

## 3 Days River Kwai Delight at River Kwai Jungle Rafts

### Day 1 | Bangkok – River Kwai Jungle Rafts

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Kanchanaburi province's beautiful rural landscape is revealed on this excellent three-day excursion. After an early morning pick-up from centrally located Bangkok hotels at around 6 am, we set off on a 128 km journey to the west of the capital to our destination. On arrival, we visit the Thailand-Burma Railway Centre, an interactive museum, information and research facility dedicated to the history of the famed rail link. Next is the Kanchanaburi War Cemetery, a memorial to 6,000 Allied prisoners of war (POWs) who perished while forced to build the 'Death Railway' by Japanese occupiers, followed by the famous Bridge over the River Kwai.

After lunch at a local restaurant, we visit the Hellfire Pass Interpretive Centre, a museum and gallery that memorialises the POWs who built the World War Two rail link. This visit includes a walk along the site of the tracks, behind the museum, to the Hellfire Pass memorial. We then transfer to Phutakien Pier and take a long-tail boat to the River Kwai Jungle Rafts for dinner and overnight.

The evening's entertainment includes an enthralling 45-minute performance of traditional Mon Dances. Our first day reveals history and sublime scenery in abundance.

Overnight at River Kwai Jungle Rafts.

### Day 2 | River Kwai Jungle Rafts

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Our second day of discovery commences after breakfast with a long-tailed boat ride to visit a Mon tribal village. This immersive interaction with this indigenous group includes captivating storytelling and traditional Mon dance performances. We then head to the Golden Rock, the Buddha image cave and a village school where we enjoy some further interaction with the Mon people as we sit down and talk with them about their history, religion and culture. We will experience how to wear their traditional costume and be given instruction into playing the Saba game. Next, we get an insight into the production of Tanaka powder, a natural cosmetic, sunscreen, skin treatment and insect repellent created from the bark of a Tanaka tree. We then take a short walk along the river bank to get a magnificent view of the River Kwai.

Lunch is enjoyed at the River Kwai Jungle Rafts, followed by a relaxing afternoon of leisure that includes optional (chargeable) activities such as bamboo rafting, canoeing, river jumping and Thai traditional massage.

Dinner and overnight at River Kwai Jungle Rafts.

### Day 3 | River Kwai Jungle Rafts – Bangkok

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The final exploration of this excellent excursion begins after breakfast and the check-out of the raft hotel with a long-tail boat journey through idyllic river scenery to Phu Takien Pier. After lunch at a local restaurant we take a historic ride on a train that takes us along the 'Death Railway'. This amazing journey takes us over the original wooden viaduct constructed by Allied prisoners of war. The construction has stood the test of time and it clings to the rock face over the River Kwai. After this unique experience we head back to Bangkok at 2.30 pm, with an expected arrival back in the capital at around 6 pm, traffic permitting, and transfers to respective hotels.

### 1 November 2024 – 31 October 2025

1	2	3 – 5	6 – 14	15 – 29	30 – up	Seat-in-Coach	Single Sup.
-	-	-	-	-	-	254.70	74.40

Rates are in US Dollar (USD), per person, net and non-commissionable

### Seat-in-Coach

- Seat-in-Coach tours are operated daily with English-speaking guide, minimum 2 persons.

**Supplements**

- Surcharge 24 December 2024- 02 January 2025      USD 7.80 per room per night

**Inclusions**

- Tours and transfers with licenced English-speaking guiding services / assistance. Other languages are on request and are subject to availability;
- Accommodation in sharing twin / double without air-conditioning;
- Transportation for tour and transfers by air-conditioned vehicle, unless otherwise stated;
- All entrance fees for visits as mentioned in the program;
- All applicable taxes and service charges;
- All meals as indicated in the program (food only)

**Exclusions**

- Voluntary Carbon Offset Compensation: USD 1.50 per person per day;
- Personal expenses such as other meals, drinks, tips and gratuities, shopping, portage fees and optional tours/ visits, unless otherwise stated;
- Hotel accommodation in the destination of commencement;
- Any domestic / international airline tickets, airport taxes, visa fees, specific camera / video fees, additional transportation cost from and to the general pick-up / drop-off regions (such as airports, out-of-town resorts, ports, harbours and accommodation in surrounding towns);
- Any accommodation expenses of a personal nature. This includes (compulsory festive) meals and drinks, mini-bar consumption, laundry, room service, any telephone or other communication cost not mentioned in the program;
- International travel and medical insurance coverage for customers.

**Good to know**

- Due to the ecology conservation concept of River Kwai Jungle Rafts, the entire floatel does NOT use electricity but rather utilizes traditional kerosene lamps at night maintaining a true eco hideaway in nature;
- In line with the program, customers are strongly advised to spend the night prior to the start of this package in Bangkok;
- We reserve the right to make necessary changes to the tour in case of unfavourable weather conditions or situations where we are forced to make alterations to guarantee the safety of our guests;
- Natural elements of any kind have a destructive effect on electronic equipment. It is the customer's own responsibility to ensure that any camera, mobile telephone or other device is properly wrapped and protected against these elements. We cannot be held responsible in any way for negligence and/or not following suggestions for any damage related to this;
- Tours and excursions often include obstacles of various kinds that may not make this excursion suitable for wheelchair users or guests with limited mobility;
- The protection of the country's flora, fauna and its historical and cultural treasures is of immense importance for us. We will not pursue any activities that are not in line with our animal, wildlife and environment protection principles;
- Please ensure that you bring sunglasses, a hat /cap and sunblock with a high SPF factor when traveling with us. Even when it is cloudy, the sun still has an immense power;
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This historical exploration tour takes us to Kanchanaburi province to absorb this region's wartime history. We take in the Thailand-Burma Railway Centre, an interactive museum dedicated to the history of the 'death railway' which ran 415 km from Ban Pong in Thailand to Thanbuzayat in Burma. This link was built by Allied prisoners of war and Asian labourers forced by the Japanese Army to undertake this mammoth task in extremely hostile conditions. We also visit the Allied War Cemetery, the resting-place for over 6,000 prisoners, as well as the world-famous Bridge over the River Kwai. We then head to the resort for check-in and lunch. Afternoon is at leisure.

Dinner is followed by a 45-minute presentation of a Mon Dance. This indigenous group are the earliest group of people to reside in South-East Asia, bringing their civilization to the region over 1,200 years ago. Their colourful costumes and traditional culture will be showcased at this event.

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After breakfast, we then take a long-tail boat journey on the River Kwai to visit an ethnic Mon Tribal village and temple where we will view the simple lifestyle of this indigenous group who are the earliest people to reside in South-East Asia, bringing their civilization to the region over 1,200 years ago. We will watch a cultural show and interact with our hosts and then return to the resort for lunch.

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After breakfast, we then check-out and take an exciting long-tail boat ride down the River Kwai and continue by road to the Hellfire Pass Museum and Memorial. This facility is dedicated to Allied prisoners of war and Asian labourers who were forced to build the Thailand to Burma 'death railway' in extremely harsh conditions during World War Two. After viewing the exhibits in the excellent museum and its many audio-visual displays, we walk along the original railway cutting known as Hellfire Pass which was one of the most difficult sections of rock to cut through, but it is now a haven of peace and serenity. After lunch, we take a ride on the actual railway and pass over the original wooden viaducts. We then head back to Bangkok and transfer to our respective hotels.

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943.10	523.80	417.50	326.60	250.00	227.20	-	66.90

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### Private

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For all our Trails, our standard [Terms and Conditions](#) apply