

## - TOUR OVERVIEW -

**Destination:** Thailand

**Travel date:**

Option 1: June 01 – 07, 2024

Option 2: October 11-17, 2024

**Vehicle:** private air-conditioned vehicle and licensed driver

**Guide service:** private English-speaking guide

## - DAY BY DAY ITINERARY -

### Day 1

#### Arrival - Bangkok

**Transfer via:** *Flight , arranged on your own*

**Meals:** Welcome dinner

**Accommodation:** Maitria Hotel Sukhumvit 18, Studio Superior

Fly into Thailand's dynamic capital of Bangkok, also known as "the city of angels". Your personal guide will greet you at the airport and then accompany you on a private transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is on your own to relax.

Enjoy a Welcome dinner tonight!

### Day 2

#### Bangkok

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Accommodation:** Maitria Hotel Sukhumvit 18, Studio Superior

Full day Bangkok City Tour (with Jim Thompson's House) (with lunch) within 8 hrs,usu. 8:30-16:30

Breakfast at hotel and then sightseeing tour to visit: At first visit to Wat Traimit, the Temple of the Golden Buddha, the temple is famous for its 900-years old five-and-a-half-ton solid gold image, and then continue to visit Wat Arun (Dawn Temple),

perhaps better known as the Temple of the Dawn, is one of the best known landmarks and one of the most published images of Bangkok.

After that, visit to Wat Po, the largest and oldest temple in Bangkok, as well as the largest single Buddha image: the Reclining Buddha (Phra Buddhasaiyas). The temple is also known as the birthplace of traditional Thai massage Reclining Buddha. Lunch at local restaurant, after lunch, we continue to visit the most famous tourist places in Bangkok, Royal Grand Palace and Wat Phra Kaew (Emerald Buddha Temple).

After this, you will visit Jim Thompson House before you get back to the hotel and free at leisure.



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### Day 3

## Bangkok

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Accommodation:** Maitria Hotel Sukhumvit 18, Studio Superior

Today, travel out of the city to explore two distinct markets. At the famous Damnoen Saduak, take a relaxing boat ride through the slender canals to experience a traditional Thai floating market, passing countless boats selling tropical fruits and other delights. Be sure to try some Thai street food and capture amazing Instagram photos.

Continue onto the unusual Maeklong Railway Market to witness vendors' incredible speed of packing their stalls when the train approaches. After that, drive back to Bangkok in the late afternoon, with the rest of the day to relax.



## Day 4

### Bangkok - Chiang Mai

**Transfer via:** *Flight (TBA), Economy Class, arranged by us*

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Smile Lanna Hotel Chiang Mai, Smile Deluxe

Depart the bustling Bangkok and fly north to the laid-back city of Chiang Mai. Upon landing, meet your local guide for a private transfer to your hotel.

Check-in and freshen up before venturing into the mountainous area of Doi Suthep to visit a Meo Hilltribe Village. You'll see the Meo people dressed in colorful traditional costumes and learn about their traditional way of life. Next, go for a scenic drive up to Doi Suthep Mountain and climb up the 309-step staircase to this hilltop temple – Wat Phra That Doi Suthep. You will be rewarded with fantastic city views over nearby Chiang Mai, especially at sunset.

## Day 5

### Chiang Mai

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Smile Lanna Hotel Chiang Mai, Smile Deluxe

This morning is reserved for an introductory tour of the city's principal sights. Start from the riverfront Worarot Market with a relaxing stroll to observe the local people's way of life. Then, hop on a traditional "Samlor" or trishaw ride passing the highly intact Thapae Gate, before visiting two remarkable temples – Wat Chedi Luang and Wat Phra Singh.

After that, get back to your hotel for some leisure time. In the late afternoon, head out to visit a traditional Lanna family for a cooking class. The hospitable host will show you around his graceful Thai-style teakwood house, and walk you through the

orchard and herb garden to collect fresh ingredients. You will then learn how to make some authentic Northern Thai dishes under the host's guidance. Wrap up the day with a delicious home-cooked dinner with the family.



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## Day 6

### Chiang Mai

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Smile Lanna Hotel Chiang Mai, Smile Deluxe

Half Day Visit Elephant Jungle Sanctuary (with lunch, Join-in activity)(Approximate 07:00-13.00)feed, bathe, and play with elephants

You will depart from Chiang Mai for a 1-hour drive to an idyllic countryside Karen village. You will spend a full day at Elephant Jungle Sanctuary, which protects elephants from being subjected to bullhooks, abuse, and commercial shows. Take the opportunity to feed, bathe, and play with these remarkable elephants.

After enjoying your lunch at a beautiful nearby platform, you can wash out the mud and tiredness in fresh, clean water. Make your way along the scenic trails to the Karen village and then go back to Chiang Mai.

Remark: Lunch set by the elephant camp

As the tour concludes, return to your hotel and enjoy an afternoon of free time to refresh. This evening, release a self-made Krathong (traditional Thai floating lantern) and sample delectable northern Thai dishes at a riverside restaurant.

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## Day 7

### Chiang Mai - Exit

**Transfer via:** Flight (TBA), arranged on your own

**Meals:** Breakfast

Savor a leisurely morning and transfer to the airport in time for the next leg of your journey, either to one of the country's paradise-like islands like Phuket or back to Bangkok for your homebound flight.

End of service

*\*\* If you need extension trip to any other places in Thailand, please let us know. We will be happy to arrange this for you separately.*

## - ACCOMMODATIONS or similar 4\*-

City	Hotel Name and Website	Room Type	No. of nights
Bangkok	<a href="#">Maitria Hotel Sukhumvit 18</a>	Studio Superior	3
Chiang Mai	<a href="#">Smile Lanna Hotel Chiang Mai</a>	Smile Deluxe	3

### TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

1. **Entrance fee** Entrance fees of the scenic spots as listed in the itinerary.

2. **Meals:** Meals as specified in the itinerary.

3. **Accommodation:** Hotels as listed in the itinerary

\* Check-in & Check-out time: generally check in is after 2 pm and check out before 12 pm (noon). Early check and late check-out are subject to room availability and may generate additional full day room rate.

4. **Transportation:** Transportation as listed in the itinerary

**Economy flight: Bangkok - Chiang Mai**

5. **Sightseeing:** As outlined in the Itinerary will be escorted with English-speaking guide; Service of local guide and van is for a maximum of 8 hours during the full day individual tour packages.

6. **Private Transfers** between airports, hotels and scenic spots while sightseeing in each city or area by private air-conditioned vehicle with driver and English-speaking guide as listed in the itinerary.

## TOUR PRICE EXCLUDES

1. **Airport VIP assistance**
2. **Flights/ Accommodation /Sightseeing /Meals not** as listed in the itinerary.
3. **Visa Fees:** Please make sure that you have got your valid passport and visa before your entry to China.
4. **Personal expenses** such as room service, internet charge, laundry, drink, fax, telephone call, optional activities, etc.
5. **Gratuities**, tips to guides, drivers, bellboys, etc.
6. **Excess Baggage Charges.**
7. **Insurance.** Please kindly note that the full coverage travel insurance from your country of origin should be purchased in advance on your own.
8. **Any optional and extension tours**