

# 9 Day Best of Thailand

## Asia Vacation Group – Authentic Asia!

Local knowledge, adventures of a lifetime.

Discover Asia with our team of experts, and a carefully selected, value-packed exploration of Asia's most iconic destinations. Our tours offer must-visit sights, rich experiences and quality inclusions all at an unbeatable prices. Your bucket list dreams are ticked off on these all-encompassing vacations.

Travel with the confidence. Your trip has been carefully crafted by our team with you in mind and it's that same team that takes you on the journey. One amazing team to help and guide you, not only as your local travel expert but also as a friend with helpfulness and sincerity.

Specialists in Asia touring since 2010, we are proud to be the people who craft your itinerary, help you at each step, plus guide and operate your tour.

Small group tour	Return flight included	7 day change mind
Fully escorted by English-speaking local tour guide		

## Day by Day Itinerary

Bangkok, Phitsanulok, Chiang Mai, Sukhothai

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Return flight included**
- Incredible sightseeing including discovering the ancient capital of Siam, Ayuthaya – a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Wat Phra That Lampang Luang, the temple Wat Phra That Doi Suthep.
- Comfortable group experience with no more than 20 persons
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfasts
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Australia - Bangkok

Welcome to Bangkok, Thailand!

On arrival, you will be greeted by tour guide at Exit 6, Suvarnabhumi Airport and taken to your hotel for check in.

**Meals:** In-flight.

**Accommodation:** Royal Princess Larn Luang Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 2: Bangkok

Today you are free at leisure or buy an optional tour with us to Royal Grand Palace.

**Meals:** Breakfast.

**Accommodation:** Royal Princess Larn Luang Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 3: Day 03: Bangkok - Ayutthaya - Phitsanulok

Today, visit the former capital Ayutthaya, a historic city awarded UNESCO World Heritage status for the splendor of its archaeological ruins and temples. Contemplate the ruins of this once vast island city including Wat Yai Chaimongkhon, Wat Phanan Choeng and Wat Mahathat. Hop on a traditional long tail boat and observe the city's ruins from a different perspective. After lunch, check-in to your hotel in Phitsanulok.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation:** Imperial Hotel and Convention Centre 4\* or similar

#### **Day 4: Phitsanulok - Lampang - Chiang Mai**

After breakfast, leave from hotel, made a quick break at Wat Mahathat in Phitsanulok and visit the magnificent Phra Buddha Chinnarat. Then head to Lampang by minivan or bus to visit Wat Phra That Lampang Luang. Climb the staircase to admire the bronze Buddha statue. Have lunch before travelling to Chiang Mai for check-in to your hotel.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation:** Amora Hotel Chiang Mai 4\* or similar

#### **Day 5: Chiang Mai City Tour**

After breakfast, you visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, one of northern Thailand's most sacred temples located at the top of a mountain. To reach the temple, you'll have to climb up a 309-step staircase (or simply use cable car – included). Later on, there's some fun shopping at San Kamphaeng Road, a 10km-long road selling lots of local goods such as pottery, silverware, lacquer ware, handmade paper, sculptures, jewellery, wood carvings and silk products. You can also watch the artisans at work. After lunch in a local restaurant, we return to your hotel and you may spend the remainder of the day at your leisure.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation:** Amora Hotel Chiang Mai 4\* or similar

#### **Day 6: Chiang Mai - Lamphun - Sukhothai**

Depart Chiang Mai for Lamphun. On arrival, you'll visit the magnificent, one-thousand-year-old Wat Phra That Hariphunchai Temple to see the Buddha statues and impressive stupas, which include 46-metre-tall Lanna-style golden chedi and the 21-metre-tall Hariphunchai-style chedi. We continue our trip to the south and visit Sukhothai Historical Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site which contains the ruins of the ancient capital of the Sukhothai Kingdom founded in the 13th century.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Legendha Sukhothai Resort 3\* or similar

#### **Day 7: Sukhothai - Lopburi - Bangkok**

Depart for Lopburi after breakfast for a visit to Phra Pang Sam Yot, the ruins of the ancient Khmer temple, and the adjacent Brahman shrine San Phra Kan, which is known as the 'Monkey Temple'. Have lunch in a local restaurant before continuing to Bangkok for check-in at your hotel.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation:** Royal Princess Larn Luang Hotel 4\* or similar

#### **Day 8: Bangkok - Departure**

You are free today and get ready for a flight back home.

**Meals:** Breakfast.

**Accommodation:** On Plane

#### **Day 9: Home Arrival**

Arrive at your home today.

## **INCLUSIONS**

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- **Return international flight**
- 4-star hotel accommodation and breakfast in the category chosen or similar (subject to availability)
- Daily breakfasts and 4 lunches
- All local boat rentals as mentioned in the program
- Water bottles during tours
- Air-conditioned transportation
- All entrance and sightseeing fees as mentioned in the program
- Local English speaking guides in Thailand

## EXCLUSIONS

- Meals and drinks are not mentioned in the program
- Visa fees in Thailand
- Tipping for driver and tour guide (suggestion: 10AUD/pp/day)
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (we strongly recommend you hold a valid travel insurance policy for all domestic and overseas travel)
- Trip delay or interruption by airline schedule change
- Extra cost or missing tour caused by flight delay or cancel
- Any service not clearly mentioned in the program

## DEPARTURE DATES: PRICE IS QUOTED IN AU\$ PER PERSON

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Friday</b> 26 Apr 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 04 May 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 10 May 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 18 May 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 24 May 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 01 Jun 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 14 Jun 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 22 Jun 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 28 Jun 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 06 Jul 2024	AU\$2,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 12 Jul 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 20 Jul 2024	AU\$2,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 26 Jul 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 03 Aug 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 09 Aug 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 17 Aug 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 23 Aug 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 31 Aug 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 06 Sep 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 14 Sep 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 20 Sep 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 28 Sep 2024	AU\$2,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 04 Oct 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 12 Oct 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 18 Oct 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 26 Oct 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Friday</b> 08 Nov 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 16 Nov 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Friday</b> 22 Nov 2024	<b>Saturday</b> 30 Nov 2024	AU\$2,399		<a href="#">Book</a>

## OPTIONAL TOURS



### Dinner on Chao Phraya River Cruise

**AU\$90**



### Kanchanaburi & the River Kwai

**AU\$189**



### Fullday Ayutthaya included lunch

**AU\$154**



### James Bond & Naka Island by Speed Boat (lunch included)

**AU\$160**



### Phi Phi Island & Bamboo Island Tour by Speed Boat

**AU\$228**

## FINE PRINT

### FLIGHT INFORMATION

#### Airfare Information

- Airline: Malaysia Airlines, Thai Airways, Vietnam Airlines, Bamboo Airways (23kg for checked baggage per passenger and 7kg hand luggage per passenger, 01-piece check-in baggage).
- Some flights will require a minimum of 1 transit (maximum 2).
- All tickets will include 23 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage.
- Despite the airlines baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person due to restrictions with internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Also, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters is not included. If travelling over this amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable direct.
- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable. Any changes will be subject to the airline rules and change fees.
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required.
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control.
- Any airline 'extras' such as pre-allocated seating is at your own arrangement (additional charges apply)

#### Interstate Surcharge

Surcharge of **\$400** for departures from Adelaide & Brisbane & and **\$500** for departures from Perth.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## **FINE PRINTS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **COVID-19**

Due to COVID there may be disruptions to standard operating schedules of particular components of this itinerary. Should a component be effected a substitute will be confirmed prior to departure.

### **Physical Requirements**

A reasonable level of fitness is required but it's more about spending time on your feet rather than covering large distances. You'll be getting on and off coaches and boats, walking around the sights and climbing some steps.

### **Important Information**

#### **Tipping**

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Tipping is AU\$10/person per day. Tipping is collected by agent before travelling or the day of your arrival.

#### **Accommodation**

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

#### **Single Supplement**

Single supplement is **AU\$410 per person** in addition to the twin share price.

#### **Paired Solo Traveler**

Not available.

#### **Triple Share**

Upon your request except for cruises

#### **Group Size**

10-30 people

#### **Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is recommended to protect yourself against the unexpected. In addition to the support that a policy may provide, you may be asked to present a copy of your travel insurance documentation while traveling. We have partnered with nibTravel Insurance to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book Comprehensive or Essentials cover for your domestic, international or multi-trip journeys simply with us.

#### **Visa & Passport information**

It is the traveler's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return and must have more than 2 blank pages.

A visa is required for travel to Vietnam. The visa is easiest to complete with Asia Vacation Group and just need to pay \$180 for single entry (30-day-stay-limited)

#### **Children**

Children must be 5 years old or above and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

#### **Tour Documentation**

Final documentation, including e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

#### **Tour Length**

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change depending on the flight schedule, please refer to the day by day itinerary for the time spent on land.

## **HOW TO EXTEND YOUR STAY**

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Some customers like to enhance their holiday by extending their stay before/behind and/or post-tour. **\$200** per person is applied for trip extension or early arrivals.

If you wish to do so, please follow these steps:

1. Follow the "Book Now" prompts, until you reach the "Special Requests" field
2. Here, please specify your preferred flight arrangements and if you require additional accommodation, with the number of nights needed.
3. After finalising your purchase and submitting your booking form, a member of our Reservation team will be in contact with you via email to verify your request.

The additional cost for these land arrangements will be added to your final payment invoice, due 90 days prior to departure, and is strictly subject to availability.

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