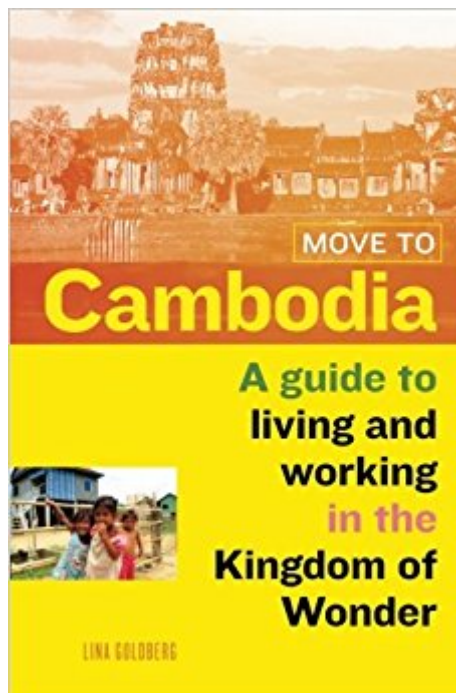




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# Move To Cambodia: A Guide To Living And Working In The Kingdom Of Wonder



## Synopsis

The original and best-selling guide to moving to Cambodia. Updated with new information in May, 2013! The idea of fleeing the rat race and escaping the economic doldrums by relocating abroad is nothing new. But Cambodia wasn't considered by any but the most adventurous--until now. The Southeast Asian country is quickly becoming a hot destination for potential expats, from artists and volunteers to development workers and retirees. Now those moving to Cambodia, or just daydreaming about it, have the perfect resource-- *Move to Cambodia: A Guide to Living and Working in the Kingdom of Wonder*. It's a detailed 200-page book that explains everything from which visa to get (and how) to the cost of living in Cambodia. Once best known for its grim Khmer Rouge history, today Cambodia is attracting record numbers of new foreign residents thanks to its warm weather, friendly locals, booming economy and very low cost of living. *Move to Cambodia* covers more than a hundred topics that will help Westerners meet the challenges of moving to Cambodia, with background information on Khmer culture and practical advice from how to get a local driving license to where to live, from English teaching jobs to the cost of electricity.

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"A thorough and well-presented overview of life in Cambodia for expats. *Move to Cambodia* answers the vital questions that newcomers to Cambodia are liable to have, and contains plenty of useful info for long-time residents." Greg Bloom, author, *Lonely Planet Cambodia* "Required reading for anyone planning to move to Cambodia. Buyers will easily save ten times the cover price in heartbreaks, headaches and cash." *The Cambodia Advisor* "Sure to prove a useful tool for new expats, the book explains everything from budgeting for a move to how to bargain with a tuk tuk

driver." AsiaLIFE Magazine"Move to Cambodia arms the potential expat with much-needed practical information... The unpretentious and precise journalistic writing style makes it an easy and enjoyable read... Just for its sheer volume of information, the guide is also useful to expats who consider themselves well established." The Phnom Penh Post"Even after living here for five years I found loads of things in Move to Cambodia that I didn't know, and it's all presented in a style that's fun, concise, easy to use and seriously good value." Nicky Sullivan, Cambodia correspondent, Travelfish.org

Lina Goldberg moved to Phnom Penh in 2010 for what was meant to be a three-month fellowship. She fell in love with Cambodia and has been living (and writing) there ever since.

I give this book my recommendation for those contemplating, actively planning or already living in Cambodia. I've been living here for about seven months now and know already a lot of what is contained in this book. Still, i would recommend this to other ex pats living here. But most strongly to those new here or planning to move here in the future. It will make your transition here so much easier. There are plenty of tidbits and resources that i didn't know about and find useful. If you are new to Cambodia or planning on moving here, this book will save you a lot of time learning from experience and probably help you feel more secure living here knowing how to be safe. ( Yes, yes, yes... do wear a helmet if you decide to ride on or drive your own motorbike )The author also gives enough of an overview to the history and culture of Cambodia without making the reader lose interest and gives excellent suggestions for further reading. I appreciate her discussion of tourist orphanage volunteers. Although the expat audience is not the primary target of this problem, it is never the less best to get this information out wherever one can.I'm not sure i would be that confident of the ice in Cambodia as the author suggests. I recently got very sick from something i consumed in the provinces and i suspect it was bad ice. The shaped ice is higher quality. If it's crushed ice, it may be from the cheaper ice that has lower standards. I drink a lot of kafie tik da koo, tik ka ( ice coffee with sweet milk ) But for anyone living here, you'll most likely start taking more risks. Anyway, keep the pepto bismol and immodium handy and enjoy your drinks.The table of contents are in the back of the book. Maybe this will be corrected in updates.

If you are new to Cambodia, or if you are even thinking of moving to Cambodia, you need this book! It will help you avoid getting majorly ripped off as a newbie in this country like many people do when they first move here and find out they're paying 10X the going rate for everything like rent to

transportation fees. I bought it even though I've already been living here for a while. It gives detailed and current prices of everything you need to know, including renting an apartment, how much tuktuks (motorbike taxis) should cost, and even how much you should pay police if you are unfortunate enough to get stopped! It also walks you through landing a job here and tells you where to find new job vacancies here in Cambodia. Books like Lonely Planet are fine if you are just a tourist, but if you are actually moving to Cambodia you will need this book to help you easily get set up. It also walks you through things and makes them easy that are usually very time consuming and frustrating to do without this book and for the first time before you get familiar with the country. This includes things like getting a SIM card for your phone, how to find a place to live and what areas are best for you, and what medical options are best out here for expats, etc. These all apply to expats with any budget or income and lets you know what is probably best for you. Again, this book is still very helpful to me even though I'm already living here, but I really wish it was available when I first came here because it would have saved me A LOT of hassle, time and money. Good luck on your move to Cambodia!

I am an avid reader of the blog, but I am glad I went for it and bought this book which I use for reference quite frequently. The suggestions for actual businesses which can help confused expats navigate Cambodian life smoothly are really helpful, and the actual interviews of expats throughout the chapters are quite interesting as well. I particularly found the chapter on hospitals and medical care to be helpful, especially since it outlined which problems and ailments can be treated in the kingdom, and which are better to treat abroad in nearby Thailand or Singapore. This book won't solve all of the problems you might encounter, but it does offer a straight-forward explanation of what to expect as you make your move to this country. I would recommend this to anyone as a supplement to the already wonderful blog by Lina Goldberg!

**Move to Cambodia: A guide to living and working in the Kingdom of Wonder** is the ultimate read for all those who are planning to move to Cambodia. Not really knowing what awaits me when I planned my own sudden move to Phnom Penh this year, I used this book while still in Europe as a source of information and sort of a check list for the move. While there are many aspects of life in a new country that each expat needs to discover on their own, the book offers all basic necessary practicalities you need to consider before you actually move. From overview of basic historical events that is a great start for any newbie to explore and understand Kingdom of Wonder, to living areas, medical support, security issues, visa information; this book and regularly updated related

website are really comprehensive guides that made my move here seamless.

I will probably never actually move to Cambodia, or anywhere outside the U.S., but I like to think that some day I might. "Move to Cambodia" is so interesting and well written that it's a great read for anyone who enjoys fantasizing about taking off for faraway places. So even though the chances that I'm ever going to need to know how to pay for garbage service in Phnom Penh are probably slim, I really enjoyed this book. Its candid and witty discussions of the cultural differences Westerners are likely to encounter are fascinating, and so are its descriptions of the day-to-day challenges and pleasures of life in Cambodia. In addition to enjoying "Move to Cambodia" as fantasy fodder, I've also been recommending it to my many friends who have 20- and 30-something kids living at home. Why not pack the youngsters off to the Kingdom of Wonder, where they can get a job and afford an apartment, instead of letting them molder in the parental basement indefinitely? Sounds like a win-win to me!

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