



Treasures of Thailand

11 or 14 DAYS

Included in the program fee:

- Round trip airfare
- Transfers to and from the airport and hotel and between destination cities (as per program itinerary)
- Overnight in hotels with private bathrooms
- Continental breakfast daily
- Lunch on days 3, 4, 6-9.
- Dinner daily
- Full-time services of an EF Tour Director

Not included in the program fee:

- Customary gratuities for your tour director, local guide and driver
- Porterage
- Personal Insurance
- Beverages and lunches
- Public transportation to free time activities

Overnight stays: Kanchanaburi (2); Phitsanulok (1); Chiang Mai (2); Bangkok (4 or 5); Hua Hin (2).

Entrances included: Grand Palace & Emerald Buddha; Chao Praya River Cruise; Wat Pho; Museum of Siam; Ayutthaya temples; Damnoen Saduak Floating Market; Death Railway Museum; Thai Cooking Class; Erawan Waterfall National Park; Death Railway train ride; Bo Ya Cave; Sukhothai bike tour; Sukhothai Historical Park; Elephant Sanctuary; Khantoke Dinner Show; Wat Phra That Doi Suthep; [Khao Luang Cave](#).

Optional Excursions: Organic Farm Visit; Night Market Rickshaw Tour; [Kaeng Krachan National Park](#).

Please note that the following is a sample timed itinerary for this EF tour with approximate addresses, activity durations, and transfer times. Exact timing may vary based on available flights, hotel location, scheduled activity bookings, traffic, etc. Your EF Tour Director is available to the group 24/7 while on tour. EF works with Group Leaders to ensure that travellers have a safe and memorable experience while on tour.

Day 1: Fly overnight to Thailand

Day 2: Bangkok

Evening: Arrive in Bangkok and meet your Tour Director at the airport

From gleaming silver skyscrapers to ancient jewel-box temples and serene Buddhist monasteries, Thailand seems resolved to straddle two millennia. Ancient traditions govern the behavior of a modern people, and the timeless merges with the contemporary. Experience this enduring and spirited culture in Bangkok.

8:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Bangkok

9:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 3: Bangkok

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to central Bangkok

10:00am: Chao Praya River Cruise

Watch the city pass by as you float down Bangkok's major river, the Chao Phraya. Along the way, you will stop at Wat Arun, or Temple of Dawn, one of Thailand's best known landmarks.

11:00am: Visit the Grand Palace & Emerald Buddha

The Grand Palace is the "must see" attraction in Bangkok. It is an architectural wonder of golden stupas, walls and pillars encrusted in shining and colourful mosaics. Previously the residence of past Kings of Thailand, you will see palaces once used for different occasions; the Reception Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Throne Hall, the Royal Guest House and Wat Phra Kaew which houses the Emerald Buddha. The architecture is predominantly Thai, though there are some European influences. The palace served as the official residence of kings of Thailand from the 18th to the mid-20th century. The most famous building within the palace grounds is Wat Phra Kaew and this is regarded as the most sacred Buddhist temple in Thailand. Construction of the temple began when King Rama I moved the capital from Thonburi to Bangkok in 1785. The main temple building houses the Emerald Buddha. The Buddha is carved from a single piece of jade and is the most revered object in Thailand.

12:00pm: Group lunch at a restaurant in central Bangkok

2:00pm: Visit the Reclining Buddha

Step inside the temple Wat Pho, where you will see its main attraction; The Golden Buddha, which is covered entirely in precious gold.

4:00pm: Visit the Museum of Siam

Explore the Museum of Siam, an interactive museum that depicts Thai history and culture.

6:00pm: Group dinner at a restaurant in Bangkok

9:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Bangkok

10:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 4: Bangkok | Ayutthaya

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to Ayutthaya

10:00am: Visit Ayutthaya

Venture out of Bangkok today to the UNESCO-recognized historic city of Ayutthaya. Board a tuk tuk and zip through the old-town, stopping for a sweet local treat along the way!

12:00pm: Group lunch at a restaurant in Ayutthaya

2:00pm: Optional Activity – Organic Farm Experience

Enjoy an afternoon at a Thai organic farm and participate in a hands-on demonstration of organic farming practices. You'll also get to sample seasonal fresh fruits and a delicious coconut drink!

6:00pm: Group dinner at a restaurant in central Bangkok

8:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Bangkok

9:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 5: Bangkok | Kanchanaburi

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to Kanchanaburi via the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market

9:00am: Visit the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market

12:00pm: Time for lunch in small, supervised groups

With the support of the Tour Director, the Group Leader will determine boundaries of where groups can go during this time.

3:00pm: Visit the Death Railway Museum

Dedicated to the victims of the Death Railway Bridge, the museum houses displays on the history of the railway, as well as detailed descriptions of the lives of the prisoners who built the line.

5:00pm: Thai Cooking Class (dinner included)

Gain insight into Thai culinary culture as your host provides instructions on how to prepare your own meal. Enjoy your meal riverside- the best part!

7:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Kanchanaburi

9:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 6: Kanchanaburi

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to Erawan Waterfall National Park

10:00am: Visit the Erawan Waterfall National Park

Nature-lovers will delight in the deep, blue-winged pittas, limestone wren-babblers, wild pigs, and tiny Kitti's hog-nosed bats that inhabit the dense, deciduous forest around the waterfall.

12:00pm: Group lunch at a restaurant in Kanchanaburi

2:00pm: Take a train ride on the "Death Railway"

5:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Kanchanaburi

6:00pm: Group dinner at the hotel in Kanchanaburi

9:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 7: Kanchanaburi | Phitsanulok

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to Phitsanulok

12:00pm: Group lunch on route to Phitsanulok

2:00pm: Visit the Bo Ya Cave

Visit Bo Ya Cave, a Buddhist temple with a giant Buddha found within the cave.

6:00pm: Group dinner at the hotel in Phitsanulok

8:00pm: Optional Activity – Night Market Rickshaw Tour

Every traveller to Asia should enjoy a spin in a man-powered rickshaw. Get your camera ready- this evening your rickshaw peddler will take you on an exhilarating tour of the local market. See vendors tossing Pak Boong Loy Fah, or "Flying Morning Glory," the odd (but wildly popular) signature dish of Phitsanulok province.

10:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Phitsanulok

11:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 8: Phitsanulok | Sukhothai | Chiang Mai

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to Chiang Mai via Sukhothai

10:00am: Guided visit of the Sukhothai Historical Park

Enjoy a guided visit of the Sukhothai Historical Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Active travellers can tour the park by bike with a local guide.

12:00pm: Group lunch in Sukhothai

4:00pm: Arrive in Chiang Mai

Arrive in Chiang Mai, Thailand's second-largest city. Founded in 1296, it is home to the largest number of Buddhist temples.

5:00pm: Group dinner at a restaurant in Chiang Mai

7:00pm: Tour Director-Led Sightseeing of the Chiang Mai Night Market

9:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Chiang Mai

10:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 9: Chiang Mai

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to the Elephant Nature Park

10:00am: Spend the day at the Elephant Nature Park

Enjoy a full day at the Elephant Nature Park where you will observe free-roaming elephants that have been rescued and freed from abuse that is so common at many other elephant tourism sites. Here you will get the chance to observe these majestic animals in their natural environment while they bathe in the river. During your visit, enjoy a Thai buffet and the chance to engage with your local guides to learn more about the country and the importance of elephant rescues.

5:00pm: Khantoke dinner and show

This evening introduces you to mystical dances, Thai cuisine and a truly Thai ambiance! During dinner, feast your eyes on the grace and beauty of the dancers, elegantly performing stories from classical Thai literature and folk-tales. The exquisitely crafted traditional costumes bedecked with jewels must be captured on camera!

8:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Chiang Mai

10:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 10: Chiang Mai | Bangkok

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to the Wat Phra That Doi Suthep Temple

9:00am: Visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep Temple

visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, a temple that dates back to 1383, and rises over 5,248 feet above the city on a forested mountain peak with outstanding views of the surrounding area.

12:00pm: Time for lunch in small, supervised groups

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2:00pm: Fly to Bangkok

4:00pm: Arrive in Bangkok

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5:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Bangkok

6:00pm: Group dinner at the hotel in Bangkok

10:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 11: Depart for Home

4:30am: Wake-Up Call

5:30am: Breakfast at Hotel

6:30am: Transfer to the airport for your return flight

Your tour director assists with your transfer to the airport, where you will check in for your return flight home.

The itinerary is subject to change.

For complete financial and registration details, please refer to the Booking Conditions at www.eftours.ca/bc.

⊕ **For an additional cost add the following 3-day extension:**

**please note that only breakfast is included on the 3-day extension. Lunch and dinner are on your own.*

Day 11: Bangkok | Hua Hin

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to Hua Hin

12:00pm: Time for lunch in small, supervised groups

With the support of the Tour Director, the Group Leader will determine boundaries of where groups can go during this time.

2:00pm: Visit the Khao Luang Caves

5:00pm: Time for dinner in small, supervised groups

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7:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Hua Hin

9:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 12: Hua Hin

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to central Hua Hin

10:00am: Optional Activity – Day Tour of Kaeng Krachan National Park

Drive northwest of Hua Hin to Kaeng Krachan Nature Reserve, Thailand's largest national park. Learn from a local naturalist and gain insight and information on the park. Visit Kaeng Krachan reservoir, which dams the Petchaburi River and creates a huge lake covering 45 square kilometers. Take a boat trip around the lake to observe the beautiful scenery of wooded islands. Lunch is included at a Thai restaurant that overlooks the reservoir.

5:00pm: Time for dinner in small, supervised groups

With the support of the Tour Director, the Group Leader will determine boundaries of where groups can go during this time.

7:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to the hotel in Hua Hin

9:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

Day 13: Hua Hin | Bangkok

6:00am: Wake-up call

7:00am: Breakfast at the hotel

8:00am: Travel by private motorcoach to central Hua Hin

10:00am: Supervised time to relax at the beach in Hua Hin

12:00pm: Time for lunch in small, supervised groups

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2:00pm: Travel by private motorcoach to Bangkok

5:00pm: Arrive in Bangkok

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7:00pm: Group dinner at the hotel in Bangkok

10:00pm: Group Leaders and Chaperone team will facilitate room checks and lights out

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