

# ANCIENT THAILAND TOUR

## 10-night Escorted Tour

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A comprehensive tour visiting the ancient Thailand Kingdoms of Ayutthaya and Sukhothai, the Bridge over the River Kwai and the fascinating scenery and temples of northern Thailand. Add a Thai beach extension for relaxation.

### Day 1: Depart

Fly from Heathrow to Bangkok, arriving the following day for two nights at the Rembrandt Hotel & Towers, staying on a Room Only basis.

### Day 3: Bangkok

Enjoy a half day tour of the spectacular Grand Palace - the former official residence of the Kings of Thailand and famous temple of the Emerald Buddha.



### Day 4: Bangkok to River Kwai

Embark on a long-tail boat ride to the colourful floating market of Damnoen Saduak, then visit the spectacular Nakorn Pathom temple and Phra Pathom Chedi - the largest pagoda in Thailand, followed by the cultural Rose Garden. Drive to Kanchanaburi on the River Kwai for two nights at the Felix River Kwai Resort in a Superior garden view room (approx. 142 miles). Lunch included.



### Day 5: River Kwai

See the famous Bridge over the River Kwai, with a journey to Wang Po on the 'death railway' included. After lunch visit Hellfire Pass and the Jeath Museum, where a typical allied prisoner of war camp has been reconstructed (approx. 103 miles). Breakfast and lunch included.



### Day 6: River Kwai to Ayutthaya

Visit the Don Rak war cemetery before driving east to Ayutthaya. See stunning temples including the Buddhist monastery of Wat Chaiwatthanaram and Wat Mongkol Bophit. Overnight in Ayutthaya (approx. 196 miles) at the Kantary Hotel. Breakfast and lunch included.

### Day 7: Ayutthaya to Phitsanuloke

Drive north to Lopburi visiting the Sacred Three Spired Pagoda and Monkey Temple. Continue to Uthai Thani which runs along the Sakae Krang River. Cruise on a traditional rice barge before driving to Phitsanuloke (approx. 202 miles). Overnight at the Amarin Lagoon Hotel. Breakfast and lunch included.



### Day 8: Phitsanuloke to Sukhothai

Visit Wat Maha Dhat and see its revered Buddha statue. Continue to ancient Sukhothai (approx. 59 miles) and discover magnificent temples, monasteries and giant Buddha statues. Stay at the Ananda Museum Gallery Hotel. Breakfast and lunch included.

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## Day 9: Sukhothai to Chiang Rai

Journey to Phrae through a large teak forest. Visit Wat Phra That Suthon Mongkhon Khiri, with its reclining Buddha, stunning golden pagoda and Lanna-style paintings. Drive through tropical mountain scenery to Chiang Rai (approx. 264 miles). Overnight at the Dusit Island Resort. Breakfast and lunch included.



## Day 10: Chiang Rai to Chiang Mai

Continue to the ancient town of Chiang Saen on the banks of the Mekong River. visit the Golden Triangle where Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet. Visit the Opium Musuem and take lunch at Mae Sai on the Burmese border. Drive to Chiang Mai (approx. 177 miles) with two nights at the Chiang Mai Plaza Hotel. Breakfast and lunch included.



## Day 11 - Chiang Mai

Morning visit to an elephant camp plus optional hour-long elephant back safari through the forest. Discover exquisite orchids at an orchid farm and visit the butterfly enclosure. After lunch see artisans at work in San Kamphaeng. Optional traditional Thai dinner. Breakfast and lunch included.

## Day 12 - Chiang Mai to London

Drive to Doi Suthep and climb the 300 steps (or use the cable car) to the hilltop temple Wat Phrathat Doi Suthep, for panoramic views of Chiang Mai. Transfer to the airport and fly via Bangkok to Heathrow arriving the next day. Breakfast included.

### Escorted Tour

The Ancient Thailand Tour is accompanied by an English speaking local guide from departure on Day 4 to departure from airport on Day 12.

### Accommodation

Ancient Thailand can be taken as a Standard or Superior tour with the above hotels being the Standard option - ask for details for the Superior itinerary.

### Private Touring

You can also upgrade to a private tour at a supplement from £359 per person (minimum two passengers).

## OFFER DETAILS - ANCIENT THAILAND TOUR

23 October Depart Heathrow for your flight to Bangkok  
10 nights on the Ancient Thailand tour  
Breakfast included days 5-12 and lunch on Days 4-11

03 November Transfer to Chiang Mai airport for your return to the UK

**£1575 per person**

All special offers are subject to availability, which is very limited at these prices. Special offers may be withdrawn at any time, and prices are subject to change without prior notice. Selected offers are subject to special terms & conditions, which may include full payment at the time of booking - ask for details at the time of booking. Last update 06/10/2011.

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