

23 August - 09 September 2019

THAILAND Experience & *The Golden Triangle*

Visiting: Bangkok, Damnoen Saduk, Ayutthaya, Doi Inthanon, Doi Suthep, Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Golden Triangle, Laos, River Kwai, Kanchanaburi, Lawa Cave, Pattaya Beach, Coral Island, Truth Wang Boran, Sriracha Tiger Zoo....

Fri 23rd Aug. Meet at 13:30 with the tour leader at the Malta International Airport. Check in for our flight EK108 departing at 15:30 to Bangkok via Dubai. Lunch and dinner on board.

Sat 24th Aug. Arrive at **Bangkok** with flight EK376 at 12:30 (local time). Transfer to hotel, located in the city centre. Assignment of rooms at the Hotel Arnoma 4 star. After a familiarization walk we'll have some free time to rest. In the evening you can join the tour leader for an optional dinner and a spectacular dancing show at the Siam Niramit.

Sun 25th Aug. After the buffet breakfast, we offer you a full day excursion - **The Grand Palace, City and Temple Tour**. Our tour starts by the Grand Palace Complex, which includes the **Temple of The Emerald Buddha** (Wat Phra Kaew), which is unquestionably one of the wonders of the world. Within its enormous grounds is the most exotic Buddhist temple and at the heart of the temple itself is a fabulous Buddha image, carved from one piece of jade, which is the holiest and most revered of religious objects in Thailand today. During the city tour we'll explore many highlights from this amazing city. We'll visit the capital's most stunning temples: **Wat Traimit** - which houses the largest solid gold Buddha (5.5 tones of precious metal!); **Wat Pho** - the oldest temple in Bangkok and houses the Reclining Buddha, a 45-metre-long statue.

Mon 26th Aug Another exciting full day excursion to the Floating Market in **Damnoen Saduk** and the **Woodland Muangmai**. Our coach will take us to the most colorful **Floating Market** in the kingdom. It is situated 100kms west of Bangkok and on the way you can enjoy some of the most exotic and beautiful, Thai scenery. Afterwards we depart to **Woodland Muangmai**. Thailand is very well known for its fine quality woodwork, which has remained one of its biggest fields of craftsmanship to date. In Woodland Muangmai we can see some of the very finest pieces of woodworking and craftsmanship in Thailand today. We will be able to access up to ten differently-themed rooms, each one showing a unique form or theme of wooden creations. We will have enough time to marvel at these splendid works before we head off to the Thai Village within the location itself to enjoy a traditional meal (included) to keep up with the atmosphere of your trip.

Tue 27th Aug After breakfast, depart to **Ayutthaya** the former capital of Thailand. Our first visit is the **Bang Pa-In Royal Summer Palace** - a palace complex formerly used by Thai kings. From there we'll proceed to see the magnificent architecture of **Wat Phra Sri Sanphet**, where we'll see the three pagodas and stop to visit the **Wat Yai Chai Mongkhon** with its' reclining Buddha and its' vihara (monastery). In the afternoon we'll cruise back to Bangkok along the **Chao Phraya River** and witness the rural lifestyle of the local people. Aboard you'll be served a buffet lunch (included).

Wed 28thAug After breakfast, transfer to airport for a direct flight to **Chiang Rai**. The province is rich in tourism resources in terms of natural attractions and antiquities, evidence of its past civilisation. It is also home to various hilltribes who follow fascinating ways of life. On our way to the hotel we'll stop to visit the world's famous **Wat Long Khun** also known as The White Temple. This temple is flamboyantly adorned and, has a striking façade of pure white. Dinner at the Hotel



Thu 29thAug Today's excursion will take us to the famous **Golden Triangle** found in Chiang Rai - the point where the three countries of Laos, Burma and Thailand meet on the mighty river **Mae Kong**. The **Hill Tribes village** marks the start of our excursion. Here you will experience Thailand's famous Long Neck Women. Next is the fun boat ride to **Don Sao in Laos**. Dinner at the hotel.

Fri 30thAug Another interesting day. We depart Chiang Rai to **Wiang Pa Pao** located in **Mae Kachan Natural Hot Springs**. From there we'll proceed to **Chiang Mai** to explore the city's most interesting sites. Check in at the 4 star Hotel Suriwongse located in the city centre. In the evening you can join the tour leader (*optional*) for a unique and thrilling **Night Safari** experience. This is considered as the most beautiful Night Safari in the world. Twice the size of the Singapore Night Safari as it stands on over 300 acres, just 10km from the centre of Chiang Mai.

Sat 31st Aug. A great day in Chiang Mai is awaiting us! Today we'll visit the **Doi Inthanon National Park** - a true jewel of natural beauty, consisting of rugged mountainous terrain blanketed by lush tropical forests and dotted with mighty rivers and majestic waterfalls. We'll also visit the **Royal project gardens**.

Sun 1st Sep. A must see, on any visit to Chiang Mai, is the wonderful and holy temple of **Wat Phra That Doi Suthep**, often referred to as Doi Suthep which is the name of the mountain where it's located. **Wat Phra That Doi Suthep** is one of the north's most sacred temples, established in 1383. We'll also visit the **Hmong Village** found near the summit of Doi Pui., in which, about 1,000 Hmong Hill Tribe people live. In the evening we can go to the popular 'Sunday night Market' at the Walking Street

Mon 2nd Sep. Early morning flight back to Bangkok. By our private coach we proceed for a unique experience to **Kanchanaburi** - a town in the west of Thailand. Our first stop is the famous **Bridge** on the **river Kwai**. From there we'll proceed to the jungle resort hotel Pung-Waan in the area of Kanchanaburi - a delightful resort for a memorable river Kwai experience. Late afternoon we'll travel by long tail boats to visit the **Kaeng Lawa Cave**. Dinner at the hotel.

Tue 3rd Sep. After breakfast we have the opportunity to visit a local **elephant camp** for a memorable **ride** through the jungle. Take a slow, gliding trip along the river itself on board a **bamboo raft** to fully appreciate the beauty of the river Kwai. After lunch we'll take a train trip along the **Death Railway** scenic sightseeing of countryside with its exciting passing by wooden viaduct built by the P.O.W.S, situated on a sheer cliff side over-looking the River Kwai. Dinner at the Hotel

Wed 4th Sep. Today we depart to Pattaya Beach - the world's renowned seaside tourist resort on the eastern shore of Thailand. On our way we make a visit to the **Phra Pathom Chedi** the second tallest stupa in the world. Then we proceed to Pattaya and arrive late in the afternoon. Check in at the A-One Hotel. The hotel faces the fascinating sea view of Pattaya's beach front promenade . Dinner at the hotel

Thu 5th Sep. After breakfast we visit the **Suan Nong Nooch Village** in Chonburi covering an area of some 500 acres. Suan Nong Nooch is a Thai-village-style recreation cum vacation park. The entire area is beautifully landscaped, with orchid nursery and other botanical gardens. There are also cultural and traditional performances inclusive of an amazing elephant show. Dinner at the hotel

Fri 6th Sep. Today we offer you a half day excursion to **Coral Island** aboard speed boats. The island is surrounded by colorful coral reefs, hence the name Coral Island. The island has two long stretches of white, sandy beach on one side, and a few quiet bays on the other. Afterwards, you'll have a free afternoon for personal sightseeing and shopping. In the evening we offer you an optional cabaret show, **Tiffany's'** -Thailand's most spectacular *Parisian-like* show.

Sat 7th Sep. Another day *Not To be Missed'*! After breakfast a short trip takes us to **Wang Boran 'Sanctuary of Truth'** is a religious construction in Pattaya, The sanctuary is an all-wood building filled with sculptures based on traditional Buddhist and Hindu motifs. The top of the building is 105 meters high, It features contemporary visionary art based on traditional religious themes. The project was initiated as an idea of Thai businessman Lek Viriyaphant in 1981, and is scheduled to be complete in 2050. Then we proceed to the famous **Sriracha Tiger Zoo**. Tickets (included) are inclusive of various shows such as tiger, crocodile Elephant shows , pigs races...
Back to the hotel late afternoon. Dinner at the hotel

Sun 8th Sep. Today is a leisure day for personal sightseeing and last minute shopping opportunities. We can keep the rooms till 20:00. Dinner at the hotel and afterwards transfer to Bangkok airport.

Mon 9th Sep
Fly back to Malta aboard flight EK 0371, leaving at 02:25 via Dubai. Arrive Malta aboard flight EK 107 at 14:10.

Price per person includes:

Half board, All Excursions, Entrance fees & Airport/City Tax

	Normal Price	Discounted Price
Triple room	€ 2,630	€ 2,530
Double room	€ 2,650	€ 2,550
Single room	€ 3,180	€ 3,080
Child sharing	€ 2,200	€ 2,100

Price Includes:

- Flights with Emirates Airlines
- Malta / Bangkok / Malta via Dubai
- Domestic flight Bangkok / Chiang Rai / Bangkok
- All Transfers and excursions as per program
- All entrance fees
- Good Quality Hotels as per itinerary
- Daily Buffet Breakfast
- All Meals as per program
- Local guides during all excursions
- Experienced Tour Leader



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