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Minutes from the sacred temples of Angkor – a Unesco World Heritage Site – Amansara is a peaceful sanctuary in the heart of Siem Reap. A masterpiece of 1960s New Khmer architecture commissioned by King Norodom Sihanouk for his guests, today the residence houses 24 sleek Suites, along with a soaring circular dining room and a holistic spa. The original pool has been replicated amid tranquil mature grounds, and many of the Suites feature private gardens and plunge pools, adding to the introspective atmosphere. Custom-fitted remarks (rickshaws) and vintage Jeeps whisk guests and their private guides to Angkor, where Amansara’s Khmer Village House provides respite and rustic meals within the archaeological complex.

Location

- Amansara lies on the outskirts of Siem Reap, the cultural capital of Cambodia
- The property lies ten minutes from the entrance to Angkor Wat, and is walking distance from the Cambodian royal family's residence

Getting There

- Amansara is a 15-minute drive from Siem Reap International Airport
- Car transfers are complimentary; Amansara’s fleet includes two vintage Mercedes limousines



Accommodation

Amansara's 24 open-plan Suites are similar in design, with terrazzo and dark timber finishes creating a monochrome palette, and sandstone reliefs referencing those of nearby temples. All enjoy a private outdoor area, a kingsize or twin bed, a sofa and a writing desk, a light-filled bathroom containing twin vanities and a freestanding bathtub.

2	Suites	75m ²	811ft ²
10	Courtyard Suites	100m ²	1,076ft ²
12	Pool Suites	141m ²	1,523ft ²

Suite

- Small private courtyard

Courtyard Suite

- Large private courtyard with daybed, seating and a reflection pond
- Seamless flow of indoor and outdoor spaces

Pool Suite

- Large private courtyard with a 25m² plunge pool, outdoor seating and a daybed
- Seamless flow of indoor and outdoor spaces



Dining

The Dining Room

Capacity: 35 seated; pergola: 16 seated

- The focal point of the property, with a seven-metre ceiling and two shaded pergolas
- Khmer and Western cuisines featuring the freshest seasonal ingredients
- Includes a walk-in wine and cheese cellar, along with a casual lounge area serving freshly baked cakes and local delicacies
- Alfresco meals can be taken by the pool or gardens

Roof Terrace

Capacity: 30 seated; 60 for cocktails

- Seasonal venue for evening drinks and private dinners

Khmer Village House

Capacity: 14 guests

- A rustic private venue within the Angkor Archaeological Park, this traditional wooden house on stilts overlooks Srah Srang, an ancient Khmer royal bathing pool
- Signature dishes include nom ben chok – delicious fresh noodles with chopped herbs, salad and green curry, cooked over a charcoal clay stove by a local chef
- Exclusively for Amansara guests, the Village House serves breakfasts and candlelit dinners, and is also available for cooking classes followed by lunch.



Other Facilities

Library

- Houses a comprehensive collection of books on Angkor and Khmer history, along with coffee-table books, travel guides, novels, magazines, newspapers and board games
- Hosts regular archaeology and history lectures, cultural performances and exhibitions showcasing local artists

Boutique

- Offers a selection of objets d'art from Cambodia and the Indochina region, along with locally made handwoven silks, lacquerware, wood sculpture and jewellery
- Includes sustainable products created by organisations aiming to help the community

Swimming pools

- Amansara's curved, 17-metre central pool is overlooked by a cushioned alcove and surrounded by loungers
- In addition, a 25-metre lap pool lies hidden behind the gardens

Spa

- The spa overlooks a reflection pond set against a 43-metre sandstone relief
- Each of the four treatment rooms has an attached relaxation area with a private steam bath and shower
- Treatments use Cambodian techniques and all-natural Aman Spa products
- The gym, nestled amongst the resort's bamboo trees, features floor to ceiling windows and Technogym equipment. A movement studio offers a range of activities inspired by Khmer culture, from Apsara dance classes to aerial yoga.



Activities and Excursions

Angkor and beyond

- Personalised itineraries are prepared for each guest, with suggestions for daily outings combining temple excursions with cultural activities
- Guests are provided with knowledgeable, Aman-trained guides and private transportation – by remork for excursions to Angkor Park, and by vintage Jeep or air-conditioned car for trips into the countryside or further afield
- Schedules are organised to avoid the crowds and the midday heat, for capturing the area at its finest on camera
- Daily excursions include sunrise at Angkor Wat, the jungle temple of Ta Prohm, the stone faces of Bayon temple, the pre-Angkorian temples of Roluos, and Banteay Srei
- Helicopter flights can be arranged for visiting remoter sites, such as Preah Vihear and Banteay Chhmar. Other temples, such as Beng Mealea and Koh Ker, lie within a 90-minute drive from Amansara; each can be visited on a full day's excursion
- Amansara will be delighted to connect guests with organisations that support the local community

Scholar in residence

- Amansara regularly invites scholars to conduct informal lectures and excursions to places of special interest
- Aimed at deepening guests' knowledge and experience, these sessions focus on a range of subjects, including history, archaeology, architecture, satellite imagery, dance, culture and traditional music

Cycling

- Siem Reap is easily navigated and guests can use mountain and town bicycles to explore the town and nearby villages
- Cycle along the river road, taking in the old French quarter, 18th-century pagodas and the bustling old market area, or head out into the picturesque countryside along palm-lined paths, past temple ruins and rice paddies

Boating

- Explore Southeast Asia's largest freshwater lake, Tonlé Sap, aboard one of Amansara's wooden motorboats, Amanbala I and II
- Observe daily life at the lake's villages – stilted or floating, depending on the season – and the rich and varied plant, fish and bird life that make this Unesco-protected biosphere reserve one of the world's most valuable ecosystems

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