# LUXURY THAILAND 08 nights / 09 days



Welcome to the land of smiles...

Explore the most beautiful sites, the rich culture, and ancient traditions in Thailand. A journey of contrasts where pleasant surprise awaits at almost every turn. Observe the adorable elephants at Kanta Elephant Sanctuary. witness the beautiful temples, Buddhist shrines, sandy white beaches, championship golf courses, excellent water sports and vibrant nightlife. Enjoy your stay at the most luxurious hotels. Have fun riding a TukTuk in Thailand. Thailand is extremely tourist friendly country. The locals are kind and helpful.





#### **ITINERARY: -**

#### Day 01: Arrive at Bangkok airport

As soon as you disembark, our airport representative will meet you at the end of the jet bridge, holding a signboard with your name(s) on it. Accompany the representative to the exclusive fast lane immigration counter where the airport representative will assist you with all immigration and customs documentation. After clearing immigration, our representative will escort you to the baggage claim to collect your luggage and lead you through arrivals hall to meet your guide followed by a transfer to the hotel. Rest of the day free and Night stay at The Peninsula Bangkok Hotel 5\* / Deluxe or similar. www.peninsula.com

#### Note:

- This service does not include any required visa or associated visa fees
- Service will last approximately be 20-40 minutes.
- Available at Suvarnabhumi International Airports.
- Representatives will assist with luggage where possible.
- If travelling with heavy or multiple cases, buggy service can be booked at an extra cost.



#### Day 02: In Bangkok

❖ GRAND PALACE AND CITY TEMPLES (WAT PHO AND WAT ARUN)

Drive to **Wat Pho** - one of the oldest temples in Bangkok, Wat Pho houses the famous 45m (148ft) Reclining Buddha as well as the original school of traditional Thai massage. From here, continue to the spectacular **Grand Palace**. The vast 94ha (233ac) grounds encompass more than 100 buildings including the Royal Residence and Throne Halls, government offices and the renowned Wat Phra Kaew, home to the most revered Buddha image in Thailand, the Emerald Buddha (which is actually made of jade or jasper, rather than emerald). Next, walk to the local pier and take a join-in local ferry to **Wat Arun**, once the grand royal temple to King Rama II. Notice its impressive 82m (269ft) high Khmerstyle tower and the many detailed floral mosaics made from broken Chinese porcelain, brought over by Chinese ships as ballast. Return to your hotel for Night stay.

#### **NOTES:**

Availability: Morning, Afternoon

Suggested departure times: 08:00; 13:00

Approximate duration: 4 hours



- Opening times: Wat Pho is open daily from 08:30 to 18:00. The Grand Palace is open daily from 08:30 to 15:30, except when there are special royal ceremonies or when it is used for state functions. Wat Arun is open daily from 08:00 to 17:30
- Please bring a copy of your passport for security check before entering the palace.
- The monk's chanting ritual only in the morning and subject to change without prior notice. (please contact with Travel consultant if guests wish to attend this activity in the morning).
- For religious reasons, women should wear short-sleeved tops with full-length trousers or kneelength skirts and men should wear trousers and short-sleeved shirts. No shorts or flip-flops allowed
- These following clothes are strictly not allowed in Grand Palace: Shorts, mini-skirts, short skirts, tight fitting trousers, and tights; See-through shirts and blouses, as well as culottes or quarter length trousers; Sleeveless shirts or vests; Sandals (without ankle or heel straps); Rolled-up-sleeved shirts; Sweatshirts and sweatpants, windcheaters, pajamas, and fisherman trousers
- ❖ In the event of extreme traffic conditions, our driver may take you to the pier (located directly across from the Peninsula hotel) to transfer you by their shuttle boat in order to save time; or vice versa. Our guide will accompany you to and/or from the Peninsula.

# optional: - EXQUISITE DINING EXPERIENCES ALONG THE CHAO PRAYA RIVER (organized by The Peninsula hotel Bangkok)

- Sundown Cocktail Cruise:
  Enjoy a Sundown Cocktail
  Cruise along the "River of
  Kings" with drinks and
  canapés on one of The
  Peninsula's charming
  river boats, followed by a
  delicious international
  dinner buffet at River
  Cafe & Terrace.
- Cruise days: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
- Duration: One hour, departing from the hotel pier at 6:00 pm
- the Sundown Cocktail Cruise, followed by an international dinner buffet

Night stay in Bangkok.



#### Day 03: In Bangkok

DISCOVER MAEKLONG RAILWAY MARKET & DAMNOEN SADUAK FLOATING MARKET

Depart early morning for the two hour drive to the Damnoen Saduak floating market. En route first visit at Maeklong Railway Market, the name says it all: it is a market which has a train running right

through the middle of it, multiple times a day. The market offers everything you expect a Thai market to offer but the Maeklong Railway Market differentiates itself from the other markets by having a railway located in the middle. If the products for sale are not placed on the railway itself, they are placed really closed to it. Every time the train is about to drive through, the vendors recognize the warning bell and they immediately jump out of their chairs to pull back their awnings and when needed their products as well so the train will not hit the vendors' belongings. Tourists and the vendors gather together very close, but far enough, along the railway to let the train pass by safely. Right after the train has passed the stands, the vendors immediately place their belongings back at the railway and it looks like nothing has happened. Then we continue drive to Damnoen Saduak Floating Market, to see the traditional way of selling and buying goods in Thailand. Drive back to Bangkok and arrive at the hotel in time for lunch (not included).





#### NOTES:

- Availability: EARLY Morning ONLY
- Suggested time: 07.00 and the duration: 5 6 hours
- ❖ After tour will arrive Bangkok around 13.00 14.00 hrs depend on the boat traffic at the market and local or road conditions. So, any consecutive tours after this should be is City tour in Bangkok only by start after 14.00 hrs and without lunch time. Or can be arranged to evening tours instead to get more relax before at the hotel before the tour
- ❖ In the event of extreme traffic conditions, our driver may take you to the pier (located directly across from the Peninsula hotel) to transfer you by their shuttle boat in order to save time; or vice versa. Our guide will accompany you to and/or from the Peninsula.



OPTIONAL: SALA RIM NAAM DINNER AND CLASSICAL DANCE SHOW (PVT XF & Join-in activity) Known for being the most luxurious and exclusive dinner show in Bangkok, Sala Rim Naam is located on the west bank of the Chao Phraya River, across from the Oriental Hotel. Housed in a richly decorated Thai pavilion built in the traditional Northern Thai style, Sala Rim Naam offers a range of specialties from all over the Kingdom. This evening enjoy 3-course set dinner of delectable Thai cuisine together with a performance of classical Thai dancing - the perfect combination of Thai cuisine and culture. A return guided transfer from your hotel is included.

#### NOTES:

- Availability: Evening only; And Close out festive days may apply e.g., Loy Krathong, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, New Year's Day, Valentine's Day etc.
- Suggested departure time: 19:00 and approximate duration: 3.5 hours.
- ❖ In the event of extreme traffic conditions, our driver may take you to the pier (located directly across from the Peninsula hotel) to transfer you by their shuttle boat in order to save time; or vice versa. Our guide will accompany you to and/or from the Peninsula.

Night stay in Bangkok.

#### Day 04: Fly from Bangkok - Chiang Mai

The regular check out is 12:00. At the right time, you will be picked up and transferred from your hotel to the airport (with guide). Upon arrival at the airport in Chiang Mai, you will be picked up by the hotel representative and transferred to your hotel by private transfer.



Night stay at Four Seasons Resort Chiang Mai 5\* / Garden Pavilion or similar www.fourseasons.com/thailand



#### Day 05: at Chiang Mai

\* HALF DAY VISIT KANTA ELEPHANT SANCTUARY (No Training Hook/ No Ankle Chain/ No Riding)

A half-day package to **Kanta Elephant Sanctuary** offers visitors an enjoyable opportunity to spend quality time with elephants in their natural home, as well as gain an insight into their history and behavior, and create cherished lifelong memories of their time spent with these amazing animals with friendly, happy elephants in a safe and sustainable environment.

07.00: Drive approximately 50-Mins North of Chiang Mai through a beautiful countryside, forest, and local farming areas.

08.00: Arrive at **Kanta Elephant Sanctuary**. Walk through and learn about the elephants, change into traditional clothing, and prepare fruits for our elephants.



09.00: Meet the elephants. Feed, interact, and play with the elephants in a natural environment and learn about their behavior and history. Take photos with the elephants.

10.00: Walk with the elephants to a clean water pond where they will cool off themselves and you will have chance to observe them as well.

11.00: Get some tea, coffee and season fruit then say goodbye to the elephants. Leave Baan Chang Elephant Park and drive approximately 50 Mins back to Chiang Mai. Drop off at your hotel or accommodation.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- At the Park, we will allow you to spend as much time as possible with the elephants. Therefore, there is no formal schedule and aside from pick-up times, the times shown here are approximations.
- WHAT TO BRING: Hat/ Towel/ Bathing Suit/ Walking Shoes/ Sunscreen/ Change of Clothes and Under wear/ Insect Repellent/ Camera (Optional)
- PRICE INCLUDES: Pick up and drop off by Kanta Elephant Sanctuary from your place or accommodation. English speaking Guide. Accident Insurance. Snack and Seasonal Fruit (NO LUNCH). Drinking Water. Food for Feed Elephants



#### **CITY LIFESTYLE, DOI SUTHEP & RICKSHAW RIDE**

In the afternoon, you will visit to a vibrant **food and flower market** where local Thais do their shopping. Continue to **Wat Suan Dok**, final resting place for the ashes of former kings of Chiang Mai and the Royal Family. Drive 30min to **Doi Suthep Mountain**, enjoying the spectacular views of Northern Thailand as you head past mountains and forests, towards **Wat Phra That**, one of Northern Thailand's most sacred temples. Founded in 1383 AD, the temple is reached by **climbing 309 steps** (or for the less fitness-minded, a tram is available for a small surcharge). The climb up is rewarded with a **superb panoramic view over the city.** Return to Chiang Mai and enjoy a **20min rickshaw ride** through the quiet streets of the old town before returning to your hotel.

#### NOTES:

- Availability: Afternoon.
- Suggested Departure time: 13:00.
- Approximate duration: 4.5 Hours.
- Out of respect for the local culture, ladies should cover their shoulders with a long- or shortsleeved top and full-length trousers or a knee-length skirt. Gentlemen should wear trousers and a long- or short-sleeved shirt.

Night stay at Chiang Mai



#### Day 06: Fly to Phuket

The regular check out is 12:00. At the indicated time, you will be picked up and transferred from your hotel to the airport for the short flight to Phuket. Upon arrival at the Phuket airport, you will be picked up and transferred to your hotel.

Night stay at Anantara Mai Khao Phuket Villas / Pool Villa



### Day 07: At Phuket

All day is free at leisure. Night in Phuket.

# Day 08: At Phuket

All day is free at leisure. Night in Phuket.





# Day 09: Fly back to Bangkok and departure

At the indicated time transferred by the hotel to the airport for the flight back to Bangkok to connect with your next departure flight.

Note: Tonight, there is no hotel booked.

End of our services