



Programme Overview

Duration: 9 Days/ 8 Nights

Overview: Honeymoon itinerary for 9 Days / 8 Nights covering Bangkok - Chiang Mai – Koh Samui using Centara resorts and hotels at all places

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Day 01 Arrive Bangkok

Arriving at Suvarnabhumi International Airport off (flight ##), and immediately after disembarking your plane, you will be met by a representative of Abercrombie & Kent who will accompany you through immigration and customs formalities and assist you to collect your luggage. ***(Fast track service for clearing immigration)***

The Airport Representative will remain with you until you are met by your local Abercrombie & Kent guide and transferred by private vehicle to Hotel.

Remainder of the day at leisure

Dinner on own arrangement

Overnight at Centara Grand & Bangkok Convention Centre at CentralWorld

Meals: Breakfast

Day 02 Bangkok

Breakfast at the hotel

This morning set out for **Wat Po**, home of the giant Reclining Buddha, to experience their morning chanting rituals. Then visit the impressive Reclining Buddha itself, at 46 meters in length, 15 meters in height and completely covered in gold leaf. Then travel by **Tuk Tuk**, Bangkok's iconic open air taxi, to the Grand Palace. **The Grand Palace** is one of the most beautiful examples of an ancient Siamese court, which incorporates several palaces and halls used for different occasions. Bangkok's former royal palace is an intriguing blend of Italian Renaissance architecture and classical Thai roofing. It was begun in 1782 by King Rama I and improved upon by subsequent rulers. See the Throne Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Reception Palace and the Funeral Palace.

Go on to see **The Emerald Buddha Temple** (Wat Phra Kaeo). Bangkok's most important and sacred wat. Built at the end of the 18th century by King Rama I, this splendid example of Thai aesthetics and religious architecture houses the Emerald Buddha, Thailand's most venerated image. So small and distant that it can hardly be seen, the jade image symbolizes the independence, strength and good fortune of the country. The interior walls are painted with superb frescoes, while murals between the window frames depict Jataka scenes from the life of Buddha.

Lunch and dinner on own arrangement

pm.: At leisure.

Overnight at Centara Grand & Bangkok Convention Centre at CentralWorld

Meals: Breakfast

Day 03
Bangkok- Chiang Mai

Breakfast at the hotel

After checking-out of your hotel you will be met and transferred to Bangkok's Suvarnabhumi International Airport where you will take your flight to Chiang Mai.

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After arrival at Chiang Mai Airport you will be met by a representative from Abercrombie & Kent, who will then transfer you to Centara Duangtawan Hotel Chiang Mai.

Remainder of the day at leisure

Lunch and dinner on own arrangement

Overnight at Centara Duangtawan Hotel Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast

Day 04
Chiang Mai

Early Morning: Alms Offering to Buddhist Monks

0630 hr. pick up from your hotel.

Drive to the Kruba Srivichai monument, on the foot of Doi Suthep, where you have an opportunity to offer food to Buddhist monks, a Buddhist way of making merit. Afterwards, return transfer to your hotel for breakfast.

Breakfast at the hotel

am.: City Tour Waroros Market, Wat Phra Singh and Doi Suthep.

Set off this morning to explore **the city of Chiang Mai**, which not long ago was a just a small town, but is now the second largest city in Thailand and one of the country's most popular holiday spots.

Begin at the bustling **Waroros Market**, before *taking a rickshaw* to see **Wat Phra Singh**, passing the Old Chiang Mai city wall on the way. Wat Pra Singh is Chiang Mai's principal monastery, and home to one of Thailand's most famous images: the mysterious and ultra-powerful Pra Singh Buddha image. According to local folklore, the 1,500-year-old image was brought to Siam from Sri Lanka and after a great deal of wandering, finally settled here. This finely illuminated image, with its benevolent facial expression, remains an image of great power and justifies its wide-spread veneration.

Go on to see Chiang Mai's most famous landmark, **Doi Suthep**, which rises as a backdrop to the town. After an uphill ride along a hairpin switchback, you arrive at Wat Phrathat Doi Suthep, tucked away in the mountains at 3,520 feet. Legend has it that a holy relic was placed on the back of an elephant and a temple was to be erected where the elephant came to rest. What an extraordinary elephant to choose the summit of the steepest hill in the area for its resting place. A long flight of steps, lined with ceramic tailed nagas, leads up to the temple – or you can take a short tram ride. From this height, look out over panoramic views of the area.

Lunch on own arrangement

pm.: Handicraft Workshops

For generations, the delicate craftsmanship of local Lanna Thai people has been inherited. Witness the artisans' remarkable skill and patience with your own eyes, you will no longer wonder why Chiang Mai is the center for quality handicrafts production of Thailand.

On this trip you will visit many factories producing and selling various kinds of quality handicrafts, seeing the production process which had been passed down from their ancestors, shopping for these delicate hand-crafted quality products, such as: Saa Paper Umbrella, Lacquerware, Silk and Cotton Fabrics, Gems & Precious Stones, Wood Furniture and decorative items, etc.

Dinner on own arrangement

Overnight at Centara Duangtawan Hotel Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast

**Day 05
Chiang Mai**

Breakfast at the hotel

am.: Chiang Dao Elephant at Work (No Riding) & Orchid Farm

Leave for the Chiang Dao Young Elephants Training Camp (56 Kms. away). Watch the elephants taking their morning bath in the running stream before starting their day's training and work. See the demonstration of elephants at work.

Return to Hotel, enroute a stop will be made at an Orchid Farm in Mae Sa.

Lunch and dinner on own arrangement

pm.: At leisure.

Overnight at Centara Duangtawan Hotel Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast

Day 06

Chiang Mai- Koh Samui

Breakfast at hotel

After checking-out of your hotel you will be met and transferred to Chiang Mai Airport where you will take your flight to Koh Samui. Your flight details are:

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After arrival at Koh Samui Airport you will be met a representative from hotel, who will personally lead you to the hotel by private vehicle (arranging by hotel without an escorted guide)

The remainder of the day at leisure

Dinner on own arrangement

Overnight at Centara Grand Beach Resort Koh Samui

Meals: Breakfast

Day 07:-08

Koh Samui

Breakfast at the hotel

Today is at leisure to enjoy the sun, sand and sea on offer in Koh Samui

Lunch and dinner on own arrangement

Overnight at Centara Grand Beach Resort Koh Samui

Meals:Breakfast

Day 09

Koh Samui/ Back Home

Breakfast at the hotel

After having a pleasant time in Koh Samui, you will be met at the hotel and transferred by private vehicle to Koh Samui Airport for your return flight (arranging by hotel without an escort guide).

Meals: Breakfast

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