



Thai Unika — Unique experiences

ITINERARY

9 Days Discovering Bangkok Area And Phuket Beach

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ITINERARY DETAIL

Day 1 — Day 1: Bangkok Arrival

Warmly welcome you on arrival at Bangkok Suvarnabhumi International Airport. We will pick you up with a comfortable vehicle to the center of Bangkok to check-in your hotel, then take your time to have a rest after a long flight and lunchtime.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Bangkok

Meal: Not available

Day 2 — Day 2: Bangkok City Tour - Night street food tour (B, D)

Today, we will take the whole day to explore Bangkok – the city of golden temples.

The first destination is the **Grand Palace**. *This huge architecture complex is over 2 sq. kilometers, including 3 main sites: Royal Palace, Royal Office and pagodas (Wat) built in 1770s. Nowadays, the Grand Palace is no longer home of Thailand Royal, most of national significant events takes place there.*

Wat Phra Kaew *is the most out-standing architecture in complex, built in 1785 when King Rama I moved the capital to Bangkok. Wat Pra Kwae is famous not only for its beauty of unique Thailand Buddhism architecture but also for the sacred jade Buddha statue. Thai people believe that the statue will bring back fortune and prosperity for the nation.*

Nearby Grand Palace is **Wat Pho** – *the oldest and biggest pagoda in Bangkok with more than 1000 Buddha statues and the huge one sit-back Buddha in gold. This pagoda is also famous for being a birthplace of traditional Thai massage, since there is a traditional medicine school established in 1982, educating the arts of Thai massage.*

After having lunch, by your own account, we visit the last destination of the day: **Wat Traimit**. *This pagoda is famous for its unique and historic beauty, and also for the huge golden Buddha statue. Thai people believe that the statue represents for prosperity and purity, as well as strength and power. The Golden Statue was defined to be built in Sukhothai period, the 13-15th century – one of the most famous periods of Thai Buddhism architecture.*

We will **board on a boat** to pay a visit along the **Chao Phraya River**, watching the life of local people close by.

On route, we stop at **Wat Arun**, *known as the most beautiful pagoda in Bangkok not only for its location on the Chao Phraya's riverbank but also for the different architecture from other pagodas. "Arun" means sunrise, but it is most beautiful in the sunset. The pagoda was decorated with glass pieces and Chinese ceramic, in a complicated style. You can climb up to the top of Wat Arun to see Chao Phraya, Grand Palace and Wat Pho at the opposite side.*

Your evening Tuk Tuk food journey begins at Sam Yan MRT subway station where we meet. A short ride brings you to the first stop, a Northeastern Thai restaurant.

Then you will take a digestion break by visiting the flower market where you might have small snacks, and the temple. Our last stop is Bangkok's best Pad Thai. The tour finishes by or close to the Cinderella's time with the Tuk Tuk dropping you off at your hotel.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Bangkok

Meal: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 3 — Day 3: Bangkok - Damnoen Saduak Floating Market - Kanchanaburi (B)

Early in the morning, after having breakfast, we pay a visit to **Meaklong Railway Market** - *a local market has grown up along the rail tracks. When a train pulls in or out of the station, the sellers quickly clear their stalls, and set them up again when the train has passed.*

We continue our way to **Damnoen Saduak Floating market**, *which is specialized in trading fruits, vegetables, etc... by small boat. In the old days, floating markets were formed because roads and means of road traffic have not developed. Due to the demand for buying and selling goods, people gather in the river by means such as boats.*

Nowadays, despite the fact that the road network has developed everywhere, floating market still exists and develops more and more.

Proceed to Kanchanaburi for overnight.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Kanchanaburi

Meal: Breakfast

Day 4 — Day 4: Kanchanaburi - Erawan Waterfalls - Ayutthaya (B)

Morning breakfast and depart for **Erawan Waterfall** - a beautiful seven-tiered waterfall. Located in Erawan National Park, walking up to see each of the picturesque falls, it is best to bring good walking shoes. Also, guests should remember to bring their swimming suit if they wish to swim in the fall's natural pools.

In the afternoon, we continue the road to **Ayutthaya**. The ancient city of Ayutthaya is known as the 'Venice of the East' because it is found along the Chao Phraya, the tributaries that surround the province of Ayutthaya River. Many monuments and remains of the period can be visited in this city founded in 1350 by King Uthong when the Thai had to migrate to the South under pressure from their neighbors to the North.

Overnight in Ayutthaya.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Ayutthaya

Meal: Breakfast

Day 5 — Day 5: Ayutthaya Historical Park - back to Bangkok by cruise (B, L)

Having a breakfast then we will transfer to pay a visit in some sites of **Ayutthaya Historical Park**, situated in the old city of Ayutthaya. The city was constructed by Ramathibodi I in 1350 and was the capital of Thailand until it was destroyed by Burmese – Myanmar army in 1767. Being a ruin with many temples which characterize this handicraft type of architecture built with red bricks, the park was recognized as World's Heritage Site by UNESCO.

- **Wat Phu Khao Thong** is a massive pagoda towering in the middle of paddy fields and can be seen from afar. Built by King Ramesuan in 1395, the pagoda is unique with the combination of 2 architectural styles: Thai – style and Mon – style. There is a high golden plated chedi on the top, which makes the pagoda outstanding.

- **Wat Phra Sri Sanphet** was the most important temple of Ayutthaya and situated within the Ayutthaya Grand Palace grounds. It served as a model for the Temple of the Emerald Buddha in Bangkok. The highlight of Wat Phra Sri Sanphet is 3 towers standing high together in Ceylonese style, has the same architecture with Wat Phra Kaew in Bangkok.

- **Vihara Phra Mongkhon Bophit** is the pagoda in which the bronze Buddha statue in the attitude of subduing Mara is situated. This is one of the biggest Buddha statue in Thailand. It was considered to be built during the Ayuttaya period of King Srongta, who transferred the location from the east side to the west and has been the location since then. After that he ordered to build a dome on top.

- **Wat Lokaya Sutha** is considered as the sacred place for pilgrims since it's famous for the reclining Buddha statue, which is the statue of the Blessed Buddha intact compared to other monuments in the entire Ayutthaya ruins.

It is also the most important relics in most of those in Wat Lokaya Sutha. Thai people believe that if they paste the golden leaf onto Buddha statues, they will be protected by Buddha.

13:15 Hrs.

Welcome aboard the Grand Pearl Cruise Liner at Wat Chong-lom Pier (Nonthaburi). Sumptuous buffet lunch with a choice of a variety of oriental and western cuisines will be served, while you may relax and enjoy the fascinating scenery on the River of Kings. The cruiser will then head towards Nontaburi, past Koh Kred, The monn community before reaching Bangkok city.

15:00 Hrs.

Coffee will be served while you enjoy the enchanting sights along the River banks such as the colorful Royal Barges House, Thammasart University, Siriraj hospital, The Royal Grand Palace and the graceful Temple Of Dawn, with its magnificent 79 M. spire, next is Wat Kallayanamitr, one of the most renowned

temples.

16:00 Hrs.

Arrival and disembark at the River City Shopping Complex Pier. Transfer back to hotel by air-conditioned van.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Bangkok

Meal: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 6 — Day 6: Bangkok - Flight to Phuket (B)

The time is on your own until we transfer to the airport for a flight to Phuket.

Upon arrival, proceed to hotel for check-in and free to relax.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Phuket

Meal: Breakfast

Day 7 — Day 7: Phuket Beach Free & Easy (B) No guide, no driver

The time is on your own to relax on the beach.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Phuket

Meal: Breakfast

Day 8 — Day 8: Phuket Beach Free & Easy (B) No guide, no driver

The time is on your own to relax on the beach.

Accommodation: At the hotel in Phuket

Meal: Breakfast

Day 9 — Day 9: Phuket - Flight to Bangkok - Departure (B) No guide in Bangkok

Having breakfast at the hotel and then the time is on your own until we pick you up and transfer to the airport, taking an international flight to your hometown via Bangkok.

Accommodation: Not available

Meal: Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

DESTINATION	HOTEL	ROOM
Bangkok	W22 BY BURASARI 3*	Superior
Kanchanaburi	Royal River Kwai Resort	Deluxe
Ayutthaya	Classic Kameo Hotel	Deluxe
Phuket	Kata Palm Resort	Superior Royal Blue Wing
Bangkok	ARTE HOTEL	Deluxe
Kanchanaburi	U Inchantree Kanchanaburi	Superior Garden View
Ayutthaya	Kantary Hotel Ayutthaya 4*	Studio suite
Phuket	Burasari Phuket 4*	Premier
Bangkok	Eastin Grand Sathorn Bangkok	Superior
Kanchanaburi	U Inchantree Kanchanaburi	Deluxe Garden
Ayutthaya	Kantary Hotel Ayutthaya 4*	One Bedroom suite
Phuket	The Nature Phuket	Deluxe

Trip notes

INCLUDED	EXCLUDED
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accommodation in twin/double room with daily breakfast at the below indicated room types (see hotel category list below) (check-in and check-out around noontime)• Services of a driver and private air-conditioned vehicle during all tours and transfers• Experienced English-speaking guide during all tours and transfers• Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary• Meals (B/L/D) (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner) as indicated in the program• 02 bottles of mineral water per person per day on bus - on days of transfer and sightseeing only	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Early check-in or late check-out• International & Domestic flight tickets• Meals (other than mentioned in the program)• Additional transfer required due to any emergency situation• Visa - as per country requirements• Tips• All entrance fees - as per program• Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance)• Airport transfer surcharge for guide between 10:00 pm to 6:30 am is 15 USD/way.