

A tour division of Kobayashi Travel Service

2026 AMAZING THAILAND ADVENTURE

Bangkok & Chiang Mai

January 15 – 28, 2026 (14 Days & 12 Nights)

\$100 EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT

(\$100 deposit per person received by 08/30/2025)

Twin Rate: \$4,360 per person

Single Supplement: \$925 (includes group air arrangements on Japan Airlines from Honolulu)

Land Only Rate: \$3,320 per person (Individual arrangements to meet group are not included)

Included Features

Bangkok (5 nights)

Khlong Lat Mayom Floating Market Chatuchak Market Kanchanaburi Citv JEATH War Museum Death Railway/Bridge over River Kwai Bangkok Canals Grand Palace Wat Pra Kaew Wat Pho Reclining Buddha Tuk Tuk ride **ICONSIAM**

> Bang Pa-In Summer Palace Ayutthaya Longtail boat Chiang Mai (6 nights)

Ayutthaya Province

Tha Phae Gate

Wat Phra That Doi Suthep Mae Sa Elephant Camp Orchid Farm Tiger Kingdom Khantoke Dinner & Culture Show Chiang Rai Province Mae Kacham Hot Springs White Temple or Wat Rong Khun Chiang Saen

Golden Triangle Doi Inthanon National Park Kina & Queen Pagodas Thai Cooking Class

Bangkok (1 night)

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Thursday, January 15 (Day 01) HONOLULU to NARITA

Our tour commences this morning when we assemble at the Japan Airlines lobby at the airport for baggage check-in procedures. We will depart Honolulu to Narita International Airport. A meal and a snack will be served on board the flight.

Friday, January 16 (Day 02) NARITA to BANGKOK (THAILAND)

We arrive Narita Airport for a short layover, then depart for our flight to Bangkok. Upon arrival at Suvarnabhumi International Airport, we will clear entry and customs formalities, then transfer to our hotel for check-in procedures.

Accommodations at Pathumwan Princess Hotel or similar

Saturday, January 17 (Day 03) FLOATING MARKET & CHATUCHAK WEEKEND MARKET (B)

We will start our morning with a visit to *Khlong Lat Mayom Floating Market*, a relaxed, authentic market that offers a genuine slice of Thai culture. Here, we'll enjoy a scenic boat ride along the canals, passing local homes and gardens, while exploring the bustling market where vendors sell fresh produce, street food, and handmade goods directly from their boats and canalside stalls. After lunch, we will continue our shopping adventure at the vibrant Chatuchak Weekend Market. With over 15,000 stalls, it is one of the largest outdoor markets in the world, attracting nearly 200,000 visitors every weekend. From handcrafted treasures to tantalizing street delicacies, this market offers a sensory-rich experience that captures the essence of Bangkok's cultural tapestry.

Accommodations at Pathumwan Princess Hotel or similar

Sunday, January 18 (Day 04) KANCHANABURI - BRIDGE OVER RIVER KWAI & TRAIN RIDE (B) (L)

This morning, we will drive west of Bangkok to visit *Kanchanaburi*, a scenic riverside town where the Khwae Yai and Khwae Noi rivers meet to form the Mae Klong River. Our journey through history begins at the **JEATH War Museum**, named after Japan, England, Australia, Thailand, and Holland, which documents the harrowing experiences of prisoners of war and forced laborers who constructed the infamous Death Railway during World War II. This railway is also known for inspiring the 1957 film, The Bridge on the River Kwai, although the movie is a fictionalized interpretation of the actual events. We will then enjoy a scenic train ride along a section of the historic Death Railway, offering stunning views of the river and surrounding countryside. A relaxing riverside lunch will be provided for you before we head back to our hotel.

Accommodations at Pathumwan Princess Hotel or similar

Monday, January 19 (Day 05) BEST OF BANGKOK EXPERIENCE (B) (L)

We will begin the day with a scenic longtail boat ride along Bangkok's historic canals, known as klongs, and discover why the city was once nicknamed the "Venice of the East." Our first stop is the magnificent Wat Phra Kaew, home to the revered Emerald Buddha, considered the most sacred religious icon in Thailand. Within the same complex, we will explore the awe-inspiring Grand Palace, the former royal residence of the Chakri Dynasty, known for its ornate architecture and rich history. Next, we will visit Wat Pho, famous for its impressive Reclining Buddha and its reputation as the birthplace of traditional Thai massage. To this day, the temple serves as a center for traditional Thai medicine and wellness practices.

Monday, January 19 (Day 05) - continued

We will enjoy a short ride in a classic *tuk tuk*, Bangkok's iconic three-wheeled open-air taxi, as we weave through the historic heart of the city. Lunch will be served at a scenic riverside restaurant, where you can savor authentic Thai cuisine with views of the bustling Chao Phraya River. We will continue our day with time to relax and shop at *ICONSIAM*, Bangkok's premier luxury riverside mall, offering everything from world-class brands to local artisan products. We will conclude our night with the most famous *Lady Boy Show* in Bangkok showcasing high energy performance with elaborate costumes, lip syncing and comedy.

Accommodations at Pathumwan Princess Hotel or similar

Tuesday, January 20 (Day 06)

AYUTTHAYA PROVINCE - BANG PA-IN SUMMER PALACE - LONGTAIL BOAT RIDE (B) (L)

This morning, we will step into the world of Thai royalty with a visit to the *Bang Pa-In Summer Palace* in the historic *Ayutthaya province*. Once a seasonal retreat for the Siamese kings—and still occasionally used by the royal family today—this elegant complex showcases a captivating blend of Thai, Chinese, and European architecture, set amidst tranquil gardens and ornamental lakes. After touring the palace grounds, we'll board a *traditional longtail boat* for a relaxing cruise along the *Chao Phraya River*, offering picturesque views of riverside temples and local life along the water. We'll round off the morning with a *delicious Thai lunch at a local restaurant*, savoring authentic flavors in a charming riverside setting.

Accommodations at Pathumwan Princess Hotel or similar

Wednesday, January 21 (Day 07) BANGKOK to CHIANG MAI (B) (D)

Enjoy a leisurely morning at your own pace before we bid farewell to vibrant Bangkok. We'll board our flight to *Chiang Mai*, Thailand's beloved cultural capital nestled among misty mountains and ancient temples. This evening, savor a warm welcome with a *traditional Northern Thai dinner*.

Accommodations at Dusit Princess, or similar

Thursday, January 22 (Day 08)

CHIANG MAI CITY - THA PHAE GATE - WAT PHRA THAT DOI SUTHEP (B) (L)

Today, we will discover the charm of *Chiang Mai*, the largest city in northern Thailand and the cultural heart of the ancient Lanna Kingdom. We'll begin our day at the city's most famous landmark, *Tha Phae Gate*, originally constructed as part of the city walls during the Lanna period, which began in 1296 AD. This historic gateway once served as a main entrance to the old city and remains a symbol of Chiang Mai's rich heritage. From there, we'll wind our way up the forested mountainside to 3,500 feet (approximately 1,066 meters) above sea level to visit *Wat Phra That Doi Suthep*, the most revered temple in Chiang Mai. Enshrined here is a sacred relic of the Lord Buddha, making this site one of northern Thailand's most important pilgrimage destinations. At the summit, we'll enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the city and the lush countryside below. After our temple visit, we'll enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, where you can sample authentic northern Thai cuisine. The remainder of the afternoon is yours to relax, explore the city, or shop at your leisure.

Accommodations at Dusit Princess, or similar

Friday, January 23 (Day 9)

LOCAL MARKET - MAE SA ELEPHANT CAMP - ORCHID FARM - TIGER KINGDOM (B) (L) (D)

We'll take a pleasant drive north into the countryside to visit the *Mae Sa Elephant Camp*, set amidst lush, tropical jungle surroundings. We will see the elephants bathe in a cool mountain stream before enjoying a fascinating demonstration showing how these highly trained elephants have traditionally been used in the timber industry. Using their tusks, powerful trunks, and strong feet, they skillfully push, pull, and roll logs with remarkable precision. We'll make a brief stop at a *Long Neck Karen Village* for a unique photo opportunity, where you can learn about the distinctive cultural tradition of the Padaung women, known for wearing brass rings around their necks. We will visit an *Orchid Farm*, where you'll see a dazzling variety of orchids in bloom and colorful butterflies in flight. Our adventure continues with a visit to *Tiger Kingdom*, where you'll have the incredible opportunity to interact with and photograph majestic tigers under the supervision of trained handlers. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant before we return to the hotel to rest and refresh. This evening, a memorable *Khan Toke dinner and cultural show* will complete the day's activities. Dine in an informal, traditional setting while sampling delicious northern Thai cuisine. Throughout the evening, enjoy captivating performances of cultural dances, including the elegant Fingernail Dance, Candle Dance, Sword Dance, and lively group dances, accompanied by traditional Thai music. Guests may even be invited to join in on the fun with a few of the dances themselves.

Accommodations at Dusit Princess, or similar

Saturday, January 24 (Day 10)

MAE KACHAM – WHITE TEMPLE - CHIANG RAI PROVINCE- GOLDEN TRIANGLE (B) (L)

Our tour continues with a scenic drive through rolling hills, lush valleys, tropical forests, and charming villages. Along the way, we will take a short break at the *Mae Kachan Hot Springs*, where you can stretch your legs, mingle with the locals, and observe the natural thermal springs in action. We then continue our journey to the world-famous *White Temple*, known locally as *Wat Rong Khun*, located near Chiang Rai town. This stunning, all-white temple with its intricate carvings and mirrored details is a must-visit when exploring northern Thailand, offering a striking fusion of traditional Thai architecture and modern artistic expression. After enjoying lunch at a local restaurant, we will explore more of *Chiang Rai Province*, beginning with a visit to *Chiang Saen*, an ancient walled city along the banks of the Mekong River. Once part of the first Thai kingdom, Chiang Saen is home to historic ruins, temples, and remnants of its rich Lanna heritage. We will then drive further to the world-renowned *Golden Triangle*, where the borders of *Thailand*, *Laos*, and *Myanmar (Burma)* meet. This historically significant region, once known for its role in the opium trade, now offers sweeping views of the *Mekong River* and the convergence of three nations.

Accommodations at Dusit Princess, or similar

Sunday, January 25 (Day 11)

DOI INTHANON NATIONAL PARK (B) (L)

Today, we will journey south of Chiang Mai to explore *Doi Inthanon National Park*, home to Thailand's tallest mountain, rising to **2,565 meters** (**8,415 feet**) above sea level — warm clothing is recommended for the cool, misty climate at the summit. Our visit includes the iconic *King and Queen Pagodas*, built to honor the late King Bhumibol and Queen Sirikit, surrounded by beautifully landscaped gardens and panoramic views of the surrounding mountains. We will also explore some of the park's most impressive **waterfalls**, cascading through lush, forested landscapes. Before returning to Chiang Mai, we will stop at a *Karen hill tribe market*, where you can browse locally made handicrafts, produce, and traditional goods while experiencing the culture of one of Thailand's most well-known ethnic communities.

Accommodations at Dusit Princess, or similar

Monday, January 26 (Day 12) THAI COOKING CLASS (B) (L)

This morning, we will embark on a delightful culinary adventure with a Thai cooking class at the renowned *Chiang Mai Cookery School*. Under the guidance of professional instructors, we will learn to prepare and cook a selection of 4 to 5 authentic Thai dishes, gaining hands-on experience with traditional ingredients and cooking techniques. It's the perfect opportunity to showcase your cooking skills and bring the vibrant flavors of Thailand back home. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at your leisure — relax, explore the city, or do some more shopping.

Accommodations at Dusit Princess, or similar

Tuesday, January 27 (Day 13) CHIANG MAI – BANGKOK – (B)

This morning is at your leisure to relax, explore, or enjoy your last day in Chiang Mai before we transfer to the airport for our return flight to Bangkok. Upon arrival and hotel check-in, the rest of the afternoon is free at your leisure to rest, pack up, or squeeze in some last-minute shopping.

Accommodations at Pathumwan Princess Hotel or similar

Wednesday, January 28 (Day 14) BANGKOK to HANEDA to HONOLULU

We will transfer to **Suvarnabhumi Int'l Airport** for our flight back to Honolulu with a layover in Haneda International Airport, arriving on the same day due to the crossing of the International Date Line. A meal will be served on board the flight.

BANGKOK & CHIANG MAI, THAILAND

