Off The Beaten Path

Thailand Culinary Adventure 2017

October 28 – November 10, 2017

14 Days / 13 Nights

Tour Starts in Chiang Mai October 28 (Saturday) / Ends in Bangkok November 10 (Friday)

13 Breakfats, 10 Lunches, 4 Dinners and 4 Cooking Classes

Itinerary and activities subject to adjustments

Flights based on Korean Air (KE)
Schedules subject to change

Codes for meals included in tour price
B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner DS=Dinner and Show

October 27 (Friday): Seattle to Seoul

Flight KE20 (Depart 2:15P; Arrive 5:55P+1 day)

October 28 (Saturday): Arrive Chiang Mai / Flight: KE667 (ETA 10:50P)

Transfer to hotel based on Korean Air flight (KE667).

October 28–30 (Saturday–Monday): 2 Nights at Tamarind Village, Chiang Mai

http://www.tamarindvillage.com

October 29 (Sunday), Chiang Mai (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Visit Elephant Nature Park (Lunch).
Welcome Dinner with Northern Thai Cuisine

Enjoy Sunday Market right outside your hotel; market activities start around 4:00P and end around midnight.

October 30 (Monday), Chiang Mai to Chiang Rai (B/L)

Breakfast at hotel. Depart from Chiang Mai for Thaton with a stop at Chiang Dao Cave.
Lunch at local restaurant. Boat trip along Kok River. Continue by vehicle to Chiang Rai with stop at a hill tribe village.
Upon arrival in Chiang Rai, transfer to hotel.

**October 30–November 1 (Monday–Wednesday): 2 Nights at The Legend Chiang Rai**

https://www.thelegend-chiangrai.com

**October 31 (Tuesday), Golden Triangle and Cooking Class (B/L/D)**

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning Golden Triangle and Chiang Saen Excursion: Boat trip from Golden Triangle (where the borders of Thailand, Myanmar and Laos meet) to Chiang Saen. Visit Chiang Saen Museum (ancient Buddha images and antiques), Wat Chedi Luang, Wat Pasak, and Wat Phra Dhat Jom Kitti by climbing up 383 sets to the hilltop pagoda for panoramic view. Lunch at local restaurant.

Afternoon Cooking Class (Chiang Rai Food Tour)

**November 1 (Wednesday), Chiang Rai to Chiang Mai (B/L/DS)**

Breakfast at hotel. Depart Chiang Rai for Chiang Mai. Lunch at local restaurant.

Half Day Chiang Mai Sightseeing – Doi Suthep, Talat Warorod and Wat Chedi Luang.

Evening Kantoke Dinner & Show.

**November 1–3 (Wednesday–Friday): 2 Nights at Tamarind Village, Chiang Mai**

http://www.tamarindvillage.com

**November 2 (Thursday), Chiang Mai – Cooking Class (B/L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Morning Cooking Class at Pantawan Cooking School (Lunch).

Afternoon at leisure to enjoy Loi Kratong festival.

**November 3 (Friday), Chiang Mai to Lampang to Sukhothai (B/L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Travel to Sukhothai with sightseeing stop in Lampang.

Lampang: Visit Wat Phra That Lampnang Luang (Emerald Buddha) and stop at Tung Kwan Market, where handicrafts, fruits, vegetables and famous ceramics are on sale. Lunch at local restaurant.

Upon arrival in Sukhothai, transfer to hotel.

**November 3–6 (Friday–Monday): 3 Nights at Treasure Resort and Spa, Sukhothai**

http://www.sukhothaitreasure.com/
November 4 (Saturday), Sukhothai (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Complete day at leisure to enjoy Loi Krathong festival.

Morning Sukhothai Historical Park Walking Tour

Tickets to Light and Sound show at Wat Mahathat – subject to availability.

Optional: Sukhothai Cuisine Dinner with Pranee.

November 5 (Sunday), Sukhothai (B/L)

Breakfast at hotel. Full Day Si Satchanalai Historical Park Tour.

Visit Sri Satchanalai Historical Park, the northern out post of the Kingdom of Sukhothai, built by King Ramkamhaeng. Lunch at local restaurant. After lunch visit Wat Phra Sri Ratana Maha Dhat on the site of the Khmer fort “Challenge”

November 6 (Monday), Sukhothai to Ayuthaya / Ayuthaya Sightseeing (B/L)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to Ayuthaya. Lunch at local restaurant.

In Ayuthaya visit Wat Yai Chai Mongkol and Wat Mahathat.

November 6–7 (Monday–Tuesday): 1 Night at Kantary Hotel Ayuthaya

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November 7 (Tuesday), Morning Ayuthaya Sightseeing / Transfer to Bangkok

Afternoon Cooking Class (B/D)

Breakfast at hotel. After breakfast, a boat trip to Bang-Pa-In, the former Royal Summer Residence, which represents a fine example of Thai architecture. Drop off at Chatrium Bangkok Riverside Hotel by 12:00 noon

Afternoon Cooking Class at Blue Elephant Cooking School (Dinner).

November 7–10 (Tuesday–Friday): 3 Nights at Chatrium Riverside, Bangkok

Chatrium Riverside Bangkok

November 8 (Wednesday), Bangkok (B/L)

Breakfast at hotel. Damnoen Saduak Floating Market with stops at salt field, fish sauce factory and coconut farm for palm sugar making demo. Lunch at local restaurant.
Afternoon Bangkok City Tour – Grand Palace, Wat Po and Golden Buddha, drive through China Town.

November 9 (Thursday), Bangkok – Morning Cooking Class (B/L)

Breakfast at hotel. Morning Cooking Class at Bai Pai Thai Cooking School (Lunch)

Afternoon at leisure for shopping.

November 10 (Friday), Depart Bangkok (B) / Flight: KE660 (ETD 9:50A)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to airport based on Korean Air flight (KE660).

End of Tour

Optional: Extension to Phuket

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Organization

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Release of Liability–Thailand Culinary Trip 2017

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Tour Package Price (Land Only):

Double Occupancy, per person: From $3,890 (check payment) / $4,095 (credit card payment)
Single Occupancy, per person: Additional $1,170 (check payment) / $1,230 (credit card payment)

Credit Card Payment: We accept VISA, MasterCard and American Express

Group Size: Minimum 10 persons, Maximum 14 persons

Deposit at time of booking: $500 per person (non-refundable) – Payment by check only, along with copy of passport and enrollment form.

Full Payment: Due by July 27th, 2017 along with signed Release of Liability

Prices subject to change in the event the currency exchange rate increases by more than 5%, or any increase in the Thailand domestic airfares or unforeseen fuel surcharges.

Cancellation Penalty

90 days or more before departure: deposit amount
89–61 days before departure: 50% of Tour Price
60 days or less before departure or No Show: 100% of Tour Price
No refund for unused services after tour commences

Plus International Air Ticket: Oct 27 (Friday) Departure / Nov 10 (Friday) Return

Korean Airlines (KE) - Lowest Fare (N/T): $1,070 per person – seat subject to availability/fare subject to change (Payment by Check or Credit Card within 3~5 days of flight confirmation)

KE Routing: Seattle/Seoul/Chiang Mai & Bangkok/Seoul/Seattle

Cancellation once issued: $400 / Change Fee once issued: $200 plus fare difference - subject to change

Travel Insurance

Optional. Please visit http://www.ampactours.com/(scroll to the bottom for Allianz or Travel Guard and click anywhere within the box) or e-mail Ampac Tours at mailto:res@ampactours.com.

Tour ends in Bangkok on November 10 after breakfast. Transfer to Bangkok airport based on Korean Air flight is included.
Tour Price includes:

Accommodations at four-star hotels for 13 nights

Airport Transfers based on Korean Air (KE) flights

Sightseeing by private coach with services of English-speaking guide

All breakfasts, four dinners and ten lunches & Four cooking classes

All entrance/admission tickets and planned activities

Gratuities to drivers and guide when with Pranee

Tour price doesn’t include, any personal expenses such as phone calls, laundry, shopping, optional tours, Meals not specified as being included in the itinerary

There is no refund for unused services once tour commences.

This tour is not recommended for anyone with serious food allergies. A tour member with dietary food restrictions will have to purchase additional foods if the meal provided doesn’t agree with his/her personal preferences. There is no refund if you decide to have a meal on your own.

You may opt to arrive in Chiang Mai early and stay at the same hotel or elsewhere (not included) but you must be at the Tamarind Village in Chaing Mai on October 28, 2017.

Please make sure your passport is valid for at least 6 months after the trip return date. No visa is required for U.S. passport holders visiting Thailand for 30 days or less.

*Airfares quoted are subject to availability and fares and taxes are subject to change prior to payment and ticketing.

If you purchase your air ticket elsewhere, it will be necessary to pay Ampac Tours an additional $30 per person handling fee and you will need to furnish Ampac Tours with details of your flight schedule.