BANGKOK

GUIDE

INTERACTIVE

Bangkok is awesome!

No matter how many times you've been, you'll always discover something new and exciting to see, do, and eat.

We collected all of the shadows and colors of this fabulous city. Our best and brightest experience so that you'll find a lot of reasons to fell in love with this incredible city like we do.

This guide is interactive

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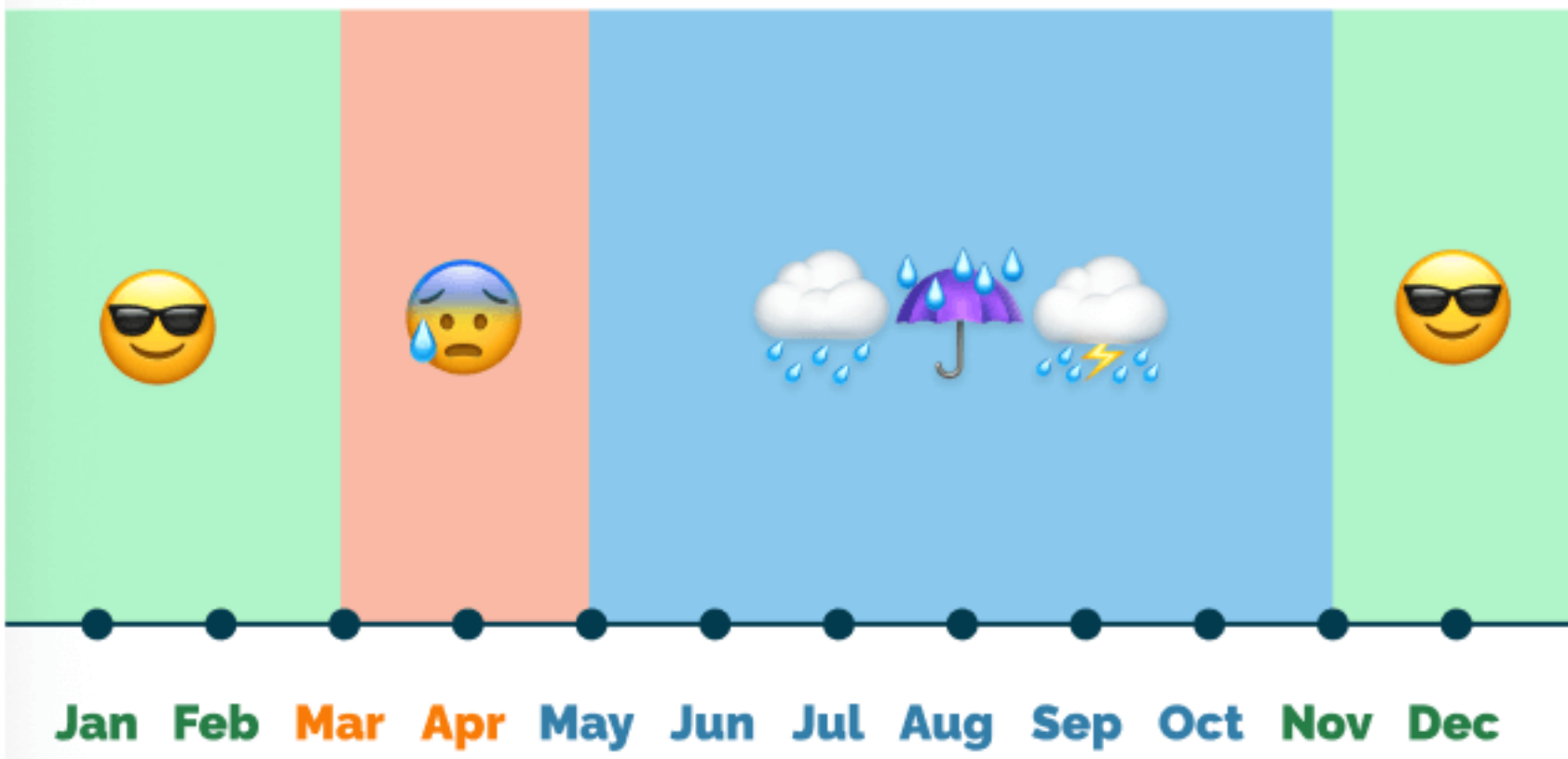
BEFORE YOU COME

When is the best time to visit Bangkok?

Bangkok and Thailand, in general, have 2 seasons: the rainy season (May to November) and the dry season (December to April).



The most pleasant time to visit Bangkok is from November to February because of temperature between 20 and 30 degrees Celsius and relatively low humidity.

During the rainy season in Bangkok, it doesn't rain all the time, but when it does, it might be really heavy, possibly several hours long, sodon't forget a raincoat!

Safety tips

Bangkok is generally a safe city for tourists. However, it's important to take basic precautions to ensure your safety. Be aware of your surroundings, avoid carrying large amounts of cash, and keep your belongings close to you in crowded areas.

In terms of etiquette

It's important to dress modestly when visiting temples and to take off your shoes before entering. Respect for elders and authority figures is also essential in Thai culture, so be mindful of your behavior in public.

What to do in Bangkok

One of the best things about Bangkok is a wide range of attractions and experiences.

From street food to Michelin-starred restaurants, immerse yourself in flavors. Feel the magic of Buddhism with all the temples and traditions. And let the city's bars, clubs, and rooftop gems paint your nights with excitement.

Learn some Thai words

Any locals are always pleased to hear their native language from tourists. These are a few words that can make basic communication easier.

For each of the phrases below, you will also need to add a gender marker at the end. Use the word **Ka (khaa) if you're a female** and the word **Krup (khrap) for males.**

Suh-waht-dee (sà-wàt-dee) / **Hello**

Kawp Koon (kop-koon) / **Thank You**

Chai/Mai Chai (chai/my-chai) **Yes/No**

Kor Tot (kor-tot) / **Excuse Me**

Lah Gorn (la-gon) / **Goodbye**

TRANS-PORT

Tuk-Tuk

FROM 100 THB

A transport and attraction at the same time, these vehicles can take you on a tour around the city like no other, but be prepared to haggle with the driver for a fair price.

MRT (Mass Rapid Transit)

16–42 THB

Bangkok's subway system. Two lines, the Blue and the Purple, with trains arriving every 5-10 minutes. The MRT stations are clean, air-conditioned, and equipped with elevators and escalators.

BTS (Skytrain)

15–62 THB

Elevated train system. It's as clean and efficient as the subway, but with great views. It is also a good way to avoid the notorious traffic jams in Bangkok.

Boats and Ferries

FROM 15 THB

If you prefer traveling by water, take a ride on one of the many boats that run along the Chao Phraya River.

APPS

Grab

Grab is a widely used app in Thailand that offers various services, including car and motorbike rides, food delivery, and even hotel booking. You can select different types of cars or motorbikes, and the app shows the estimated fare before you book a ride. Grab is available in English and Thai languages and accepts cashless payments through the app.

InDriver

InDriver is a relatively new ride-hailing app in Thailand that operates in Bangkok and some other provinces. The unique feature of this app is that passengers can bargain for fares with drivers, and the driver can accept or decline the offer. The app supports both cash and cashless payments.

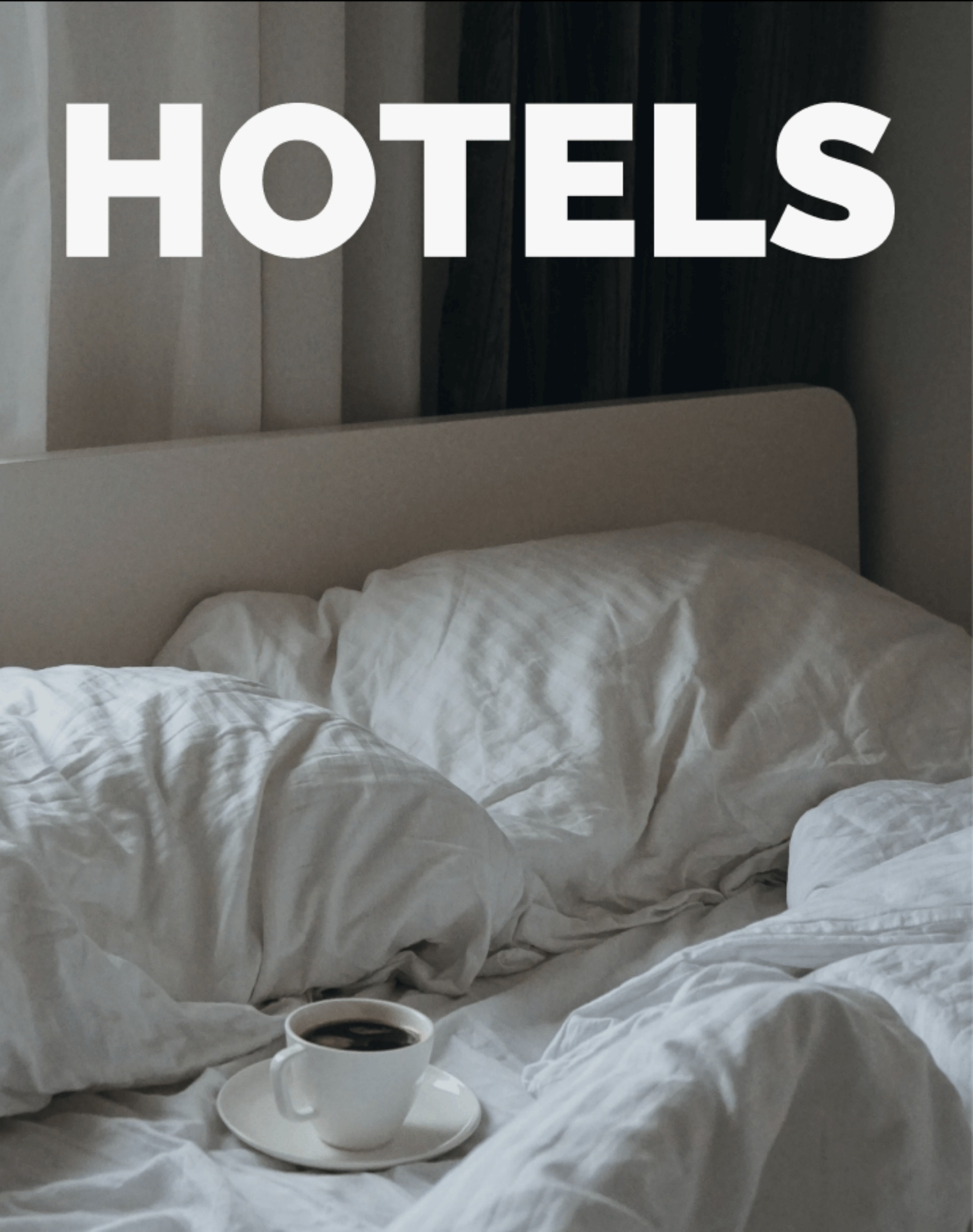
Bolt

Bolt is another ride-hailing app available in Thailand. It operates in Bangkok, Chiang Mai, and Phuket. Bolt offers a variety of vehicles, including cars and motorbikes. You can choose to pay with cash or card in the app.

12Go Asia

12Go is a transport booking platform that allows travelers to book bus, train, ferry, and flight tickets in Thailand and other Southeast Asian countries. You can compare prices and schedules from different operators and book tickets directly through the app. The app supports multiple languages, including English and Thai.

HOTELS



Pimthong Place

HOTELS

SUVARNABHUMI AIRPORT

900 THB PER NIGHT

«Brand-new place, comfortable beds, helpful stuff. The classic triple room didn't seem appealing on photos but it was perfect. The breakfast was TASTY and local, we liked it.» – writes Mary from London on one of the booking sites.

LOCATION

Riva Surya Bangkok

HOTELS

CENTRAL LOCATION

7000 THB PER NIGHT

Nestled on the banks of the Chao Phraya River, this boutique hotel puts you in the perfect spot to explore the capital. Enjoy a unique stay while still being close to all the action of Bangkok.

LOCATION

Ago Hotel

HOTELS CHINATOWN

1500 THB PER NIGHT

Charming Boutique hotel just a quick walk away from all the action of Chinatown! Enjoy a traditional breakfast and the lively lounge area with music on the weekends.

LOCATION

Holiday Inn Express Bangkok Siam

HOTELS

NEAR BTS SKYTRAIN

3500 THB PER NIGHT

Sitting in the center of Bangkok's famous Siam shopping district, the Holiday Inn is a great place to lay your head after a day of exploring. Take in the views of the National Stadium from your room and its convenient location next to the BTS Skytrain station.

LOCATION

VIX Bangkok at Victory Monument

HOTELS

BUDGET TRAVEL

1000 THB PER NIGHT

Awesome and affordable option for travelers visiting Bangkok. Comfortable rooms and close to many great food options.

LOCATION

Once Again Hostel

HOTELS HOSTEL STAY

900 THB PER NIGHT

Fun hostel in Bangkok's bustling Old Town. Dorms of all sizes available, and it's walking distance to many of the famous temples. You can even make some new friends at the rooftop bar!

LOCATION

JW Marriott Hotel Bangkok

HOTELS | ULTRA LUXURY

9000 THB PER NIGHT

Enjoy all the best luxury amenities right in the heart of Bangkok! JW Marriott offers the 5-star experience with a spa, epic city views, and an award-winning steakhouse.

LOCATION

Tales Khaosan Hostel

HOTELS KHAO SAN ROAD

700 THB PER NIGHT

It is very near to Khao San Road and offers brilliant service. Exceptional ratings and reviews by people who have previously stayed in this hostel make it ideal for choosing by an average backpacker. It is value for money and offers more than what you are paying for. Comfort is one of the prime focuses of this hostel. Free Wifi and air-conditioned rooms are other facilities that this place has to offer.

LOCATION

Sukhon Hotel

HOTELS PRATUNAM

2000 THB PER NIGHT

Just one step away from BTS Skytrain – Phayathai Station and 1 minute walk to Savarnabhumi Airport Rail Link- Phayathai Station.

LOCATION

FOOD

Rongros

FOOD

11 AM–3 PM, 5 PM –10 PM

FROM 150 THB

It is a proof that Michelin-starred meals don't have to cost you an arm and a leg in Bangkok. Try tod mun pla or Thai spiced fishcakes. Made with clown featherback fish, it's topped with crispy fried basil and served with a peanut-based dipping sauce. Sai krok isan «Isan sausage» and Thai green curry are also really good here.

LOCATION

Baan Kuay Tiew Ruathong

FOOD

FROM 16 THB

9 AM – 8 PM, CLOSED MONDAYS

If you were to come up with a list of must-try Thai food in Bangkok, then boat noodles should definitely be on that list.

What to Order: Boat noodles

LOCATION

Original Pad Kra Pao 1993

FOOD

FROM 59 THB

11 AM – 9 PM

Original Pad Kra Pao 1993 serves pad kra pao made with different types of meat and seafood like ground pork, ground beef, chicken, and shrimp.

What to Order: Pad kra pao

LOCATION

Pe Aor Tom Yum Goong

FOOD

FROM 60 THB

10 AM – 9 PM, CLOSED MONDAYS

Like pad thai, tom yum is one of Thailand's national dishes so you can't visit Bangkok without trying this dish. It's a complex-tasting but well-balanced hot and sour soup that made it to CNN's list of the world's 50 best dishes.

What to Order: Tom yum goong

LOCATION

Raan Jay Fai

FOOD

FROM 500 THB

9 AM – 9 PM, WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY

Practically every traveler who visits Bangkok has heard of Jay Fai by now. She gained worldwide fame when she was awarded a Michelin star in the guide's inaugural Bangkok edition, the only street food vendor at that time to be given that distinction.

What to Order: Crab omelette, pad see ew, tom yum

LOCATION

Tui Mu Kratha-Mu Chum

FOOD | FROM 200 THB | 12 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

In such a restaurant you aren't just eating food, you're also having an experience. Mu kratha is one of those experiences. It refers to the Thai method of cooking meat and vegetables on a device that basically combines hot pot with Korean barbecue.

What to Order: Mu kratha

LOCATION

Tang Jai Yang

FOOD

FROM 80 THB

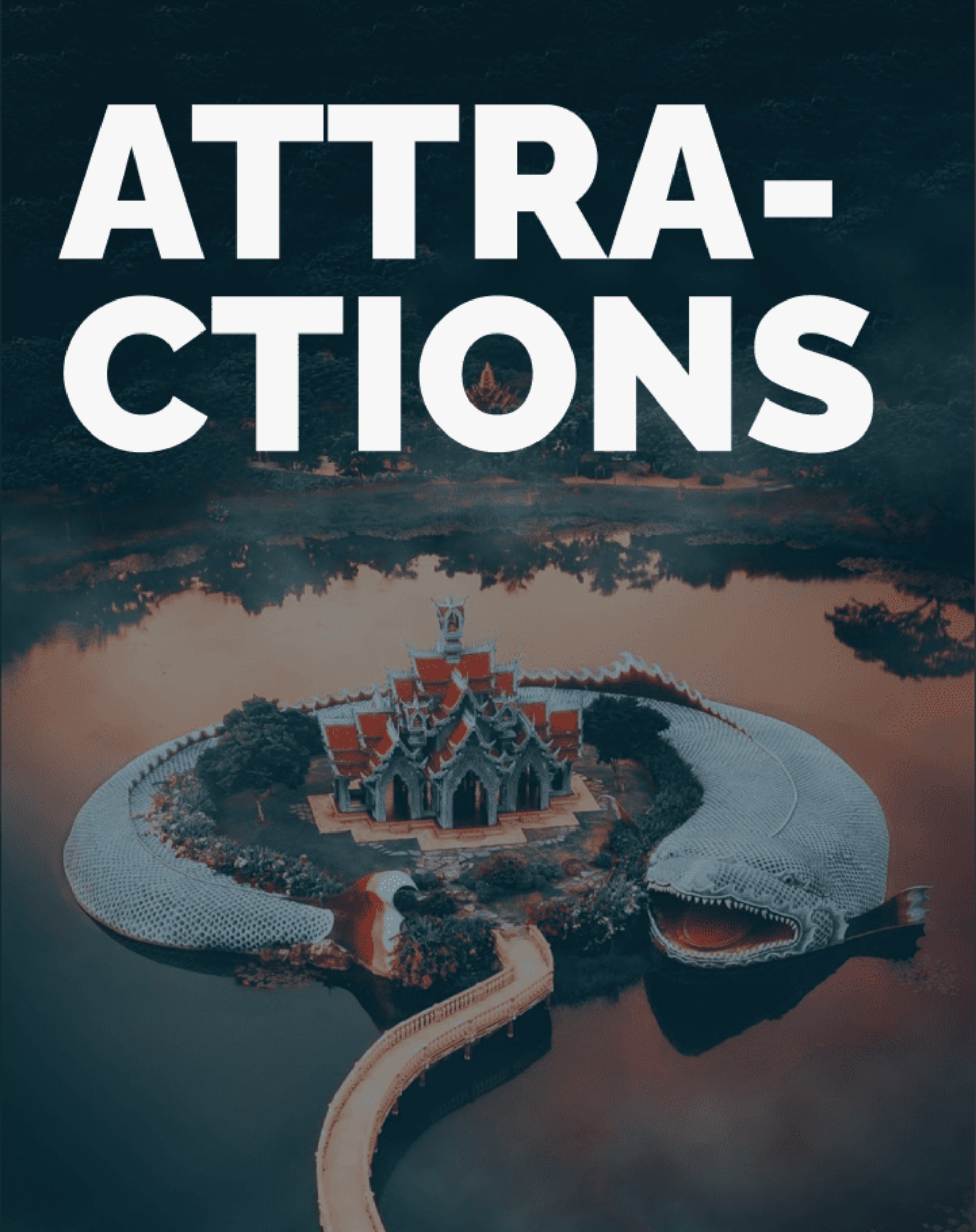
11 AM – 8 PM, DAILY

Tang Jai Yang is another place that made it to the 2023 Bangkok Michelin Street Food Guide, though it's more of a proper restaurant than a street food eatery. Their specialty is barbecued pork which you can enjoy with rice or noodles.

What to Order: Barbecued pork over rice

LOCATION

ATTRA-CTIONS



Bangkok Art & Culture Centre

ATTRACTIONS

FREE

10 AM – 9 PM, TUESDAY-SUNDAY

It simply screams creativity. You can feel this ambiance in every hallway, every store and every restaurant tucked away in this winding structure. Not one single detail was overlooked in making sure that this innovative centre did everything it could to foster culture exchange in terms of content, creating a cultural dialogue and a resource for all things culture for everyone to enjoy.

LOCATION

Bangkok National Museum

ATTRACTIONS

200 THB

9 AM – 4 PM, WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY

The Bangkok National Museum has the largest collection of local art and artifacts in Thailand. With over 12 rooms, it's a window into Thailand's past, from prehistoric times to the present day. Discover cultural treasures such as Sukhothai relics, Khon masks and traditional tools. Don't miss the free guided tours in multiple languages!

LOCATION

Rajadamnern Stadium

ATTRACTIONS

Muay Thai is one of Thailand's most treasured cultural heritages. When you visit Thailand, there is no better place in the country where you can witness "the art of eight limbs" on full display than at Rajadamnern Stadium.

The interior of this historic venue has been renovated into Thailand's first full-scale sportainment venue– attracting fans and ordinary people from all over the world to watch the most elite fighters in the world!

LOCATION

Lumpini Park

ATTRACTIONS

FREE

4:30 AM – 9 PM, DAILY

The Lumpini Park, Bangkok's ultimate outdoor playground, offers picturesque walks, jogging paths, and serene picnics. Adorned with sculptures and pavilions, it caters to all ages. Enjoy a swan boat ride or catch free musical performances on Sundays. Encounter squirrels, turtles, fish, and even monitor lizards at this magnificent location.

LOCATION

Benjakitti Park

ATTRACTIONS

FREE

5 AM – 9 PM, DAILY

Looking for a quiet place to escape the hustle and bustle of Bangkok?

Benjakitti Park is genuinely Bangkok's most beautiful park and free to visit.

Popular with walkers, picnickers and joggers, it also offers stunning views of the city and its forest, from numerous boardwalks.

LOCATION

Dusit Palace

ATTRACTIONS

FROM 100 THB

9:30 AM – 4 PM, DAILY

Inspired by European palaces, Bangkok's Dusit complex was built at the beginning of the 20th century. It houses over a dozen structures including the stunning Ananta Samakhom Throne Hall. From the Vimanmek Royal Teak Mansion to the Royal Carriage Museum, explore a rich history through palaces, halls, and museums in this captivating site.

LOCATION

Ancient City Muenang Boran

ATTRACTIONS

ADULT /CHILD — 700 THB / 350 THB

9 AM – 6 PM, DAILY

The Ancient City is an extraordinary open-air museum with replicas of temples and historical buildings in Thailand. It has been reconstructed on a scale of approximately 1 to 3 of the original, some temples are even as large as the original. Restoration is taken very seriously and often down to the smallest detail. Because the open air museum is so big, it has free bikes. And don't miss the restored floating market!

LOCATION

Erawan Museum

ATTRACTIONS

400 THB

9 AM – 7 PM, DAILY

The Erawan Museum features rare antiques and religious art representing the underworld, the human realm, and heaven. The main part of the museum is a colossal 3-headed elephant statue on a huge copper pedestal 29 meters high and 39 meters long. There, you can also see the intricate details of Benjarong pottery, Chinese porcelain, and more, while admiring stunning copperwork, stucco, and wall paintings. Outside, you can enjoy lush gardens, cross streams and mythological statues.

LOCATION

Umeda Abno

Madame Tussauds Museum

ATTRACTIONS

1161 THB

10 AM – 7 PM, DAILY

The famous Madame Tussauds museum is the place where you can view realistic wax figures on display, most of which can be touched, hugged, played with and even kissed. Imagine taking selfies with celebrities like Vin Diesel or Jackie Chan, practicing kung fu with Bruce Lee, walking the red carpet with Angelina Jolie...

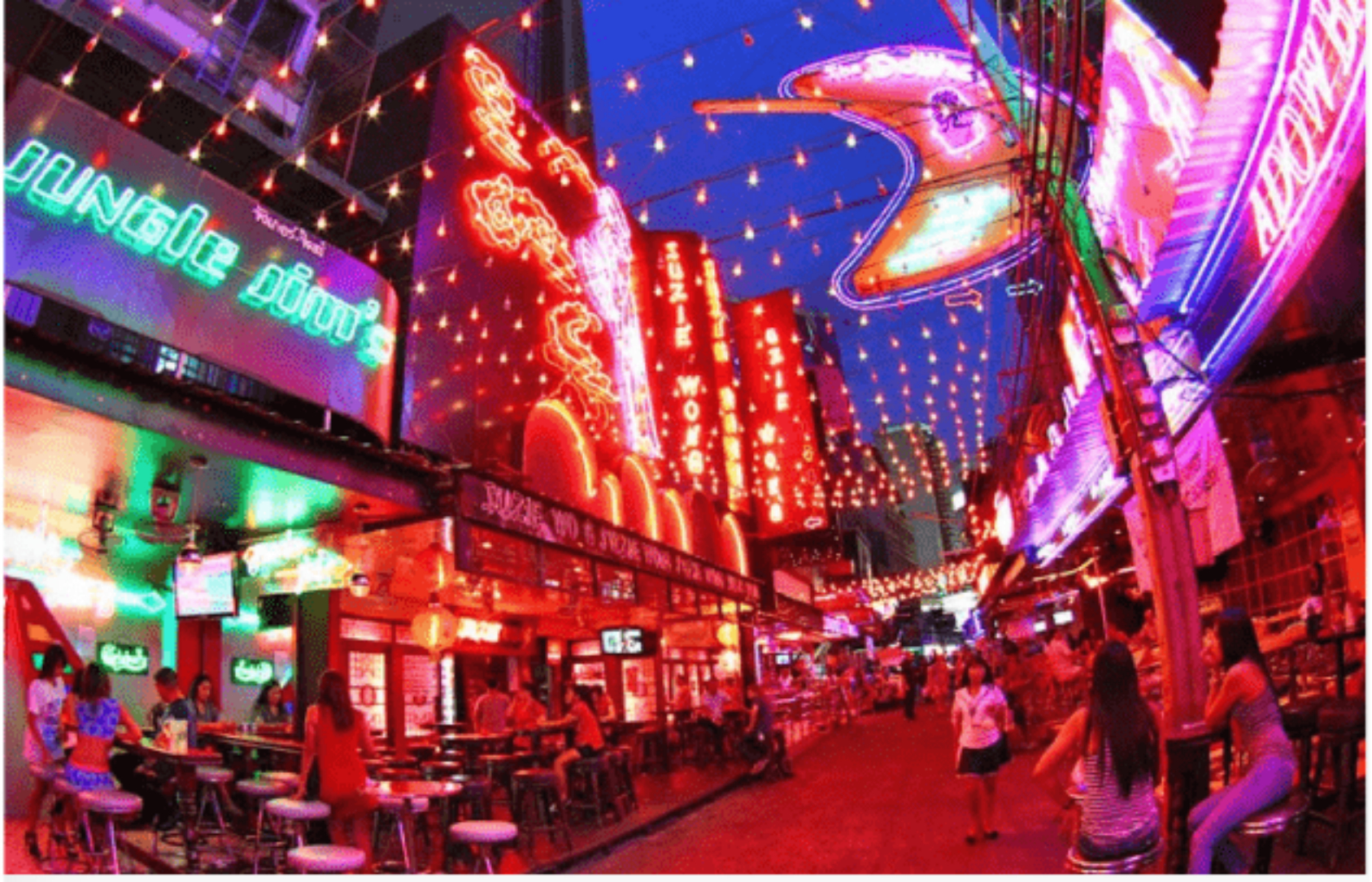
LOCATION

Khaosan Street

Khaosan Road is the bustling heart of Bangkok. Being a major tourist area, it is also popular with locals for its carefree atmosphere. A dynamic mix of bars, clubs, delicious street food stalls and budget hotels. When the sun goes down, the neon lights turn the streets into a nightlife paradise.

! Khaosan is worth seeing, but this is not our favorite place :)

LOCATION



Sukhumvit Road

The Sukhumvit is one of Bangkok's most action-packed and important areas, with excellent shopping, dining and nightlife. Modernity shines through stylish restaurants, bars, malls, and hotels. Sukhumvit Road, which actually runs all the way to Cambodia, pulses with life, hosting both excitement and calm. Sukhumvit is nightlife central, from famous clubs like Q Bar to quirky street bars.

! Don't miss attractions like the Museum of Science, Benjakitti Park, and Baan Kamthieng House.

LOCATION

Chinatown

Bangkok's Chinatown, or Yaowarat in Thai, is famous for its street food and cheap shopping, where you can buy everything from souvenirs to gadgets, fabrics and household items. Try the original crispy oyster omelet, the best crab noodle soup in town, pork dumplings and Chinese pastries.

! See cool hidden graffiti at Trok San Chao Rong Kueak, explore the 220-year-old Chinese mansion Sol Heng Tai, and finally relax at Ba Hao Chinese-style bar.

LOCATION

Soi Cowboy — Red Light District in Bangkok

ATTRACTIONS

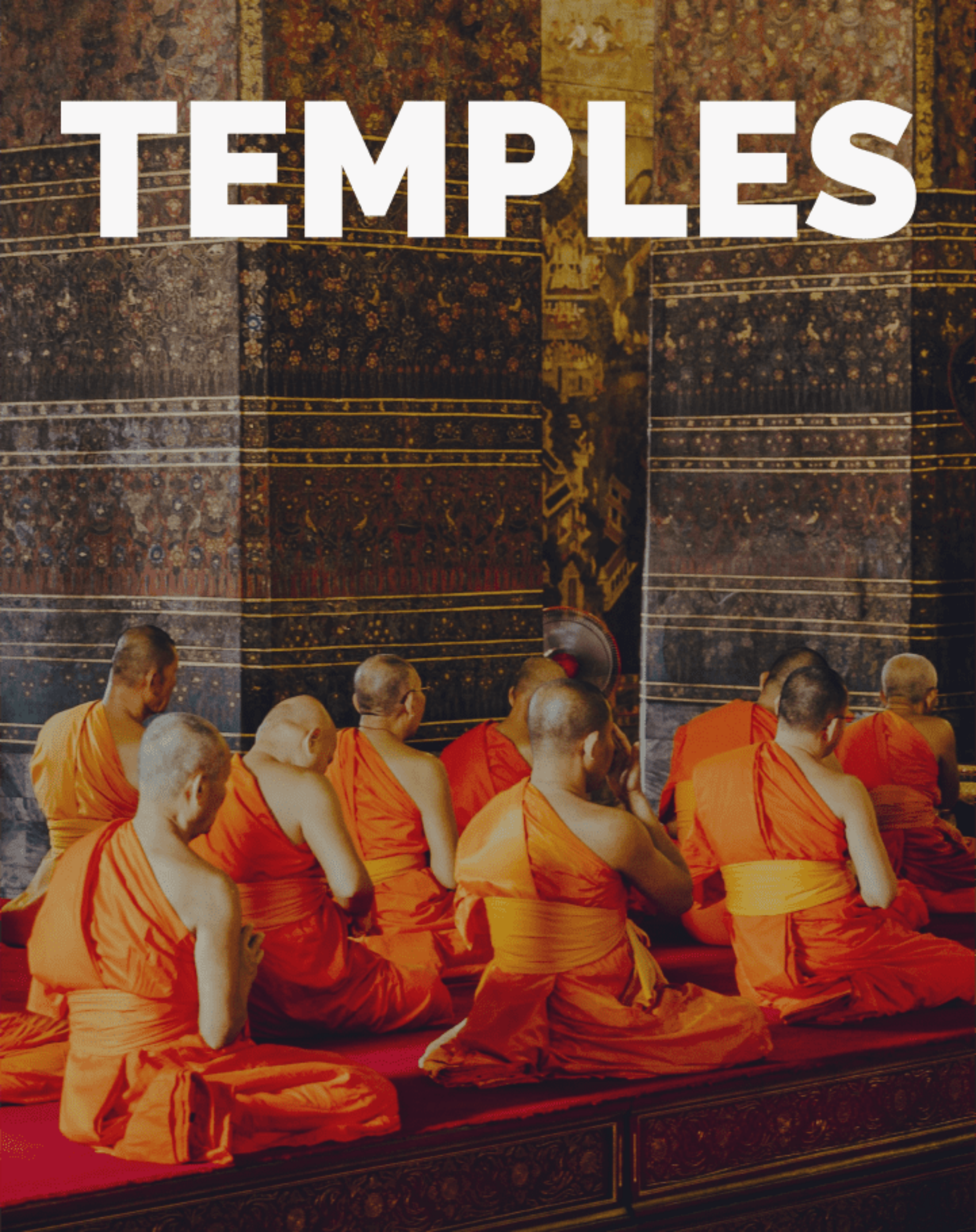
FROM 7 PM

The most famous Bangkok's red light district is Soi Cowboy. Soi Cowboy is a short (only 150 meter long) street, which becomes Bangkok's brightest street as soon as the sun sets.

The selection of venues at Soi Cowboy is really good as you can find more than 20 go-go bars and more than 10 beer bars there.

LOCATION

TEMPLES



Wat Ratchabophit

TEMPLES | 6 AM – 6 PM, DAILY | FREE

Wat Ratchabophit is a stunning temple near the Grand Palace, commissioned by Rama V in the nineteenth century. Its unique design connects a large wiharn (prayer hall) and ubosot (ordination hall) through a circular courtyard, unlike most of the square-formed Thai temples. In the center of the courtyard there is a large gilded chedi (pagoda) with a seated Lopburi-style Buddha image.

LOCATION

Wat Pariwat

TEMPLES

6 AM – 6 PM, DAILY

FREE

Discover the perfect blend of tradition and pop culture at Wat Pariwat temple. Known as the «David Beckham Temple» due to the soccer player's figurine in the basement, now it embraces a new identity — the «Marvel Manga Temple» with superheroes and comics characters adorning the courtyard. Explore statues of Superman, Batman, One Piece, Mickey Mouse, Pinocchio, Popeye and a mural of Albert Einstein.

LOCATION

The perfect blend of tradition and pop culture

Wat Pho

TEMPLES

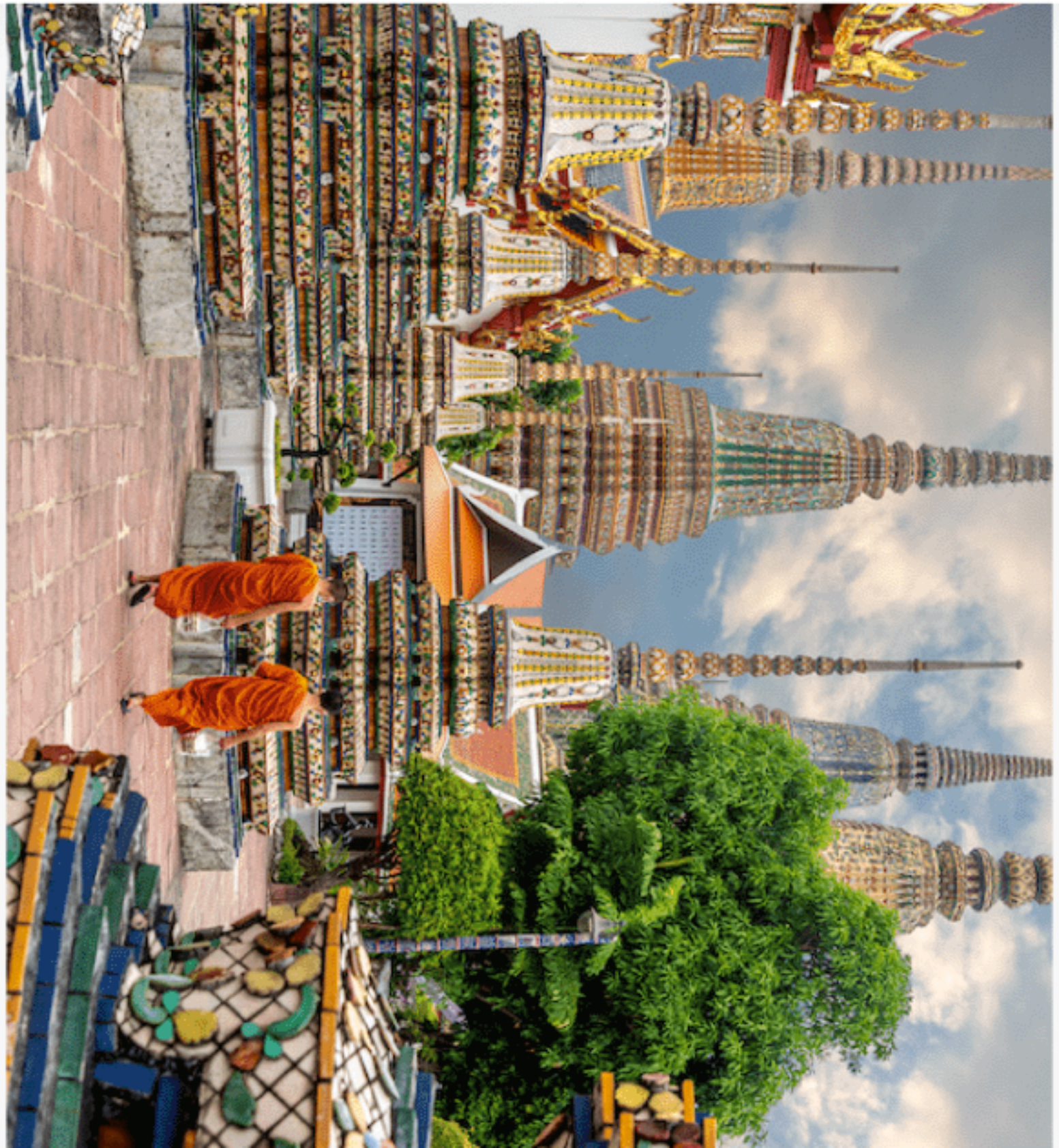
8 AM – 6:30 PM, DAILY

200 THB

Wat Pho or Wat Phra Chetuphon is Bangkok's iconic landmark, famous for its large golden reclining Buddha statue. Beyond being a temple, Wat Pho holds historical significance as one of Thailand's earliest universities, it is also the birthplace of traditional Thai massage.

! Beware of scammers claiming the temple is closed and offering tuk-tuk rides, just ignore them.

LOCATION



Wat Paknam Bhasicharoen

TEMPLES

8 AM – 6:30 PM, DAILY

FREE

The Buddha image at Wat Paknam commands attention with its grandeur, reaching an impressive 69 meters in height. Crafted from copper and embellished with a layer of radiant gold paint, its imposing build emanates an aura of reverence that reverberates across the city.

LOCATION

Wat Arun

TEMPLES | 8 AM – 6 PM, DAILY | 100 THB

This temple is considered to be the most famous and photographed temple in Bangkok, which features a soaring 70-meter-high spire decorated with tiny pieces of colored glass and Chinese porcelain.

! This is one of the world's most famous landmarks

LOCATION

Wat Samphran-Dragon Temple

TEMPLES | 9 AM – 5 PM, DAILY | FREE ENTRY

Wat Samphra, a captivating temple in Nakhon Pathom province, located just an hour away from Bangkok.

The Dragon temple is an astonishing sight with its 17-story pink tower featuring a giant dragon. The complex is massive, requiring at least an hour to explore fully. Discover the guardian dragon at Wat Samphran, a turtle cove, a stunning white elephant statue and the golden Buddha (maybe the best place to take a photo).

LOCATION

The Marble Temple Wat Benchamabophit

TEMPLES

8 AM – 5:30 PM, DAILY

50 THB

Don't miss The Marble Temple Wat Benchamabophit, built in 1899 with marble from Italy. Admire its traditional Thai symmetrical architecture with red multi-tiered roof adorned with gold chofas and carvings, and 52 unique Buddha statues. Visit at night to witness its captivating illumination for more picturesque shots. Take a peaceful stroll around the serene grounds, including a charming stream and bridge.

LOCATION

Wat Saket-Temple of the Golden Mount

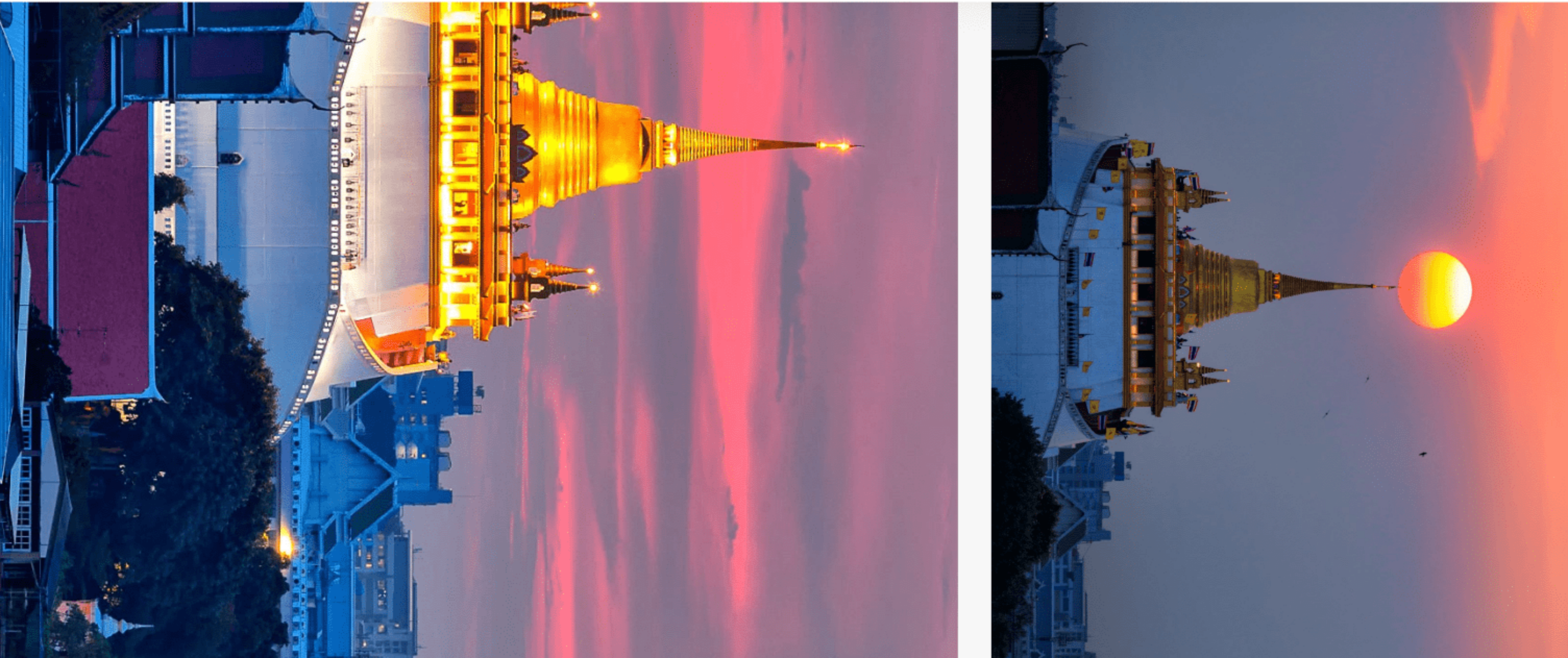
TEMPLES

8 AM – 5 PM, DAILY

50 THB

Visit The Wat Saket, one of Bangkok's oldest temples from the Ayutthaya era, located just outside the Rattanakosin island. Historically, it served as a cremation site for the impoverished during an epidemic in King Rama II's reign. The main attraction is the "Golden Mount," an 80-meter-high hill crowned by a massive gilded stupa, once the city's highest point. Enjoy the breathtaking sightseeing!

LOCATION



Loha Prasat Metal Castle

TEMPLES

9 AM – 5 PM, DAILY

20 THB

Loha Prasat is a 36-meter-tall pyramid-style structure that boasts 37 glittering spires, inspired by an ancient Sri Lankan temple. It is the only surviving religious building in this style.

Climb the spiral wooden staircase to explore cloisters where monks once meditated. Reach the open-sided top level for 360-degree views of Bangkok.

LOCATION

The top of Loha Prasat is adorned with 37 glittering spires

Wat Phra Kaew

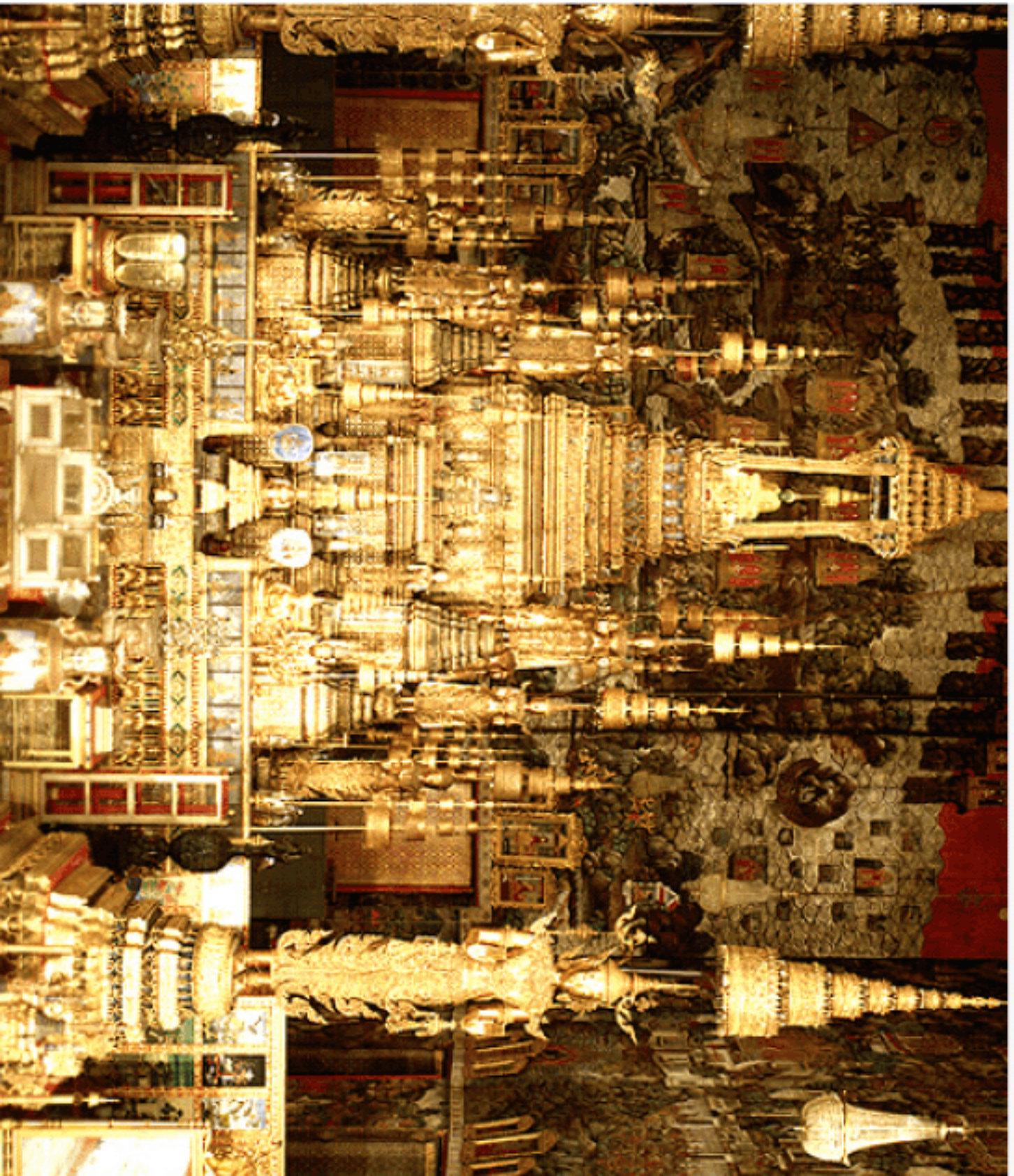
TEMPLES

8:30 AM – 3 PM, DAILY

500 THB

Wat Phra Kaew is a temple in Bangkok's historic center, situated within the Grand Palace. It houses the revered Phra Kaew Morakot, the Emerald Buddha carved from a single jade block. The Grand Palace itself once served as the Thai war ministry, state departments, and the mint, and remains the spiritual heart of the Thai Kingdom. Don't miss the Balcony with its murals depicting the Ramayana epic, guarded by 5-meter tall Yaksa Tavarnbal (gate guards).

LOCATION



Maha Uma Devi Temple

TEMPLES

6 AM – 8 PM, DAILY

FREE ENTRY

Sri Maha Mariamman is Bangkok's primary Hindu temple, also called Uma Devi temple, devoted to Mariamman, the rain Goddess. Admire the exquisite architecture featuring Indian elephant gods, four-faced gods, Thai-style gods, and Buddhas. The vibrant exterior boasts colorful carvings of various gods and goddesses in different forms and sizes, adorned with Indian-inspired colors.

LOCATION

Wat Mangkon

TEMPLES

9 AM – 6 PM, DAILY

FREE ENTRY

Wat Mangkon Kamalawat, the "Dragon Lotus" temple, is a significant Chinese house of worship in Bangkok's Chinatown. Here, in the temple's large courtyard, you can buy incense, oranges, and lotus-shaped dumplings to make offerings to deities and ancestors in line with Taoist beliefs. A visit to Chinatown is incomplete without experiencing this temple.

LOCATION

Wat Traimit

TEMPLES

8 AM – 5 PM, DAILY

100 THB

Wat Traimit Bangkok is known for housing a 5.5-tonne statue of a seated Buddha. The gold sculpture dates back to the 13th century and measures at nearly 5 meters in height.

Wat Traimit has a museum on the 3rd floor, where you get to learn about the history of the Golden Buddha. Exhibits also cover the historical background of how it came to be at Wat Traimit. The 2nd floor shows 3D presentations detailing the history of the Chinese traders in Bangkok.

LOCATION

MARKETS

Chatuchak Weekend Market

MARKETS

FRIDAY: 6 PM – MIDNIGHT

SATURDAY & SUNDAY: 9 AM – 6 PM

Chatuchak is Asia's largest market. Immerse in tempting aromas, music vibes, and endless stalls of literally anything. Dive in without a plan if you want a true adventure. Discover rare art and jewelry or revamp your wardrobe. Indulge in treats like chocolate-dipped bananas, crepes and brownies.

LOCATION

Khao San

MARKETS

Khao San Road is a renowned street in Bangkok, also known as the "backpacker's hub". It is essentially one big market, with shops and stalls set up everywhere you look. The best time for visiting is in the evening, many shops and stalls are open only after dusk. Khao San Road is a great place to pick up some souvenirs and a few special keepsakes for yourself. Trapeze Swingers, a shop that offers vintage goods, is one of the most unique stores in the area.

LOCATION

Taling Chan Floating Market

MARKETS

12 KM FROM BANGKOK

8 AM – 5 PM, SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Taling Chan is one of the best floating markets near Bangkok. It's open all day and has just enough boats to be called a floating market, plus a large local market attached to it. It may lack the old world charm of other markets, but it still feels really authentic. There are small longtail boat cruises to take you around the nearby khlongs (canals) and get a relaxing ride. Try famous som tum (papaya salad) or seafood on small barbecues.

LOCATION

Amphawa Floating Market

MARKETS

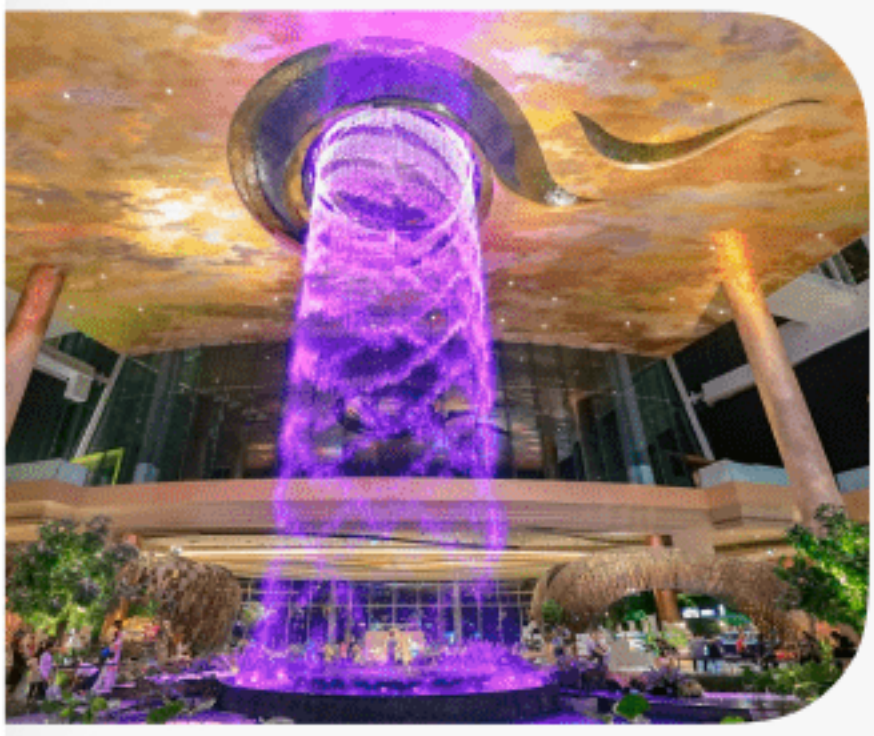
50 KM FROM BANGKOK

11 AM – 9:30 PM, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Amphawa is a very popular floating market with many little wooden houses neatly lined up along the canal, selling souvenirs, snacks, sweets, and hand-made items. The main draw is, of course, eating seafood grilled precariously on wooden boats. Fish cakes and mini crabs are always crowd-favorites among travelers. Don't miss the amazing little temple swallowed by a giant tree located across the river.

LOCATION

MALLS



IconSiam

MALLS

10 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

IconSiam is a 10-story retail wonderland with over 7000 shops. There is an Apple Store and an indoor floating market in the same mall! Art enthusiasts will be captivated by the art-in-mall experience, showcasing remarkable pieces from 100+ Thai and global artists.

LOCATION

CentralWorld

MALLS

10 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

CentralWorld Plaza is located in the center of Bangkok. That's a massive complex with seven floors and more than 500 stores, integrated with a 5-star hotel, a sprawling cinema featuring 15 screens, two elegant Hindu shrines, and even an ice skating rink.

LOCATION

MBK Central

MALLS

10 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

MBK was the largest mall in Asia when it opened in 1985 and is still one of the most popular malls in Bangkok today, mainly due to its competitive prices.

! Be careful with fake products, especially when the prices are too good to be true.

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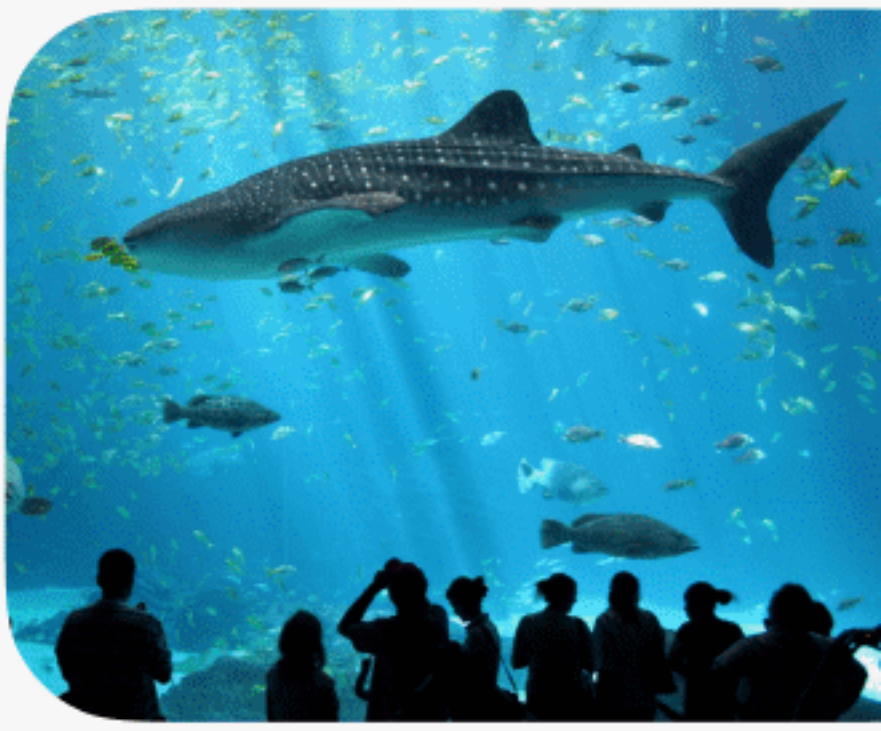


Siam Paragon

MALLS

10 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

Siam Paragon is one of the largest malls in Asia, home to many high-end international fashion brands, the largest aquarium in Southeast Asia, a 16-screen Cineplex cinema and a wide selection of world cuisines. Paragon is larger than life and no shopping experience in Bangkok is complete without a trip here.

LOCATION

Terminal 21

MALLS

10 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

If you want to combine shopping in Bangkok with aesthetic pleasure, you must visit Terminal 21. Each of its floors is stylized as one of the world's metropolises. For example, if you get off at the BTS Asok station, you will find yourself in Rome, the Italian capital, with all the ancient statues and fountains. The other floors are represent San Francisco, Paris, London, Tokyo.

LOCATION

BARS

BKK Social Club — best bar in Thailand

BARS

5 PM – 12 AM, DAILY

525 THB (AVERAGE COCKTAIL PRICE)

Inspired by the parallels of Buenos Aires and Bangkok, BKK Social Club is located in the Four Seasons at Chao Phraya River.

The focus here is on glitz, glamour and good times, set in garden-like surrounds in which plants tumble from chandeliers and semi-outdoor courtyards provide a space to enjoy a cigar.

LOCATION

The Loft

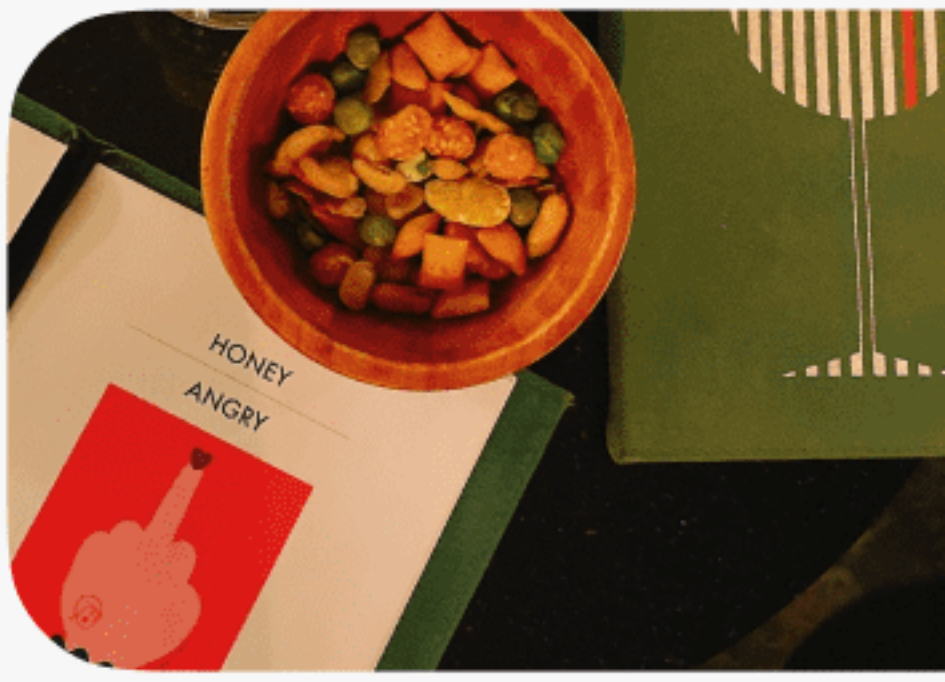
BARS

5 PM – 1 AM, DAILY

525 THB (AVERAGE COCKTAIL PRICE)

The Loft has cherry-picked all the glamour and heritage of New York's Waldorf Astoria, transported it to the 56th floor of a Bangkok skyscraper and added its own flurry of a new-wave Asian bar magic.

LOCATION



Vesper

BARS

5:30 PM – 1 AM, DAILY

490 THB (AVERAGE COCKTAIL PRICE)

Riding high in Asia's 50 Best Bars 2019, Vesper takes its name from James Bond's favourite martini. This is pretty much the ideal date bar: it's chic but not austere, the drinks are strong and if conversation runs dry the menu will provide the perfect talking point.

LOCATION

Tropic City

BARS | 7 PM – 1 AM, DAILY

420 THB (AVERAGE COCKTAIL PRICE)

It's fair to say Tropic City is a one-off. Opened by two Swedish bartenders, Sebastian De La Cruz and Philip Stefanescu, in 2017, it's Thailand's first tiki bar and has made quite the impact, appearing as a new entry on Asia's 50 Best Bars list in 2019.

LOCATION

#FindTheLockerRoom

BARS

6 PM – 1:30 AM, DAILY

350 THB (AVERAGE COCKTAIL PRICE)

Moodily lit and having room for just 35 drinkers, #FindTheLockerRoom opened in 2017 by a five-strong star team. Relocated in 2018, guests must navigate a bank of steel lockers to gain entry. The 'Past, Present and Future' menu sees classic cocktails served three ways.

LOCATION

ROOF-TOPS

Baiyoke Tower II

ROOFTOP

10 AM – 10 PM, DAILY

400 THB (INCLUDES 1 DRINK)

The Baiyoke Tower (Baiyoke 2) provides stunning panoramic views of the Thai capital. As Thailand's tallest building, it stands at an impressive 304 meters. The 77th-floor skywalk offers expansive bird's-eye views of the skyline through its large windows. For even more breathtaking city vistas, visit the rooftop observation deck on the 84th floor. Facing all four directions, it provides insights about landmarks, major areas, and highways below.

LOCATION

Char Rooftop Bar

ROOFTOP

5 PM – 12 AM, DAILY

CHAR Rooftop Bar is a cocktail bar, perched on top of the fantastic Hotel Indigo Bangkok. In addition to the stunning rooftop bar, there is also a very nice restaurant and a luxurious infinity rooftop swimming pool found here (pool is for hotel guests only).

The bar menu includes mixology cocktails matching the views: wonderful, creative, and tasty, and all the drinks are complemented with some bar bites as well as cigars.

LOCATION

Enjoy the full package of rooftop pool, bar and restaurant by staying a couple of nights at the 5-star Hotel Indigo Bangkok Wireless Road.

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Speakeasy Rooftop bar

ROOFTOP

6 AM – 12 AM, DAILY

The Speakeasy at Hotel Muse takes you back to the 1920s Prohibition-era with its underground clubs. The authentic touches like a bath full of cocktails in jam jars and cool jazz playing in the background keep the vibe unique and funky. With an interesting view over Sukhumvit and towards Sathorn, this rooftop is more unusual than most, and the classic vintage cocktails are just as good as the view.

LOCATION

King Power Mahanakhon Skywalk

ROOFTOP

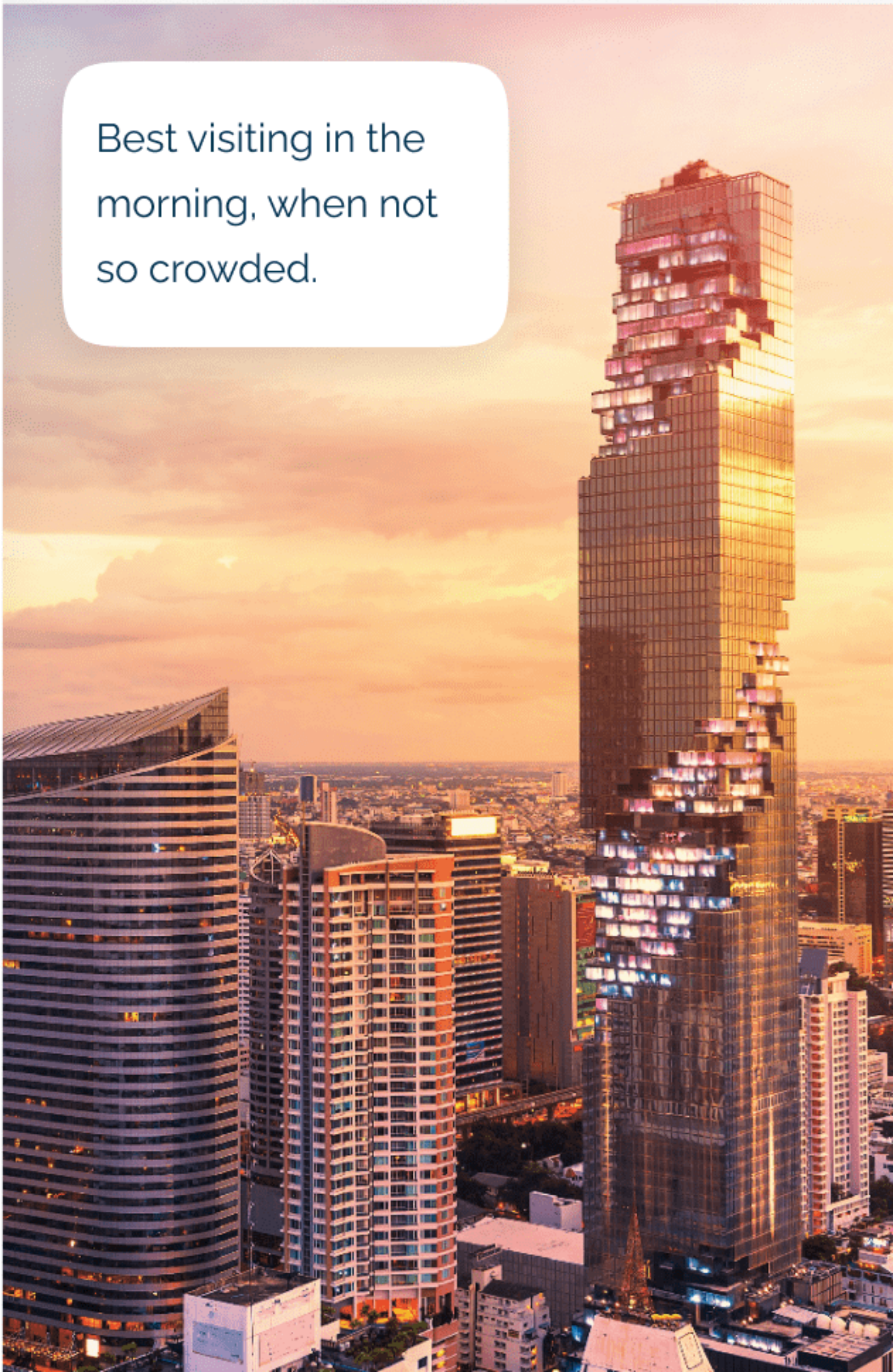
9 AM – 6 PM, DAILY

836 THB

Bangkok's highest viewpoint 314m above the ground and the famous glass floor! The walls of the high-speed elevator are actually video screens showing 360 views of Bangkok. The first step feels like setting a foot over the edge of a skyscraper. And just moments later the terrifying feeling is gone and it's actually very cool to watch Bangkok from above as a tiny city.

LOCATION

Best visiting in the morning, when not so crowded.



Vertigo & Moon

ROOFTOP

5 PM – 1 AM, DAILY

This alfresco bar-restaurant is 61 floors above the bustling streets of Bangkok, overlooking a magnificent cityscape. The stylish setting fuses fairytale romance and cosmopolitan chic. Indulge in some of the world's finest champagne, exotic cocktails, wine-by-the-glass or non-alcoholic beverages in the bar area, or go all the way for a memorable dinner of barbecued seafood.

LOCATION

Distil Rooftop Bar

ROOFTOP

5 PM – 1 AM, DAILY

Distil is a cocktail bar and lounge marrying some of the most innovative drinks in Bangkok with a seriously awe-inspiring view from the 64th floor. Comprised of an indoor seating area of comfy sofas, a circular bar, and an outdoor cigar terrace, this is a sophisticated place where guests can expect to sample some finer rarities that few other bars in Bangkok can boast: exclusive wines, cigars, rare whiskeys, and resident DJs playing jazzy lounge house.

LOCATION

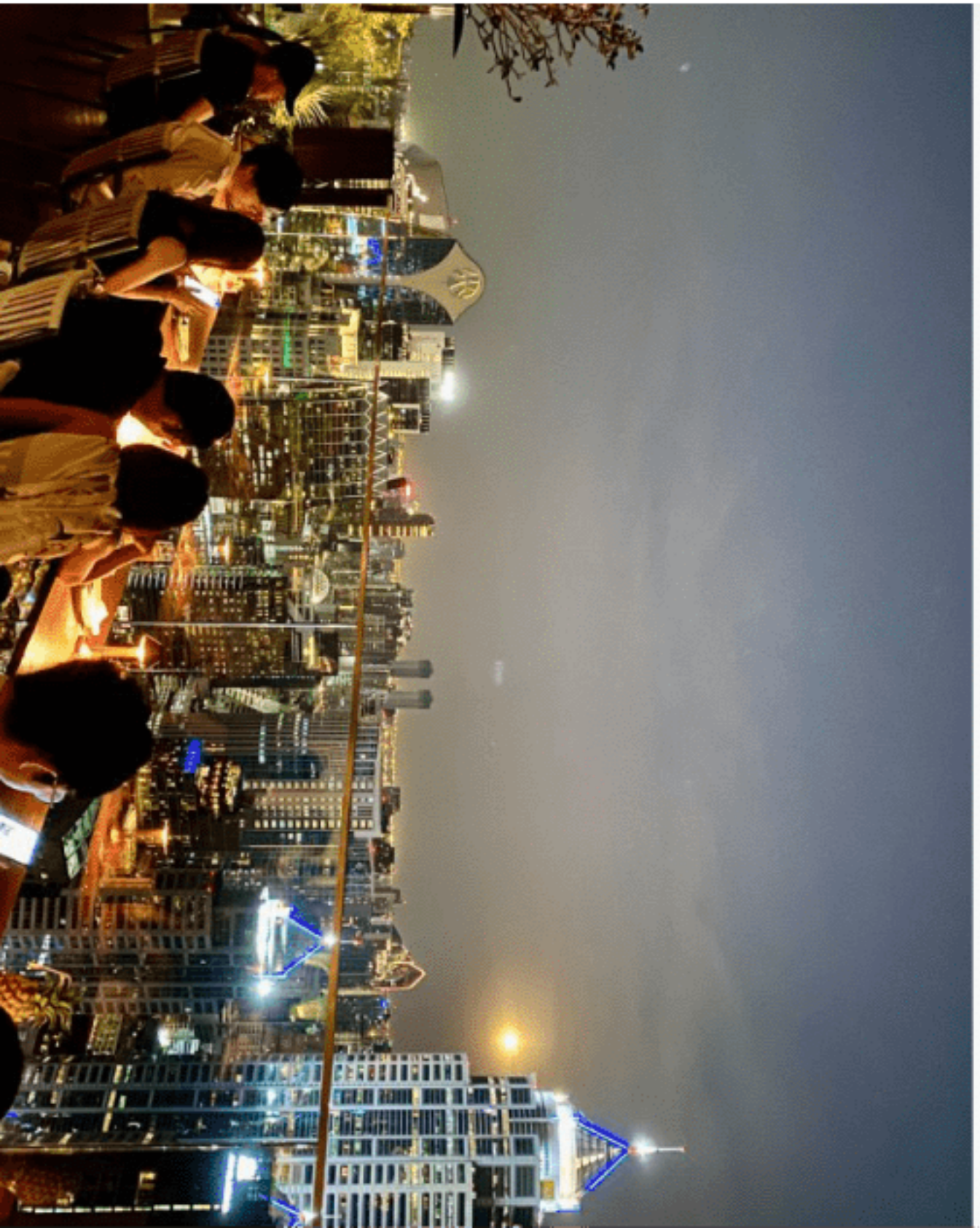
Bar Yard

ROOFTOP

4 PM – 12 AM, DAILY

Vibrant tropical backyard in the clouds located up high on the 40th floor, experience a tiki bar coupled with elements of an American backyard barbecue, complete with a bright, breezy haven of lush greenery and tropical-inspired furnishings. Music is the soul of Bar Yard, where they host a line-up of well-known DJs who play everything from neo-soul to modern hip-hop and disco.

LOCATION



ONE-DAY TRIP

It's worth planning a whole day to visit these locations -->

Ayutthaya. The Ancient Capital of Thailand

At the height of the city's influence, Ayutthaya was one of the largest and richest cities in East Asia, and its size and wealth rivaled that of Paris in the 17th century. The city was founded in 1351, and many parts of it are still perfectly preserved, it even became a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The old city of Ayutthaya is packed with Buddhist temples. Some are prestigious as they were centuries ago while some become ruins with elegant structural designs. Such a picturesque place has become the filming location of Mortal combat and Kickboxer with Jean-Claude Van Damme.

LOCATION

Asiatique. The Riverfront and the night market

Asiatique The Riverfront is a very famous open-air mall in Bangkok. It is a great complex known for its scenic restaurants, shopping stalls, food markets and the lovely views of the Chao Phraya River. There's a wide array of other entertainment, from amazing rides to spectacular shows.

Some good restaurants to visit nearby: Kodang Talay, Happy Fish Restaurant, Wine I Love You, Kacha Kacha.

Recommended entertainment and shows: Asiatique Sky (Ferris Wheel), Grand Carousel, Mystery Mansion (haunted train), Calypso Cabaret, Muay Thai Live: The Legend Lives and Joe Louis Thai Puppet Theatre.

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Damnoen Saduak Floating Market

Damnoen Saduak has been Thailand's best known floating market for a very long time, but that also makes it one of the most touristy ones. Its popularity comes, in no small part, from its use as a setting in the 1974 James Bond movie The Man with the Golden Gun.

It's huge, lively, full of boats selling food and fruits, and it's colorful – exactly how people imagine a floating market would look like.

! Join a half-day tour on a long-tail speed boat or a paddle boat to explore the market or get by yourself.

LOCATION

Maeklong Railway Market Bangkok

The Maeklong Railway Market is one of Bangkok's most unique attractions.

What makes the Maeklong Railway Market unique is that it's located right on top of a railway line, and trains run right through the market a few times per day.

One minute, stalls are set up all over the railway line as hundreds of people go about their shopping. Suddenly a train approaches as the market literally folds away and lets the train pass through.

! You can combine the floating market and the railway in the same day, they are quite close

LOCATION

Bangkok's Temples Express Tour

It's not a secret that Bangkok has a great variety of different temples. The most well-known temples are located along **the Chao Phraya River,** which makes it easy to visit them on the same day. These temples are Wat Arun, Wat Pho, Wat Phra Kaew, Wat Prayoon and Wat Mahatat.

It's also a great possibility to have a wonderful river cruise. Take a ferry across the river at Tha Tien pier. It operates every 15 minutes, costs 5 THB and takes 5 minutes. Prices for river cruises start from just 15 THB.

! There are also Wat Phra Kaew Museum, The Grand Palace, Phra Mondop Temple, The Wang Lang market, Chakri Maha Throne Hall, The Temple of the Emerald Buddha and many other sights.