

Part 296 for Cathy's blog

Thursday 10th September, 2025.

Temple Day : Ta Promh.

It was quiet at Ta Promh temple this morning.



Restoration works at Ta Promh (East entrance).



A small outer building (outside the second wall, so probably not a library). It looks quite like a church.



Interesting view of this spider.



Weathered and covered in moss.



A smaller Garuda than those at Preah Khan.



Lion guardian.



The sky really is that blue and the trees are that green.



A wall of carvings. (I like the grid work. We have not noticed this anywhere else.)



Not quite in focus but these green hump- back dragonflies are the biggest we see here.



Ornate false door and lintel.



This common dragonfly (*Fulvous* spp. a forest skimmer) looks magnificent in the morning sunshine.



Another dragonfly keeping still.



A different skink, almost silver in colour.

***Eutropis longicaudata* (long tailed skink).**

There were tourists at Ta Promh this morning, but it was easy to get photos without people!

We tried a different restaurant for tea. One of the waiters came over to talk to us. She had worked at another restaurant, but left to have a baby. It was good to see her again.

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Temple Day : Leak Neang

Leak Neang is a single tower, built of bricks, so built quite early on in the Angkorian civilisation. It is almost opposite Pre Rup Temple. We like it because it is surrounded by thick vegetation which usually means lots of insects.

True to form, we saw many dragonflies and some other interesting finds.





Just an ant.

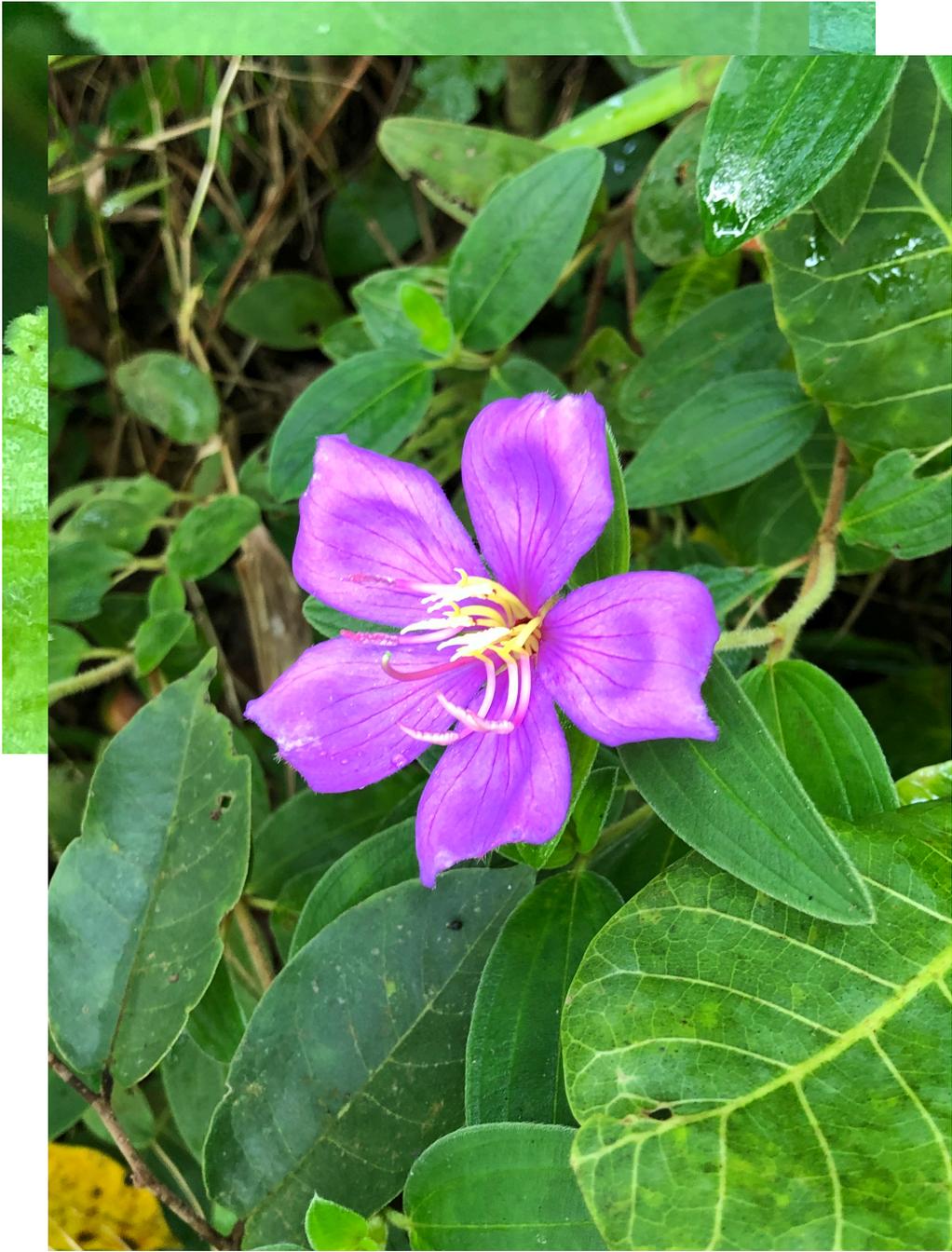




















We couldn't quite work this beetle out, as it is two beetles in an amorous embrace.





Caterpillar.



Smaller fly and funny spider.



Another fly.



Rice field next to Leak Neang with the road past Pre Rup Temple in the distance.

So, a very small temple but a very busy morning out.