



# THAILAND TRAVEL GUIDE

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# THAILAND

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## OVERVIEW

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**Tropical, friendly and adventure-packed,** Thailand is a family-friendly beach destination just under ten hours flight from Sydney Airport. Favoured by honeymooners, couples, families and solo travellers alike, Thailand is a mix of water, jungle, mountains, and villages. Luxurious resorts, boutique hotels and backpacker hostels are all scattered across the country's various regions. Renowned for sensational food, welcoming locals and outdoor activities, Thailand is a place you'll want to return to time and time again.

# THAILAND

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## WHAT TO SEE

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### **The Grand Palace and Wat Prakeaw**

The spectacular Grand Palace is the spiritual heart of the Thai Kingdom.

**Bangkok**



### **Phang Nga Bay**

Marvel at sheer limestone cliffs rising from the emerald water in this famous bay.

**Phang Nga Province**



### **Phi Phi Islands**

Travel to this island paradise for beautiful beaches and stunning rock formations.

**Krabi Province**



### **Railay Beach**

A tranquil peninsula offering white sand beaches, caves, lagoons, and cliffs.

**Krabi Province**



### **Ayutthaya**

Explore the ruins of the once prosperous centre of trade and politics.

**North of Bangkok**



### **Wat Arun**

Visit the magnificent Temple of Dawn made of colourfully decorated spires.

**Bangkok**



### **Khao Yai National Park**

This World Heritage Site is a lush green playground of mountains, valleys, wildlife, and waterfalls.

**North of Bangkok**



### **Elephant Refuge Camp and Education Centre**

Visit this sanctuary and take an elephant for their daily walk and shower.

**South of Bangkok**



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# SHOPPING

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## **Chatuchak Weekend Market**

This sprawling market offers a massive variety of products, from vinyl records to beads.

**Chatuchak,  
Bangkok**



## **Asiatique the Riverfront**

This night bazaar and mall houses over 1,500 boutiques and restaurants.

**Riverside, Bangkok**



## **Siam Square**

This shopping hub is a centre of creativity and fashion.

**Siam, Bangkok**



## **Pantip Plaza**

For all things tech, visit this mall dedicated entirely to electronics.

**Petchburi, Bangkok**



## **Or Tor Kor Food Market**

This fresh produce market ranks among the best in the world.

**Chatuchak,  
Bangkok**



## **Pak Khlong Talad Flower Market**

Experience the colours and fragrances of the flower market.

**Old City, Bangkok**



## **Or Nut Night Market**

This sprawling night market has a huge fresh produce section, as well as clothes store, beer garden, and live music.

**Bangkok**



## **Silom Road Walking Street**

One of Bangkok's most famous roads closes down every Sunday making way for hundreds of food, fashion and electronics vendors.

**Silom Road,  
Bangkok**



# BANGKOK

**Bangkok is the thriving capital city of Thailand** and where most tourists begin their Thailand adventure. Known for its great street food, entertainment, markets and temples, Bangkok is an eclectic mix of activity. With definitely more than meets the eye, Bangkok's attractions include parks, museums, theatres, shrines, and zoos.

## HIGHLIGHTS



### Floating Markets

One of the most popular markets of its kind.



### Pratanam Restaurants

Known for its good value hotels, markets and produce.



### Temple of Dawn

One of many Bangkok temples scattered across the city.



### The Grand Palace and Wat Prakeaw

One of the most famous sites in Bangkok.

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## FLOATING MARKETS

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The Damnoen Saduak floating market is one of the most popular markets of its kind. Opened to the public in 1868, the market is packed with vendors and customers floating in their rowing boats, selling and buying produce. Observe traditional Thai culture and sample local produce through a guided tour of the markets.



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## PRATANAM RESTAURANTS

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Pratanam is an area of Bangkok known for its good value hotels, markets and produce. In this area you can sample food from all around the globe. To sample excellent Thai food suitable for the Western palate the Once Upon a Time restaurant is favoured by tourists. The Tae Chew restaurant inside the Grand Diamond Suites Hotel is a Chinese food haven, known for its dim sum, roast duck and hot and sour soup. Platinum Mall shopping centre also hosts a diverse range of food outlets.



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## TEMPLE OF DAWN

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Sitting on the Chao Phraya River, the Temple of Dawn is one of many Bangkok temples scattered across the city. The Temple of Dawn is named after the Indian God of Dawn, 'Aruna' and was constructed in the 17th century. Tourists can climb up the temple to view the river and surrounds. The east side of the river is regarded as the best view of the temple at sunset, when the temple's silhouette is displayed across the skyline.



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## THE GRAND PALACE

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### & WAT PRAKEAW

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The Grand Palace is one of the most famous sites in Bangkok and was home to the Thai King for 150 years. Today, the site is a beautiful, dazzling tribute to the Thai Kingdom. Several different buildings make up the Grand Palace complex and the Reception Halls are still frequently used for ceremonies and rituals. The detail and unique architecture of the buildings are impressive and astounding, transporting you right inside the Royal Family style of living.




# BANGKOK

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## ACCOMMODATION

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 \*Based on 3842 reviews

### MANDARIN ORIENTAL, BANGKOK


48 Oriental Avenue,  
Bangkok, 10500  
Tel: +6626599000

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
fresie810  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

We decided to stay at Mandarin Oriental because of all the nice comments we read on Tripadvisor, sadly were left disappointed. It seemed like it wasn't a good value for the money. Here are just some of the things that I never saw in a review but feel are relevant to this hotel:

(-) Website says Internet/ WiFi is Complimentary, but once we arrived we were told we need to pay for it around 10\$ per day. In the end, the lady who welcomed us said we w...



 \*Based on 488 reviews

### THE SIAM

3/2 Khao Road, Vachirapayabal, Dusit  
Bangkok, 10300  
Tel: +6626599000

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
johnrschell  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

I arrived in Bangkok on on a red-eye flight and went to the hotel around 7:30 am, expecting to leave my luggage and find something else to do. Instead, they quickly made my room and I was in the room by 8 am.

I stayed in a riverside suite. There was a lot of room, private pool, large tube, walk-in shower, and a private deck overlooking the river. The room was amazing.

But, more amazing was the staff.

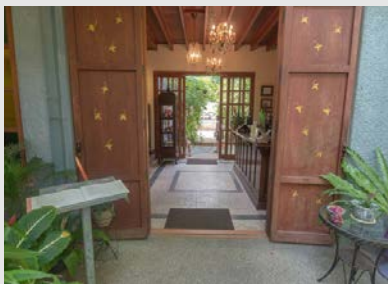
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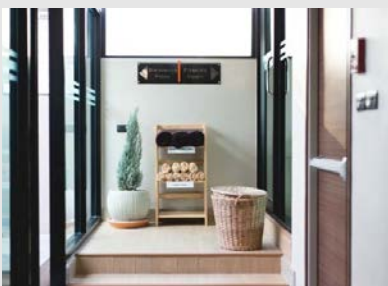
\*Based on 1413 reviews

### ARIYASOMVILLA

65 Sukhumvit Soi 1, Khlong Toei Nuea,  
Wattana, Bangkok, 10110  
Tel: +6622548880

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Jill W  
Reviewed 5/01/2017*

Absolutely loved my time here! I came off of touring 18 days in Vietnam, Cambodia and Thailand and could not have picked a better place to relax before heading back to the states. Bangkok is a crazy city but the peace and tranquility at Ariyasom are what make it so special. I rarely left the property and when I did I couldn't wait to get back. I had phenomenal spa treatments daily and enjoyed the meals at the onsite restaurant. When I arrived the...



\*Based on 393 reviews

### ADELPHI FORTY NINE

16, Soi Sukhumvit 49, Sukhumvit Road,  
Klong Tan Nuea, Wattana, Bangkok, 10110  
Tel:

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
kaaltan1  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

My boyfriend and I stayed here when we went to Thailand during January of 2017. We did a lot of research about where we should stay while in Bangkok and this seemed to be a perfect mix of good reasonable price, and location. It's about a 5 minute walk from the Thong Lo stop of the Sky Train, so we were able to take advantage of that to sight see. It's also about 2 minute walk away from a 7-11 so that we could buy water, etc. (don't drink the tap ...

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

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## WINE & DINE

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

### NAMI TEPPANYAKI STEAKHOUSE AT THE JW MARRIOTT HOTEL

4 Sukhumvit Road, Soi 2, JW Marriott  
Hotel Bangkok, Bangkok, 10110  
Tel: +66 2 656 7700

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
jani2016  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

Friendly staff and excellent food.  
Restaurant was cozy and nice. Value  
for the money. Highly recommend!



      \*Based on 693 reviews

### LE NORMANDIE RESTAURANT AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL

48 Oriental Avenue,  
Bangkok, 10500  
Tel: +66 2 659 9000

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Val H  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

We did not eat here on this trip but  
have done on several occasions prior -  
food is heaven, setting is heaven

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# BANGKOK

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## WINE & DINE

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 \*Based on 205 reviews


### MAIDREAMIN

MBK Center, 7F, BTS National station  
Bangkok, 10110  
Tel: +66 2 003 1616

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
takkischitt  
Reviewed 6/01/2017*

We saw this place on TripAdvisor and thought we had to try it. We're glad we did! Super fun and the 'maids' are really nice, friendly and helpful. Although it is a fairly strange experience (casting spells before you eat the food, etc!), especially for us being westerners, I don't think we stopped smiling the whole time we were there! The desserts were really nice too! If you're in Bangkok and want a bit of a different food/dining experience, you...



 \*Based on 437 reviews

### BANGKOK BAKING COMPANY AT THE JW MARRIOTT HOTEL

4 Sukhumvit Road Soi 2,  
Bangkok, 10110  
Tel: +66 2 656 7700

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Yoon K  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

This restaurant serve crispy pizzas, made from Italian chef. I like the pizzas so much away have the Hawaii pizza.

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## CHIANG MAI

**Chiang Mai** is one of the largest cities in northern Thailand and attracts over 5 million tourists every year to its creative and laid back streets. With the northern Thailand mountains at its side, Chiang Mai is beautiful and traditional, yet strikingly modern. Great food, national parks, animal parks, and natural wonders are all a part of the Chiang Mai experience.

## HIGHLIGHTS



### Night Safari

A new and exciting tourist attraction offers 120 acres of animal exploration.



### Night Bazaar

A bargain hunter's delight.



### Phuping Palace and

National Park  
Home to the Royal Family.



### Tweechol Botanical Garden

Beautiful private gardens and a park.

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## CHIANG MAI NIGHT SAFARI

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At the base of Doi Suiethep National Park, this new and exciting tourist attraction offers 120 acres of animal exploration. Take a tram ride at night through the Asian, African and South American predator enclosures. Considered by many to be the most beautiful night safari in the world, it also features a musical fountain and laser light show.



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## NIGHT BAZAAR

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The Chiang Mai night bazaar is a bargain hunter's delight. Designer goods, souvenirs, tribal crafts, and jewellery are just some of the treasures to be found.

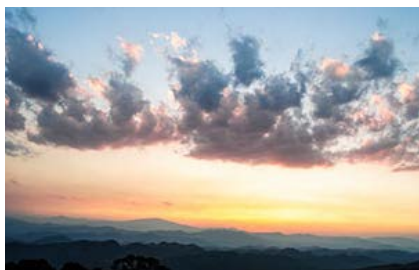


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## PHUPING PALACE & NATIONAL PARK

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The Phuping Palace grounds are spectacularly decorated with colourful and exotic flowers, while at the top of the mountain you'll discover the village of Bann Doi Pui. This palace is home to the Royal Family during the winter months, so it is best to visit in the summer months while the grounds are open to the public.



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## TWEECHOL

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## BOTANICAL GARDEN

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A journey to the Tweechol Botanical Garden, located well out of the city, will reward you with beautiful private gardens and a nature park. An accommodation resort, petting zoo and various greenhouses are all located on these expansive grounds.

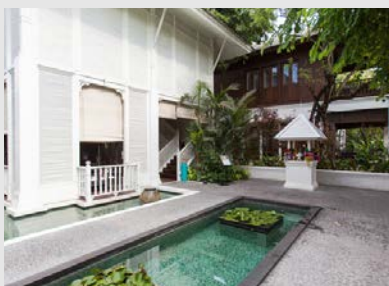



# CHIANG MAI

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## ACCOMMODATION

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 \*Based on 1073 reviews


### 137 PILLARS HOUSE

2 Soi 1, Na Wat Gate Road, Wat Gate  
Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai Province, 50000  
Tel:

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Lydia K  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

What can I say about this hotel? Hands down one of the most amazing experiences we have ever had. My husband and I came here on our honeymoon on the recommendation of a friend. From the moment we walked in I knew that we had made the right decision. The staff is so friendly and helpful, the resort is meticulously decorated and perfectly clean, and the overall experience is luxury. We can't say enough about staying here!



 \*Based on 311 reviews

### AKYRA MANOR CHIANG MAI

22/2 Nimmana Haeminda Road Soi 9,  
Su Thep, Muang, Chiang Mai, 50200  
Tel:

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
willow12017  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

Good location, deliou food, freindly staff, clean and aromatous smell room it's very near the main interesting street: Ningman Rd. staff all very polite and helpfule, the hot menu of breakfast are full of choice, delicious and healty.

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017

# CHIANG MAI

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## ACCOMMODATION

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\*Based on 479 reviews

### BED PHRASINGH HOTEL

1/1 Rachamankha Soi 8, Phra Sing Subdis-  
trict Chiang Mai, 50200  
Tel:

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Chris W  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

Nice modern hotel in old town, near  
to temples and markets. Very friendly  
and helpful staff, always willing to help.  
Loved the open fridge idea, unlimited  
water, tea, coffee, fruits etc. 10 minutes  
in taxi to night bazaar and nightlife.  
Would stay again.



\*Based on 1230 reviews

### THE DHARA DHEVI CHIANG MAI

51/4 Moo 1, Chiang Mai - Sankampaeng  
Road , Tha Sala Chiang Mai, 50000  
Tel: +6625148112

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Carol M  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

It is very hard to make a review of this  
place cause I don't even know how  
to describe it. It is the most beautiful  
hotel I had the pleasure to stay in. The  
place is gorgeous. The pictures at  
their website tell the truth. What you  
see there is what you are going to get.  
The entrance is exactly how you see  
it and the best word to describe is :  
Wow...

Staff there is very friendly. We didn't  
need anything from them while we  
were there, but we coul...

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# CHIANG MAI

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## WINE & DINE

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 \*Based on 167 reviews


### **KHUNKAE'S JUICE BAR / HEALTHY BY KHUNKAE**

19/3 Moon Muang Road, Soi 7  
Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai Province, 50200  
Tel: +66 84 378 3738

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Hanna M  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

This place offers fully customizable smoothies/fruit shakes at street stand prices but in a sit down restaurant. Smoothies with a few fruits in them are around 40baht



 \*Based on 2117 reviews

### **DAVID'S KITCHEN**

113 Bumrungrad Road, Wat Kate Subdis-  
trict, Chiang Mai, 50000  
Tel: +66 91 068 1744

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Rick N  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

Dear David,

Carmelita and I were so honored and touched by your kind welcome. From the moment we stepped down to the garden of your new restaurant, we both knew that we were in for a marvelous experience. Your welcoming demeanor is obviously instantaneously contagious. Each and every employee was clear in their mission and we felt that we were the center of their caring attention.

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# CHIANG MAI

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## WINE & DINE

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 \*Based on 838 reviews


### THE HIDEOUT

95/10 Sithiwongse Road,  
Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai Province, 50300  
Tel: +66 81 960 3889

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
f\_couto24  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

if you are looking for something different to thai food go to the hideout! it is just a small coffee shop but the quality of everything I had in two visits is top! very good coffee (I'm Italian, I know what a proper coffee is!) and amazing sandwiches. Sami the owner and all the staff are very friendly and helpful.. 5 stars! good job!



 \*Based on 224 reviews

### MELT AWAY BAKERY

8/8 Suriyawong Rd., Hayya, Opposite Chiangmai Gate Hotel Chiang Mai, 50100  
Tel: +66 82 029 4117

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Devonfish  
Reviewed 3/01/2017*

This is a return visit to Chiang Mai, so we returned to the little Melt Away bakery shop.

The cakes are again excellent all lovingly made by hand with non synthetic ingredients. If you are looking for cheap factory produced cakes this is not the place for you. If you are looking for cakes with that Asian synthetic taste this is not the place for you. If you are looking for cakes with quality and some imagination, then try what should now be the...

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# KOH SAMUI

**Koh Samui is Thailand's second largest island and an idyllic island retreat.** Koh Samui or 'Samui' as the locals simply refer to it, is a location packed with both adventure and relaxation. Just about every type of activity is available in a tour form including snorkelling, diving, 4WD tours, elephant rides, and cultural sightseeing. Catering for every type of traveller, Koh Samui will fit in with your mood and surprise you with its array of attractions.

## HIGHLIGHTS



### **Koh Samui Dining**

Experience many different cuisines in different settings.



### **Lamai Beach**

Enjoy some grilled sweet corn and Thai papaya salad from the numerous beachside vendors.



### **Nu Muang Waterfalls**

One of Koh Samui's best kept secrets.



### **The Big Buddha**

One of Samui's most famous landmarks.

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## KOH SAMUI DINING

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It's not surprising that such a magnificent destination offers so many quality restaurants. But what is surprising is that you can experience many different cuisines in different settings. If you're after a lavish affair, Zazen Restaurant in Bophut is a treat. Traditional Thai food presented in a fine dining atmosphere and prepared by a French chef is definitely something to be savoured if you're in town. Otherwise, Red Snapper is a more laid back option on Chaweng Beach boasting Mediterranean-influenced meals.



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## LAMAI BEACH

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The second busiest resort beach of Koh Samui is Lamai Beach, a beach lover's paradise. Numerous resorts call Lamai Beach home and the beach itself is a relaxing and tranquil stretch of sand. While you're lying on the sand, why not enjoy some grilled sweet corn and Thai papaya salad from the numerous beachside vendors. Plenty of temples and natural attractions are waiting to be explored if you can manage to leave the beach!

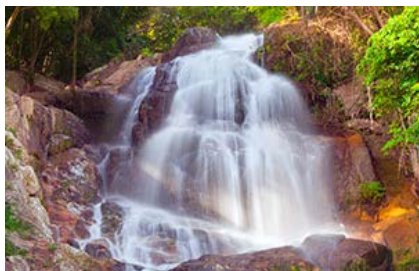


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## NU MUANG WATERFALLS

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An inland wonderland, the Nu Muang Waterfalls are two separate waterfalls reached by walking uphill through the park. Both are easily accessible by vehicle, but the second waterfall is only reached by walking 30 minutes up a steep hill. The surrounding forest and walking trails are popular with tourists who describe this region as one of Koh Samui's best kept secrets.



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## THE BIG BUDDHA

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One of Samui's most famous landmarks, the Big Buddha statue was built in 1972 and is at the north of the island. The 12-metre tall, gold structure is visible kilometres away and attracts many sightseers.



# KOH SAMUI

## ACCOMMODATION



 \*Based on 584 reviews

### POPPIES SAMUI

PO Box 1,  
Chaweng, Surat Thani Province, 84320  
Tel: +6677422419


*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
restaurantsinbath  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

I guess overall Poppies gives a good experience.

Positives, lovely attentive employees. Cute individual rooms. Some nice touches (fresh fruit left outside of room daily as was newspaper but couldn't help but feel it was about 'making more money'.

I'm paying nearly £270GBP per night due to time of year for room. 'Please choose one of the following' on certain sections of the breakfast menu.



 \*Based on 1442 reviews

### BO PHUT RESORT & SPA

12/12 Moo 1, Bophut  
Bophut, Surat Thani Province, 84320  
Tel: +6677245777

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Yogiadam  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

My wife and I stayed for 5 nights. The property itself is nice and clean, with lots of greenery. We had notified the hotel that it was our honeymoon, and on arrival they upgraded us to a villa with a private pool. Spectacular! It was very spacious and well appointed, and housekeeping came by twice a day to clean and change towels, and turn on mosquito zappers (unlike other parts of the island, mosquitos weren't a problem here. They spray daily...

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017


# KOH SAMUI

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 \*Based on 1172 reviews


### FOUR SEASONS RESORT KOH SAMUI THAILAND

219 Moo 5 ,  
Ang Thong, Surat Thani Province, 84140  
Tel: +6626502650

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Jason K  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

This is a great place where one can enjoy both the beach and the pool. The staff was extremely helpful, especially P and Ted! The drink selection at the bars are great, including the non alcoholic ones. The grounds were beautiful and the buggies were available very quickly to get around. We only had dinner there one night as we enjoyed going out to the fisherman's village which included more of the local foods. The resort is a bit away from the m...



 \*Based on 2022 reviews

### SALA SAMUI RESORT AND SPA

10/9 Moo 5, Baan Plai Laem, Choeng  
Mon, Surat Thani Province, 84320  
Tel: +6677245888

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Michael T  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

Huge room, open air bathroom and rainfall shower, private courtyard with it's own infinity pool and lounging space. Great poolside breakfast - best eggs benedict that I've ever had. We enjoyed trying a new fresh juice combo each morning. Beach is very quiet - need to go into town for more activities. Loved the daily beach massages. Easy walk to local stores and restaurants.

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# KOH SAMUI

## WINE & DINE



\*Based on 545 reviews

### THE BOUDOIR

32/2 Moo1, Soi 1 Mae Nam  
Ko Samui, Surat Thani Province, 84330  
Tel: +66 85 783 1031

Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Mary\_Basset  
Reviewed 6/01/2017

I am late to post that review but I recommend it to anyone wanting to have a nice evening with friends, as a family or even for a romantic one. We were well received on my birthday last november and had a fantastic evening. We were 2 french and our better halves are swedish and polish. We had such a fun time as a group and with the owners. They cook amazing food and will guarantee a nice and fun time for you. If you go to Koh Samui make sure you

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\*Based on 429 reviews

### PEPENERO KOH SAMUI

59/17 Moo 6,  
Bophut, Surat Thani Province, 84320  
Tel: +66 77 963 353

Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Nicholas B  
Reviewed 6/01/2017

The restaurant is simple and sober, quiet and romantic. The owner and the staff are kind and the service is professional. Very good pizza with a good wine menu. It's a perfect place to stop and to eat with your partner or for a business meeting.

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017

# KOH SAMUI

## WINE & DINE



\*Based on 274 reviews

### CHEZ FRANCOIS

33/2 Moo 1 Fisherman's Village, Surat Thani, Bophut, 84320  
Tel: +66 96 071 1800

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Paul M  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

Had the pleasure of visiting Chez Francois last night and i must say the whole experience was AMAZING from start to finish.!

The food was fresh and tasty, with the obvious use of the finest/freshest ingredients. Classic French cuisine exquisitely cooked .

The service was excellent with our waiter explaining the menu well and nothing was to much trouble.... All in all the best meal we have had out in a really long time !!! .. It was also a pleasur...



\*Based on 411 reviews

### DA BARD0

11/23 Moo 4 Mae Nam, Wat Na Phra Lan, Ko Samui, Surat Thani Province, 84330  
Tel: +66 90 394 3134

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Tour-de-Blundell  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

We had visited Da Bardo italian restaurant on a previous visit to Koh Samui and we were just as impressed this time! Chef and owner Alan? obviously loves his vocation and is just as interested in you enjoying his delicious food! He popped out a few times to see if we were enjoying his creations! We had ordered Margherita pizza and lasagne which were both delicious! Lovely thin crust pizza and pasta which had obviously been made fresh. Definitely...

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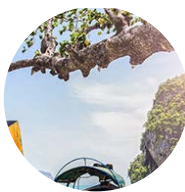
**Krabi is a picturesque destination on the Andaman Sea** known for its luxurious beaches and resorts. While Krabi town is mainly a tourist hub full of resorts and restaurants, there are also beautiful islands, waterfalls, and secluded beaches a short boat trip away.

## HIGHLIGHTS



### **Pranang Cave Beach**

A dreamy, secluded beach escape.



### **Railay**

An adventure playground for avid rock climbers.



### **Than Bok Khorani National Park**

Breathtaking eco-tourism extravaganza.

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## PRANANG CAVE BEACH

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Accessible only by boat, Pranang Cave Beach is a dreamy, secluded beach escape. Explore the Phra Nang Caves and Phra Nang Lagoon for a touch of unspoilt nature. If you feel energetic, take on the hiking trails or go diving in the pristine waters.



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## RAILAY

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Railay is an adventure playground for avid rock climbers with nearly 500 different routes to explore. Even if you're a beginner, various commercial schools offer classes and beginner trails. Try 'deep water soloing', which is a free-climb above deep water.



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## THAN BOK KHORANI NATIONAL PARK

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A lush rainforest in the midst of the mountains, this national park is a breathtaking eco-tourism extravaganza. Enjoy snorkelling and canoeing or take a trek through one of the many natural trails. Visit Chao le Cave on Western Laem Sak and view archaeological, pre-historic paintings and markings. Dang Island is also a favourite diving spot.



Photo from Dnp.go.th.

# KRABI

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## ACCOMMODATION

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\*Based on 1206 reviews

### BAN SAINAI RESORT

550 Soi Aonang 11/1, Moo 2,  
Ao Nang, Krabi Province, 81180  
Tel: +66842951112

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Mohammed N  
Reviewed 7/01/2017*

Even though it was a short visit we enjoyed the stay over there. The atmosphere and the surroundings were pretty cool and enjoyable especially the cottage area where we stayed. The good and service was remarkably good



\*Based on 1542 reviews

### THE TUBKAAK KRABI BOUTIQUE RESORT

123 Moo 3, Tumbol Nongtalay,  
Nong Thale, Krabi Province, 81180  
Tel:

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Derik A  
Reviewed 8/01/2017*

Having just travelled thru' Vietnam and Cambodia, we wanted a 'beach' location to end our travelling with a relax.

We were unable to make a booking in Tubkaak, for 4 nights, so we stayed at another resort, Nakamanda for 1 night and Tubkaak for 3 nights.

Nakamanda was outstanding, and we were sorry to leave. [See our review]

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017


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## ACCOMMODATION

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 \*Based on 691 reviews

### PHULAY BAY, A RITZ-CARLTON RESERVE


111 Moo 3 Nongthalay, Muang,  
Nong Thale, Krabi Province, 81000  
Tel: +6675628111

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Jamie G  
Reviewed 6/01/2017*

We visited Phulay Bay in July 2016. The room was amazing - 2 king sized beds, a beautiful tub and shower, outdoor soaking tub, our own private swimming pool.....it was perfection! We even had our own butler who seemed to read our minds and be awaiting us whenever we needed him. :) I highly recommend this spot to anyone who has any style and appreciates the finer things in life.

Oh, I forgot to mention the food. All the restaurants were out...



 \*Based on 1597 reviews

### RAYAVADEE RESORT

214 Moo 2, Tambon Ao-Nang, Amphoe  
Muang, Railay Beach, 81000  
Tel: +6675628111

*Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Debra B  
Reviewed 6/01/2017*


We were lucky to stay at this beautiful hotel for 7 nights . We came by car from Phuket and then the speed boat which we thought was great , we really enjoyed the short journey in the boat approximately 10 - 15 minutes . We were very warmly welcomed , hotel grounds explained and then taken to our beautiful pavilion , absolutely stunning as others have said before it's your own detached house , very big , lounge area and downstairs bathroom , the...

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017

# KRABI

## WINE & DINE



 \*Based on 417 reviews

### GECKO CABANE RESTAURANT

1/36-37 Soi Ruamjit, Maharat Road,  
Krabi Town, Krabi Province, 81000  
Tel: +66 81 958 5945

Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Muypepe  
Reviewed 8/01/2017


We had Pad Thai, massaman curry and green papaija salad with chicken and shrimp.

Pad thai with shrimp: needs more flavor but otherwise good. Spicy level 5 is not spicy at all.

Massaman curry: good and rich flavors. Potato in it took most of the flavor in it but entire dish was good. Spice level 6 is not spicy at all.

Papaija salad with chicken and shrimp: excellent starter. Spice level 10 is quite spicy especially when you eat the chili with see...



 \*Based on 564 reviews

### SANDWICH ME

186 Moo 2, Khlong Muang Plaza,  
Nong Thale, Krabi Province, 81100  
Tel: +66 87 892 5581

Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Tiffany L  
Reviewed 8/01/2017

Absolutely loved this place! The food was delicious - some of the best during our three week stay in Thailand. The staff were lovely and friendly - happy to recommend dishes. So good we went here twice! The ignore any bad reviews and see for yourself how great it is.

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017


# KRABI

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## WINE & DINE

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 \*Based on 455 reviews

### CHALITA CAFE & RESTAURANT


Chao Fa rd., Just 30 meters from Pak-Up  
Hostel, Krabi Town, Krabi Province, 81000  
Tel: +66 81 206 6299

Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Elias N  
Reviewed 7/01/2017

Owner has great biceps. Wife also  
seems to work out. They had a lovely  
little kid.  
The food was amazing , the service  
was great !

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 \*Based on 809 reviews

### JUNGLE KITCHEN

33, Moo 2, AO Nang Road,  
Ao Nang, Krabi Province,  
Tel: 66937627486

Review by TripAdvisor Traveller  
Jad N  
Reviewed 7/01/2017

Excellent food quality, friendly and  
quick service! Definitely a winner!  
Papaya salad, green curry are to try!  
Enjoy...

\*TripAdvisor ratings and reviews accurate as of January 2017

# INFORMATION

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## PACKING ESSENTIALS

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- **Swimsuit** - Take advantage of the warm weather and beautiful beaches.
- **Sunscreen** - Make sure to stay sun safe!
- **Money pouch** - Make sure you don't lose anything in the markets.

# INFORMATION

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## TRAVEL TIPS

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- Plan your visit to Sydney Airport by doing some research on the airport and your terminal, whether it be T1, T2 or T3.
- Check the security regulations in relation to what you can and cannot take through the security screening point and onto an aircraft, including prohibited items, dangerous goods, and liquids, aerosols, and gels (LAGs).
- Check your baggage allowance with your airline.
- Use the directional signage at the terminal to ensure a smooth and enjoyable journey through the airport.
- Ensure that your driver's licence can be used in your country of destination or that you have organised an international driver's licence.
- If you have not already purchased travel insurance along with your ticket, you can purchase it at Sydney Airport at the Last Chance Travel Insurance located in the International Terminal (T1) after Customs. Alternatively, purchase insurance at any Travellex outlet or the Australia Post Shop at International Terminal (T1) located before Customs, near check-in counter J.

### GET TO THE AIRPORT

- Make sure you have plenty of time ahead of check-in. If you are unsure as to when you should arrive at the airport, contact your airline directly.

### GET READY FOR BOARDING

- Security screening – whether your destination is within Australia or overseas, allow sufficient time to proceed through security screening.
- **Australian Customs and Border Protection Service** – allow sufficient time to proceed through Customs and Border Protection.
- **Passports** – must be valid for a minimum of six months ahead of your departing date for most countries. We strongly recommend you verify exact requirements with your airline.
- **Boarding passes** – issued at the airline check-in counter upon presentation of your ticket reservation (printed e-ticket) or booking confirmation number along with your valid passport.
- **Immigration cards** – available before you enter Customs and Border Protection. The cards must be filled out and presented to the Customs and Border Protection Officer along with your passport and boarding pass.
- **Find your departing gate** using display screens. These screens are available in the airline check-in area and at each departure gate.

### RELAX

- At Sydney airport, you have plenty of options to shop while you are waiting to board your flight. Remember that all duty free purchases must be finalised 20 minutes before your flight departs.

# INFORMATION

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## YOUR DESTINATION

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DISTANCE  
FROM SYDNEY

7,665 kilometres



WHEN TO GO

November-March



LANGUAGE

Thai



WEATHER

Summer: 27°- 35° Celsius  
Winter: 22°- 33° Celsius



TIME ZONE

UTC +7



CURRENCY

Thai Baht