

A Day in the Thai Countryside



Approximately 7¼ hours



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4 out of 5

Value



4 out of 5

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Depart by motor coach and drive 20 miles to **Wat Yansangwararam**. This temple is under the King's patronage and is unique for its mix of architectural styles derived from many countries. You'll also see the interesting Chinese **Sala Viharnsien Pavilion**, containing hundreds of antiques donated to King Bhumibol by the Chinese Government. Take advantage of a photo stop at Chee-Jan Mountain, on the side of which is a 390-foot-tall Buddha embossed in gold. Enjoy lunch at **Silver Lake Winery** before proceeding to the **Gems Gallery** and back to the ship.
Notes:

Minimum age is 6 years. Modest attire is required for visiting temples; no fitted or collarless tops are allowed; shirts/blouses must cover shoulders; trousers must cover knees; shorts and mini-skirts are not permitted. Wear comfortable walking shoes. You must remove your shoes when entering the chapel.

Ayutthaya & Bangkok Overnight Tour (Double)



2 days/1 night



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Day 1 (L/D)

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Day 2 (B/L)

After **breakfast** at the hotel, you will check out and transfer to the river pier. Here, board a chartered **motor launch** that will take you through Bangkok's waterway into one of the canals. See houses built on stilts, and pass the Royal Barge dockyard. You will also pass by the Temple of Dawn (Wat Arun), whose 259-foot spire, with magnificent multicolored porcelain-studded towers, has become the part of the visual identity of Bangkok, with the Chao Praya River in the foreground. Upon returning to the pier, a short **walk** will lead you to the most significant tourist

attraction in Thailand—the Grand Palace and the **Temple of the Emerald Buddha**. The temple was built according to traditional Thai beliefs from the Sukhothai era. Golden stupas, walls and pillars encrusted in shining and colorful mosaics all gleam under the sun. Admire the small but significant Phra Kaew or Emerald Buddha statue, carved from a single piece of jade — the most revered and precious image of Buddha. The magnificent buildings of the **Grand Palace** impart the grandeur Thai architectural style. It was constructed some 220 years ago by the command of King Rama I, the founder of the capital Bangkok. It was once the residence of the Royal Family, before Chitralada Summer Palace was turned into the permanent home. The Grand Palace is now used for ceremonial purposes and to accommodate royal visits. After a sumptuous **lunch**, transfer back to the Port of Laem Chabang.

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Ayutthaya: A UNESCO World Heritage Site



Approximately 11 hours



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Enjoyed it?



5 out of 5

Value



4.7 out of 5

3 out of 3(100%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Bangkok Highlights & River Cruise



Approximately 11½ hours



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Enjoyed it?



3.7 out of 5

Value



3.3 out of 5

2 out of 3(67%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Following a 2 ½ hour motor coach transfer, you will board a boat for a river cruise into the colorful daily life of bustling **Bangkok**. Cruising the river and canal, you'll see houses built on stilts and the Royal Barge dockyard. Lunch will be at a riverside restaurant. Upon re-boarding your motor coach, drive through Chinatown's commercial district. Stop at the local flower market; then continue to the **Marble Temple**, one of Bangkok's best-known landmarks. If time permits, your guide will show you to some shops where you will find everything from souvenirs to fine silks

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Bangkok Overnight Tour (Double)



2 days/1 night



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Value



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6 out of 6(100%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Day 1 (L/D)

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Day 2 (B/L)

After **breakfast at the hotel**, board a motor coach and pass through **Chinatown** and its beautiful **flower market**. You'll visit **Wat Po**, renowned for its gorgeous golden Reclining Buddha statue and the Chedis of the Kings; then, continue to the **Grand Palace**. Since 1872, the Palace has been the focal point for the people of Thailand. **Exploring the grounds**, you will marvel at the extensive murals, gilded spires and fantastic architectural designs of the buildings. The sacred image of the Buddha sits high atop a golden throne in the **Wat Phra Kaew** (Temple of the Emerald Buddha). Carved in the 15th century from a single piece of jade, the Buddha guards the sovereignty of the Kingdom and the religious beliefs of the people. **Lunch** today is at a local Thai restaurant. This afternoon, you will **shop** for Thai products, leaving Bangkok in the mid-afternoon for Laem Chabang and returning to the ship.

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Bangkok's Hidden Treasures with Tuk Tuk Ride



Approximately 10 hours



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On this second-to-none adventure, you will visit beautiful temples that are not often discovered by visitors and appreciate scenic views of old Bangkok. The temples are located on **Rattanakosin Island** in the City of Angels. You will visit **Wat Ratchanadda**—renowned for its simple beauty and neat decorations—with the spectacular 116-foot-tall Loha Prasat and 37 surrounding spires. It is the only one of its kind left in the world. You will also visit **Wat Suthat** with the gorgeous Big Buddha and beautiful Viharn and Ubosot with pediments, mural paintings and Buddha Image galleries. See the world-famous **Wat Po** and its huge Reclining Buddha adorned with 108 auspicious scenes in Chinese and Indian styles, and decorated with inlaid mother-of-pearl. And don't miss the gorgeous 20-cornered mosaic **Chedis of the Kings**, devoted to the first four kings of Chakri Dynasty. Then, there's a chance for an unforgettable **tuk tuk ride** along Thailand's **Avenue des Champs-Élysées**—an enthralling experience—stopping for a delicious **Thai lunch** along the way.

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Elephant Village Fun



Approximately 7½ hours



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Enjoyed it?



5 out of 5

Value



4.5 out of 5

2 out of 2(100%) reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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This soft adventure outing is fun for all ages. A one-hour transfer brings you to an **elephant village** in **Pattaya**. The facility opened in 1973 as a sanctuary for former working elephants that can no longer be used for heavy work in the jungles of Thailand due to injury or health problems. Set out on an hour-long **elephant ride** on the back of a majestic beast, through undeveloped rural areas and past pineapple, tapioca and rubber plantations. Then, continue with a 20-minute **jungle walk** to a silk house, where *mahouts* work on raw silk processing and weaving on traditional handlooms. Next up is a 20-minute **ferry transfer across a local lake** before you return to the Elephant Village. After a sumptuous **lunch**, watch the **elephant show**, which demonstrates the interaction between animals and humans, as the jumbos engage in forestry skills training. You will be amazed at the power and precision of these gigantic beasts as they haul heavy objects, and be equally entertained by the clowning around of both young and old elephants as they take their daily bath. The show concludes with an elephant dressed in ancient war regalia for you to photograph. Return to the port, where you will have an opportunity to **shop** for fine silk and gems.

Notes:

Minimum age is 6 years.

Experience Local Life



Approximately 6½ hours



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Begin your day with a journey to **Chachoengsao**—an historic town that is home to remarkable Buddhist temples, Chinese shrines and century-old markets. Driving through the picturesque countryside, passing rice paddy fields, you will stop to visit the **Klong Suan Market**, dating back to the reign of King Rama V. **Walking** through the market, you'll get a feel for rural life in old Thailand. The market offers the nostalgic ambience of Thailand's past embodied in a huddle of charming wooden shop houses that sell vintage items and tasty local foods. The market was once an important meeting point for villagers and people in the area because it was home to the community's only pier. Boats to Bangkok ferried the locals from Chachoengsao along a man-made canal to the capital. If the water level permits, you will have a chance to take a **boat** trip along the canal and view the authentic local life that can still be seen. A 15-minute drive from here will bring you to the sacred Buddha image of **Phra Phutthasothon** or Luang Pho Sothon—the center of spiritual faith of the local community. Check out the new Ubosoth that houses a Buddha statue. Important cultural elements you'll see here include a traditional Thai dance and the local people paying their respects with boiled eggs. **Lunch** will be served at a local restaurant before you return to Laem Chabang.

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Laem Chabang Private Touring - Extended Full Day (Car)



Approximately 11 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person. See additional NOTES below.



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Explore at your own pace with a private vehicle, driver and English-speaking guide at your service. This exclusive tour is designed to allow you the chance to customize your time ashore and discover the most interesting sights in the comfort and privacy of your own vehicle. With your private vehicle, and the personalized attention of your driver and English-speaking guide, you will have the flexibility and independence to design your itinerary ashore according to your own interests, and take in the sights at your own pace. See the famous sights, or go beyond to create your own intimate connections and unique cultural encounters. The Signature Collection is recommended for the single/solo traveler, couples, family, friends, and special interest groups traveling together. It can also be an excellent choice for guests with mobility limitations. Capacity: 2 guests. Your private party may be of any size up to the maximum capacity.

Notes:

Private cars are ordered per vehicle (not per person), so only one person in the party needs to order the vehicle. The price shown is the total cost for the vehicle, driver, and English-speaking guide. Entrance fees for attractions are not included. In many destinations, the number of vehicles available is extremely limited, so guests are encouraged to secure their private vehicle reservation as early as possible.

Laem Chabang Private Touring - Extended Full Day (Minivan)



Approximately 11 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person. See additional NOTES below.



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Laem Chabang Private Touring - Full Day (Car)



Approximately 8 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person. See additional



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Nong Nooch Cultural Village



Approximately 4½ hours



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Enjoyed it?



4 out of 5

Value



3.8 out of 5

4 out of 5 (80%) reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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This delightful half-day tour will show you a cross-section of Thailand's scenery, religion and culture. Begin with a motor coach ride to **Pattaya** and **Nong Nooch**—a beautifully landscaped village. All aspects of Thai culture are on display here. First, stop to see the colorful **orchid farm** and **nursery**. Then, continue to the theater for a **cultural performance**—a 45-minute show filled with color and action, with traditional costumed folk dancers, and warriors on elephants. There's even a **display of kickboxing** and an **elephant show** in the open courtyard. See the huge pachyderms at work, moving massive pieces of lumber, and you can show your appreciation by feeding them bananas. After the show, time permitting, you will enjoy a **walkthrough** the beautiful garden. Enjoy a **shopping stop** for silk, Thai products and gemstones before returning to the ship.

Pattaya City Orientation & Thai Massage



Approximately 4 hours



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Board an air-conditioned coach for the drive to **Pattaya**. A brief orientation tour introduces you to the city and a lookout point offers panoramic views of the area. Next, enjoy a **traditional Thai massage**—the ancient art of body therapy for healing, health and transformation. This experience is an interactive manipulation of the body, using passive stretching and gentle pressure along energy lines that help adjust the skeletal structure, increase flexibility, relieve muscular and joint tension, stimulate internal organs, and balance the body's energy system.

Notes:

Minimum age is 16 years.

The Best of Bangkok



Approximately 10 hours



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Enjoyed it?



2.5 out of 5

Value



2.2 out of 5

2 out of 6(33%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Take in the most fascinating sights of **Bangkok**. First you will drive through **Chinatown**, which has been an important commercial center in Bangkok for more than 200 years. Enjoy a drive through the city and pass by the **Pak-Klong-Talad flower market** en route to **lunch** at a leading hotel. Afterwards, you'll head to the grounds of the **Royal Palace**. Today the buildings are used only for state functions and royal ceremonies. Visit the **Temple of the Emerald Buddha**—the most ornate temple in Thailand, with murals, statues and glittering gold. The centerpiece is Buddha's image carved from a single piece of jade, almost two feet tall. See the **Golden Chedi**, the Pantheon of Kings and the Towers of Nine Planets before moving on. Time permitting, you can browse at a **gem factory** and a **Thai silk store** en route back to the ship.

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Minimum age is 6 years.

The Sanctuary of Truth



Approximately 4¾ hours



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Enjoyed it?



5 out of 5

Value



5 out of 5

2 out of 2(100%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Depart from Laem Chabang port by motor coach for a one-hour transfer to the **Sanctuary of Truth**. Located at Cape Ratchawat, the sanctuary was conceived by Mr Lek—owner of the Ancient City in Samut Prakarn. The Sanctuary of Truth is made solely of wood and is considered to be an example of distinguished architecture in Thailand. This wooden structure is built in Chaturamuk style and is decorated with Chofa, Bai Raka and Thepphachao (gods). The Sanctuary of Truth is a tribute to Thailand’s religious beliefs, especially Buddhism. A team of 250 wood carvers works on the sanctuary at any given time, but construction is expected to take another five years. Although incomplete, the building site is open to visitors who want to view the work in progress. Then, take a drive up to the Pattaya Viewpoint for a view of Pattaya Bay and, time permitting, you’llshop for local products and souvenirs.

Notes:

Minimum age is 6 years.

Tiger Zoo



Approximately 4 hours



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Enjoyed it?



3.8 out of 5

Value

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3 out of 4(75%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Transfer by motor coach to visit the **Sriracha Tiger Zoo**. With an area of more than 100 acres, the zoo is home to more than 200 Bengal tigers and 100,000 crocodiles. In addition to the fascinating animals, the zoo also provides many activities for visitors to enjoy, including the Amazing Circus, the Crocodile Show and the Elephant Show. You will have a chance to hold a baby tiger in your arms and bottle-feed it for a memorable photograph (at your own expense).

Notes:

Minimum age is 4 years.

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Additional fee will be charged to hold the baby tiger

Transfer to Bangkok



Approximately 11 hours



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Enjoyed it?

3.3 out of 5

Value

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2 out of 4(50%)reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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This **transfer** may suit you if you would like to **explore on your own**. It consists of a motor coach ride from the ship to the city. You will be dropped off at a central location, and the coach escort will advise you of the pick-up time for the return journey.

Notes:

Guide service, taxi transfers, entrance fees and lunch are not included in the transfer price. It will be your responsibility to be at the drop-off point at the given return time. An English-speaking escort will be aboard the transfer motor coach to answer questions en route. Travel time to Bangkok is approximately 2½ hours each way. Most shops are closed on Sundays, with the exception of some souvenir shops. Minimum age is 6 years.