

2005 PROGRAM

Wednesday 19 January MALAYSIA	Participants arrive Kuala Lumpur, transfer to city hotel. 6.00pm: Welcome dinner
Thursday 20 January THAILAND	3.15pm: Travel to Bangkok 3.30pm: Orientation to the Study Tour
Friday 21 January THAILAND	9.30am: Visit Australian Embassy, for a briefing on the current economic and political situation, followed by cultural visits for the rest of the day
Saturday 22 January THAILAND	Day trip to Kanchanaburi (River Kwai). Lunch provided
Sunday 23 January THAILAND	Fly to Chiang Mai
Monday 24 January THAILAND	Visit the Elephant training centre and Wat Phra Borommathat Doi Suthep. Evening: Review of Bangkok
Tuesday 25 January THAILAND	Morning: Discussion on the Sustainability Project for Tribal People (rated as a 'best practice' project by UNICEF). Preparation for visit to a tribal village. Cultural do's and don'ts, etc. Afternoon: Split into groups and go with tribal NGO teams into tribal villages. Stay overnight with a village family
Wednesday 26 January THAILAND	Morning: In tribal village, participating in activities. Afternoon: return to Chiang Mai; celebrate Australia Day at the Grill Station.
Thursday 27 January VIETNAM	Fly to Hanoi
Friday 28 January VIETNAM	9.30am: Visit Australian Embassy, for a briefing on the current economic and political situation 11.30am: Cultural visits Afternoon: Review Chiang Mai
Saturday 29 January VIETNAM	Early breakfast then fly to Danang, transfer to Hoi An
Sunday 30 January VIETNAM	Free
Monday 31 January VIETNAM	Early Morning: Watch Superbowl XXXIX Transfer to Danang for flight to Ho Chi Minh City

Tuesday 1 February VIETNAM	Morning: Historical/cultural visits including War Remnants Museum Afternoon: Visit the Cu Chi tunnels
Wednesday 2 February VIETNAM	Meetings with Don Lam, Alan Young (Vietnam Industrial Investments Ltd) and other business executives to discuss issues relating to living and working successfully in foreign cultures
Thursday 3 February CAMBODIA	Fly to Siem Reap
Friday 4 February CAMBODIA	Visit Angkor Wat Evening: Review Vietnam
Saturday 5 February CAMBODIA	Morning transfer via the speed boat to Phnom Penh. Overnight in Phnom Penh
Sunday 6 February CAMBODIA	Morning tour to Choeung Ek Killing Fields and the Toul Sleng Museum of Genocidal crime, followed by visits to the Silver Pagoda, the Royal Palace and the National Museum of Khmer Arts.
Monday 7 February CAMBODIA/MALAYSIA	Morning: Visit Australian Embassy, for a briefing on the current economic and political situation. Afternoon: Fly to Kuala Lumpur Afternoon: Cultural visit en route to hotel
Tuesday 8 February MALAYSIA	Morning: Briefing on the current economic and political situation in Malaysia at Australian High Commission Travel to Petaling Jaya Noon: Lunch discussion with Dr David Franklin, Country Manager, Smith Kline Beecham. Dr Franklin has lived and worked in Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines. Afternoon: Prepare for Chinese New Year <i>This is a festival celebrated by Chinese throughout the world to celebrate the start of a new lunar year. (The Vietnamese call it Tet.) 2005 is the year of the Rooster. Traditionally it is a time when you return to your family to celebrate. Unmarried children are given lucky red envelopes by their relatives, which usually contain money. Participants will be taken in small groups to participate in the celebration in the home of a Curtin University alum.</i>
Wednesday 9 February MALAYSIA	Celebrate Chinese New Year with a local family
Thursday 10 February AUSTRALIA	Morning: Return to Perth
Friday 11 February AUSTRALIA	Afternoon: Review Malaysia