



Thailand Explorer

Explore the natural wonders, historic
treasures and cultural heritage in
**Bangkok, Chiang Mai
& Samui**

12 Days / 10 Nights

**Well tested and ready-to-go for
any group size**

[Choose your own dates]

Tour Program Summary

SOUTHEAST ASIA is a fascinating region to travel and to explore. Each country and each city have their own unique character and attractions.

THAILAND is a beautiful country that the whole world loves. It comprises of plains, mountains, plateaus, islands and endless beaches, thus offering visitors numerous opportunities to explore nature and culture. Bangkok is the soul of the nation and the friendliest city in Asia. Thailand is considered to be one of the most romantic tropical destinations on earth and is the perfect destination for a honeymoon, whether you are looking for affordable luxury, splendid nightlife, intriguing culture, mesmerizing beaches, pristine countryside, an abundance of wildlife, vibrant city life, delicious cuisine, or some of the friendliest people you will ever meet, there is certainly something for everyone in the Kingdom of Thailand.

Your flight brings you to **Bangkok**, with tours to the national monuments and urban market. This enchanting city is filled with historic temples and traditional and modern style buildings. It is very easy to immerse yourself in this friendly cosmopolitan capital city. Enjoy curator lead tours of ancient and contemporary art museums and see private collections while residing deluxe accommodations and sampling delicious Thai cuisine.

Your next destination is **Chiang Mai**, a city in mountainous northern Thailand. Founded in 1296, it was capital of the independent Lanna Kingdom until 1558. Its Old City area still retains vestiges of walls and moats from its history as a cultural and religious center. It's also home to hundreds of elaborate Buddhist temples, including 14th-century Wat Phra Singh and 15th-century Wat Chedi Luang, adorned with carved serpents.

Ko Samui is tropical paradise in the Gulf of Thailand sea with prime beaches and water sports opportunities. Enjoy the tropical weather, white sand beaches and turquoise waters. Your spectacular pool villa at the Kanda Residences is the perfect locale to enjoy this paradise.

Fly back to Bangkok for your return flight home.

Tour Itinerary Key:

- Things that are on your own
- [Hotel accommodations](#)
- Time & transportation methods
- = flights that are not included in the land price
- = flight, ⇄ = private car, ⚓ = cruise, (included in the land price)
- Meals <B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner>
- [Sessions/ rides](#)

Tour Daily Itinerary

- Day 01 → Depart Fly from North America on your cross-Pacific flight to Bangkok. (AAT can assist upon request)
- Day 02 → Bangkok Arrive in Bangkok, Thailand today; met by your private English-speaking guide and professional driver at the airport arrival hall and transfer to the centrally located [Eastin Grand Hotel Sathorn \(Superior Room\)](#) by private vehicle for check-in; this evening is free at your leisure; dinner is on your own (hotel concierge can assist).
- Day 03 Bangkok Breakfast in the hotel; met by your guide and the driver at the hotel lobby and enjoy a full day Bangkok sightseeing tour by private vehicle. First visit the [Floating Market of Damnoen Saduak](#), an ideal place for tourists to see the old style and traditional way of selling and buying fruits, vegetables and other goods from small boats. Next go to the [Maeklong Railway Market](#) or [Talad Rom Hoop](#) closing umbrella market. Have lunch at a local restaurant. Afterwards, see the [Grand Palace](#) and accompanying palaces and temples. You will also see two of the most popular Buddhist temples in the country: [Wat Trimitr](#) (Golden Buddha) and [Wat Po](#). Return to the hotel this evening where dinner is at your leisure. <B-L>
- Day 04 Bangkok
→ Ayutthaya Breakfast in the hotel; met by your guide & driver in the hotel lobby and enjoy a full day tour of Ayutthaya. Visit the old capital by taking a boat ride up the Chao Phraya River. First visit [Bang-Pa-In](#), the former Royal Summer Residence. Visit ancient temples and see ruins of the 14th and 16th centuries to learn about the history of Ayutthaya. Take your time exploring. Have lunch and take the boat back to Bangkok where dinner and the evening are at your leisure. <B-L>
- Day 05 Bangkok
→ Chiang Mai Breakfast in the hotel; met by your guide and the driver at the hotel lobby and transfer to the airport for a flight PG223 (9:40AM – 11:00AM) to Chiang Mai. Upon arrival, met by your guide and driver, transfer to [The Rim Resort Chiang Mai \(Supreme Deluxe Room\)](#) for check-in. In the afternoon, take a half day tour of Chiang Mai. Start by visiting [Wat Doi Suthep](#). Enjoy the gorgeous views over the city at the hilltop temple. Afterwards proceed to the nearby [Hmong Village](#) and see the unique [Doi Pui](#) market. Have dinner at a local restaurant. Return to your hotel where the evening is free at your leisure. <B-D>
- Day 06 Chiang Mai
→ Elephant Farm Breakfast in the hotel; met by your guide and driver, transfer to [Patara Elephant Farm](#), for a hands-on experience of participating, sharing responsibilities and taking care of an elephant. Patara is the most humane and ecologically sensitive of Thailand's elephant farms. Learn and interact with elephants during which time you are trained to approach your elephant correctly, know the elephant's temperament, bathe and brush it in the river, learn how to ride on its neck, and communicate through different spoken commands. In the





afternoon you will get a chance to bare-back ride to visit forests, waterfalls or local temples. Have a **picnic lunch** by a waterfall. Ride your elephant back for feeding time. Return to Chiang Mai to visit two unique temples, Wat Chedi Luang and Wat Pra Sing. Visit the Warorot Market, the largest in the city. **Return to your hotel where the evening is free at your leisure.** <B-L>

Day 07 **Chiang Mai** **Breakfast at the hotel; Enjoy a free day at your leisure.**

Day 08 **Chiang Mai**
 → **Samui** **Breakfast at the hotel;** met by your guide and driver, transfer to the airport for your **flight PG242 (12:50PM – 2:35PM)** to Samui. Upon arrival, met by your guide and driver, transfer to the Chaweng Regent Beach Resort (Deluxe Room). **Enjoy meals and the rest of the day at your leisure.**

Day 09 **Samui** **Breakfast at the hotel; Enjoy a free day at your leisure**

Day 10 **Samui** **Breakfast at the hotel; Enjoy a free day at your leisure**

Day 11 **Samui**
 → **Bangkok** **Breakfast at the hotel;** met by your guide and driver, transfer to the airport for your **flight PG172 (7:40PM – 8:55PM)** to Bangkok. Upon arrival, **self-transfer via complimentary hotel shuttle** to the Amaranth Suvannabhumi Airport Hotel (Deluxe Room). **The rest of the evening is at your leisure.**

Day 12 **Bangkok**
 → **Return** **Breakfast at the hotel; self-transfer** to the airport for your return flight home.

Changes to Itinerary: Access Asia Tours has made all possible attempts to ensure the accuracy of tour itineraries. Circumstances beyond our control may occur. We reserve the right to change itineraries, sightseeing activities, and common carriers, and to substitute hotels when necessary. Service of a similar category and standard will be maintained if such changes are made. The Service Voucher in your last pre-departure packet will provide the operational itinerary summary, final transport and hotel information.

Designated Hotels Selected for Your Tour

Please Note: The photos below are representative of the room categories. Actual rooms may vary from what is shown.



Eastin Grand Hotel Sathorn (Bangkok)

A minute's walk from a metro station in the city center, this upscale hotel is 1.9 km from the entertainment district of Patpong and 7 km from the landmark Wat Pho temple. Dining options include a polished European restaurant, a laid-back tapas bar and a Cantonese eatery, plus an a la carte restaurant with a grill. There's also an outdoor pool and a fitness center.



The Rim Resort (Chiang Mai)

This polished hotel in a wood house across the road from a canal is a 5-minute walk from Wat Phra Singh, a 14th-century Buddhist temple, and 4 km from Chiang Mai International Airport. Complimentary amenities include an airport shuttle. There's also a casual restaurant and a bar, along with an outdoor pool and a gym.



Chaweng Regent Beach Resort (Samui)

Set 2 km from the town of Chaweng, this upscale beachfront resort is 7 km from Samui Airport and 12 km from buzzy Lamai Beach. There's a beachfront eatery and a hip restaurant with a wine room, as well as 2 outdoor pools with bars. There are also fitness facilities, along with a salon, a spa and free yoga classes.



Amaranth Suvarnabhumi Airport Hotel (Bangkok)

This contemporary airport hotel is 11 km from Muang Kaew Golf Course and 13 km from Suvarnabhumi Airport. Other amenities consist of a buffet restaurant, a cocktail lounge and a poolside bar. There's also a spa, an outdoor pool, an exercise room and a business center.

Tour Land Prices Inclusions & Exclusion

Tour Land Price: **\$ 2,190 USD per person**, double occupancy based on **2-4 travelers**

\$ 1,950 USD per person, double occupancy based on **5-7 travelers**

\$ 1,900 USD per person, double occupancy based on **8-9 travelers**

Single Supplement: **\$ 512 USD per person**, for single occupancy throughout the tour

What's Included in Tour Land Prices:

- Designated deluxe class hotel accommodations, double occupancy with daily breakfast
- Arrival and departure transfer by private vehicle
- Pre-departure information packets
- All tour related in-country domestic taxes
- All sightseeing, activities, and cultural events listed in the itinerary
- All meals specified in the itinerary
- Service of a private professional English-speaking local tour guide/ assistant when applicable
- Private, clean, and newer vehicles with air-conditioning and a professional driver when applicable

What's Not Included in Tour Land Prices:

- Early check-ins and late check-outs (*subject to availability/ extra cost*)
- Cross-Pacific international air tickets (*AAT can assist upon request*)
- Domestic Air Tickets on economy class (Bangkok – Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai – Samui, Samui – Bangkok)
- Optional hotels
- Any beverages including alcohol throughout the tour
- Visa processing fees if any
- Trip cancellation, baggage, accident, and medical insurance
- Gratuities to guides and drivers
- Items not listed and/or specified as included in the itinerary

Deposit and Cancellation Policy: **20% of Total Tour Price as deposit to be paid at the time of signing up.** Tour Balance is due **90 days prior to tour date**. All cancellation notices must be received in writing and will become effective as of the date of receipt by Access Asia Tours. We assess cancellation fees of all tours according to the following schedule:

90 days or more prior to departure -----	10% of Total Tour Price
89 to 60 days prior to departure -----	30% of Total Tour Price
59 to 30 days prior to departure -----	50% of Total Tour Price
29 to 15 days prior to departure -----	70% of Total Tour Price

* Plus any charges assessed by government agencies, land suppliers, cruise companies and airlines.

Within 14 days of departure100% forfeiture of the tour price per person

Access Asia Tours will not grant partial refunds for any unused trip arrangements after the trip has commenced or any refunds to participants who do not complete any portion of the itinerary. Any airline tickets issued are subject to the carrier's refund and cancellation policy. **We strongly recommend you purchase trip cancellation/interruption insurance to protect your travel investment.** If a tour is forced to be cancelled due to government's travel warnings, declared or undeclared wars, hostilities, civil disturbances, strike, riot, epidemic, and quarantines, *Access Asia Tours* will refund all participants' payment less any irretrievable expenses and loss (visa fees, airline penalties, communication cost, and non-refundable booking cost, etc.). However, *Access Asia Tours* will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by tour participants (e.g., non-refundable "advance purchase" air tickets, insurance & medical expenses, passport and visa expenses, etc.)

