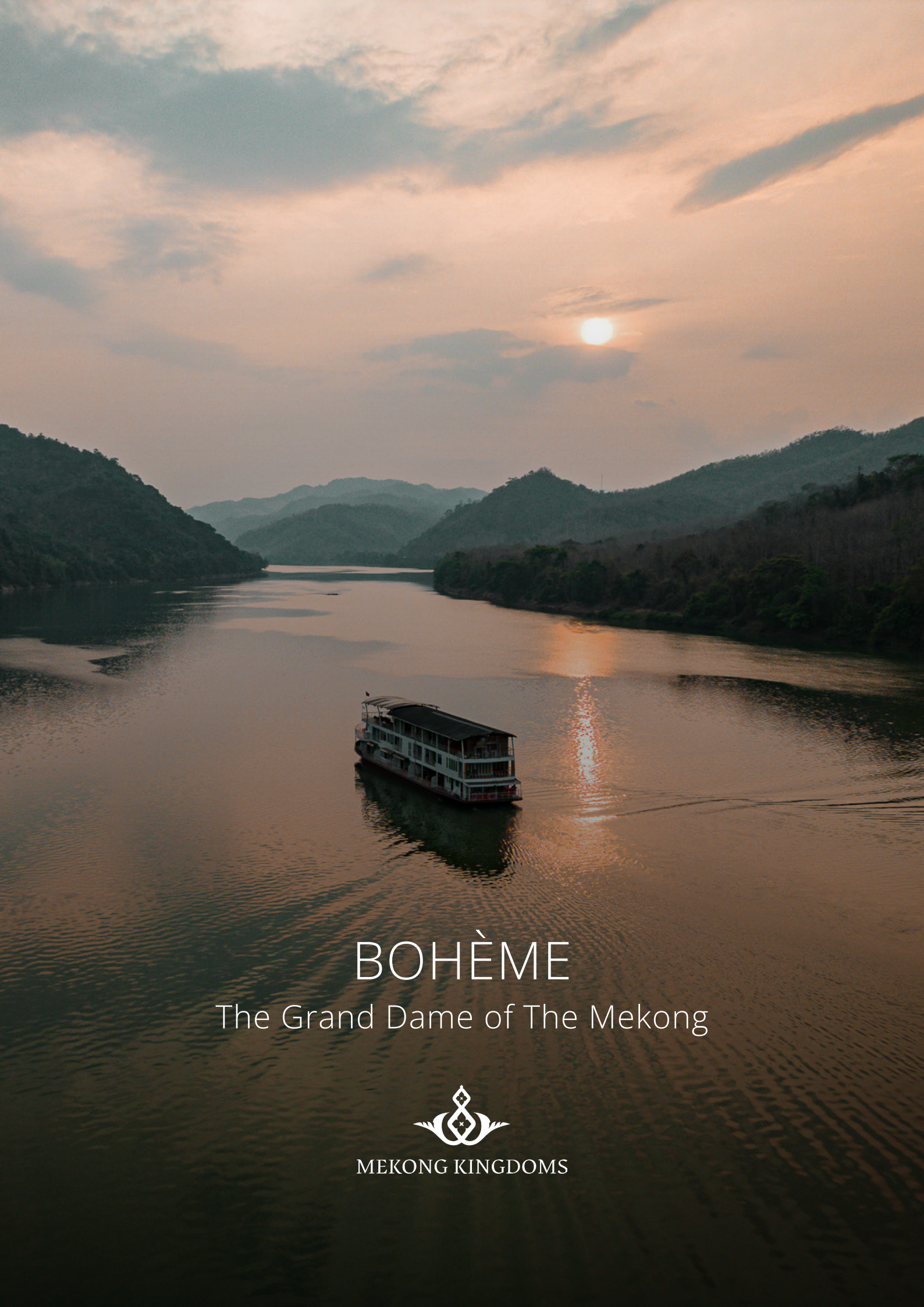

BOHÈME

The Grand Dame of The Mekong

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Bohème is the Mekong's most luxurious river cruiser, offering five-night journeys between the UNESCO World Heritage town of Luang Prabang and the serene riverside capital of Laos, Vientiane.

With only 13 suites, tranquillity is assured. Three spacious decks offer a life of comfort and up-close views of river life, with leisurely afternoons at the spa and elegant evenings on the top deck, home to the dining salon, bar and lounge.

OVERVIEW
BOHÈME BY MEKONG KINGDOMS

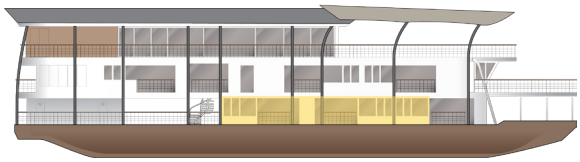
Launch	December 2024
Length	50 metres
Breadth	10.4 metres
Cruising speed	8 nautical knots
Electricity	220 volts (EU standard)
Cabins	13
Passengers	26
Crew	Up to 20 including captain, cruise manager, purser and head chef
Decks	3 (Explorer Deck, Legend Deck, Sun Deck)
Suites	6 Deluxe Suites (30 sqm) 6 Premier View Suites (26 sqm) 1 Royal Suite (60 sqm)
Bed Sizes	Twin 100 x 200 cm Double 180 x 200 cm Double (Royal Suite) 200 x 200 cm
Onboard Facilities	Dining salon, bar, al fresco lounge, 2 spa treatment rooms, WiFi, premium wine collection
Suite Amenities	Individually controlled air conditioning, balcony, closets, safe deposit box, coffee table and chairs, bathroom amenities, hairdryer, bathrobe, slippers, in-house phone, tea and coffee, and minibar Royal Suite: spacious balcony, bathroom with en-suite shower and full-sized bathtub, panoramic windows, writing desk with chairs


ACCOMMODATION









Deluxe Suite

Maximum occupancy: 2 adults

Length: 30 sqm

Drift through the winding Mekong River in a generously-sized cabin adorned with hand-stitched silk fabric and premium amenities. A spacious private balcony and a window-side daybed provide wondrous views of the changing riverside landscape, passing local villages and plantations.

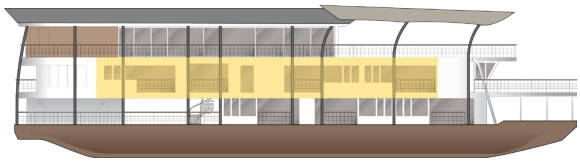
Facilities:

- Private balcony
- Air conditioning
- Fully stocked mini-bar
- Welcome amenities
- En-suite shower room
- Twin or double bed configuration
- WiFi access









Premier View Suite

Maximum occupancy: 2 adults

Length: 26 sqm

Sail the serene waterways ensconced in an upper-deck cabin furnished with captivating Lao art and premium amenities. Marvel at the expansive riverside views from your juliet balcony while sipping cocktails and feeling the Mekong's breeze.

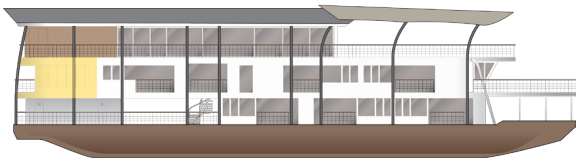
Facilities:

- Juliet balcony
- Air conditioning
- Fully stocked mini-bar
- Welcome amenities
- En-suite shower room
- Twin or double bed configuration
- WiFi access









Royal Suite

Maximum occupancy: 2 adults

Length: 60 sqm

Float along the Mekong in an exceptionally spacious suite, elegantly decorated in contemporary French Indochina style. Relax in a full-sized bathtub with panoramic windows overlooking lush landscapes or spend the day lounging on a generously-sized balcony with uninterrupted views of the river's ever-changing scenery. Make this one-of-a-kind suite a journey to remember, whether with loved ones or your romantic partner by your side.

Facilities:

- Expansive private balcony
- Air conditioning
- Fully stocked mini-bar
- Welcome amenities
- En-suite shower room
- Full-sized bathtub
- Double bed
- WiFi access

ITINERARY - DOWNSTREAM



6 Days / 5 Nights Downstream Luang Prabang - Vientiane



DAY 1

LUANG PRABANG

After exploring the UNESCO World Heritage town of Luang Prabang, you will be chauffeured from Avani+ Luang Prabang to the vessel.

The journey begins with a traditional Baci blessing ceremony on board, before departing for the Pak Ou Caves, the legendary sanctuary that houses thousands of Buddha images, where you will explore these sacred caves.

The next stop is Ban Xang Hai, or Whisky Village, where you can watch villagers make lao-lao, the rice whisky fondly called the “water of life.”

On your first evening aboard, enjoy a captivating traditional Lao dance performance.

DAY 2

BAN XANG KHONG & BAN CHAN NEUA

We drift downstream past lush jungle and charming villages, arriving at Ban Xang Khong, a village long specialised in crafting and selling silk products and Saa paper made from the bark of the Saa tree.

Guided by a local expert, you will craft your own saa paper using traditional tools and techniques, followed by a refreshing Lao tea tasting in a serene garden.

We continue the exploration to the next creative village, Ban Chan, renowned for its pottery. For over 400 years, families here have crafted clay works once chosen by ancient Lao kings, supplying the royal court and shaping the village’s way of life through generations.

After a warm welcome from the locals, learn all about traditional pottery techniques before trying your hand at creation.

In the evening, we moor at tranquil Ban Muang Khay.







DAY 3
KUANG SI WATERFALLS

In the morning, travel by minivan to the stunning Kuang Si Waterfalls. Turquoise waters cascade from pool to pool, creating a serene setting and an inviting spot for a refreshing swim. The main waterfall is, of course, the highlight, a majestic torrent plunging straight from the jungle.

A leisurely coffee and tea break is then served in the open air by the Tad Keo falls, just one kilometre from Kuang Si.

Back on board, the afternoon turns hands-on. Join a Lao cooking class with the chef, or head to the sun deck for a lively cocktail masterclass with the bartender.

The cruise continues, mooring for the night at Ban Thadeua.





DAY 4
ELEPHANT SANCTUARY LAOS

On arrival, the camp manager introduces you to the elephants and the work of the sanctuary before you set off on foot beside them. Late in the morning, the return journey brings you back to Bohème, where lunch is served on board.

After lunch, the vessel continues downstream past the Xayaboury Dam. Spend the afternoon trying your hand at fishing from the deck, or paddle out on the Mekong.





DAY 5
PAK LAY

We sail onward and step ashore for a scenic walk through Ban Pak Bor, meeting local villagers and seeing everyday life unfold at an unhurried pace. A visit to the charming riverside hamlet of Ban Pha Liep follows before you make your way to Pak Lay.

Back on board, the vessel continues downstream along the Mekong to a secluded sandbank, where dinner is served beneath the open sky.

Dinner on the sandbank is subject to water level and weather conditions.



DAY 6
VIENTIANE

Disembark at 8:30 am in Pak Lay with a comfortable transfer by coach to the culture-rich historic town of Vientiane.

ITINERARY - UPSTREAM



6 Days / 5 Nights Upstream Vientiane - Luang Prabang



DAY 1
VIENTIANE

On boarding, the whole Bohème team and local villagers welcome you with a traditional Baci blessing ceremony, followed by a welcome briefing with refreshments and a delightful lunch.

As the cruise begins, relax with cocktails and nibbles while admiring the lush jungle around Pak Lay. The vessel moors overnight at Pha Liep Village, where you can explore the impressive limestone cliffs and caves.





DAY 2
THE UPPER MEKONG

In the morning, take a scenic walk through Pha Liep and soak up the local atmosphere before the vessel sets off, gliding past lush scenery and picturesque riverside villages.

In the evening, enjoy the refreshing river breeze as the vessel moors at Ban Pak Bor. Try your hand at fishing, or paddle out on the river. Before bed, discover Laos through its history at an evening documentary screening.

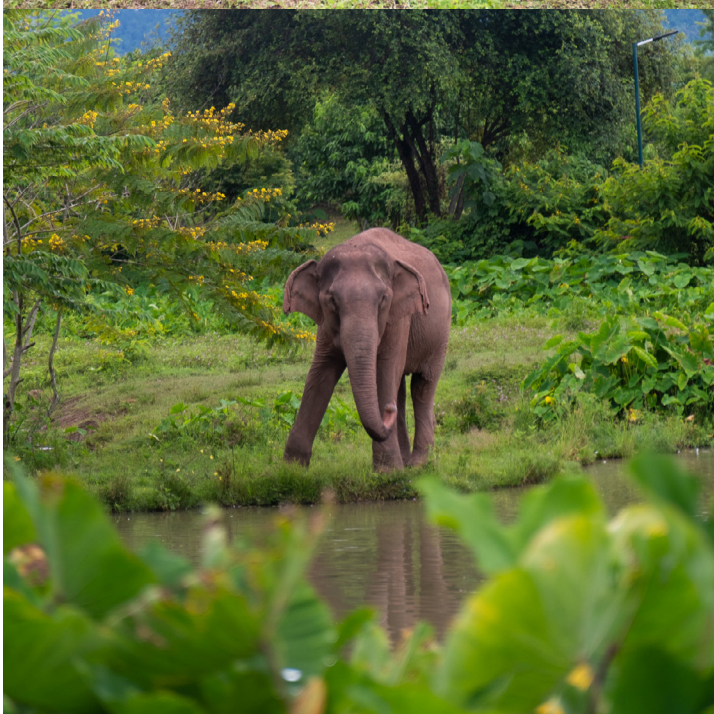


DAY 3
XAYABOURY DAM

The day begins with an invigorating walk through Ban Pak Bor, meeting local villagers and watching everyday life unfold at an unhurried pace. Back on board, the vessel then passes through the Xayaboury Dam.

On arrival at Thadeua Village, join the Bohème team for cocktail hour and a game of pétanque, or set off on a bicycle ride around the village.





DAY 4
ELEPHANT SANCTUARY LAOS

The camp manager starts by introducing the elephants in residence and the work of the sanctuary, then guides you out to walk alongside them at their own pace. Late in the morning, return to Bohème, where lunch is served on board.

After lunch, as the vessel continues upstream along the Mekong, the afternoon turns hands-on. Join the chef for a Lao cooking class, then make your way to the sun deck, where the bartender leads a cocktail masterclass. By evening, Bohème draws up at a secluded sandbank, where dinner is served beneath the open sky.

Dinner on the sandbank is subject to water level and weather conditions.





DAY 5
KUANG SI WATERFALLS

This morning, Bohème moors at Muang Khay Village, and a short drive takes you inland to the Kuang Si Waterfalls. Water spills over limestone terraces into a chain of turquoise pools until the main fall comes into view, plunging down from the forest above. There is time to wander the trails or take a swim in one of the lower pools. Nearby, the smaller Tad Keo falls are the setting for a leisurely coffee and tea break in the shade.

In the afternoon, the vessel continues to Ban Chan Neua, a riverside village known for its pottery. Families here still shape clay from the banks of the Mekong by hand and fire their pots in simple kilns, much as earlier generations did. Wander between the workshops and watch a pot take shape from a single lump of clay.

As evening falls, settle in on board with a cocktail in hand for a performance of traditional Lao dance, its graceful movements set against the river at dusk.

DAY 6
LUANG PRABANG

After breakfast, we visit Ban Xang Khong, a village renowned for its traditional saa paper. Try your hand at crafting the paper using natural materials, followed by a tasting of tea from Phongsaly in northern Laos.

Disembark at 12:00 pm in the UNESCO World Heritage town of Luang Prabang, with a transfer to Avani+ Luang Prabang.





INCLUSIONS & BENEFITS

INCLUDED AS PART OF YOUR EXPERIENCE	Group shore excursions and entrance fees, group transfers to and from the vessel[1], English speaking tour guiding on and offshore, entertainment/activities during the cruise, meals, beverages[2], welcome drink, brewed coffee, tea and water, internet on the vessel (subject to cellular network signal), complimentary usage of vessel's facilities (excluding spa treatments), river pilots and taxes
AT GUESTS' OWN EXPENSE	International flights, laundry, all visa costs, crew and guide gratuities, private transfers, personal expenses, beverages other than those stated under inclusions, medical services, spa treatments, and any other services or items not listed under inclusions

1 Group transfers are between the base hotel and the Bohème only. In Vientiane, the base hotel is Avani+ Lanexang Vientiane, and in Luang Prabang, Avani+ Luang Prabang

2 Complimentary alcoholic beverages are only available during lunch, cocktail hour and dinner

COMPLIMENTARY CRUISE BENEFITS

Benefits per cabin type

BENEFITS	DELUXE SUITE	PREMIER VIEW SUITE	ROYAL SUITE
Daily breakfast	•	•	•
A Turndown Gift on Your First Night	•	•	•
Welcome Fruit Basket and Flowers	•	•	•
Coffee/Espresso Machine with Capsules	•	•	•
Balcony	•	•	Extended
Complimentary Minibar (replenished daily)	•	•	•
Dedicated Cruise Host	-	•	•
Priority Access to Spa and Dining Area	-	•	•
Complimentary Laundry Service	-	-	•
En-suite Bathtub	-	-	•
Spa Treatment (60 minutes per person)	-	-	One time per guest per trip

Suite benefits are subject to category booked.
Mekong Kingdoms reserves the right to change benefits without prior notice.

Before and After the River

Two Avani+ hotels to begin or end your Mekong journey



VIENTIANE

AVANI+ LANEXANG VIENTIANE

Avani+ breathes new life into one of Vientiane's oldest and most distinguished hotels. Located right in the historic centre, overlooking the green of Chao Anouvong Park and the mighty Mekong beyond, Avani+ Lanexang Vientiane Hotel welcomes both business and leisure travellers looking for the perfect contemporary urban retreat.

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LUANG PRABANG

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