

Cambodian Bottled Water: Comprehensive Guide to Brands and Types (English Version)

Overview

The Cambodian bottled water market is expanding rapidly, featuring both local sources and foreign imports. Quality and regulatory challenges persist, making certifications crucial for consumer safety—especially for infants and families. This guide mirrors the original French PDF, presenting all information in English, including still and sparkling waters, brand origins, mineralization levels, infant recommendations, and pricing.

1. Still Waters: Natural and Purified

Cambodia’s bottled-water sector comprises natural springs and purified municipal sources. Unlike neighboring countries, Cambodia lacks a uniform potable tap-water supply; contamination by E. coli and coliform bacteria is common at point of use. Certified bottled brands are therefore essential.

Brand	Type	Source/Origin	Mineralization	Recommended Use	Key Notes
Vital Premium Water	Purified Water	Cambodian spring sources	Low	Families, infants	First Cambodian brand with NSF certification
Eau Kulen	Natural Mineral Water	Mount Kulen, Siem Reap	High (Ca, Mg)	Families	Cambodia’s first natural mineral water
Cambodia Water	Purified Water	Local sources	Low	Families, infant formula	German standards,

					CS009:2005 certified
Aruna	Natural Water	Cambodian springs	Moderate	Daily use	Khmer-inspired branding; French tech
Eurotech	Purified Water	Phnom Penh municipal treatment	Low	Daily use	ISO 9001:2008 certified; historic market leader
Angkor Puro	Spring Water	Preah Sihanouk mountain springs	Moderate	Premium	Triple gold medal, Monde Selection
ARO	Natural Water	Various Cambodian springs	Low	Daily use	Multiple formats available
Kaiia	Natural Mineral Water	Mount Aoral	—	Premium	Source from Cambodia's highest peak
TADA Bokor	Spring Water	Mount Bokor, Kampot	Moderate	Daily use	Modern technology; USD 2

					million investment
Colee	Purified Water	Local sources	Low	Daily use	Limited local distribution

Infant and Family Guidance

- Always use internationally certified bottled waters (e.g., Vital Premium Water, Eau Kulen, Cambodia Water).
- Select low-mineral waters for infant formula.
- Never use tap water—even boiled—as it is non-potable nationwide.
- Uncertified local waters should be avoided due to high contamination risk.

2. Sparkling Waters and Sodas

The carbonated-water segment in Cambodia remains dominated by imports; only very recently has a local sparkling-water brand—Khmer Sparkling—emerged.

Brand	Category	Carbonation Source	Approx. Price (USD)	Notes
San Pellegrino	Sparkling Mineral Water	Naturally effervescent	4.50–7.50	Imported from Italy; various formats
Perrier	Sparkling Mineral Water	Naturally effervescent	4.50–7.00	Imported from France; premium positioning
Schweppes Soda Water	Soda Water	Artificial carbonation	Varies	Widely available in cans

Singha Soda Water	Soda Water	Artificial carbonation	Varies	Imported from Thailand; multiple flavors
Khmer Sparkling	Sparkling Water	Artificial carbonation	(Local pricing)	One of the first Cambodian sparkling-water brands (since 2025)

3. Key Takeaways

1. **Water Safety:** Tap water is not safe to drink anywhere in Cambodia; always choose certified bottled water.
2. **Local Certifications:** Vital Premium Water and Eau Kulen lead in quality standards (NSF, CS009:2005).
3. **Infant Use:** Only low-mineral, internationally certified waters are suitable for preparing baby formula.
4. **Market Prices:** Local still-water brands are affordable; imported still and sparkling waters command premium prices.
5. **Emerging Local Sparkling:** Khmer Sparkling launched in early 2025, marking the first significant local entry into the carbonated-water market.

Khmer Sparkling launched at the end of 2024 with an innovative app to boost discovery and ordering of local sparkling water.

A whirlwind debut: In just a few months, the brand established itself as a benchmark in the Cambodian market.

Mobile adoption: Initial app downloads on Android and iOS exceeded projections from day one.

Product-tech synergy: The unique combination of local water and a digital experience drives customer loyalty.