Pha Tad Ke Botanical Garden Property for Resort Development

The city of Luang Prabang is a uniquely preserved town on the Mekong River in northwest Laos. Its cultural heritage, historic monuments and beautiful location on the Mekong River have attracted international renown and a World Heritage listing. Since the Lao People's Democratic Republic was opened to the world in 1986, tourism has developed and is now playing an important part in the economy of the country. Luang Prabang is the leading tourist destination of Laos; since 1995, the number of visitors has risen from 20,000 per year to more than 300,000.

About fifteen minutes by boat from Luang Prabang is Pha Tad Ke, a beautiful site on the Mekong that was once the hunting grounds of the Lao royal family. Since 2008 we have been working there on the creation of the Pha Tad Ke Botanical Garden. We have build a team of young and enthusiastic Lao staff, developed a master plan, and started collecting specimens and working on plantings for the garden. Our focus is on ethno-botany – how the Lao people have used and continue to use plants in their daily lives. Pha Tad Ke is the first botanic garden in Lao PDR, and is financed through donations and grants. We plan to open to the public in 2017.

A major component of our project is to create an ecotourism complex of the highest standard, and to integrate a first class resort adjoining the botanic garden. We are now seeking interested parties to advance on this part of our development and are offering 1,47 hectare of the property for sale or lease. The resort property is prime waterfront location and totally independent from garden operations (please see attached map of garden and property), but may also benefit from shared services with the garden eg regular boat shuttle to town. The proposed resort development should be in synthesis in design and ethos to the natural and garden environment around the property.

We are especially interested in proposals that include development of spa, health treatments and wellbeing programs to create synergy with the gardens goals and focus.

For all further information please contact the general director Rik Gadella.

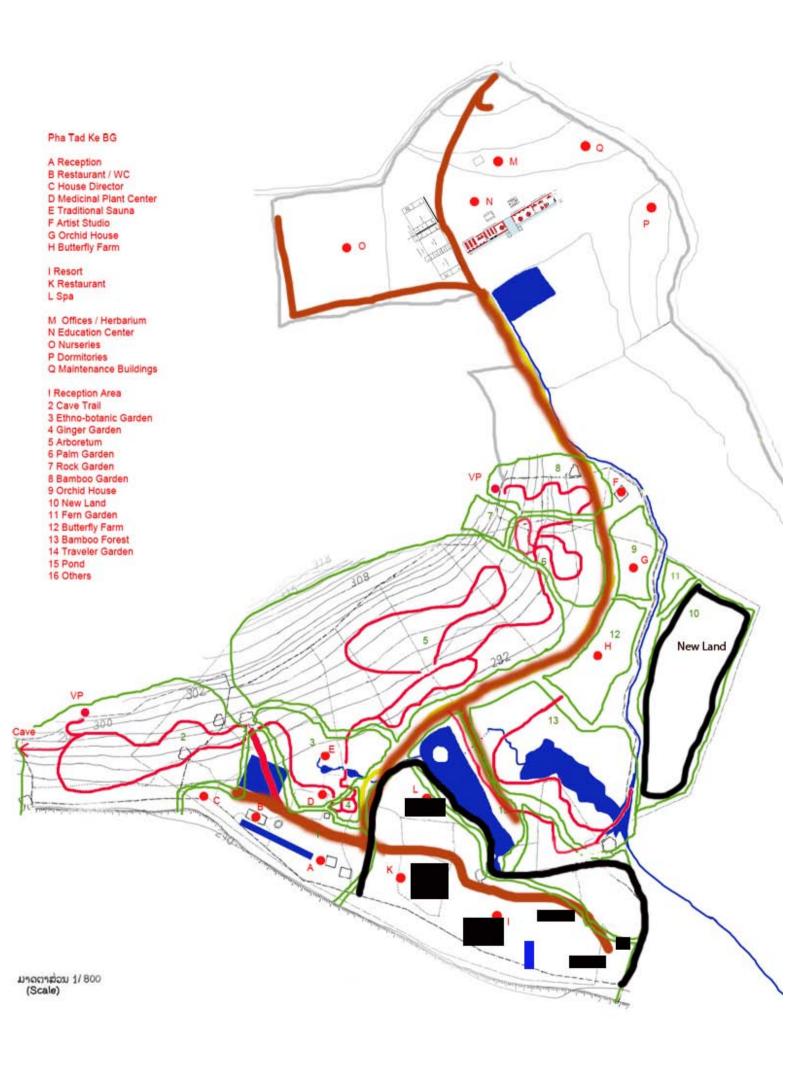
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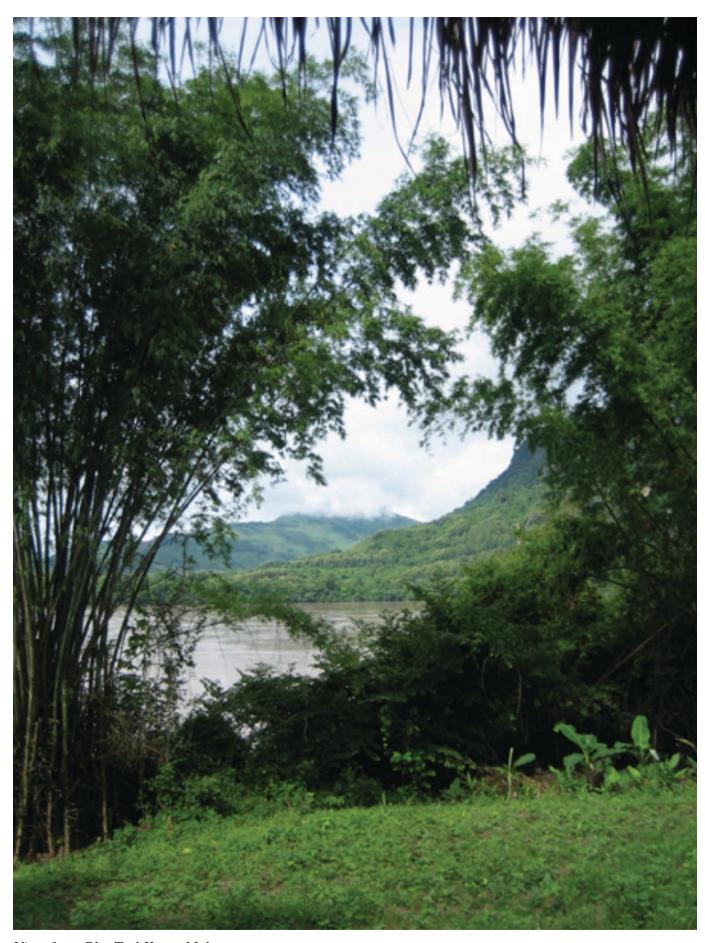
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View from Pha Tad Ke on Mekong