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Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th June, 2026

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Wall Walk : North Gate to Prasat Chrung NE

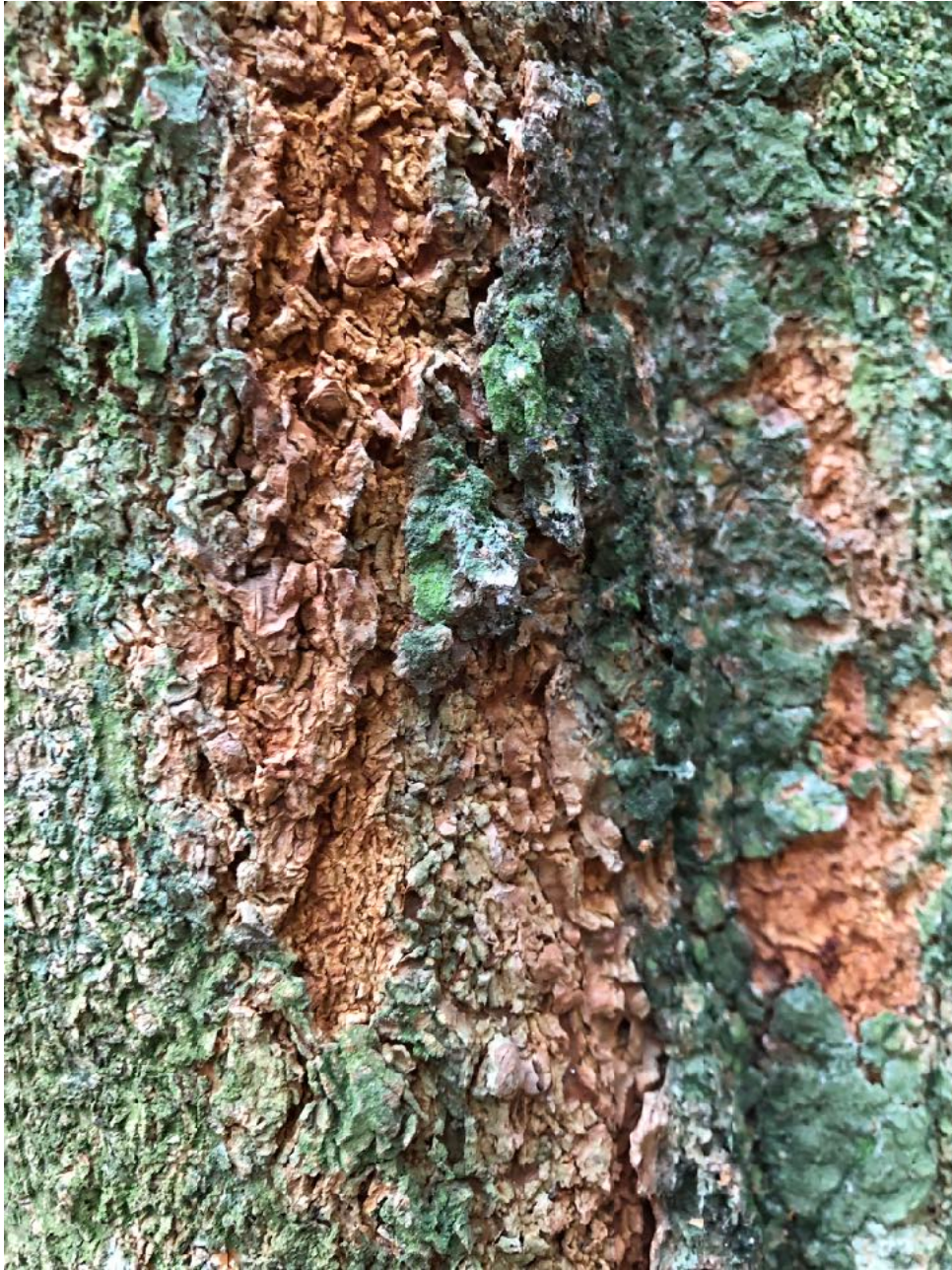
We are hoping to find more of the “banana spiders” (which have been documented in Cambodia before!)



We found a veiled mushroom.



This armoured beetle has taken a different stance.



Interesting patterns and colours in the bark of this tree.



Smaller insect with neatly folded wings.



A funny fat caterpillar... short though, even when he started crawling along.



The new leaves on this vine are a pretty colour.



I call this the “smoked salmon bug” ... it is commonly called a stink bug (I haven’t tried to work out why).



As thin as a pencil lead.



**Stabilising wooden frames for the western gopura at
Prasat Chrung NE.**



I think this flower has a grasshopper hiding inside!



I have seen completely orange spiders like this. The black is quite striking.

These little plants have pushed their purple leaves up through the leaf litter.





I'm sorry this is not a better photo, but it does show the brilliant colour (and pattern) found on the wings of butterflies (some of which never open their wings and some of which are just too fast and too shy to take a good photo).

The underneath of the wings only hints at a pattern.



Interesting seeds pods. They have about 12 shiny, black seeds in each “cup”. You wouldn’t want it to hit you when it falls; it is woody. My shoe is there to show you how big they are.



The North Gate faces peeping through the trees and the sunshine.





Bright red dragonfly waiting by the path leading down to the road.



Local boys on bikes (and our bike).

Tuesday 30th June, 2026.

Temple Day : Krol Ko

We had planned for me to have another motorbike practise session, but inconsiderately!! they have put up a big tent in the car park... so we rode on to Krol Ko.



Cows near the car park.

Jungle plants (where we parked the bike to visit Krol Ko).



Krol Ko from the east.





Carving.



Blocks of a pediment put back together... I'm not sure they have got them quite right.



Just taking a rest... at about head height (for me!).



Ornate naga.



Apsara... a heavenly dancer.



**These blocks were stacked (perhaps in the 1920's).
They were placed in front of the tree, but the tree has
grown.**

Another pediment with a religious story told in the carvings. The main figures are often chipped out, often under orders from successive ruling monarchs back in Angkorian times. The religion changed from Hinduism to Buddhism (and had different forms of each).



Medallions carved in the door frames (inside the eastern entrance).

It is the end of June.

We have not had the promised rain and farmers are beginning to worry. It also remains a little hotter than expected. We are looking forward to the temperature falling just a few degrees in the coming month.

Tourist numbers are very low.

It is a great time to visit, if you have the time, because there are no queues at the temples and there are great deals in the hotels. We find it quite nice that the streets are quieter, but businesses like hotels, restaurants and Tuktuk drivers are feeling it.