

# 3 Days River Kwai Explorer at Hintok River Camp & River Kwai Jungle Rafts

## Day 1 | Bangkok - Hintok River Camp

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Discover one of Thailand's most idyllic rural landscapes during a three-day adventure in rugged Kanchanaburi province. Our exploration commences with a 6 am transfer from Bangkok to our destination, 128-km west of the capital. On arrival, our first call is at the interactive Thailand-Burma Railway Centre. This gives a poignant insight into Kanchanaburi's war-era history. Next, we head to Kanchanaburi War Cemetery, a memorial to 6,000 allied prisoners of war (PoWs) who perished building the 'death railway', followed by the world-famous Bridge over the River Kwai. After lunch at a local restaurant, we visit the Hellfire Pass Interpretive Centre, a fascinating facility which presents the history of the Burma-Thailand railway in informative themed sections. We then descend the elevated walkway behind the museum to the scenic Hellfire Pass Memorial Walking Trail. This is where train tracks were laid by enforced PoW labourers during the Second World War.

A BBQ dinner and overnight is at Hintok River Camp in tents that have comfortable beds, hot showers and air-conditioning.

Dinner and overnight at Hintok River Camp.

## Day 2 | Hintok River Camp - River Kwai Jungle Rafts

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While day one was about absorbing the history of the area, day two involves more active pursuits. After breakfast, we check-out of the camp and take a long-tail boat ride to the River Kwai Jungle Rafts. Highlights of the day include interaction with the ethnic Mon people in their traditional village. We also visit the Golden Rock, the Buddha image cave and the quaint village school. We have plenty of time to sit down and talk with the Mon people and get a fascinating insight into their history, religion and culture. We will also watch them perform dances and learn how to wear the sa-rong costume and play the saba traditional Mon game. We will also learn how to make tanaka powder sourced from tree bark. This is used as a natural cosmetic, for sunscreen protection and as an insect repellent. We then take a take a leisurely walk on a river bank jungle trail to a viewpoint, with a stunning vista of the River Kwai. At noon, we return to the River Kwai Jungle Rafts accommodation, check-in and eat lunch. The afternoon is at leisure. We have the option to partake in river jumping and bamboo rafting (charge applies).

Dinner is followed by a 45-minute traditional and colourful Mon dance display.

Dinner and overnight at River Kwai Jungle Rafts.

# Day 3 | River Kwai Jungle Rafts - Bangkok

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Our final day includes a wealth of exciting activities, ahead of our return to Bangkok. After breakfast, the morning is at leisure with the option to enjoy a traditional Thai massage (charge applies). At 11 am we check out of the resort and board a long-tailed boat to Phu Takien Pier, followed by a delicious Thai lunch at an authentic local restaurant. At 1 pm, we take a ride on a train that travels down the actual tracks built by the Allied PoWs during the Japanese occupation of this area during World War Two. This is an amazing journey as the tracks cling to a cliffside with a stunning panorama of the River Kwai and the surrounding jungle. After this breathtaking experience, we head back to Bangkok at 2.30 pm, with an estimated arrival back in the capital at 6 pm. This concludes this excellent adventure in a province packed with a breathtaking scenery of dense rainforests, a meandering river and rugged mountains.

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Rates are in United States 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.

#### **Inclusions**

- Tours and transfers with licenced English-speaking guiding services / assistance.
- Accommodation in sharing twin / double in a safari-styled tent with air-conditioning at Hintok Rver Camp;
- Accommodation in sharing twin / double without air-conditioning (no electricity) at River Kwai Jungle Rafts;
- 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 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;
- All mentioned times, durations and stops are based on approximations and may change due to unforeseen circumstances, weather and traffic conditions beyond our control.

For all our Trails, our standard Terms and Conditions apply