



**BASSAC**  
River Retreat

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TransMékong  
142-144 Hai Bà Trưng,  
P. Tân An, Q. Ninh Kiều  
TP. Cần Thơ, Việt Nam

Welcome on board

From now on, we have time.

Let us slow down to the pace of the river, and simply enjoy the experience.

Program of the journey

We are away together until after lunch on the day after tomorrow. We'll leave Cần Thơ after dinner tonight, so that tomorrow we wake up in a green area.

Everything on board is at your leisure. You are at home on board, and just enjoying the ride is the core of the experience. You are also invited, if you like, to join in on visits and activities we organize.

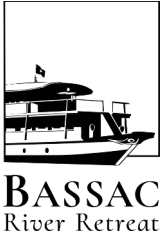
**Tonight**, we shall have dinner around 7, while the Bassac pulls offshore Cần Thơ.

We'll leave Cần Thơ along the stream of Sông Hậu when we have gathered all our passengers, and cast anchor for the night in a smaller tributary, a bit out of the way.

**Tomorrow**, here is what we have on offer: There are many things you may want to join in.

- For the early birds, Sun Salutation on the upper deck as the sun rises at 6.
- Breakfast at your leisure, from 7 to 10.
- Visit on shore by 8:30 among the bountiful natural orchards and small farms of Cồn Sừng
- The Bassac will weigh anchor by mid-morning and set sail on a century-old canal.  
We have a little clay modelling atelier --express your art and bring your product back with you.  
This is also a good time for a head and foot massage if you registered for our *wellness experience*.
- At noon, we all have lunch on board while cruising the meandering Mang Thít river.
- By mid-afternoon, when the sun is less hot, join us for a stroll past the first tree line, on foot or on bicycle, or maybe even just a stroll on a longboat.
- After we re-embark, you are invited for a session of bread making, an whole experience in itself, right before dinner.

The Bassac will navigate at night and cast anchor near the Cloudy Island.



On the **day after tomorrow**,

- we start the day with some yoga before breakfast again,
- Then, after breakfast, we stroll upstream the Hậu river.
- Before mid-morning, a large sampan will take those who like a change of scenery to visit a Khmer sanctuary: a return to the roots of Buddhism.
- We all have lunch on board as a farewell before disembarking in Cần Thơ.

Safety on board

If you need anything, ask the purser or a crew member.

Let us all respect some precautions:

- You have access to the main deck and the upper deck, but the maneuvering areas at the front and at the aft of the main deck are off limits.
- Supervision of your children is your responsibility. Please mention with the purser if you need help.
- Many areas on the boat may be wet or even slippery at times. Please use hand lines in the stairs.
- There is no smoking inside. You may ask the crew for an ashtray to use outside, downwind from the boat.

During the visits

- Please wear a life jacket during the transfers on a longboat.
- The places we visit are not staged, but the genuine countryside. You may encounter traffic, domestic animals and sometimes wild animals. Please behave sensibly.

In case of an emergency, hit the emergency push-button at the bottom of every staircase or at the wheelhouse.

If you hear a loud, long alarm on board:

- Leave all your belongings behind.
- Take your life jacket under your bed and come at once to the reception.
- Do not board any longboat unless instructed to by the crew.

There is an escape plan on the back of your cabin door. Life jackets are under your bed. Lifebuoys and life rafts are available outside in the gangway.

Your cabin

Welcome to your cabin. This is your private place on board, and you should find one sleeps soundly on a wooden boat.

You have an individual air-con. Set it between 24°C and 26°C and sleep with the door closed for the best comfort.



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You can take a shower in the en suite, and there is a hook for the shower head on the partition --think of closing the door. Please note water from the tap is not drinkable. You have bottles available in the en suite, or at any time upon request. We also have a hair dryer, ask the purser.

- If you wish, we can make your bed or provide you with fresh towels. Please let us know by noon.

We hope you will like to spend time outside on the deck, and then like to return to the comfort of your cabin.

Please share your feedback with us

Do you like the experience of the Bassac? Please let us know the good and the less good. We shall address with the team and the crew what we could have done better.

<https://transmekong.com/feedback.php>

If there is something we should address right now, the person to tell is your cruise director.



*image: direct link to the feedback form*

Our feedback form is addressed to the management directly. You may opt to make it available to the crew as well.

Let us know if you need anything,

We'll meet for dinner on the rear upper deck about 7.

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the *Bassac River Retreat* team