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I wanna tell you guys about a place  
that is really special to me.  
Really close to my heart.





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It's called Babel. It's an eco-friendly guesthouse in Siem Reap, Cambodia. But it's not like any other guesthouse. It's a really special one. Maybe the most special one in the world.



@katrinesolhaug06



Babel Guesthouse is owned by the Norwegian couple Katrine and Simen who have been back and forth to Cambodia since 2007. They have a strong passion for Responsible Tourism, and have always run Babel Guesthouse with an active focus on giving back to the local society.





They only hire local staff and tuk tuk drivers who receive good working conditions, plenty of training, on site English lessons and the possibility to be sponsored with higher education through Babel education program.



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**They also opened up  
Cambodia's first Zero Waste  
Bulk Store!**




When I was 19 yrs old a man named John Daniel (katrines father) came to my high school to talk about this wonderful place and country that I'd heard so little about. I immediately felt this strong desire to go, I've never had this kind of gut feeling before, I just knew this was it. So I went and lived there for a semester after high school to study globally responsible tourism. It's one of the best decisions I've made.





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A photograph of a woman with long blonde hair, wearing a yellow dress, standing in profile and looking out a window. The window has several ornate, dark-colored columns or pillars. The scene is lit with warm, golden light, suggesting sunrise or sunset. The background outside the window shows a hazy landscape with buildings and hills.



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But at the same time - delicious food, fruits and vegetables I'd never seen before. The most warm and welcoming people I've ever met. Peaceful and caring atmosphere. Beautiful, breathtaking nature. So much love and gratitude. Amazing people and projects. Rich history and culture. Strong willingness and hardworking people. Everyone living in the present moment. Grateful for what they have. I was living in such a bliss.



Babel also taught me about following my dreams- no matter how big they are. They have dream catchers hanging all around as a reminder.

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They literally save lives. Families. Communities. I wish to return to Babel and see how much they've grown and developed.



I need you to understand that this is so much more than a guesthouse. They stand for and work with everything I believe in.



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BUT - Because of Covid-19 - All staff are now on reduced working hours and the Tuk Tuk drivers are all staying home as business is down to nothing. They all have families to support, and in many cases their income is the only one in the household as so many has lost their job because of the outbreak. To make it worse some have bank loans they need to pay back and are really starting to struggle to make ends meet.





Babel needs our help to  
survive!

They've started a  
gogetfounding-page, link in  
my bio!



Please consider donating to  
Babel to help them survive,  
to provide jobs and  
continue their work for a  
better environment and  
future for so many  
Cambodians with their  
families.



All funds raised will go towards securing a steady income for Babel's staff and drivers in this difficult times and make sure Babel once again will be ready to welcome guests coming to explore the magic of Angkor Wat and Siem Reap.



I love these people!!





I wish to give away 3 spots  
to 3 people that donates to  
Babel (no matter amount)  
for my group reiki  
sessions!





Every dollar counts to help those who  
have no safety net what so ever.

You can donate via PayPal or debit/  
credit card directly through their  
[gogetfunding.link](https://www.gogetfunding.com) in bio.

For those in Norway preferring to use  
Vipps, you can send your donations to  
John Daniel Solhaug 92244988.





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Book group distance reiki session

Help Babel survive Covid-19!

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Book your Session

June REIKI playlist



Support Anti-Racism

I'm raising awareness, driving donations and sharing information in support of justice and equality.





If you donate, here are  
some of the families you're  
helping 🙏❤️



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