

Siam Retrace

10 Days 9 Nights

Bangkok - Kanchanaburi - Ayutthaya - Sukhothai - Lampang - Chiang Rai - Chiang Mai - Bangkok

Day 1: Arrival Bangkok.

Arrival at Suwanabhum airport, Bangkok, you will be met with our friendly guide and then transfer to hotel for check in and free at leisure.

Overnight in Bangkok at Arnoma 4* Superior room (www.arnoma.com)

Day 2: Full Day Tours Canal-Royal Grand Palaces-National Museum. (B)

Breakfast at hotel, and then sightseeing tours to touching the life style of Thai people along the canal where to reach to the Chao Phraya River is. Take a long tail boat on the picturesque Chao Phraya River to see the serene family homes and temples along the water ways which gives this city the name “Venice of the East”. As well on the way stop to visit “Royal Barge Museum” and the temple of dawn “Wat Arun” whose 79 m spire silhouette has become so identified with Bangkok. Visit to the “Royal Grand Palace”, one of the most beautiful samples of an Ancient Siamese Court or known as Grand Palace. It used to be the residence of the Kings of Chakri Dynasty. There you see the beautiful mansions which were used for the different occasion; the Funeral Palace, the Coronation Hall, the Reception building, the Royal Guest House and the beautiful Temple namely “Emerald Buddha Temple” where the Jade Buddha is enshrined so far. And then visit to “Bangkok National Museum”, the main branch museum of the National Museums in Thailand. It features exhibits of Thai art and history.

Overnight in Bangkok at Arnoma 4* Superior room (www.arnoma.com)

Day 3: Bangkok – Kanchanaburi. (B, D)

Breakfast at hotel, and then we drive to Kanchanaburi. Visit War Museum; an open air museum constructed in the form of actual prisoners of war (POW) camp, there are collection of photographs, picture, articles, pistols, knives and other items from the construction of the “Death Railway”. Visit to War Cemetery; the cemetery of the remains of over 6,000 prisoners of war, who lost their lives during the construction of the Death Railway. Then continue to visit the world’s famous Bridge on the River Kwai. Then take a historic ride on *Death Railway Train*, passing lush forest; the last existing train station of the Thailand-Burmar railway in Thailand, passing the dangerous looking wooden viaduct built along the mountain. After that drive to a pier for take a long-tailed boat from pier to get to the River Kwai Resotel, passing by unspoiled mountainous jungle scenery. Check-in on arrival. After a short rest, take a long-tailed boat upstream to visit to the nearby ethnic *Mon Tribal Village Dinner*, followed by a 45-minute presentation of *Mon Dance*.

Overnight in Kanchanaburi at Serenata Hintok River Camp @ Hellfire Pass 4*, Tent (www.serenatahotels.com)

Day 4: Kanchanaburi – Ayutthaya. (B)

Breakfast at hotel, and then take an exciting boat ride downstream to Resotel Pier and continue to visit the Hellfire pass Memorial and Cutting Mountain for a railway track have done by hands of the Allied prisoners. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. After that drive pass through the countryside heading for Ayutthaya, the former capital of Siam. Once the center of the Kingdom, today only the ruins of this magnificent city remain. Visit the Summer Palace of King Rama IV with its mixture of Thai, Chinese and Gothic Architecture, a well-preserved “Monument” to a former historical period. Continue to visit Wat Phra Sri Sanpetch the former Royal Temple. Sacred the Viharn Monkol Borphit before transfer to Wat Chai Wattanaram the Khmer Temple where is located close to the river. Then, proceed to Wat Yai Chai Mongkol for sacred the reclining Buddha image. Later on, transfer to Wat

Mahathat (where the head of Lord Buddha Image is covered by Pho Tree so far) & Wat Ratchaburana nearby. Then drive to hotel for check in and free at leisure.

Overnight in Ayutthaya at Krungsri River Hotel 4*, Luxury room (www.krungsrihotel.com)

Day 5: Ayutthaya – Lopburi – Phitsanuloke – Sukhothai. (B)

Breakfast at hotel and then drive to Lopburi; visit to the Prang Sam Yod (Sacred Three-Spired Pagoda), the ruins of Wat Phra Sri Ratana Maha Dhat and the Monkey Temple. And then, drive to Phitsanulok, where you will have a good chance to sacred the most beautiful Lord Buddha Image namely Phra Sri Rattana Sasadaram or Phra Buddha Chinaraaja. And then drive to visit Sukhothai Historical Park or the 1st Capital of Thailand. Found in the 13th century, Sukhothai (literally means Dawn of Happiness) was the first truly independent Thai Kingdom, which enjoyed a golden age under King Ramkhamhaeng, credited with creating the Thai alphabet. The superb temples and monuments of this great city have been lovingly restored in Sukhothai Historical Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a must-see for all travelers.

Overnight in Sukhothai at The Legendha Hotel 4*, Deluxe room (www.legendhasukhothai.com)

Day 6: Sukhothai – Sri Satchanalai Historical Park – Lampang. (B)

Breakfast at hotel, today visit to Sri Satchanalai Historical Park is located on the bank of the Yom River at Tambon Muang Kao, Si Satchanalai County, only 55 km. from the town of Sukhothai. The ancient town, formerly call "Muang Chaliang", was named "Si Satchanalai" during the Phra Ruang Dynasty when a new administrative centre was established to replace Chaliang. This ancient town occupied more than 320 hectares (800 acres) of land. Of this, the 91- hectare (288 acres) area within the old laterite ramparts and the city moat is the focus of sightseeing in the historical park. After that proceed to Lampang province where is one of the tourist places of the routing to the North, if time permit we will take a horse carriage to sightseeing around the city.

Overnight at Lampang River Lodge 3*, Superior room (www.lampangriverlodge.com)

Day 7: Lampang – Chiang Rai. (B)

Breakfast at hotel, and then we drive to the Golden Triangle, Chiang Rai. Take a boat ridding on the Mekong River for touching the life style of local Thai people an also where the borders of Thailand, Myanmar and Laos converge. Continue to Mae Sai, the northern most cities bordering Myanmar. And then drive to Chiang Rai city for checking in at hotel and relax on own.

Overnight at The Legend 4*, Superior Studio room (www.thelegend-chiangrai.com)

Day 8: Chiang Rai – Chiang Mai. (B, D)

Breakfast at hotel, and depart for Chiang Mai with a brief photo stop at Wat Rong Khun; the temple is almost entirely white – no other colors are used at all. Arrive in Chiang Mai at noon and check in at hotel. In the afternoon, visit Wat Doi Suthep, a famous landmark of the city, tucked away in the mountains at an elevation of 1,056 meters. The temple is reached by climbing 290 steps, flanked by a NAGA balustrade on both sides. In the evening, enjoy Traditional Kantoke Dinner & presentation of Northern Dances which is should not missed it.

Overnight at De Naga Hotel 4*, Deluxe room (www.denagahotel.com)

Day 9: Full Day Elephant Safari Tours. (B, L)

After breakfast at hotel and then drives to elephant camp. Start with watching elephants show their special talents in various ways and how they are trained to help working in the jungles.

After that, take an elephant riding into the jungle with a stop at Lisu Hilltribe Village. Explore their living styles and learn their culture closely. Visit an ox-cart riding. Have lunch. And then enjoy bamboo rafting is a time for you to enjoy the natural surrounding along the river. Visit to Orchid farm and Butterfly farm. Enjoy the beauty of Thai orchid and back to hotel.

Overnight at De Naga Hotel 4*, Deluxe room (www.denagahotel.com)

Day 10: Chiang Mai Home Industry – Bangkok – Departure (by flight). (B)

Breakfast at hotel and then visit Sankampheng district; where is the heart of the handicraft industry. Many of Thailand's major producers are located here and you'll find all of the traditional crafts of the old days and the new in the shops along the Chiang Mai - Sankampaeng Road. This half day tour will give you the opportunity to see quality local authentic artisan made products. Elaborate teak-wood carvings, intricate silverware, lustrous black lacquer ware, high-fired ceramics, famous Thai silk and cotton being woven the ancient traditional way on rustic wooden looms, paper-making and silk parasols in a rainbow hue of dazzling colors. Watch skilled artists deftly and swiftly paint art-work on parasols. It's absolutely amazing. And then transfer to the airport for flight back to Bangkok, and connecting to your flight for your next destination.

End of Services

Price per person in a party of : Price in <u>USD</u> Valid: Now – 31 Mar 12.									
1 person	2 person	3-6 person	7-10 person	11-14 person	15+1 person	20+1 person	25+1 person	30+2 person	Single Sup.
2686	1549	1311	996	990	980	926	895	877	359

Price Included:

- ✓ Air tickets from Chiang Mai - Bangkok, included taxes.
- ✓ Accommodation based on twin sharing room.
- ✓ Tours and transfers as private air-con vehicle.
- ✓ Meals as mentioned in the program. (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner)
- ✓ Entrance fees as mentioned in the program.
- ✓ Cold water and towel between trips.
- ✓ English speaking guide.
- ✓ Government taxes and services charge.

Price Excluded:

- Any other does not included in the tour programs such as other meals, drinks, tips, travel insurances, visa, flight in/out Bangkok, personal expenses, any optional tours.

Remarks:

- ❖ All rates are Nett, non-commissionable and quoted in US Dollars per person.
- ❖ Child fare:
 - Child (2-11 yrs) - 100% sharing room with 1 adult in Twin Room.
 - Child (2-11 yrs) - 80% sharing room with 2 adults with extra bed.
 - Child (2-11 yrs) - 50% sharing room with 2 adults without bed.
- ❖ Other period of packages tour price, please contact us anytime.
- ❖ Confirmation of room & price are subject to space availability at booking time only.
- ❖ All rates are subject to change without prior notices.
- ❖ All above itinerary is flexible, depending on arrival or departure flights of passengers.
