



Investment Apartments in Cambodia





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Brocon - company profile

- Established operations in 2005
- Mission statement: "To pioneer world class property development in Cambodia"
- Founders:
 - Rory Hunter Previously general manager of Bates Advertising, Cambodia. Worked in major agencies, including Saatchi and Saatchi NZ, where he ran their largest account. Has successfully run variety of start-ups including a marketing agency and beer importation company. Holds a Bachelor of Economics from Sydney University
 - Randal Misch Builder and qualified carpenter. Completed many personal property developments in Australia as well as running his own company. Randal has a vast experience of the building industry as well as a degree in interior design.
 - Melita Koulmandas Designer. Melita has worked as an organic stylist in Sydney and Auckland and run successful companies in both countries. Her work has featured at Sydney fashion week, KD Lang's Sydney performances, and countless photo shoots. She's currently completing a degree in horticulture.
- Brocon has a team of 9 in the Phnom Penh office a mix of local and expat specialists in real estate, finance and construction
- Currently developing apartment renovations in Phnom Penh's "Old French Quarter" and a boutique apartment complex as well as an island resort off the coast



The Team in Cambodia





Cambodia - an overview

- 13.78 million people (est 2005)
- 43% under 15, 55% under 19, 69% Under 30 Median age 20.6 years
- 84% population is rurally based
- Population growth 1.78%

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- Life expectancy males 58 and females 64
- Ethnicity Khmer 90%, Vietnamese 5%, Chinese 1%, other 4%
- Religion Buddhist 95%, Other 5%
- Language Khmer (official), English, French
- Literacy Total population: 73.6%

Source: National Institute of Statistics, Cambodian Census World Health Facts website, <u>www.globalhealthfacts.org</u> Wikipedia, <u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics_of_Cambodia#Population_growth_rate</u>



Cambodia - recent history

- 1975-79 Khmer Rouge regime reigned, led by the infamous Pol Pot
- 1979 Vietnamese occupation
- 1980s Civil war
- 1991 peace conference in Paris
- 1993 UN sponsored elections, help to diminish fighting
- 1998 Final Khmer Rouge forces surrender
- 1998 to present With help from foreign donors, Cambodia has experienced continued political stability and peace
- 2003 Cambodia acceded to the World trade Organisation. First least developed nation to gain accession. In part, due to it's rapidly growing garment industry, along with it's fast paced economic growth.

Phoenix-like, Cambodia is rebuilding itself rapidly and is following the lead of it's tiger neighbours, Thailand and Vietnam, and moving from an agricultural based economy to one which focuses on international trade, specifically manufacturing and tourism





LAOS THAILAND. Siem Reap Mekong River Battambang Lake Sap Kratie VIETNAM Phnom 🖳 GULF OF Penh THAILAND Kampot SOUTH CHINA SEA

Cambodia - Amongst good company

- With Thailand on one side and Vietnam on the other, and Malaysia, the Philippines and Singapore to the south, Cambodia is fortunate to be nestled between some of the worlds fastest growing economies.
- War is now only a bad memory for South east Asia, with the battlefield being economic rather than political
- Multi-lateral trade and investments are the key instruments of change as the region dramatically develops



Cambodia - Economic indicators

- 2005 GDP growth 13.5% (IMF figures)
- GDP growth from 1999-2004 averaged 7%
- Growth in foreign direct investment from 2004-2005 450%
- Unemployment 2.5% (est)

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- Foreign Aid for 2006, \$US601 million, up from \$US504 million in 2004
- Per capita GDP (PPP) \$US2,200
- Tourism grew at 35% in 2005 (predicted to grow at over 20% for the next 5 years). Total number of tourists in 2005 was 1.5 million
- Textile exports grew at 20% in 2005
- Main industries: Tourism, garments, rice milling, fishing, wood and wood products, rubber, cement, gem mining, textiles
- Oil reserves recently been found revenues predicted to be up to \$US2 billion by 2009

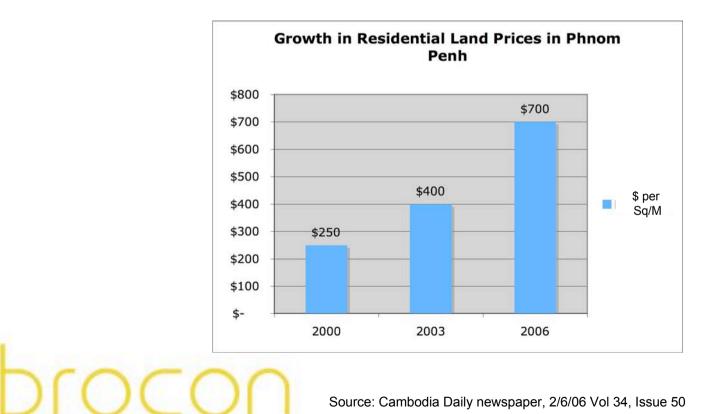
Source: <u>http://www.khmerintelligence.org/3Q2004.html</u> World Bank, Consultative Group Press Release, <u>www.worldbank.org</u> CIA World factbook, <u>http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/cb.html</u>





Real Estate Market - Phnom Penh

Phnom Penh is a city on the move. After years of inertia, the construction and real estate market has exploded in the past 3 years

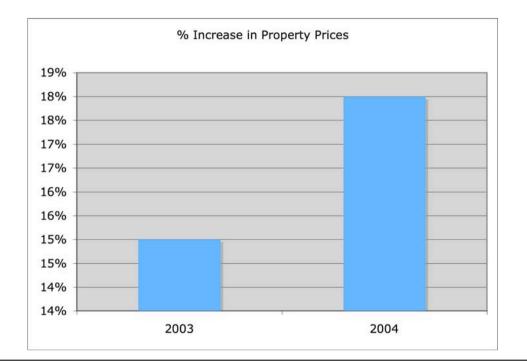


Source: Cambodia Daily newspaper, 2/6/06 Vol 34, Issue 50



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High capital growth



Starting from a low base, the real estate market in Phnom Penh has seen excellent capital growth over the past 3 years. Given the base was so low for so long and combined with high levels of economic growth, this capital growth is expected to continue for years to come

Source: Cambodia Daily newspaper, 25/1/05, Vol 30, Issue 93



Construction is booming

- 2004 Construction industry grew by 34%
- 2005 Construction industry grew by a staggering 63%
- Building approvals in first quarter of 2006 are up by 35% on 2005 in Phnom

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As the city modernises and grows, building and construction become key indicators of not only economic growth, but also opportunity

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Source: Department of Urban Planning, Phnom Penh





Making the most of the opportunity

- Major lack of supply of stylish "western apartments" for expats to rent, due to little or no western property developers
- Due to lack of supply of high quality rental apartments, investing in a recently renovated apartment by Brocon means your tenancy levels are certain to be 100%
- Excellent rental yields due to low relative property prices guaranteed at 10% for 2 years
- By buying in the "Old French Quarter", excellent capital gains are possible as the market value is still very low and this area is the most desired by westerners = great potential

So where is the "Old French Quarter"?





Owning property in Cambodia

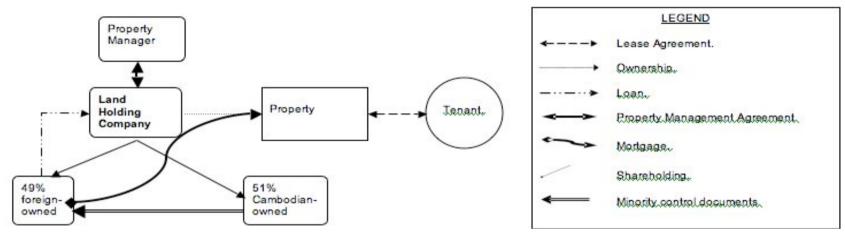
Like most Asian countries, there are laws against foreign ownership. However, this can easily be circumvented through buying the property in a foreign controlled, majority locally owned, land holding company. Following are the details of how this is structured







Legal structure



Proposed mechanism

- Land Holding Company, with Brocon BVI as the 49% foreign investor, purchases the Property, which is funded by the Loan to the Land Holding Company (LHC), secured by a mortgage over the property.
- Brocon BVI renovates the Property, which is also funded by the Loan to the LHC.
- Brocon BVI and Investor enter into a pre-sale agreement (PSA), whereby Brocon BVI agrees to sell its 49% shareholding to Investor. 35% of the purchase price is paid on execution of the PSA, and 65% on completion (which is triggered by completion of the development of the property).
- Upon completion, the loan is assigned to the Investor, Brocon BVI's mortgage over the land is discharged, Investor registers a mortgage over the land, and the minority control documents (MCDs) between Brocon BVI and the Cambodian shareholder (CS) are terminated and replaced with MCDs between CS and Investor.





Tax implications

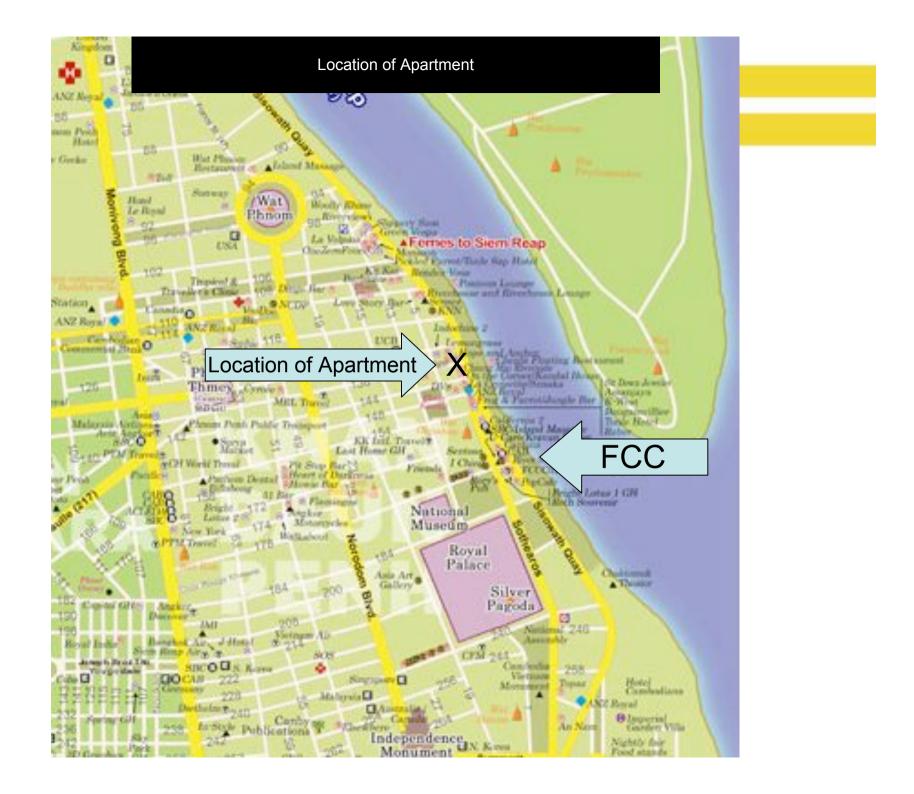
| Rental Income | Capital Gain upon resale - exit options |
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| Allowable expenses: Tax depreciation schedule Interest | Option 1 - Sell shares to other foreign investor |
| Management feesOperating expenses (including travel) | No tax implications |
| Tax: | Option 2 - sell to local Cambodian |
| Company tax = 20% Withholding Tax = 14% | "Loan" is repaid to investor "management fees" charged to LHC for capital gain |
| Through deducting the above expenses, 14%WHT is the only tax that will need to be paid. | which incurs 14% WHT Closing fees deducting from capital gain Therefore, max tax exposure is 14% of capital gain after any related expenses |
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The above is only provided as a guide. For professional tax advice, please contact either KPMG of PWC in Cambodia



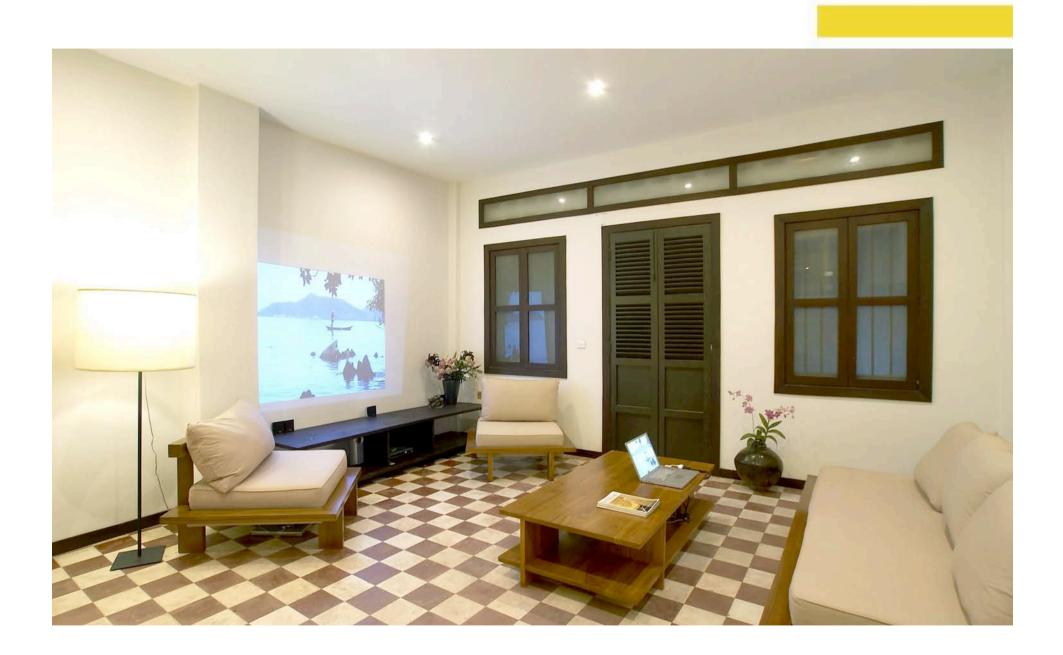
Case Study - 11E1 Street 136

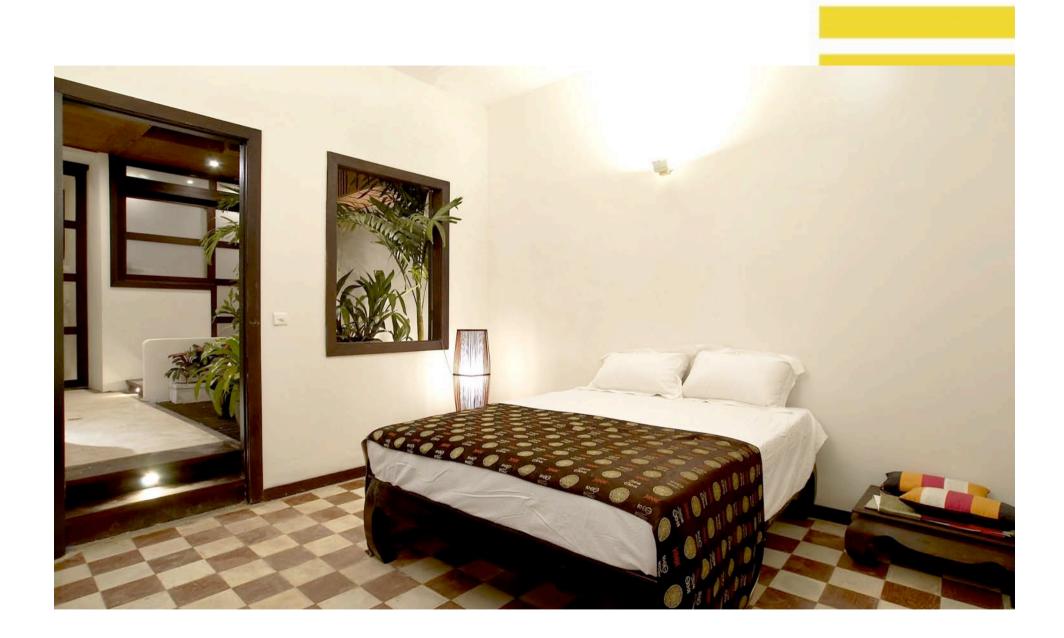
- Located on street 136, 50m from riverfront
- 2 br apartment with balcony and private garden
- 114sq/m
- Right next to an excellent café and on sought after street. New development being built across the road
- Sale price = \$U\$70,000
- Rental = \$583 per month (10%) guaranteed for 2 years. Includes full property management services
- Capital gain projections = 15-20%















360 degree Panorama from bathroom/garden at night







360 degree Panorama view of living room and kitchen











For information on further opportunities

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