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## Essentials

**Currency:** Thai Baht

**Languages:** Thai

# BANGKOK

Thailand's capital Bangkok's charm lies in its captivating contrasts. On one hand, the city buzzes with a vibrant night life and on the other hand, it is a centre for spirituality. There are a plethora of experiences for tourists in Bangkok. Escape the urban buzz in Lumpini Park, a green oasis where locals unwind with a touch of nature, before diving into Bangkok's modern side. Visit the famous floating market.



## What to see

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### Grand Palace



Embark on a journey through Thai architectural splendour at the Grand Palace, the former residence of Thai kings. Admire the intricate details of its structures, including the revered Emerald Buddha Temple, the magnificent Phra Maha Monthien Buildings, and the picturesque Chakri Maha Prasat Hall.

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**TRY IT OUT**

**Muay Thai Boxing at Rajadamnern Stadium:** Feel the adrenaline surge as you witness electrifying Muay Thai matches, Thailand's national sport, at Rajadamnern Stadium. Cheer on skilled fighters as they showcase their agility, strength, and mastery of this ancient martial art in a thrilling display of combat prowess.

### Wat Arun



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Experience the ethereal beauty of Wat Arun, also known as the Temple of Dawn, a riverside marvel distinguished by its towering prangs adorned with colorful ceramics and seashells. Climb the steep steps for panoramic views of the Chao Phraya River and Bangkok's skyline.

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**Tuk-Tuk Night Tour:** Experience the vibrant energy of Bangkok's nightlife on a thrilling tuk-tuk night tour. Zip through the city's bustling streets and vibrant markets, sampling delicious street food, exploring illuminated temples, and soaking up the lively atmosphere as you navigate Bangkok's iconic landmarks under the night sky.

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**Thai Cooking Class:** Immerse yourself in Thailand's culinary heritage with a hands-on cooking class led by expert chefs. Visit a local market to select fresh ingredients, learn traditional cooking techniques, and prepare authentic Thai dishes from scratch, gaining insight into the flavors and aromas that define Thai cuisine.

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**Jungle Trekking in Khao Yai National Park:** Escape the urban hustle and bustle with a thrilling jungle trekking adventure in Khao Yai National Park. Explore lush rainforests, cascading waterfalls, and diverse ecosystems teeming with wildlife, as you embark on guided treks through one of Thailand's largest and most biodiverse national parks.

### Jim Thompson House



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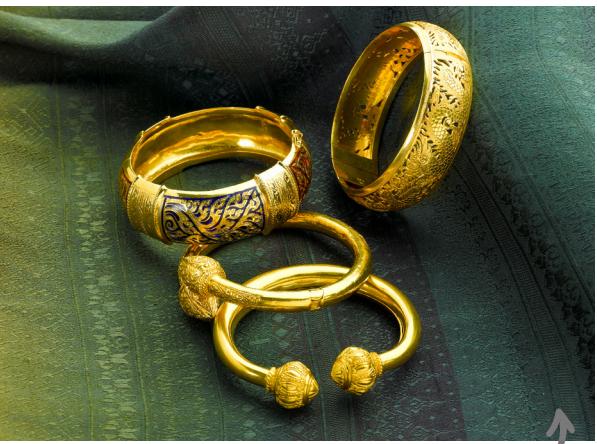
Step into the enchanting world of Jim Thompson, an American entrepreneur who played a pivotal role in revitalizing the Thai silk industry. Wander through his meticulously restored teakwood mansion, adorned with exquisite Asian art and antiquities, and stroll through the tranquil gardens filled with lush foliage and lotus ponds.

### Chao Phraya River Cruise



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Embark on a leisurely cruise along the Chao Phraya River, the lifeline of Bangkok, aboard a traditional long-tail boat or modern luxury vessel. Glide past iconic landmarks such as Wat Arun, the Grand Palace, and Rama VIII Bridge, while witnessing the bustling riverfront life and shimmering cityscape.



### Gold Jewelry at Yaowarat (Chinatown)

Wander through the bustling streets of Yaowarat, Bangkok's vibrant Chinatown, to discover a dazzling array of gold jewelry shops. From intricate necklaces and elegant bracelets to ornate rings and traditional amulets, indulge in the timeless allure of gold craftsmanship and Thai jewelry design.

### Thai Spices and Curry Pastes at Or Tor Kor Market

Immerse yourself in the aromatic world of Thai cuisine at Or Tor Kor Market, renowned for its fresh produce and authentic ingredients. Stock up on fragrant spices, aromatic curry pastes, and exotic herbs to recreate the flavors of Thailand in your own kitchen.



### Thai Silk at Jim Thompson House

Explore the exquisite collection of Thai silk at Jim Thompson's flagship store. Choose from a wide array of vibrant fabrics, including traditional handwoven silk scarves, shawls, and apparel, renowned for their luxurious texture and intricate patterns, making them perfect souvenirs or gifts.



## Where & what to buy

### Handcrafted Souvenirs at Chatuchak Weekend Market

Browse through the myriad stalls at Chatuchak Weekend Market to discover unique handcrafted souvenirs. From intricately carved wooden figurines and hand-painted ceramics to colorful batik textiles and delicate Thai handicrafts, this bustling market offers a treasure trove of mementos to commemorate your Bangkok visit.



### Vintage Finds at Rod Fai Night Market

Hunt for vintage treasures and retro collectibles at Rod Fai Night Market. Explore rows of eclectic stalls selling everything from antique furniture and vinyl records to vintage clothing and retro accessories, offering a unique shopping experience for discerning collectors and nostalgic enthusiasts alike.



# Eat Right



## Pad Thai at Thip Samai



Indulge in the quintessential Thai street food experience with Thip Samai's iconic Pad Thai. Cooked over charcoal flames, this flavorful stir-fried noodle dish is served with fresh shrimp, tofu, bean sprouts, and a tangy tamarind sauce, making it a must-try culinary delight.

## Tom Yum Goong at Jay Fai



Savor the exquisite flavors of Thailand's signature spicy and sour soup, Tom Yum Goong, at Jay Fai. This Michelin-starred street food stall offers a decadent version of the dish, brimming with succulent shrimp, fragrant lemongrass, kaffir lime leaves, and fiery Thai chilies.

## Mango Sticky Rice at Mae Varee



Treat your taste buds to the heavenly combination of ripe mangoes and sweet glutinous rice at Mae Varee. This beloved dessert spot serves up luscious slices of mango atop a bed of warm sticky rice, drizzled with rich coconut cream and sprinkled with toasted sesame seeds.

## Som Tum at Som Tam Nua



Experience the vibrant flavors of Thailand's famous papaya salad, Som Tum, at Som Tam Nua. Made with shredded green papaya, cherry tomatoes, peanuts, and fiery chili peppers, this zesty salad is tossed in a tangy dressing of lime juice, fish sauce, and palm sugar for a tantalizing taste sensation.

## Green Curry at Thara Thong



Delight in the aromatic spices and creamy textures of Green Curry at Thara Thong. This traditional Thai dish features tender chunks of chicken or beef simmered in a fragrant coconut milk broth, infused with fresh Thai basil, kaffir lime leaves, and green chilies for a satisfyingly spicy kick.