

6 Days Thailand Tour to Bangkok, Chiang Rai & Chiang Mai

Trip overview

Experience the mesmerizing diversity of the "Land of Smiles" on this comprehensive 6-day private tour. This journey seamlessly bridges the vibrant energy of **Bangkok** with the artistic intrigue of **Chiang Rai** and the cultural soul of **Chiang Mai**. From the shimmering spires of the Grand Palace to the ethereal White Temple and the sacred mountain temples of the north, you will immerse yourself in the rich history, spiritual traditions, and breathtaking landscapes of Thailand.

- **Durations:** 6 Days
- **Destinations:** Bangkok - Chiang Rai - Chiang Mai
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://asiachinatour.com/6-days-thailand-tour-bangkok-chiang-rai-chiang-mai/>

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Bangkok - The Vibrant Heart of Thailand

Welcome to the "City of Angels!" Upon your arrival at **Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK)** or **Don Mueang Airport (DMK)**, your private local guide and driver will be waiting at the arrival hall to provide a warm welcome. You will be escorted in a comfortable private vehicle to your hotel in the city center.

After checking in, the rest of the day is yours to unwind from your journey and adjust to the tropical rhythm of Bangkok. Whether you choose to relax by the hotel pool, explore the bustling street food stalls nearby, or enjoy a traditional Thai massage, you'll immediately feel the infectious energy of this world-class metropolis.

Accommodation: Hotel in Bangkok

Meals: /

Professional Suggestions:

*Bangkok has two main airports; please double-check your arrival terminal so your guide can meet you at the correct gate. For your first evening, we recommend a visit to **Asiatique The Riverfront** or a stroll along **Khao San Road** for two very different but iconic Bangkok atmospheres. If you're*

feeling adventurous, try a **Tuk-Tuk** ride for short distances—it's a quintessential Thai experience, just remember to agree on the fare before hopping in! Also, consider downloading the **Grab app** (the local equivalent of Uber) for easy and transparent transport throughout the city. Lastly, stay hydrated—Bangkok's humidity can be a surprise on your first day!

Day 2: Royal Splendor & The Canals of Old Bangkok

Start your day with a sensory awakening at the **Pak Khlong Talat (Flower and Vegetable Market)**. Wander through aisles overflowing with fragrant orchids, marigolds, and exotic produce—a vibrant glimpse into the daily life of the locals. Next, we journey into the heart of Thailand's royal history at the **Grand Palace**. Within its majestic white walls, you will explore **Wat Phra Kaew (Temple of the Emerald Buddha)**, the most sacred Buddhist temple in Thailand, housing the highly revered Buddha image meticulously carved from a single block of jade.

After a traditional Thai lunch, we step back in time by boarding a private **long-tail boat** for a cruise along the historic **Thonburi Klongs (canals)**. This journey offers a rare look at "The Venice of the East," where traditional wooden stilt houses and lush gardens line the waterways, showcasing a slower, rural pace of life hidden within the modern city. Our final stop is the iconic **Wat Arun (Temple of Dawn)**. Rising majestically above the Chao Phraya River, this porcelain-encrusted spire is one of Bangkok's most breathtaking landmarks and provides a stunning backdrop for photos.

Accommodation: Hotel in Bangkok

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Professional Suggestions:

*The **Grand Palace** has the strictest **dress code** in Thailand. Both men and women must wear clothing that covers shoulders and ankles (no ripped jeans, leggings, or sleeveless tops). If you aren't properly dressed, you may be required to purchase a sarong at the entrance. To avoid the midday heat and the largest crowds, we aim to arrive at the Palace early in the morning. During the **long-tail boat ride**, keep your camera ready for the "Water Vendors" who occasionally paddle by. Lastly, the steps leading up **Wat Arun** are quite steep; please take care when climbing, especially in the afternoon sun, and wear comfortable walking shoes.*

Day 3: From Bangkok to the Golden Triangle - Cultural Crossroads

This morning, we trade the bustling metropolis of Bangkok for the misty mountains of Northern Thailand with a short domestic flight to **Chiang Rai**. Upon arrival, your journey into the region's diverse heritage begins. We board a private boat and cruise along the scenic **Pai River** to visit a **Long Neck Karen Village**. Here, you will encounter the fascinating traditions and intricate craftsmanship of the Paduang people, known for the brass coils worn around their necks.

After a flavorful northern Thai lunch, we ascend the winding roads of **Mt. Doi Mae Salong**. This unique mountain settlement is home to a **Chinese tea-growing community**, founded by former soldiers of the Kuomintang. The air here is crisp, and the hillsides are terraced with lush tea plantations. We then continue to **Doi Tung**, the highest peak on the Thai-Myanmar border. From this spectacular vantage point, you can overlook the sprawling rice plains of the north. We will visit the revered **Wat Phra That Doi Tung**, a sacred temple that has served as a beacon of faith for centuries. As the sun begins to dip, we drive back to your hotel in Chiang Rai.

Accommodation: Hotel in Chiang Rai

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Professional Suggestions:

*Chiang Rai's mountainous terrain means temperatures can be **significantly cooler** than in Bangkok, especially in the early mornings and late evenings; we recommend bringing a light jacket or pashmina. The drive up **Doi Mae Salong** involves many sharp curves; if you are sensitive to **motion sickness**, please let your guide know so they can adjust the driving pace. While visiting the **Long Neck Karen Village**, we encourage you to support the local artisans by purchasing handmade textiles directly from them. Lastly, since Doi Mae Salong is famous for its **High Mountain Oolong Tea**, don't miss the chance to participate in a quick tea tasting—it's the perfect way to soak in the serene atmosphere.*

Day 4: Artistic Marvels & The Golden Spire of Chiang Mai

Your morning begins at the surreal **Wat Rong Khun**, globally known as the **White Temple**. Unlike any other temple in Thailand, this masterpiece by a local artist is entirely white and encrusted with countless fragments of mirrored glass, creating an ethereal glow that symbolizes purity and wisdom. Every detail of its intricate carvings carries a profound philosophical meaning, making it one of the most photographed sites in the country.

After lunch, we begin a scenic 3.5-hour drive through the rolling hills toward the cultural capital, **Chiang Mai**. Before reaching the city center, we ascend the emerald slopes of **Doi Suthep Mountain**. Our first stop is a **Hmong Hill Tribe Village**, where you can learn about the traditional lifestyles, vibrant embroidery, and local agriculture of the mountain people. We then continue to the crown jewel of the north: **Wat Phra That Doi Suthep**. Ascend the 306 steps of the serpent-lined staircase (or take the cable car) to reach the shimmering golden pagoda. From here, you will be rewarded with a spectacular panoramic view of the entire Chiang Mai valley as the afternoon light bathes the city in gold. We then descend to the city to check into your hotel.

Accommodation: Hotel in Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast

Professional Suggestions:

*At the **White Temple**, please be aware that photography is strictly prohibited inside the main chapel; however, the exterior offers endless opportunities for stunning shots. The drive to Chiang Mai is a great time to rest, but we will make a stop at the **Mae Kachan Hot Springs** en route—a perfect spot to stretch your legs and perhaps try some eggs boiled in the natural hot water! When visiting **Wat Phra That Doi Suthep**, please remember to remove your shoes before entering the inner temple cloister. If you arrive in Chiang Mai on a **Saturday or Sunday**, don't miss the famous **Weekend Walking Streets** for the best local handicrafts and street food in the country.*

Day 5: A Day of Compassion - Elephant Nature Park Experience

Today is dedicated to one of the most heartwarming experiences in Thailand: a visit to the world-renowned **Elephant Nature Park (ENP)**. Located in a lush valley surrounded by mountains, this park is a pioneering rescue and rehabilitation center for elephants, buffaloes, dogs, cats, and many other animals.

Unlike traditional elephant camps, ENP provides a natural sanctuary for retired and rescued elephants. You will spend the day observing these majestic "gentle giants" in their natural habitat, learning about their individual rescue stories and the challenges they face. You will have the unique opportunity to **get close to them in a respectful way**—participating in their feeding time and walking alongside them as they roam the fields and bathe in the river. This immersive day offers a deep connection with nature and an insight into the vital conservation work being done in Northern Thailand.

Accommodation: Hotel in Chiang Mai

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (typically a delicious vegetarian buffet at the park)

Professional Suggestions:

*Elephant Nature Park is a **strictly no-riding sanctuary**; it focuses on ethical interaction and observation. We recommend wearing **comfortable clothes that you don't mind getting a bit dirty**, along with sturdy walking shoes or sandals with straps. Be sure to pack a **change of clothes, a swimsuit, and a towel**, as you might get splashed during the river observation! The sun in the open valley can be strong, so **biodegradable sunscreen and a hat** are essential. Lastly, as ENP is extremely popular and limits the number of daily visitors to ensure the animals' comfort, we have secured your booking in advance—simply bring your camera and an open heart!*

Day 6: Farewell to the Rose of the North

Enjoy your final morning in **Chiang Mai**, a city that many travelers find the hardest to leave. After a leisurely breakfast at your hotel, you may have time for one last stroll through the quiet lanes of the Old City, visiting a nearby hidden temple or simply enjoying the peaceful mountain air. Whether it was the golden shimmer of Doi Suthep or the gentle eyes of a rescued elephant, take a moment to reflect on the diverse wonders of the Golden Kingdom.

At the scheduled time, your private guide and driver will meet you for a smooth transfer to **Chiang Mai International Airport (CNX)** for your departure flight back home or to your next exciting destination. We hope this journey through Bangkok and the North has left you with cherished memories and a deep love for the Land of Smiles. Safe travels!

Accommodation: /

Meals: Breakfast

Professional Suggestions:

*Chiang Mai Airport is located very close to the city center (usually a 15–20 minute drive), but we still recommend arriving **2 hours before your flight**. If you have last-minute space in your luggage, the airport and local boutiques are excellent places to pick up **Northern Thai specialties**: look for high-quality **Thai silk**, locally grown **coffee and tea**, or the famous **wooden carvings** from nearby Baan Tawai. Also, remember to check your baggage for any "prohibited items"—traditional Thai sauces or liquids must be in your checked luggage, not your carry-on! Finally, if you're flying internationally from Chiang Mai, keep your **Tax Refund** documents handy if you made any major purchases during the tour.*

Booking Policy

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation by Customer

- Cancellation received before 60 days: FREE of charge
- Cancellation received from 30 days to 59 days prior arrival date: 20% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 15 days to 29 days prior arrival date: 40% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 7 days to 14 days prior arrival date: 70% of total rate
- Cancellation received less than 7 days prior arrival date or No show: 100% of total rate

Children Policy

The rate for children applicable for one child sharing a twin or double cabin with two adults.

- For infant (<04 years old): Free of Charge
- 04 - 11 years old without bed: 50% adult rate
- 04 - 11 years old with extra bed: 75% adult rate
- Above 11 years old with extra bed: 100% adult rate

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