

AMANTAKA

Festive Itinerary
2026



Sabaidee. Season's Greetings from Amantaka.

As the year draws to a close, we are delighted to welcome you to Amantaka, where the timeless rhythms of Luang Prabang create a serene setting for celebration and renewal.

This festive season, discover experiences inspired by the cultural heritage of Laos and the peaceful spirit that defines Aman. From sacred traditions and local artistry to restorative wellness and seasonal dining, each moment has been carefully curated to encourage connection, reflection and joy.

If you would like to participate in any of the experiences featured across the following pages, our Reservations team will be pleased to assist with bookings and bespoke arrangements.

May your time with us be filled with meaningful moments and may the year ahead bring peace, happiness and new beginnings.

Your Amantaka Family

GIVING BACK

Aman properties around the world are an integral part of the communities in which they are set, providing unique insight into the lives and needs of each community. At this time of year, when reflection and counting our blessings go hand in hand with reaching out to those less fortunate, we are pleased to be able to share our local initiatives.

Contemplative & Connected

Amantaka is deeply rooted in the spiritual and cultural fabric of Luang Prabang, a UNESCO-protected heritage site known for its 30 golden-spired temples and monastic community. Guests are invited to engage with the monks at Wat Pha O, the Buddhist Academy, where local boys from farming families receive free education. Exclusive private tours and meditation sessions offer a rare glimpse into the lives of these spiritual students. Significant donations from guests help sustain the academy, fostering a deeper connection to the local culture.

Educational Initiatives

Education is not free in Laos, placing financial pressure on many families. Amantaka raises awareness of these challenges and supports local schools by providing meals and essential supplies. A special focus is given to the Luang Prabang Special Education School, a boarding school for children with speech and hearing difficulties. Guests are encouraged to participate in these initiatives, with some even making ongoing contributions, such as donating catfish to a local school's pond, providing a sustainable food source.

Social-Impact Souvenirs

Through its boutique, Amantaka supports a local hospital for children by selling hand-crafted elephant toys that fund the charity. Guests are informed about the importance of these gifts and are encouraged to support the hospital through their souvenir purchase. Additionally, when guests waive a full change of bed linens, a donation is made to Laos Friends Hospital of Luang Prabang, which offers free healthcare to children under the age of 15.

Cultural Celebrations

Amantaka honours the diverse cultures of Laos, which include four ethnolinguistic families. The resort invites guests to celebrate the various New Year dates recognised by different ethnic communities. Lao New Year is generally celebrated in April, while the Hmong ethnic group's New Year falls between December and January, allowing guests to experience a rich tapestry of Laotian tradition.



WEEKLY EVENTS

18 DECEMBER 2026 – 1 JANUARY 2027

Morning Yoga

YOGA STUDIO

WELLNESS

07:00

Awaken body and mind through a gentle yoga practice centred on breathwork and mindful movement. A peaceful way to embrace the day during the festive season.

Sound Healing

YOGA STUDIO

WELLNESS

17:30

Immerse yourself in the restorative vibrations of a guided sound healing session. Using resonant tones to calm the mind and relax the body, this meditative experience invites deep rest and inner balance.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Christmas Tree
Decoration

LOBBY

FESTIVE

18 DECEMBER 2026 | 18:00-22:00

Come together around the resort's central tree to help us welcome the festive season, decorating with vibrant colours, twinkling lights and uplifting music.

Afternoon Tea

LIBRARY

CULINARY

23-26 DECEMBER 2026 | 15:00-17:00

Savour a delightful blend of festive-themed sweet and savoury snacks, enhanced by the harmonious melodies of local live music.

Gala Dinner

MAIN POOL

CULINARY

24 DECEMBER 2026 | 19:00

Drawing inspiration from Luang Prabang's vibrant street food culture, this market-style dinner celebrates the region's culinary heritage with a collection of authentic Lao specialities, freshly prepared at live cooking stations and enjoyed in an elegant poolside setting.

Aman and the
Community

BUDDHIST LEARNING
CENTRE

CULTURAL

25 DECEMBER 2026 | 17:00

A unique opportunity to give back this festive season, join us in meeting teachers and students at Laos' school for children with speech and hearing difficulties. Gain insight into local life and educational development and purchase handcrafted items to help support their mission.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Christmas Dinner

MAIN POOL

CULINARY

25 DECEMBER 2026 | 19:00

Celebrate Christmas Eve with a family-style feast featuring timeless festive favourites. Thoughtfully prepared by Amantaka's culinary team, the menu brings together seasonal flavours and the simple pleasure of sharing around the table.

Historical Insights

BUDDHIST
LEARNING CENTRE

CULTURAL

26 DECEMBER 2026 | 17:00

Local historian, Francis Engelmann, joins Amantaka to lead a captivating, interactive session on the long, rich history of Luang Prabang.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Morning Alms
Offering

LOBBY

CULTURAL

31 DECEMBER 2026 | 05:30

Welcome the New Year with Luang Prabang's cherished morning alms offering. As monks and novices receive offerings from the local community, this centuries-old Buddhist tradition invites a moment of gratitude, reflection and peaceful new beginnings.

New Year's Eve
Dinner

MAIN POOL

CULINARY

31 DECEMBER 2026 | 20:00

The evening begins with pre-dinner cocktails and delicate canapés by the pool, accompanied by the vibrant rhythms of live music. Continue the celebration with a festive dinner featuring interactive live cooking stations, where authentic Lao specialities and international favourites are prepared to order.

As midnight approaches, gather beneath the stars to welcome the New Year with music, celebration and shared moments of joy, marking the beginning of a year filled with new possibilities.

New Year Baci
Ceremony

BUDDHIST LEARNING
CENTRE

CULTURAL

1 JANUARY 2027 | 17:00

Rooted in Brahmin and Buddhist traditions, the Baci ceremony has been practised in Luang Prabang for centuries. Led by a master of ceremonies, this meaningful blessing calls upon the spirits through rhythmic chants, inviting prosperity, wellbeing and new beginnings in the year ahead.





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