

Isan Hidden Civilization

5 Days 4 Nights

Bangkok-Korat-Surin-Ubonrachathani-Nakhonphanom-Udonthani-Bangkok

Day 1: Bangkok – Ayutthaya – Korat.

Pick you up at your hotel and then depart from Bangkok to Ayutthaya, the old capital city of Thailand. Visit Wat Chaiwathanaram occupying a magnificent position on the West bank of the Chao Phraya River. Drive through the historical part of this former capital of Siam and then continue to Prasat Hin Phimai. En route will be visited to a local fruit market at Klang Dong. Continue to the charming little town of Phimai northeast of Korat, known for the magnificent Khmer sanctuary of Prasat Hin. And then visit the museum and Historical Park. Drive back to Korat with a short drop at one of the biggest Banyan Trees in Thailand. Check in at hotel and free at leisure.

Overnight in Korat at Dusit Princess Hotel 4*, Deluxe room (www.dusit.com)

Day 2: Korat – Surin. (B)

After breakfast, visit the pottery village of Dan Kwian. The region of Korat is famous for its beautifully crafted pottery. Continue visit to Prasat Hin Phanom Rung (Phanom Rung Stone Castle), is a Khmer temple complex set on the rim of an extinct volcano at 1,320 feet above sea level. It was built in sandstone and laterite in the 10th to 13th centuries. It was a Hindu shrine dedicated to Shiva, and symbolises Mount Kailash, his heavenly dwelling. Close by there is Muang Tam, another impressive Khmer temple predating Phanom Rung by about 120 years. After lunch at a local restaurant, proceed to the silk weaving village of Ban Nong Sang Nga. Villagers engage in breeding silk worms, spinning the yarn and weaving silk. Continue to Surin for check in at the hotel.

Overnight in Surin at Thong Tharin Hotel 3*+, Deluxe room (www.thongtarinhotel.com)

Day 3: Surin – Khao Phra Viharn – Ubon Ratchathani – Khongjiam. (B)

After breakfast, depart for Khao Phra Viharn, one of the most interesting of any monuments in South-East Asia, is a Hindu temple built during the reign of Khmer Empire. Affording a view for many kilometers across a plain, Prasat Preah Vihear has the most spectacular setting of all the temples built during the six-centuries-long Khmer Empire. Visit to Khong Chiam for a boat ride on the Mekong River to your resort.

Overnight at TOHSANG KHONGJIAM HOTEL, located on the banks of the river.

Note: In case of if Khao Phra Viharn is closed, the following alternative program will be provided in the event instead as below:

After breakfast, depart from Surin and en rout take a short stop at a basket weaving and silk weaving village, before arriving at Prasat Sikhoraphum. The Sikhoraphum Stone Sanctuary is a group of five brick prang, finely constructed, standing on the same base. The sanctuary was constructed according to Hinduism beliefs and dated back to the 12th century A.D. Continue to Ubon Ratchathani for lunch. Visit to Wat Thungsrimumang, and then continue to Khong Chiam, take a boat trip along the Mekong River before checking in at the resort.

Overnight in Khongjiam at Tohsang Khongjiam Resort 3*+, Superior River view room (www.tohsang.com)

Day 4: Ubon Ratchathani – Mukdahan – Nakhon Phanom. (B)

After breakfast, departure to visit Pha Taem National Park One of the most popular attraction in Ubon Ratchatani, The national park is famous for pre historic paintings that are 180 meters long, including about 300 pictures and forest and hilly topography of 340 square kilometers with various hidden treasures. After that drives to Mukdahan visit to the famous Indochina market where products from the

Mekong countries (Vietnam, China, Laos and Cambodia) are sold to local people. And then continue to Nakhorn Phanom. En route visit the famous Thai temple Wat Phra That Phanom. Arrive in Nakorn Phanom, a small and charming town on the Mekong River, check in and relax.

Overnight in Nakhon Phanom at Nakorn Phanom River View Hotel 3* River view room

(www.nakhonphanomriverviewhotel.com)

Day 5: Nakhon Phanom – Sakhon Nakhon – Udon Thani – Bangkok (by flight). (B)

After breakfast, visit the former Ho Chi Minh’s house, the famous Vietnamese hero, who lived here for 7 years in the 1920s. We then continue to visit Wat Phra Thad Choeng Chum, is a sacred place for people of the province and contains a remarkable Chiang Saen-style Buddha statue. Afterwards visit Phra Thad Narai Cheng Weng sanctuary; it is a Khmer stone sanctuary or Prasat Hin standing on a square laterite base. The main structure of the prang is made of sand stone. After that visit to Baan Chiang National Museum near Udon Thani; it is one of the most important archaeological sites to be uncovered in Southeast Asia. In the compound of Wat Po Si Nai, show how valuables, including earthenware pots, were buried with the dead. Evidence of primitive bronze casting technology was discovered in the area, and in 1992 UNESCO declared Ban Chiang a World Heritage Site. Continue to Udon Thani town for a short time before go to Udon Thani airport for an evening flight back to Bangkok. Our service is the end after you get on the plane at Udon airport.

End of Services

Price per person in a party of : Price in USD									
Valid: Now – 31 Oct 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.
1353	795	658	481	474	466	435	417	407	109

Price Included:

- ✓ Air ticket from Udon Thani to 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.
