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112th Annual Convention of Rotary International 25 - 29 May, 2024 Singapore



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Howard Tours, which is owned and operated by Rotarians, has been taking Rotarians to the Rotary International conventions since the early 1950's. Literally tens of thousands of Rotarians have traveled with us. We hope that we have included something that you would like to see and do in one the tours we are offering. We hope you will join us.

Thank you for your interest.

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Howard Tours was founded in 1948 by Joe Howard, Past District Governor of what was then known as District 517, which includes California's Silicon Valley. We remain a Rotarian owned and operated company, now headed by Brad Howard, also a Past District Governor of District 5170 and Past Rotary International Director. Our manager, Jolene Bortz, is a Past President of Oakland Uptown Rotary Club.

Howard Tours is a primary tour operator and not a travel agency. We do not sell to the general public. In designing and developing our tours, we select and purchase our services from the airlines, hotels, sightseeing companies, etc. and then sell the tours directly to Rotarians attending the convention. We do not purchase tours from other wholesalers and resell them as our own. Nor do we "repackage" tours designed for other clients and call them a tour for Rotarians. As a result, we offer superior travel service at a greater value. Howard Tours has operated professional, educational, and other specialized programs, such as this one for Rotarians, since our inception.

In addition to providing tours to the International Conventions since 1950, Howard Tours has been an innovator in developing humanitarian travel programs that give Rotarians first hand experience in world understanding and peace. These include participation in National Immunization Days in Africa and India, the delivery of wheelchairs to those in need, humanitarian grant site visits and many other humanitarian travel programs.

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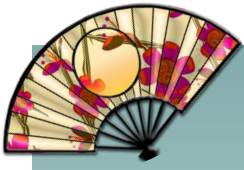
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Pre-Convention Cambodia and Vietnam Tour

**Land Only Tour Price: \$4,199 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$1,400**

Round trip Singapore Airlines Airfare: \$1,501.58
(Comprised of \$1273. base airfare and \$228.58 in taxes, fees and surcharges)

(See Land Only / Airfare pricing notes page 14)

A trip to Cambodia and Viet Nam is a journey into a precious part of the world, and a trip through time. From the ancient city of Hoi An, and magic of Angkor Wat, to the vibrancy of Saigon and Hanoi, this trip reveals layers of culture and beauty. We will visit UNESCO heritage sites such as Hue and the magnificent Halong Bay. This trip is ideal for anyone who wants the extraordinary.

Itinerary

Wed., May 08 - Depart from home.

Thu., May 09 – Cross the International Dateline

Fri., May 10 - Arrive in Siem Reap, Cambodia. After entry procedures, a motorcoach transfer is provided to members who arrive the Singapore Airlines group flight. Lunch is provided as a tour service enroute to our accommodations at the **Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Resort**, which include daily breakfasts. Afternoon free to enjoy the resort and rest following our long day of travel.

Sat., May 11 – Siem Reap/Angkor Wat: Our full day of sightseeing begins with an early morning to visit **Angkor Wat**, one of the modern wonders of the world. Learn how the Khmer Empire prospered between the 9th and 13th centuries. Lunch is provided, after which we continue sightseeing at **Angkor Thom**, the ancient royal city of Khmer Empire with its centrepiece - the Banyon temple. This evening we gather for a welcome dinner.



Sun., May 12 - Siem Reap/Angkor Wat/Hanoi: Today we start with the **Roulous temple group**. The ruins are among the oldest Khmer monuments in the area, dating back to the 9th century. There are three key Hindu structures that remain at Roulous; Lolei, Bakong and Preah Ko, which were all part of the ancient city of Hariharalaya. Lunch is provided, after which, we drive to the airport for our group flight to Hanoi. After entry procedures, motorcoach transfer provided to our accommodations at the **Movenpick Hanoi Hotel**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Mon., May 13 – Hanoi: Today's sightseeing offers an overview about Hanoi culture and history. We will see the Temple of Literature, West Lake, and Tran Quoc Pagoda, etc. Lunch is provided, after which we visit Hoan Kiem Lake, Ngoc Son temple, etc. Return to the hotel for free time at leisure. This evening, dinner is provided as a tour service.



Tue., May 14 – Hanoi: Morning visit to the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda, Hoa Lo prison which was used by the French between 1896 -1954 to imprison Vietnamese political prisoners before it housed American POWs, and the old quarter of Hanoi, etc. Lunch is provided. Free afternoon. This evening we witness a performance of the famous Vietnamese Water Puppets, followed by dinner.



Wed., May 15 – Hanoi/ Ha Long Bay: Morning departure for Halong Bay, an extraordinarily beautiful UNESCO World Heritage site. Upon arrival, we will board an Au Co Cruise boat to spend two days and one night exploring the beauty and culture of the bay. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included with our accommodation. All cabins have private baths.

Thu., May 16 – Halong Bay/Hanoi/Hue: This morning we continue with our cruise, before we dock and transfer back to Hanoi for a group flight to Hue. Upon our arrival in Hue, we are transferred to our **Melia Vinpearl Hue** accommodations, which includes daily buffet breakfasts.

Fri., May 17 - Hue: Morning sightseeing at the Citadel, Purple Royal Palaces, etc. Lunch provided. Afternoon free. Dinner is included as a tour service.

Sat., May 18 – Hue/Hoi An: Depart by private boat for travel down the Perfumed River to visit Thien Mu Pagoda and the mausoleum of King Minh Mang. We then continue our travels by motorcoach across Cloudy Pass. Lunch is provided. Resort accommodations at the **Boutique Hoi An Resort**, which includes daily breakfasts. Evening Free.

Sun., May 19 - Hoi An: Morning city sightseeing in Hoi An. This World Heritage ancient town is recognized for its well-preserved architecture and pedestrian-only streets. Our tour includes exploring the precious shops, temples, and sites of this historical village. Lunch provided as a tour service. Free afternoon. Dinner included as a tour service.

Mon., May 20 – Hoi An: Free day for relaxation and personal enjoyment of the resort. A special outdoor dinner event at the hotel is included.



Tue., May 21 - Hoi An/Da Nang/Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon): This morning our group flight flies to Saigon. Upon arrival, lunch is provided before we begin our exploration by visiting the Notre Dame Cathedral, Central Post Office, Presidential Palace, etc. Our accommodations are at the **Caravelle Hotel**, which includes daily breakfasts. The balance of the day and evening are free afternoon for relaxation and enjoyment.

Wed., May 22 - Saigon: Morning city sightseeing tour including Chinatown, Thien Hau Pagoda, etc. Free afternoon for your enjoyment. Tonight's dinner event is at the former home of Henry Cabot Lodge, who was the U.S. Ambassador to South Vietnam. The event includes entertainment and a special menu.



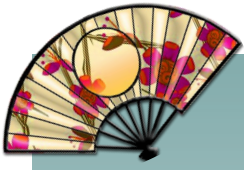
Thu., May 23 - Saigon: Early morning visit to the Cu Chi Tunnels, followed by a visit to the Cao Dai Great Temple to witness a distinctive religious ceremony. Lunch and Dinner are provided.

Fri., May 24 – Saigon: Today's all day excursion to My Tho and the Mekong Delta is distinctive to see the way of life and culture in the delta area. Lunch provided as a tour service. Free evening.

Sat., May 25 – Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)/Singapore: Today, we leave Saigon. Motorcoach transfer provided to the airport for our Singapore Airlines group flight to Singapore. Registration, hotel accommodations and transfers to the convention hotels are not included in the tour price.

Sun., May 26 — Wed., May 29 - Singapore: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours' events are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

Thu., May 30 – Depart for home.



Pre-Convention Explore Thailand Tour

**Land Only Tour Price: \$3,389 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$1,150**

Round trip Singapore Airlines Airfare: \$1,472.13
(Comprised of \$1255. base airfare and \$217.13 in taxes, fees and surcharges)

(See Land Only pricing notes page 14)

A visit to Thailand is a study in contrasts - from the excitement of Bangkok, to the culture diversity and natural beauty of The Golden Triangle, to the stunning beaches and waters of Phuket. The Thailand Tour reveals the range of this exotic country and provides you an in depth look at why a visit is on almost everyone's bucket list.

Itinerary

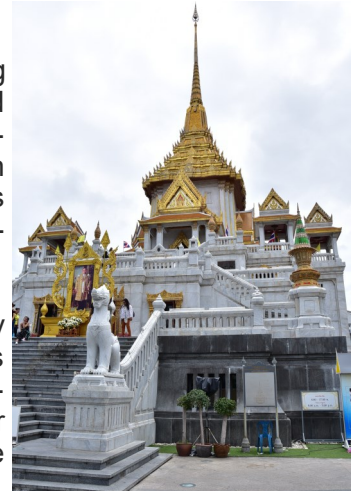
Sat., May 11- Depart from home.

Sun., May 12 – Cross the International Dateline.

Mon., May 13 – Arrive in Bangkok, Thailand. Afternoon arrival in Bangkok on Singapore Airlines. After entry procedures, we will provide a motorcoach transfer provided to our accommodations at the **Shangri-La Bangkok**, which includes daily breakfasts. This afternoon and evening are free for rest from a long flight.

Tue., May 14 – Bangkok: This morning, we begin our exploration of this exciting city. Sightseeing includes the Royal Palace, Wat Traimit and Wat Pho, the Grand Palace complex, Emerald Buddha Temple, etc. This afternoon is free for individual exploration and shopping. Our hotel is located near the MRT (Metropolitan Rapid Transit) station, which gives you quick access to all parts of Bangkok. This evening, we take boats across the Chao Phraya river for a dinner show at the famed Sala Rim Naam restaurant.

Wed., May 15 – Bangkok: This morning, our exploration takes us to the Railway Market to witness the train running through the heart of the market while vendors move their goods away from the tracks. From there we travel through the beautiful countryside to the Damnern Saduak Floating Market. This afternoon is free for individual exploration and enjoyment. This evening, we will enjoy a dinner cruise on the Chao Phraya River, the "River of Kings."



Thu., May 16 – Bangkok/Chiang Rai: This morning, we fly to Chiang Rai. Upon our arrival we will enjoy lunch before we arrive at our accommodations at **The Riverie by Katathani**, which include daily breakfasts. Balance of the afternoon is free for your personal enjoyment.

Fri., May 17 - Chiang Rai (Golden Triangle): Today is a special, all-day, trip through the Golden Triangle of Thailand, including visits to Akha and Yao hill tribes, the ruins at Chiang Saen, Mae Sai Market, etc. Lunch will be provided as a tour service. This evening is free for rest and individual enjoyment.



Sat., May 18 – Chiang Rai / Chiang Mai: We depart by motorcoach for all-day sightseeing en route to Chiang Mai. During our travels, we will visit Wat Rong Khun, known as the “White Temple” and Wat Rong Sua Ten the “Blue Temple.” Lunch will be provided en route. Afternoon arrival at **Le Meridien Chiang Mai**, which includes daily breakfasts. This evening is free.

Sun., May 19 - Chiang Mai: Today’s all-day exploration will include the Elephant Nature Park, a sanctuary and rescue center. Lunch is provided before continuing onto a magnificent orchid and butterfly farm. Tonight, we will enjoy a special Khan Toke dinner, specific to the people of the northern region.

Mon., May 20 – Chiang Mai: Today’s all-day adventure takes us to the mountain temple of Wat Prathat Doi Suthep and the Meo hill tribe village and people. Lunch is provided before we visit the handicraft village of Stankhampaeng before returning to the hotel for a free evening.

Tue., May 21 - Chiang Mai/ Phuket: This morning is free before we depart on an afternoon flight to Phuket. Upon our arrival in Phuket, we are transferred to our accommodations at the **Renaissance Phuket Resort & Spa**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Wed., May 22 - Phuket: Our morning sightseeing will take us to Phuket Town, to see the “Big Buddha,” which features a remarkable view of Chalong Bay, Promthep Cape, etc., before returning to the hotel for a free afternoon to enjoy the resort.



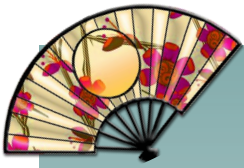
Thu., May 23 – Phuket/Enjoy the Resort: Free day for relaxation and personal enjoyment of the resort. Dinner is included with a Siam Niramit Cultural Show.

Fri., May 24 – Phuket /Singapore: Our visit to Thailand ends as we provide a transfer provided to the Phuket airport for our Singapore Airlines group flight to Singapore. Registration, hotel accommodations and transfers to the convention hotels are not included in the tour price.

Sat., May 25 – Wed., May 29 - Singapore: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours’ events are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

Thu., May 30 – Depart for home.





Post-Convention Japan Tour

**Land Only Tour Price: \$3,849 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$1,100**

Round trip Singapore Airlines Airfare: \$1,555.35
(Comprised of \$1340. base airfare and \$215.35 in taxes, fees and surcharges)

(See Land Only / Airfare pricing notes page 14)

Japan is steeped in history, culture, tradition, and grace. Embark on this exhilarating journey through the heart of Japan, where every step is a dance between past and present, tradition and innovation. This adventure is tailor-made for intrepid souls eager to rediscover or acquaint themselves with this captivating country. We explore the most popular and significant cities on Japan's main island of Honshu. If you have never been here before, give yourself a gift and join us on this journey.

Itinerary

Wed., May 22 – Depart Home:

Thu., May 23 – Cross the International Dateline:

Fri., May 24 – Arrive Singapore: You arrive a day before the Rotary Convention activities begin. Registration, hotel accommodations and transfers to the convention hotels are not included in the tour price.

Sat., May 25 — Wed., May 29 - Singapore: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours' events are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

Thu., May 30 – Singapore/Osaka: This afternoon, depart on a Singapore Airlines group flight to Osaka, Japan. Upon our evening arrival, we will transfer to our accommodations at the **Hotel Nikko Osaka**, which include daily breakfasts.



Fri., May 31 – Osaka: This morning, we begin our exploration of Osaka, including visits to Himeji Castle, a UNESCO world heritage site, followed by a walk through the beautifully manicured Japanese garden at Kokoen. The afternoon is free so you can explore this vibrant city. This evening we will enjoy a welcome dinner.

Sat., June 01 – Osaka/Kyoto: We depart Osaka and travel to Nara, Japan's 8th century capital; sightseeing includes visits to the Deer Park, and Kasuga Taisha shrine. Lunch is provided, after which we continue to the ancient city of Kyoto for sightseeing at the Heian Shrine, before arriving at our accommodations at the **Hotel Okura Kyoto**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Sun., June 02 – Kyoto: Kyoto is the fabled former capital of Japan, noted for its imperial palaces, Shinto shrines, Buddhist temples, and traditional wooden houses. This morning's city sightseeing includes Kinkakuji Temple, Nijo Castle, built by the founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate, and Nishiki Market, etc. Afternoon free.



Mon., June 03 – Kyoto/Hakone: This morning's city sightseeing includes the Sanjusangen-do Temple and Kiyomizu, which is the veranda of the Temple's Main Hall offering an amazing view of Kyoto. This afternoon, we board a Shinkansen bullet train bound for Odawara and Lake Hakone. Traditional bento box lunch onboard the train. Lake Hakone is a special, precious place with magnificent views and traditional Japanese hotels. Our accommodations are at the **Prince Hakone Ashinoko Hotel**, which includes tonight's dinner and tomorrow's breakfast. This evening, you can enjoy a traditional "onsen," which are baths that use mineral water from the naturally heated hot springs.



Tue., June 04 – Hakone/Tokyo: All day sightseeing en route to Tokyo including a boat cruise on Lake Hakone and a cable car ride to the top of Mt. Komagatake for a magnificent view of the surroundings, including, on a clear day, Mt. Fuji. Lunch is provided as a tour service, before we continue our travels to Tokyo. Our accommodations are at the **Keio Plaza Hotel**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Wed., June 05 – Tokyo: Today's all-day sightseeing takes us to Kamakura to witness the Great Buddha, a national treasure, Kasedera temple, and the historical Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, etc. Lunch provided.



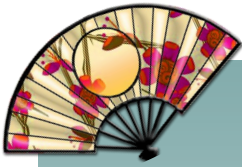
Thu., June 06 – Tokyo: This morning's city sightseeing includes visits to the Tokyo Tower, Imperial Palace Plaza, and the Meiji Shrine. This afternoon and evening are free for you to explore Tokyo's shopping, exciting street life, and famous restaurants.

Fri., June 07 – Tokyo: Today's all-day sightseeing takes us to Nikko, to visit Toshogu Shrine complex, Lake Chuzenji, a stunning scenic lake, and Kegon Waterfalls. Lunch is provided before we return to Tokyo.

Sat., June 08 – Tokyo: Our final day of sightseeing includes Kamariyuu Garden, a boat cruise on the Sumida River, a visit to Asakusa Kannon Temple, etc.. This afternoon is free for final shopping and exploration. This evening, we will gather for a final dinner, provided as a tour service.

Sun., June 09 – Tokyo/Depart for Home: Today, our visit to Japan ends as we provide a motorcoach transfer for our members departing on our Singapore Airlines group flight.





Post-Convention Bali and Komodo National Park

**Land Only Tour Price: \$3,649 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$1,050**

Round trip Singapore Airlines Airfare: \$1,679.55
(Comprised of \$1463. base airfare and \$216.55 in taxes, fees and surcharges)

(See Land Only / Airfare pricing notes page 14)

Our journey to Bali and the Komodo Islands will offer you a range of experiences and emotions that few other tours can provide. Bali is soft, graceful, culturally rich, and naturally beautiful. We give you a chance to explore the island, and enough time to relax your mind and body. The visit to the Komodo islands will be an experience you will never forget – from viewing the prehistoric Komodo dragons, to the remote island culture and beauty. We invite you to join us on the trip of a lifetime.

Itinerary

Thu., May 23 – Depart Home:

Fri., May 24 – Cross the International Dateline and arrive in Singapore: You arrive a day before the Rotary Convention activities begin. Convention registration, hotel accommodations and transfers to the convention hotels are not included in the tour price.

Sat., May 25 — Wed., May 29 - Singapore: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours' events are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

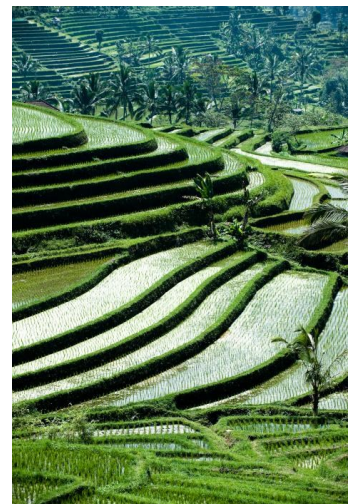
Thu., May 30 – Singapore/Denpasar/Sanur: This morning, our Singapore Air flight to Bali is met and after entry procedures, we are transferred to a lunch, provided as a tour service. After lunch, we are transferred to our accommodations at the **Hyatt Regency Bali** which includes daily breakfasts.

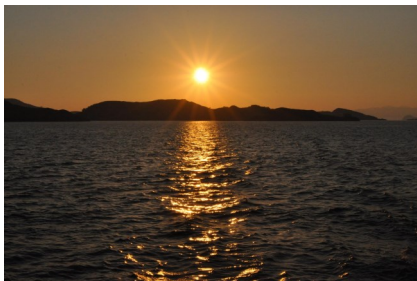
Fri., May 31 – Ubud: Today, we visit Ubud, one of the most attractive towns in Bali and a 'must-see' for anyone visiting the island. Our sightseeing includes the Ubud Monkey Forest, the Royal Palace, and the Ubud Art Market, a great place to find beautiful silk scarves, shirts, statues, handmade woven bags, or baskets along with other hand-crafted goods. Lunch is provided. This afternoon visit the Tegallalang rice fields and Gunung Kawi Sebatu temple before returning to the hotel. This evening is free personal exploration and enjoyment.

Sat., June 01 – Enjoy the Resort: Free day for relaxation at the resort. Tonight, you will experience a special dinner show that will share the Balinese culture and cuisine.

Sun., June 02 – Rural Bali: Our full day sightseeing takes us to the rural areas of Bali, Mount Matur, etc., to explore local life and the traditional home compounds. A traditional Indonesian buffet lunch is included. Evening free.

Mon., June 03 – Bali/Labuan Bajo: This morning's group flight takes us to Labuan Bajo on the Indonesian island of East Nusa Tenggara, where we will visit the magnificent Komodo islands. Upon arrival we will be





transferred to our accommodations at the **Sudamala Komodo Hotel**, (or equivalent) which includes daily breakfasts. This evening, dinner is included as a tour service at the hotel.

Tue., June 04 – Northern Komodo National Park: Over the next two days, we embark on an unforgettable expedition through the captivating landscapes of Komodo National Park, where every step unveils a new facet of natural beauty. This morning, we set sail on a private yacht, the *Nisi*, to reach the remote island of the national park. Our exploration includes Kena-wa, Sebayur Besar, and Siaba. We will have time to get off the boat, put our feet in the sand and water, where you peak beneath the surface of the water to see an incredible array of marine life, from coral formations to schools of fish. Lunch is provided on board. We return to our hotel this afternoon for free time during the rest of the day to enjoy the beauty of the island.

Wed., June 05 – Southern Komodo National Park: We continue our exploration traveling to beautiful Pulau Kelor and the magnificent beach of Manjarite, before arriving the rugged island of Rinca, where we expect witness the Komodo dragon, the world's largest lizards. We continue to Kalong, where the horizon comes alive with an enchanting spectacle. As the sun begins its descent, thousands of flying foxes take to the skies in search of sustenance, creating a mesmerizing ballet against the backdrop of the setting sun. Our day ends with a sunset cocktail, and a private BBQ dinner on a private beach before returning to our hotel.

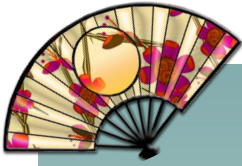


Thu., June 06 – Enjoy the Resort: Today, you get to explore on your own terms – from reading a book, to snorkeling, or going to the spa, your entire day is yours to decide.

Fri., June 07 – Labuan Bajo/Bali: This afternoon, our group returns to Bali by air and our accommodations at the **Hyatt Regency Bali**, which will include breakfast.

Sat., June 08 – Denpasar/Return Home. This morning, we provide a transfer to the airport for our group Singapore Airlines flight to Singapore, to connect with our flight back to the U.S.





Post Convention Malaysia Peninsula

**Land Only Tour Price: \$2,099 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$700**

Round trip Singapore Airlines Airfare: \$1,390.26
(Comprised of \$1235. base airfare and \$155.26 in taxes, fees and surcharges)

(See Land Only / Airfare pricing notes page 14)

Just beyond the Johor-Singapore Causeway a new adventure awaits – Malaysia, known for its cultural diversity, natural, tropical beauty, and its varied and delicious cuisine. This journey will excite your senses from what you see, taste, and experience. We travel up the western coast of the Peninsular Malaysia visiting three of its best known cities.

Itinerary

Wed., May 22 – Depart Home:

Thu., May 23 – Cross the International Dateline:

Fri., May 24 – Arrive Singapore: You arrive a day before the Rotary Convention activities begin. Convention registration, hotel accommodations and transfers to the convention hotels are not included in the tour price.

Sat., May 26 — Wed., May 29 - Singapore: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours' events are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

Thu., May 30 – Singapore/Johor Bahru/Malacca: This morning, we leave Singapore, across the border into Malaysia. Malaysia is known for its beaches, rainforests and mix of Malay, Chinese, Indian, and European cultural influences. Sightseeing in Johor Bahru includes the Grand Palace, Sultan Abu Bakar State Mosque, etc. Lunch is included as a tour service. We then travel through Johor state en route to Malacca, and our accommodations at the **Casa del Rio Melaka** which include daily breakfasts.

Fri., May 31 – Malacca: The morning is free to explore before our afternoon city sightseeing to Port de Santiago, St. Paul's Church, a cruise on the Malacca River, etc. This evening we get together for a welcome dinner, included as a tour service.

Sat., June 01 – Malacca/Putrajaya/Kuala Lumpur: En route to Kuala Lumpur, we visit Malaysia's national capital city of Putrajaya to see the city's architectural landmarks, including the Putra Mosque, Perdana Putra, the 'White House of Malaysia,' etc. Lunch is provided before we travel to Kuala Lumpur and our accommodations at the **Shangri-La Kuala Lumpur Hotel**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Sun., June 02 – Kuala Lumpur: Our morning sightseeing unveils the beauty and charm of the old and new Kuala Lumpur, Garden City of Lights. Sightseeing includes a stop at the famous Petronas Twin Towers, the National Museum, cultural visits, etc. This afternoon is free so you can explore this extraordinary city on your own.



Mon., June 03 – Kuala Lumpur: Today, we travel outside of the city center to Ambassador Row, stopping at the largest and most modern pewter factory in the world. We continue to the limestone hills of the Batu Caves to witness the shrine of Lord Murugah, the Museum Cave, etc. Afternoon free for independent exploration.

Tue., June 04 – Kuala Lumpur/Penang: All day sightseeing through the Malaysia countryside en route to Kuala Kangsar, the royal town for Malaysia's Perak State. During our visit, the villagers will share their culture, food, and hospitality. Lunch is provided. Our next stop is Penang, the cuisine capital of Malaysia. We arrive at our accommodations at the **Park-Royal Penang Resort** which includes daily breakfasts.



Wed., June 05 – Penang: Our first stop on our full day sightseeing is a funicular train up Penang Hill, where the oldest British hill station in the region was established. Our sightseeing includes Kek Lok Si, the largest Buddhist temple in Southeast Asia, etc. Lunch is provided. The balance of the day is free to rest and explore.

Thu., June 06 – Penang / Enjoy the Resort: Today is a day to do as you please at our five-star resort. Sleep, read a book, go to the spa, enjoy Batur Ferringhi Beach, or take a pedicab into George Town, is a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. This evening, we will enjoy our farewell dinner. Enjoy dinner at Kebaya Dining Room, which is known for serving some of the best Indochinese and Peranakan fare in Penang.



Fri., June 07 – Penang/Return Home. Today, our visit to Malaysia ends as we provide a motorcoach transfer for our members departing on our Singapore Airlines group flight.





LAND ONLY PRICES AND AIRFARE IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR 2024 ROTARY CONVENTION TOURS

All tour prices are offered “land only” so that our tour members have the freedom to decide if they want Howard Tours to include round trip airfares between the U.S. and Asia, or if you will secure your own international airline tickets.

Land Only prices include flights between the cities visited as needed. **The following information specifies, by tour, which airfares within Asia are included in our “land only” prices.**

Pre-Convention Tours Include the following flights in the Land Only Price:

- **Thailand:** Flights from Bangkok to Chiang Rai and Chiang Mai to Phuket are included in the Land Only Price.
- **Vietnam and Cambodia:** Flights from Siem Reap to Hanoi, Hanoi to Hue, and Hoi An to Saigon are included in the Land Only Price.

Post-Convention Tours Include the following flights in the Land Only Price:

- **Bali/Komodo:** Roundtrip Flights from Denpasar to Labuan Bajo are included in the Land Only Price.
- **Japan:** No intra-country flights are needed/included
- **Malaysia:** No intra-country flights are needed/included

Howard Tours can include Trans-Pacific Group Airfare in your booking.

For each tour, we have quoted a roundtrip, economy class airfare, from the West Coast which includes two components – the base fare, which is guaranteed, and the associated and required government security/tourism/airport/international transportation taxes and fees, and fuel surcharges dictated by the airlines. Howard Tours does not and cannot control any changes to these charges. The taxes and fee fees quoted are accurate at the time that this tour brochure was published. The amount each traveler will pay is the amount that is required to be charged by the airline at the time your air ticket is purchased. Howard Tours will provide you an itemization of any changes in the taxes and fees when we send your invoice to you approximately 90 days prior to departure.

Howard Tours will provide group transfers airport/hotel for tour members who purchase our tour flights. Airport/hotel transfers for members who arrive on different flights are NOT included in our tour prices. Airport transfers in Singapore are NOT included in our tour prices as the convention organizers will help attendees with these hotels.





Visa Requirements for US and Canadian Citizens

All US and Canadian citizens are required to have a passport with at least 6 months of validity from the last date you are out of country, before expiration. If you are traveling on any of our Pre Convention tours, your passport must be valid until at least, November 30, 2024. If you are traveling on our Post Convention Tours, your passport must be valid until at least, December 9, 2024

All U.S. and Canadian citizens in addition to a valid passport are required to have a **visa to enter Vietnam, Cambodia, and Indonesia**.

US citizens can travel to Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Japan without a visa as long as you can show onward flights within 30 days of your planned arrival. .

Howard Tours will supply additional information visa information once you are confirmed on our program.

Citizens of other countries will need to determine their respective visa requirements.

Convention Registration and Hotels in Singapore

Howard Tours does not include Convention Registration in our tour prices.

Please register for the 2024 Singapore Convention directly with Rotary International.

<https://convention.rotary.org/>



Convention Hotels

As a service to our members, you can request hotel information from Howard Tours on our tour application. You can also book hotels directly with Rotary once you are registered for the Convention.



Tour Application

Please Print

Traveler 1: NAME: _____
(Full Legal Name **EXACTLY** as it appears on your passport—no nicknames, please)

Passport No.: _____ Country of Issue: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Traveler 2: NAME: _____
(Full Legal Name **EXACTLY** as it appears on your passport—no nicknames, please)

Passport No.: _____ Country of Issue: _____ Date of Birth: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: Day: _____ Evening: _____

E-Mail: _____

Member, Rotary Club of: _____

Accommodations Desired (please circle): Single Double Shared Double (2 beds)

PRE-CONVENTION TOURS

- ☐ Thailand
- ☐ Cambodia/Vietnam

POST-CONVENTION TOURS

- ☐ Bali and Komodo Islands
- ☐ Japan
- ☐ Malaysia

- ☐ Please Confirm roundtrip airfare with my tour choice:

Originating Airport: _____

- ☐ I would like information about a room in Singapore during the Rotary Convention

Send application to Howard Tours, with a legible photocopy of the personal information page of each passport and \$600 per person deposit, by check. I have read and accept all conditions within this folder, and have reviewed and understand the airfares that are included and not included in the tour prices.

Sign and Date: _____ (PP09/25)



PAYMENTS: Send \$600 per person, payable ONLY by check, with application. Check made payable to: **"Howard Tours, Trustee Account."** Please indicate "Singapore 2024" in the memo. Remaining payments are due upon request.

Bank Trustee Account & Financial Responsibilities: Payments are deposited in a Bank of America, Oakland, CA, trustee account, used exclusively for this program. By law, Howard Tours cannot and will not use these funds for purposes other than to defray the program costs. While the money is in the bank, Bank of America and NOT Howard Tours, is custodian of the funds. When the travel service companies are paid, Howard Tours will have met its financial and trustee obligations for the travel services involved.

Per Person Prices Include: (1) Double occupancy hotel accommodations; (2) Meals, cruises and special events as specified in itinerary; (3) Private, guided motorcoach sightseeing with English speaking guide; (4) Entrance fees; (5) Tips to local guides and tour hotel porters; (6) Other values as detailed in the itinerary.

Prices do NOT include: (1) All airfares; (2) Passport and visa fees, if any; (3) Airport departure taxes; (4) Government taxes, or airline fees (e.g., baggage fees;); (5) Insurance; (6) All personal expenses, (e.g., phone, laundry, etc.); (7) All health and medical services, and related expenses; (8) Refunds for missed or unused services; (9) Accommodations in excess of the nights listed in the itinerary; (10) Accommodations and all other services in Singapore during convention; (11) Rotary International convention registration; (12) Overnight delivery fees or delivery fees for clients outside the continental U.S.; (13) Meals not specified in the itineraries; (14) Airport/hotel transfers, unless noted in itinerary. (15) COVID testing; (16) Any/all additional expenses related to delays, quarantines, medical expenses, accommodations/meals, etc., caused by a positive COVID test or diagnosis.

Conditions of Prices: Prices are based on airfares, taxes and the relative value between the U.S. dollar and the currencies of the countries listed when tours are priced and the folder published. If the exchange rates, airfares, taxes or other travel costs change, or if the minimum size of the group is not achieved, the traveler may be assessed any extra charges or refunds. By joining this program, you acknowledge that travelers may be charged additional sums by the airlines, and therefore Howard Tours, to offset increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof, and therefore you consent to any post-purchase price increases. Howard Tours accepts Credit Cards for final payment.

Changes of Itinerary: Howard Tours reserves the right to change the itinerary or services for reasons which may be out of our control, (e.g.,: airline schedule changes, number of people who join a tour, natural disasters, etc.) If changes are necessary, the traveler may be assessed any extra charges or refunds.

Cancellations & Other Charges: Cancellations must be made by letter, E-mail, or fax and NOT by telephone. Partial or total cancellation of tour services, regardless of reason, are subject to: (1) Funds that may be withheld or imposed by the airlines, hotels, cruise lines, sightseeing companies, etc.; (2) A per person Howard Tours' cancellation service fee, prorated before departure, as follows: \$400 up to 46 days before departure, and \$600 within 45 days of departure. Cancellations within 30 days of departure are fully non-refundable. Travelers whose changes result in rewritten air tickets will be charged whatever penalties the airlines may impose, & a Howard Tours \$50 service fee. Those applying within 45 days of departure will be assessed extra expenses caused by late enrollment, with a minimum charge of \$50 per person.

Because the airlines, hotels, and the impact of contracting COVID during the trip, etc. can impose heavy cancellation fees and expenses, we strongly recommend the purchase of "Cancellation Insurance," which is available through the Howard Tours website. The insurance provided by Travelex offers COVID coverage. Please read the terms and conditions of the coverage for details. For any questions, please contact Travelex using the phone numbers and email address on the Travel Insurance page of our website.

Responsibility Clause: Howard Tours of Oakland, California, operates these programs as an agent for the travelers who join them, and for the various companies which perform services on land, sea and in the air. Individuals apply for membership and are accepted in these programs on the conditions that Howard Tours and its officers will not be responsible for irregularities, omissions, acts, events, or for any additional expenses due to delays, strikes, military action, riots, airplane hi-jacking, civil disorders, losses, injuries, sickness, damage, political action, and/or other matters related to any personal or property involving any facility, transport services, personnel and/or activity in the operations of this program. Because Howard Tours has no control over flights, sailings, rail schedules, and connections between flights, Howard Tours does not accept any responsibilities for these services. Air tickets, and the related tariff conditions filed with the Civil Aeronautics Board, constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchaser of the travel program.

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