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THAILAND AT LEISURE

2 Week Conducted Tour
for **\$2,490** per person twin share

This price includes airport taxes & levies

This tour to Thailand offers incredible value as all of the following are included:

- Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne & Brisbane to Bangkok with Thai International.
- Five nights accommodation at the Dream Hotel Bangkok, a centrally situated 4 star hotel in the popular Sukhumvit shopping and entertainment area.
- Five nights accommodation at the Methavalai Hotel, Cha'Am, a lovely resort town on the Gulf of Siam. Cha'Am is the favourite beach resort for the Thai people so you have the chance to mix with the friendly locals.
- One night at the unique Jungle Rafts Hotel floating on the River Kwai and one night staying at the Rose Garden Resort, with its famous cultural show.
- Full breakfast daily with a good choice of western and Thai food, plus 4 lunches & 3 dinners.
- All transfers & transport and prepaid gratuities for the included tours.
- Some day tours including entrance fees.
- For those interested in motor vehicles there is a full day at the huge Bangkok International Motor Show. Those not wanting to do this will have a cruise on Bangkok's klongs (canals).
- Services of an experienced Thai tour guide and if there are 12 or more participants there will be an Australian tour escort.



On the days there are no included tours there will be a full program of optional day tours available.

If you don't have a travel partner but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try and assign you with another person, but this is not guaranteed. For a single room there is an extra charge of \$680.

Tour departs Australia 30th March and returns 12th April 2017

We try harder to find you the best travel deal

Itinerary for Thailand at Leisure Tour

Included meals are indicated as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

30.03.17 Australia – Bangkok

Depart Sydney at 11.00am on TG 476, arriving in Bangkok at 4.20pm.

Depart Melbourne at 4.15pm on TG 466 arriving in Bangkok at 9.45pm.

Depart Brisbane at 11.40pm on TG 478, arriving in Bangkok at 6.00am the next morning (31.03.17).

All passengers will be met at the airport and transferred to the 4 star Dream Hotel in the centrally located Sukhumvit shopping and entertainment area for a five night stay.

31.03.17 Bangkok

(B) Brisbane passengers arrive into Bangkok early this morning. Your hotel accommodation has been booked in from the previous night for immediate access to your rooms.

Today there is an included morning tour to see Bangkok's beautiful flower market, followed by a boat tour of Bangkok's klongs (canals) and the busy Chao Phraya River. We will see the magnificent Temple of Dawn and will stop and inspect the impressive Royal Barges Museum. This is followed by a visit to a jewellery manufacturer.

For those interested in motor vehicles there is an alternative included full day tour to the huge Bangkok International Motor Show, one of the world's most important motor shows. Included are return transfers to the Motor Show and entrance fees.

01.04.17 Bangkok

(B) Today there is an optional tour to one of the seven wonders of the world, Bangkok's magnificent Grand Palace, Coronation Hall, the Temple of the Emerald Buddha and the replica of Angkor Wat. This is followed by a visit to the temple of the huge Reclining Buddha with his massive mother-of-pearl feet.

The price is \$70 per person and includes lunch at a local restaurant.

02.04.17 Bangkok

(B) Today there is an optional tour to the Sriracha Tiger Zoo at Chonburi, near Pattaya. There are actually four shows, the tiger show, crocodile show, elephant show and pig show.

The price is \$78 per person and includes lunch.

03.04.17 Bangkok

(B) Optional full-day tour to Ayutthaya, the former capital of Thailand, 90kms north of Bangkok. First stop is at Bang Pa In, the former summer royal residence set in magnificent and extensive grounds. After inspection we go to the Chao Phraya River where we get into long tail boats and have a 45 minute trip along the river to Ayutthaya where we have the included lunch at one of Thailand's top Thai restaurants. After lunch we inspect the world heritage historical park to see the many temples and pagodas that were sacked by the Burmese in the 18th century. There is some time for shopping before returning to Bangkok in mid afternoon.

The price is \$88 per person including lunch.

04.04.17 Bangkok - Samphran

(B/L/D)

Today we have a mid morning transfer from our hotel to the Rose Garden, located about 60kms west of Bangkok. Here we have a lovely buffet lunch and then see their famous cultural show. This is followed by a short display of elephants at work. We then check in to Sampran Riverside Hotel situated within the Rose Garden grounds. Dinner this evening is at the hotel.

05.04.17 Samphran – River Kwai

(B/L/D)

This morning we proceed further west to the Saduak Floating Market. We have a long-tail boat ride along rural canals to the busy floating market. After inspecting the market we travel to a Thai handicraft centre. We then travel on to the River Kwai, where we have lunch beside the infamous bridge. We will have the opportunity to inspect and walk across the bridge.

Afterwards we embark on long-tailed boats along the River Kwai to our overnight accommodation at the Jungle Rafts Hotel, floating on the River Kwai. On arrival we will inspect an interesting Mon village.

Please note that our accommodation is quite unique and most people consider it to be one of the highlights of the tour, however it is rather basic without electricity.

Tonight there is an included dinner and display of traditional Mon dancing.

06.04.17 River Kwai – Kanchanaburi - Cha'Am

(B/L)

This morning we inspect the Hell Fire Pass museum, built and maintained by the Australian government. The energetic can have a walk down to the cutting where the Anzac Day services are held. Next we inspect a spectacular rail viaduct, built by the Australian prisoners with considerable loss of life. We have lunch near the river before travelling to the main town of Kanchanaburi where we inspect the beautifully kept Allied War Cemetery and the Jeath War Museum.

We then have the three hour trip south to the lovely resort town of Cha'Am on the Gulf of Siam. Upon arrival we check into the 3½ star beach-front Cha'Am Methavalai Hotel for a five night stay.

07.04.17 Cha'Am – Hua Hin – Cha'Am

(B/D)

Morning free at our resort hotel. In the afternoon we inspect the unique teakwood palace of King Rama VI. We then travel to Hua Hin where we inspect their historical railway station. After this we visit their extensive night market. This is followed by an included dinner at a good over-the-water restaurant before returning to Cha'Am.

08.04.17 Cha'Am

(B)

Optional tour to Petch Dam & Lake. Scenic drive to Petch Dam. First stop is at a fascinating meditation centre with its huge Lady Buddha statue. We then board a long tail boat for a two hour scenic boat ride on the lake created by the dam. We stop at a small island and inspect its interesting rustic temple. Quite often the monk will give a short talk and demonstration on meditation. We then do a short walking tour of the island to see its interesting statues. Enjoy an included lunch at a lovely restaurant overlooking the lake before returning to Cha'Am.

The price is \$75 per person and includes lunch.

09.04.17 Cha'Am

(B)

Optional tour to Sam Roi Yod National Park. We travel south of Hua Hin to visit the park. Enjoy a boat trip from the village near the park to the central part of the park. Here we have a short but rather steep trek up to a huge natural cave which contains a

lovely pagoda erected for the visit of King Rama V many years ago. We have an included lunch at the park headquarters. On our return trip we inspect a pineapple plantation and also visit the most important temple in the Hua Hin area. The price is \$70 per person and includes lunch.

10.04.17 Cha'Am

(B) Today there is an optional palace and temple tour in Petchaburi. We inspect the hill-top palace of King Rama IV of "The King & I" fame, with access by a scenic railway ride. We also inspect the European style palace of King Rama V. We see a fascinating temple set in a huge natural cave and also an unusual stucco temple. Lunch will be at Petchaburi beach where we can see some strange idols set in the ocean. The price is \$76 per person and includes lunch.

11.04.17 Cha'Am – Bangkok

(B/L) Today we travel back to Bangkok. We have an included farewell lunch at the Manhattan Hotel and also day use of the hotel rooms to relax and shower before departing for the airport. Sydney passengers depart the hotel at approximately 3.30pm to transfer to Bangkok Airport, departing at 7.20pm on TG 475, arriving in Sydney at 7.20am the next day (12.4.17). Brisbane & Melbourne passengers depart the hotel at approximately 8pm for the airport.

12.04.17 Bangkok – Australia

Brisbane passengers depart Bangkok airport at 12.01am on TG 473, arriving in Brisbane at 11.50am. Melbourne passengers depart Bangkok at 12.15am on TG 465, arriving in Melbourne at 12.05pm.

Conditions for Macleay Valley Travel's Thailand at Leisure Tour

Deposits and Payments: A non-refundable deposit of \$200 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. This deposit is not refundable should you later cancel. The balance is payable 8 weeks prior to departure.

Refunds and Cancellations: Cancellations after final payment will result in a refund limited to whatever we can recoup from the airline.

Airline Tickets - Please note that any changes made to airline tickets once they have been issued will likely incur high cancellation and/or reissue fees. These fees are typically set by the airline and are outside of our control.

Insurance: Adequate travel insurance is essential. We can arrange this for you if desired. Macleay Valley Travel offers Suresave Travel Insurance. Please note that we can only process your travel insurance when we have received full payment for the insurance and the signed Suresave Travel Insurance application form, located on the last page of the Suresave Travel Insurance information booklet. Until this time the travel insurance cannot be processed and will not be valid. Macleay Valley Travel will bare no responsibility for any consequences that may occur as a result of an incomplete insurance application.

Passports: All travellers require a current passport with at least 6 months left on it at the end of the tour. Non-Australian passport holders require a re-entry visa for Australia. No visas are required for Australian passport holders.

Basic Tour Price and Taxes: Air taxes and fuel levies are included in the basic tour price if the tour is paid in full on or before the due date on the final invoice. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to charge for any increase in air taxes and fuel levies if the tour is not paid in full by the due date.

Not Included in the Cost: All items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, drinks, excess baggage, tips, meals, (except those specified in the itinerary), etc. Also travel insurance. Similarly, credit card payments can only be accepted if 2% is added to the price to help defray the heavy merchant fees charged to us by the credit card companies. There is a 3% surcharge for Diners Club.

Booking through other Agents: As we keep the cost of our tours as low as possible, there is insufficient margin for us to be able to pay commission to other travel agents, so some bookings can only be accepted if the client pays the other agent's commission.

Accreditation - Macleay Valley Travel is a fully accredited travel agency under the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) ATAS - AFTA Travel Accreditation Scheme. As such, you are assured of a consumer focused and quality assured business, ensuring professional conduct and ethical business practices. We are happy for any prospective traveller with us to check us out with your local Consumer Affairs (Fair Trading) department.

Breakaway Fee - All fully inclusive prices are based on group travel and any deviation from the set itinerary will incur a breakaway fee. The breakaway fee for most deviations including a post-tour extension on this tour is \$55 per person. Please inquire with our office for prices on any pre-tour extensions.

Health and Fitness: Macleay Valley Travel recommends that the passenger is reasonably healthy and/or fit to participate in this tour. Persons with a disability requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion. Macleay Valley Travel and their representatives cannot provide this service. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to accept/decline or terminate a passenger's participation in the tour under certain circumstances. Macleay Valley Travel is legally not permitted to provide medical advice as to vaccinations/injections which you may require for this tour and advise you to consult your local medical practitioner for specific medical advice. There are no compulsory injections required for this tour.

Twin Share Bookings - If you do not have a travel partner, but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try and assign you with another traveller but this is not guaranteed. We assign passengers by their gender, on a first come, first served basis and do not assign twin share passengers according to their age, profession, interests etc. There are risks with sharing a room with a person you do not know, and Macleay Valley Travel accepts no responsibility if you are incompatible with your assigned room mate. Additionally, if you are assigned a travelling companion to share with and they cancel off the tour prior to making the final payment, then you will either be required to pay the single room supplement or we will try our best to assign you with another twin share passenger, if one is available.

Limitation of Liability - As Macleay Valley Travel acts only as agent for the Airlines, Hotels, Coach Companies etc., providing accommodation, transportation and other services, Macleay Valley Travel shall not be liable or responsible for death or injury to any person or loss or damage to any property including baggage arising out of or connection with any transportation, accommodation or other services, or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Government or other authorities, de jure or defacto wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, epidemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, delays or cancellations caused by changes in schedules or itinerary, or over bookings or defaults or for any causes beyond Macleay Valley Travel's control or any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and neither Macleay Valley Travel, and its servants or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour member as a result of the foregoing causes. Additionally you must meet the entry requirements for each country you visit. Macleay Valley Travel will not be liable if you are denied entry to a country for any reason, including a past criminal history. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to decline bookings made for any group tour. Any tour booking confirmation is conditional, contingent on our view of the ability of a person to be able to participate in a tour without the likelihood of conflict between members of a tour whether perceived or actual.

Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to modify the itinerary or the accommodation if circumstances make this necessary, provided that the amended itinerary is of equal value or greater value than that of the original program.

MACLEAY VALLEY TRAVEL - BOOKING FORM

PLEASE PRINT DETAILS CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS AND ALSO

A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT MUST BE SENT WITH BOOKING FORM

Name of Tour : _____ Departure Date: _____

Passenger 1 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Passenger 2 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Postal Address: _____

_____ **PostCode** _____ **Email** _____

Telephone / Fax Number: _____ **Mobile** _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiry Date: _____

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Passport Nationality: _____

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(Passport must have 6 months validity from the time of tour completion)

Single room / Twin beds / Double bed: (Room type is subject to availability)

Circle which airport you wish to depart from: SYDNEY / MELBOURNE / BRISBANE

Do you have any existing medical conditions?: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Optional Extensions: _____

Would you like to receive details of our travel insurance?: YES / NO (Please Circle)

In case of emergency, please notify :

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please return this sheet with your non-refundable deposit of \$200 per person.

DECLARATION. I have read and understand fully the booking conditions and I accept them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

A copy of passport is required to verify spelling of name; If this is not provided and the information we have for the airline is incorrect and ticket is issued, then the airline will charge a reissue fee.