

10:50-11:20

Then you go to Mrs. Soud's Tea Shop where you will get to know all the subtleties of smoking and drying tea, as tea tasting.

11:30-12:10

Your next destination is Tad Yuang waterfall. This impressive waterfall with twin torrents falls from 40 meters high. The setting is idyllic as it is surrounded by a lush jungle. Be careful when you take the stairs to go down as they are slippery!



12:10-13:30

Then you will leave for Tad Phasouam Waterfalls, idyllic place of jungle, reachable by a wooden bridge. On this site, there is an ethnic village/museum, where you can find representatives of 15 Southern-Laos ethnic groups. They live in traditional wooden houses made of thatch, leaves and bamboo, in which an exhibition of their daily life is offered. Their musical instruments and traditions are also highlighted. This site enables you to soak up the cultural and ethnic diversity of the plateau. You will then, drive back to Pakse.



# THE BOLAVEN PLATEAU

Half day

Departure: 8am  
Back to the hotel: 1:30pm

8:30-8:50

Your first stop will be at the blacksmiths' village. The inhabitants make the tools of traditional local agriculture in artisanal conditions. The tools' handles are made from wood grown in their own village whereas the metal used to make the blades comes from car spare parts. The metal is forged on old American shells dropped during the Vietnam War (1955-1975).



9:20-10:00

Your next stop will be at a tea plantation where you will be amazed by a beautiful 4 hectares' landscape. You will enjoy a discovery walk inbetween the plantation.

10:10-10:40

Tadfan Waterfall, is one of the most spectacular waterfalls in Laos. The fall, located in an idyllic encirclement, is composed of 2 twin waterfalls of 120 meters high that end up mingling in a powerful current. The site is permanently surrounded by spray fumes, and the vegetation is lush landscape.

