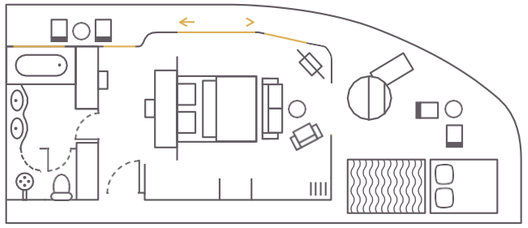
On board our latest addition to the fleet, the Mekong Jewel's 34 prestigious suites with private balconies are graced with elegant lines, high ceilings and individually furnished interiors to create a lavish and spacious haven. Soft lines and rich tones of the French Indochine era draw you into a glamorous bygone era combined with unrivalled attention to detail in luxurious amenities and contemporary comforts. Each indulgently furnished suite provides individual climate control, flat-screen televisions with a select range of movies, spa-quality robes, slippers and bath amenities, daily housekeeping with turndown service, fine bed linens, premium mattresses, duvets, a pillow menu and newspapers delivered daily.

Grande Suite





Located forward on the Sun Deck in prime position, these two very private suites not only offer the most luxurious and spacious environment on board but on the entire Mekong River, measuring 915 square feet (85 square metres) with full French doors onto a private panoramic terrace where complimentary canapés are served at sundown as part of Lotus butler service.



915 square feet / 85 sqm

Grande Suites enjoy panoramic views of the riverine landscape through floor to ceiling glass windows, a private veranda with hot tub, generous seating and sun lounge area, a fully stocked complimentary mini-bar, free daily laundry and personal butler service and private in-room dining options only available to Grande Suite guests. Every detail from our beautiful spa tub and separate rainfall shower to a pillow selection and individual climate control all ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided. Grande Suites are furnished with one king-size bed. Enjoy a one-hour complimentary spa treatment and one-hour infrared sauna experience courtesy of Lotus.

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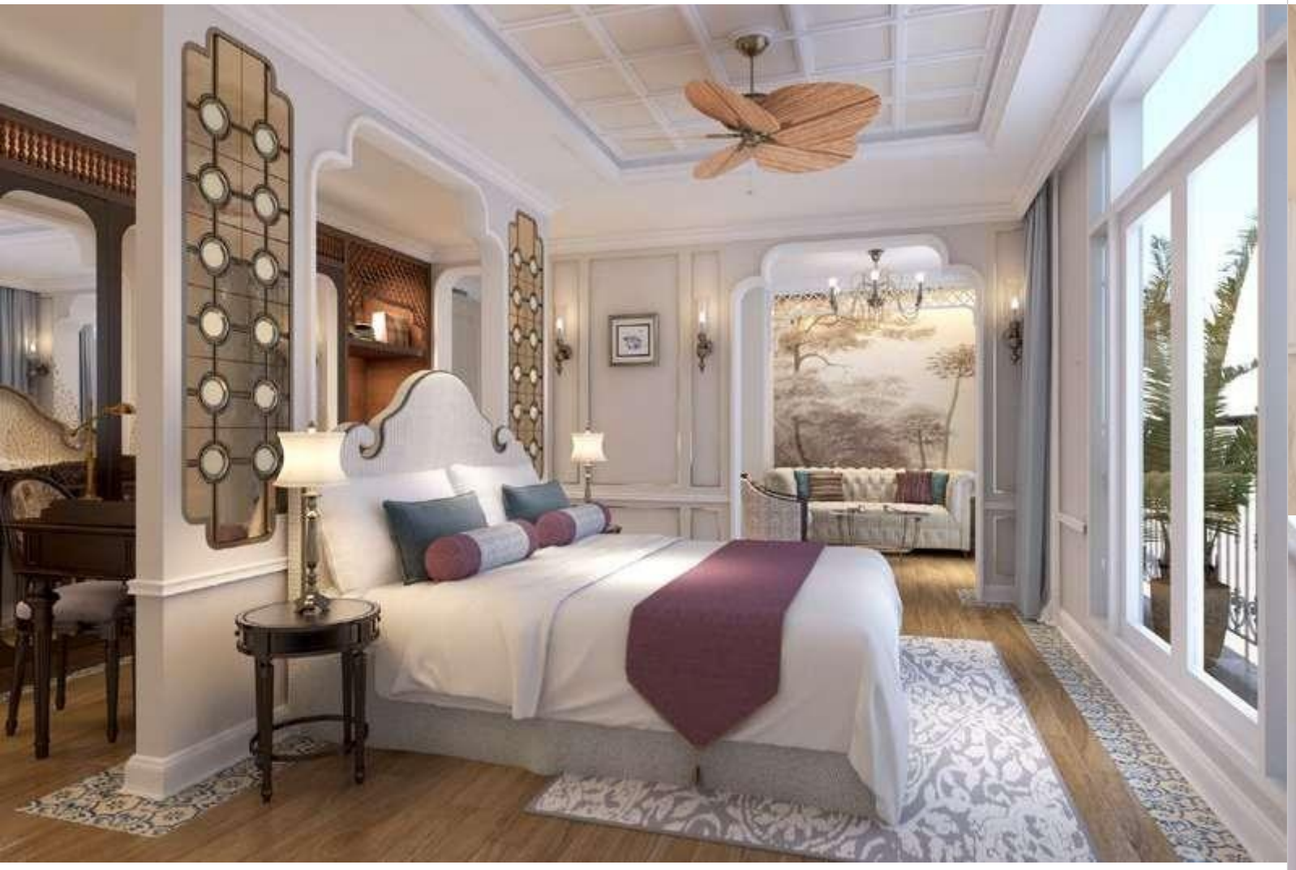
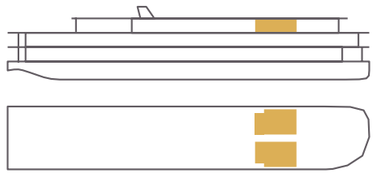
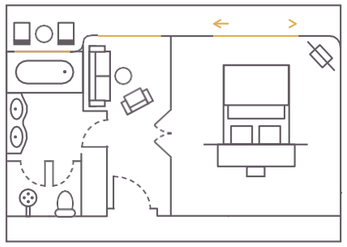




Located mid-ship on the Sun Deck, the Prestige Suite offers guests a wonderful combination of space and comfort measuring 548 square feet (51 square metres) incorporating a private balcony where complimentary canapés are served at sundown as part of Lotus butler service.

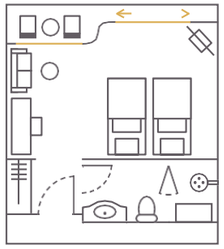


548 square feet / 51 sqm

Thoughtfully designed for comfortable living including a seating area with sofa to relax, the Prestige Suite provides an expansive spa tub and separate rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, a fully stocked complimentary mini-bar, free daily laundry and personal butler service. Personal pillow selection and individual climate control all ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided. Prestige Suites are furnished with one king-size bed. Enjoy a one-hour complimentary spa treatment and one-hour infrared sauna experience courtesy of Lotus.

Signature Suite

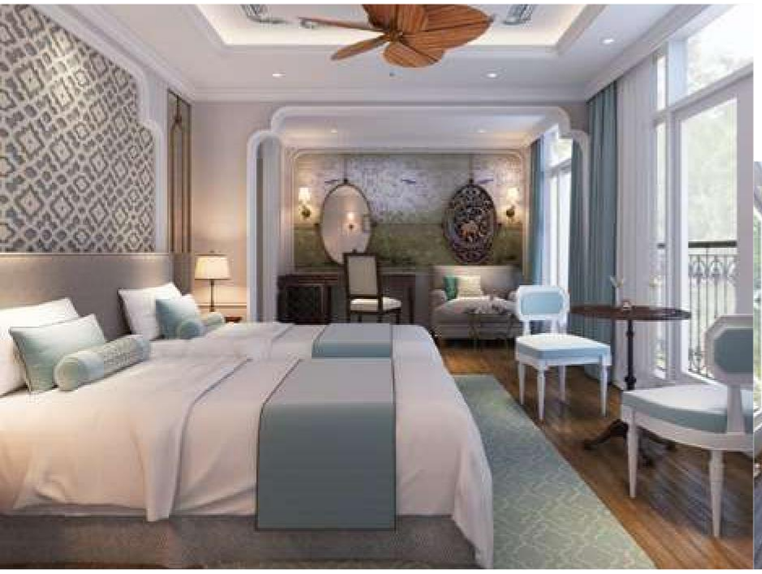
Located on the Orchid Deck (upper deck), the Signature Suite provides guests with 333 square feet (31 square metres) of living space including French doors opening onto a private balcony for guests to enjoy the breath-taking scenery and the option of continental breakfast in a private and relaxing environment.

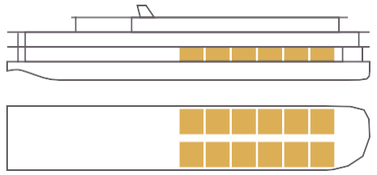


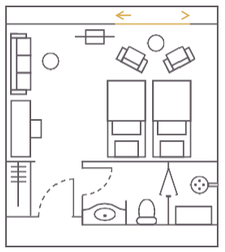
333 square feet / 31 sqm

Guests can choose a bed arrangement of two twin-size beds or one queen-sized bed. A rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, fully stocked mini-bar and personal pillow selection as well as individual climate control ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided.

Vista Suite







Located on the Lotus Deck (upper deck), the Vista Suite provides guests with 323 square feet (30 square metres) of living space with French doors onto a small balcony, and a spacious seating area from which to enjoy the dramatic sunsets along the Mekong River.

Vista Suites offer guests a luxurious haven with panoramic views and are furnished with two twin-size beds or one queen-size bed, as requested. A rainfall shower with premium bath amenities, a fully stocked mini-bar and personal pillow selection and individual climate control ensure tranquillity, relaxation and indulgence are on the menu. Additional amenities such as flat-screen TV, hair dryer and electronic safe are provided.

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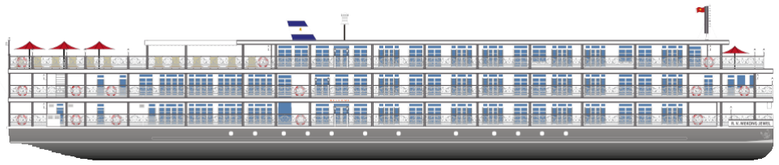
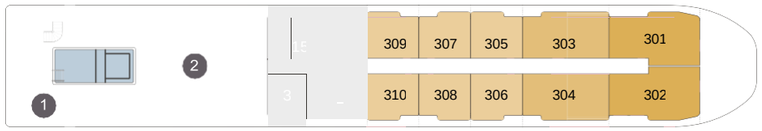
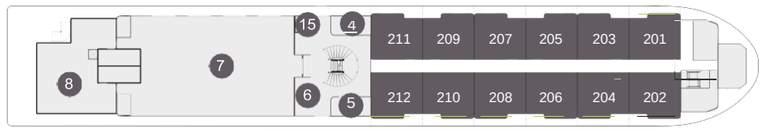




Sun Deck



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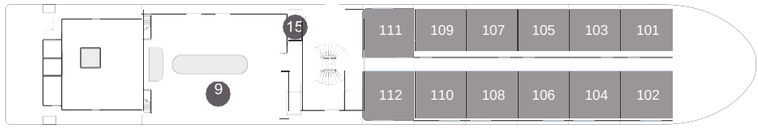


Lotus Deck

Jasmin Deck

1. Sun Deck
2. Emerald Skybar & Pool
3. Moonstone Library
4. Reception
5. Gift Shop
6. Guest Self-service Coffee
7. Sapphire Lounge
8. Pearl Alfresco Restaurant
9. Topaz Dining Room
10. Guest Self-service Laundry
11. Hair Salon and Nail Bar
12. Fitness Center
13. La Vie Spa
14. Infrared Sauna and Steam Room
15. Lift

LAUNCHING IN OCTOBER 2021

Mekong Muse

Lotus Cruises will launch a new, boutique, 14-CAbin ship called RV Mekong Muse. Synonymous with adventure, authenticity and style, Lotus Cruises will welcome its new ship in October 2021, offering exotic journeys on the Upper Mekong River in Laos.

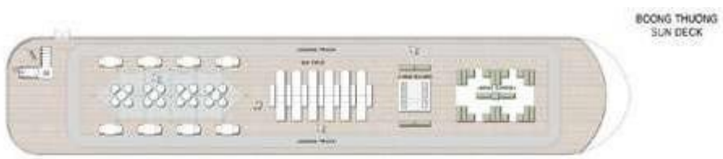
Reflecting Lotus Cruises' authentic approach to luxury river travel, the boutique river ship will feature romantic French colonial décor inspired by the spirited heritage of the region, combined with elegant spacious suites with modern facilities. Guests will be able to relax on the sun deck and watch the unfolding scenery as they cruise along the mighty Mekong River.

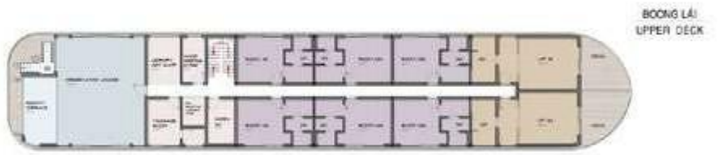
The images are a design reference only and show the general look and feel of the interior design.

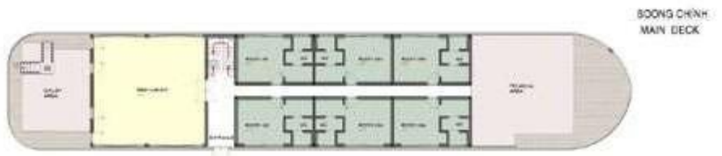
LAUNCHING IN OCTOBER 2021

Mekong Muse

The RV Mekong Muse will have three suite types, including two Grande Suites which, at 30 sq metres, will be the largest suite sailing on the Upper Mekong River, with a separate seating area, marble bathroom and private terrace. Six Signature Suites will offer guests an airy 20 sq metres of comfort, with French balcony and floor-to-ceiling French doors located in the upper deck.







The six Vista Suites come with a French balcony and are located in the main deck. Both Signature and Vista suites have a separate minibar and an elegant marble bathroom, which flood with light as the scenery of the Mekong rolls by.

The Grande Suites include a butler service, with extras such as daily gifts, pillow menu selection, unpacking service and scented bath preparation. All guests in these suites will enjoy a complimentary one-hour spa treatment and a private dining experience in the room or on the balcony.

The ship will have a library and a gift shop onboard. The main restaurant will offer open seating and the lounge-bar on the top deck will feature an observation area with floor to ceiling glass walls and a full glass ceiling to allow guests to enjoy the stunning scenery from the comfort of a fully air conditioned spot. A spa will be available onboard offering a menu of deluxe, specially designed treatments.

The top deck of the ship will have a seating area with canopies, sunbeds, a unique herb garden and a jogging track.

King bed – 20sqm

Twin bed – 20sqm

Land packages

Ho Chi Minh city

From $ 549 per person

Enjoy a two-night stay at the centrally located Park Hyatt Saigon. Guided excursions visit the beautiful Notre Dame Cathedral, City Hall and Post Office constructed during the French colonial period as well as Reunification Palace and the famous Ben Thanh Market. Guests may also select to do a cooking class with lunch or an evening outing to the Observation Deck at the Bitexco Tower combined with an exquisite French-Vietnamese themed dinner.

Breakfast, airport transfer, porterage and all applicable taxes are included. Prices and hotel are subject to change.

Bangkok

From $ 679 per person

No other place in southeast Asia better reflects the progress and vibrancy of a single city more than Bangkok. Savour traditional Thai hospitality during a three-night stay at the centrally located Grand Hyatt Erawan Bangkok. Enjoy an extensive city tour including a Chao Praya river cruise and visit to the Grand Palace.

Breakfast, airport transfer, porterage and all applicable taxes are included. Prices and hotel are subject to change. Domestic flight to/from Siem Reap or to/from Ho Chi Minh City is not included.

Siem Reap

From $ 699 per person

A visit to southeast Asia would be incomplete without a visit to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Angkor Wat. Guests enjoy a three-night stay at the tranquil Victoria Angkor Resort & Spa nearby. During your stay in Siem Reap, enjoy two half-day excursions to the most significant temples of the Angkor Wat complex including Bayon, Ta Prohm, Angkor Thom, and the main temple of Angkor Wat. For the more adventurous, there is an opportunity to experience a sunrise breakfast and ride around Angkor Wat on elephant back.

Breakfast, airport transfer, porterage and all applicable taxes are included. Prices and hotel are subject to change.

Hanoi & Halong Bay

From $ 899 per person

A three-night programme to Hanoi & Ha Long Bay includes a two-night stay at the luxurious Intercontinental Hotel Westlake in Hanoi and one night on a beautifully handcrafted traditional junk boat on Ha Long Bay. Guests enjoy a full day excursion in Hanoi including the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, Temple of Literature, a ride in an authentic cyclo through the historic colonial area of Hanoi and a traditional water puppet performance.

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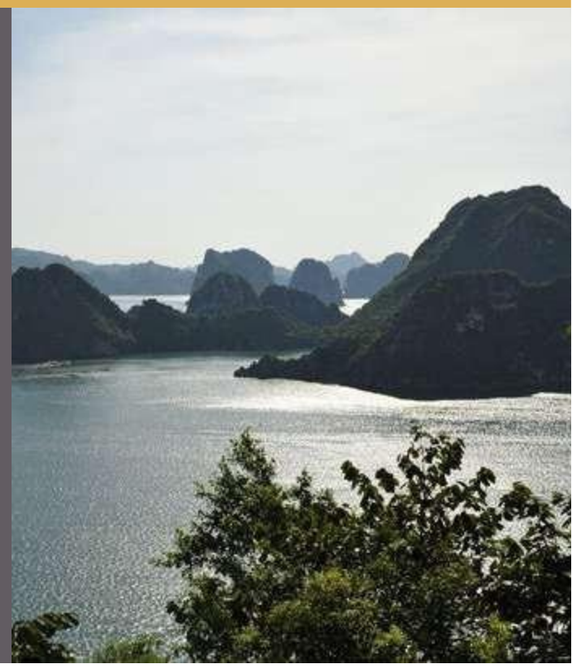

Groups and charters

Enjoy an extraordinary voyage on the Mekong river in a glamorous and elegant environment. Our river cruise ships take the best elements from world-class boutique hotels such as sophisticated design, excellent cuisine and top-level service and merge them with carefully tailored authentic cultural experiences. Celebrate a special occasion, inspire your employees on a company team-building retreat or just spend some time exploring new places with a group of friends or family. Charter one of our beautiful ships for an experience of a lifetime in ultimate luxury.

Lotus Cruises stands above the competition for several reasons. We are a family-run business with extensive experience in superior and safe ship building. Authenticity is a word we take seriously from our professional Khmer and Vietnamese team to our dedicated tour guides who are able to create spontaneous excursions and seek out secret cultural gems. Our dedicated group specialists will coordinate with your tour operator to ensure all your needs are met professionally from port to port and beyond.

From the moment of boarding, Lotus offer unrivalled service from a champagne welcome reception to an evening of cultural performances by our talented staff. In addition, we can craft personalised group events or activities to create the ideal atmosphere for your guests. Our booking specialists will help you select the perfect itinerary and accommodations for your group and will take into account special requests such as dietary requirements, flexible schedules and personalised occasions. Contact us to begin making memories on the Mekong.

We care and we share

Sustainable travel is more than just an idea for Lotus Cruises. The company has committed to improving both the guest experience and the environment on each cruise. We have put in place environmentally friendly standards and initiatives that marry luxury with sustainability.

Lotus have implemented sustainable practices in the construction of The Mekong Jewel such as specially designed ship propellers to enhance performance and efficiency, installation of energy efficient LED lighting and automatic water-cooled air conditioning, being more efficient than its air-cooled alternative. With more than 20 years' experience in the maritime industry backed by a top team of professional engineers, Lotus Cruises offer a level of reliability, inclusiveness, luxury and unmatched value on one of the most culturally rich and fascinating rivers of the world.

Eco-friendly Products

Lotus Cruises initiated environmental changes with eco-friendly products, replacing plastic bottles with glass carafes for each room and sourcing more environmentally friendly amenities. In addition, each guest will receive an aluminium bottle for excursions that has been sourced from our partner "Refill Not Landfill". The bottle can be customised and taken home as a Lotus Cruises souvenir. Plastic straws and cocktail swizzle sticks are also no longer in use on the ship. With the high level of plastic pollution globally, this can help reduce plastic consumption and damage to the marine life and livelihoods of the Mekong Delta residents.

Other initiatives include the shift from styrofoam containers for packed lunches to paper boxes and replacing individual plastic packaging in guest bathrooms to ceramic containers.

Local Community Involvement

On all of our cruises, we support local communities in more ways than one. Farm-to-table mindset supports the local farmers. All retail items featured in the boutique store are locally sourced to promote indigenous industries. Our talented team are also from Vietnam and Cambodia to provide employment for those who are passionate about sharing authentic stories of their lives along the Mekong. We also support NGOs by inviting them to perform on board and showcase their rich culture. Some tours arranged are to support underprivileged communities. The most recent collaboration we are proud to have undertaken is with Pour Un Sourire D'Enfant (PSE). The organisation started in 1995 to alleviate the plight of street children by providing education and training programs to take them from destitution to a vocation! Currently, PSE hand-make quality uniforms for the entire Lotus Cruises' crew.

RV MEKONG NAVIGATOR

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