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# TREASURES OF THAILAND

11 or 14 days | Bangkok | Kanchanaburi | Phitsanulok | Chiang Mai | Bangkok | Extension to Cha-Am

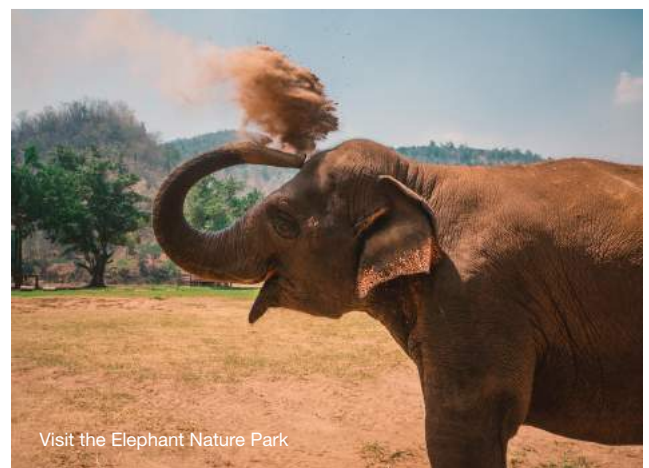
From the bustling metropolis of Bangkok to the serenity of Saiyoke National Park, you will gain a broad understanding of this spectacular kingdom. Navigate the Chao Phraya River canals and battle for bargains at busy markets. Experience the warmth of the Thai people and test your spice threshold with their flavorful cuisine. Every destination and experience will add new depth to this immersive tour of Thai culture and its natural surroundings.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** 1 sightseeing tour led by a licensed local guide;  
1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director
-  **Entrances:** The Grand Palace; Boat tour of Chao Phraya River and *klongs*; Museum of Siam; Mae Taeng Valley and Elephant Nature Park; Khan Toke dinner; Wat Phra That Doi Suthep; Sukhothai Historical Park; Erawan Waterfall and National Park; Death Railway Museum; "Death Railway" train ride; Damnoen Saduak floating market
-  **Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 9 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (12 with extension); breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily (with extension: breakfast only)
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Sample local treats  
at a floating market



Visit the Elephant Nature Park

Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

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– MELISSA, TRAVELER



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## What you'll experience on your tour

### Day 1: Fly to Thailand

#### Day 2: Bangkok

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Bangkok, home of gleaming silver skyscrapers, ancient jewelbox temples, and serene Buddhist monasteries. While here, you'll see how ancient traditions govern the behavior of a modern people, and how the timeless merges with the contemporary. Experience this enduring and spirited culture on a boat ride along the Chao Phraya River and Thonburi *klongs* (canals), where ornate homes and gilded temples once earned Bangkok the name the "Venice of the East."

#### Day 3: Bangkok

- Take an expert-led tour of Bangkok.
- Visit the Grand Palace, the ornately decorated former residence of the Kings of Siam.
- Take a boat tour of the Chao Phraya River and Thonburi *klongs*.
- Visit Wat Pho (Temple of the Reclining Buddha), which is covered entirely in precious gold.
- Explore the Museum of Siam, an interactive museum that depicts Thai history and culture.

#### Day 4: Ayutthaya | Bangkok

- Take a tour around the UNESCO-recognized historic city of Ayutthaya. During the tour, stop for a sweet local treat.
- Enjoy free time in Bangkok or
  - participate in an organic farm experience with dinner.

#### Day 5: Ratchaburi | Kanchanaburi

- Travel to Ratchaburi.
- Visit the Damnoen Saduak floating market.
- Travel to Kanchanaburi.
- 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.
- Participate in a Thai cooking class.

#### Day 6: Kanchanaburi

- Travel to the Erawan Waterfall and National Park. Naturalists love the deep, blue winged pittas, limestone wren-babblers, wild pigs, and tiny Kittie's hog-nosed bats that inhabit the dense deciduous forest around the waterfall.
- Stop at the Hell Fire Pass Memorial.
- Experience a train ride on the "Death Railway."

#### Day 7: Kanchanaburi | Phitsanulok

- Travel via Suphanburi to Nakhon Sawan.
- Visit Bo Ya Cave and marvel at the giant golden Buddha statue of this underground temple.
- Travel to Phitsanulok.
- Enjoy a free evening or
  - take an evening rickshaw ride through the market.

#### Day 8: Sukhothai | Chiang Mai

- Visit the Sukhothai Historical Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the nation's spiritual center. You'll have the option to take a bike ride around the temples after the tour.
- Travel to Chiang Mai via San Kamphaeng and Bor Sang.
- With your Tour Director, visit the Chiang Mai night market.

#### Day 9: Mae Taeng Valley | Chiang Mai

- Visit the Mae Taeng Valley to visit the Elephant Nature Park.
- Enjoy a Khan Toke dinner and show.

#### Day 10: Chiang Mai | Bangkok

- Visit the Wat Phra That Doi Suthep temple.
- This afternoon, participate in a group discussion with local monks.
- Fly back to Bangkok.

#### Day 11: Depart for home

### • 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Days 11-12: Hua Hin

- Travel to Hua Hin.
- Visit Khao Luang Cave.
- Enjoy free time on the beach or visit the Kaeng Krachan National Park.

#### Day 13: Hua Hin | Bangkok

- Time to explore on your own.
- Return to Bangkok.

#### Day 14: Depart for home

*The diversity of the experience is what gives this tour its value. I have been blessed to travel quite extensively around the world and this is one of the best trips I have ever done. I am happy that 11 students were with me to share in that experience.*

– DAVID, GROUP LEADER

“ Tour review

*My son had a wonderful trip with so many opportunities that he grew from. I believe he came back so much more appreciative of what he has. He is hopeful to study abroad in Thailand in two years.*

– MARY, PARENT OF TRAVELER

“ Tour review

### TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

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*My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.*

—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER

“ Tour review

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