

### 4 DAYS TREASURES OF THAILAND

Duration: 4days/3nights



# **ITINERARY DAY BY DAY**

## DAY 1 | CHIANG MAI - LAMPHUN - LAMPANG - SUKHOTHAI (380 kms -4.5hrs)

Pick-up from your hotel in Chiang Mai City hotel at 08:00 hrs. Depart for Lamphun to visit Wat Phra That Hariphunchai, a golden temple complex whose origins have been traced to the Mon Kingdom in the eighth century, before arriving at the picturesque town of Lampang to visit the historic temple of Wat Phra That Lampang Luang. After lunch, relax with a scenic drive to Sukhothai Historical Park, arriving in the late afternoon. Explore the park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site covering the ruins of ancient Sukhothai, which was the first capital of the kingdom of the same name.

Overnight in hotel in Sukhothai. Lunch included.

(start 08:00, finish approx. 17:00)





#### DAY 2 | SUKHOTHAI - UTHAI THANI - AYUTTHAYA (430 kms - 5hrs)

A spiritual start to the day as you join locals in offering food to Buddhist monks during their morning alms round. Drive south and break for lunch in Chai Nat. Today's route from Sukhothai via Uthai Thani to Ayutthaya mirrors the southward expansion of Siam, following the kingdom's historical development. On arrival to Ayutthaya, a former capital of Siam, head to Ayutthaya Historical Park to visit the temple of Wat Phra Si Sanphet and the adjacent Viharn Phra Mongkol Bophit to contemplate the golden Buddha. Continue to the eerily enchanting ruins of Wat Phra Mahathat, with its famous statue of Buddha devoured by tree roots. Such a heavenly heritage ensemble has earned this historical park the status of UNESCO World Heritage Site. Overnight in hotel in Ayutthaya. Breakfast and lunch included.

(start 07:00, finish approx. 18:00)



# DAY 3 | AYUTTHAYA - KANCHANABURI (190 kms - 2hrs)

Drive through pastoral landscapes virtually untouched by the passage of time before arriving at Kanchanaburi, a guiet town at the confluence of the rivers Kwai Noi and Kwai Yai. It is renowned for the beauty of its natural surroundings and abundant wildlife but it also holds an unwanted place in history as the location of the notorious World War II 'Death Railway Bridge', immortalised in the Hollywood classic, The Bridge on the River Kwai. Visit the war cemetery, the final resting place of thousands of soldiers, and the Thailand-Burma Railway Centre to learn about the appalling conditions in which Allied POWs and Thai slave labourers worked to build a military supply railway. After lunch, enjoy an afternoon of free time with a number of activity options available.

Overnight in hotel in Kanchanaburi. Breakfast and lunch included.

(start 08:00, finish approx. 15:00)



#### DAY 4 | KANCHANABURI - BANGKOK (150 kms - 3hrs)

Depart Kanchanaburi after breakfast at the hotel with a scenic drive to Nakhon Pathom to visit the temple with the magnificent 127-metre-high Phra Pathommachedi stupa, the tallest of its kind in the world. Continue to Damnoen Saduak, which is famed for its vibrant and colourful floating markets. Breathe in the fragrances of the orient as dozens of boats glide along, selling fresh fruit and vegetables as well as tasty local delicacies. The buzz of the noise and the bustle of activity are quintessential Thai experiences. Continue to Bangkok for drop off at your Bangkok City hotel. Breakfast and lunch included.

(start 07:00, finish approx. 16:00)

\*\*END OF SERVICES \*\*



### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

#### **Superior Class**

Day	Destination	Activity	Board	Accommodation	Room Type
1	Chiang Mai - Sukhothai	Roundtrip with visits	L	Sukhothai Treasure	SUP
2	Sukhothai - Ayutthaya	Roundtrip with visits	B - L	Krungsri River	Luxury
3	Ayutthaya - Kanchanaburi	Roundtrip with visits	B - L	Pung Waan Resort	SUP
4	Kanchanaburi - Bangkok	Roundtrip with visits	B - L	None	-

**Seat-in coach** –<u>Tuesday & Saturday</u>, operated with English/Italian/French/German/Spanish speaking guide