

SLEEP

◉ KNAI BANG CHATT

Protégés of Cambodia’s architectural icon Vann Molyvann designed the three elegant 1960s villas that dot Knai Bang Chatt’s lawned gardens. Now lovingly restored, the laid-back resort provides the ultimate weekend getaway. Plunge into the infinity pool, relax at the in-house spa, or spend a lazy afternoon taking in Kep’s sweeping sea views. Even better, guests can rest and rejuvenate safe in the knowledge that a percentage of their holiday dollars will be invested in the resort’s Hand in Hand programme, which has helped more than 600 families in the nearby village of Chamcar Bei.

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knaibangchatt.com



SAMANEA

The dramatic jetty and secluded private beach at Samanea offer Instagram-worthy shots galore. But the pure beauty of this harmonious Kep resort, set in a botanical park a short hop from town, is matched by excellent facilities. Bed down in the spacious villas, all white sheets and exposed stonework, before taking a dip in the 300-square-metre infinity pool at this pastoral home-from-home by the sea.

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samanea-resort.com

◉ SOK SAN

Sun-kissed white sand and crystal clear waters lure many an international traveller to the shores of Koh Rong. Though traditionally a haven for backpackers, the palm-fringed isle has a growing number of upmarket options catering for the more discerning adventurer. Sok San is the pick of the bunch thanks to graceful seafront chalets and an enviable beach location. It even offers a private speedboat transfer from the mainland to ease you into island time in style.

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◉ SONG SAA PRIVATE ISLAND

With lashings of *Vogue*-worthy aesthetics and impeccable service to boot, the twin ‘sweetheart’ islands of Song Saa are home to one of Cambodia’s most luxurious and enchanting resorts. The brainchild of a husband-and-wife team

who spent years making this tropical dream a reality, it’s a true five-star retreat, replete with over-water villas, winding pathways, private pools, top cuisine and majestic ocean vistas.

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Discover TIP

The three main beaches in Sihanoukville are Serendipity, Otres 1 and Otres 2. The former is definitely the go-to coastal spot for partying, while Otres 2 is home to a more upmarket vibe and plenty of smart resorts. Otres 1 is somewhere in between.

PIPPALI

Kampot has long been crying out for higher-grade accommodations and Pippali, situated just off Kampot’s riverside promenade, is a modest yet stylish retreat designed in keeping with its peaceful surrounds. In the rooms, natural wooden sideboards, industrial furniture and rustic tiling create a minimalist aesthetic while managing to retain a warmth that similarly designed hotels sometimes lack. Outside, the tasteful restaurant that also makes ample use of natural wood sits alongside the pool, which is encased by palm trees and colourful shrubbery. This peaceful lagoon is certainly a highlight of this fine little property and the ideal sanctuary to escape the distractions of modern life.

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