



BLUE HORIZON TRAVEL & YACHT CHARTERS MARCH 2020 GROUP TOUR OF THAILAND

LAND PRICE:

From **\$3,599** per person double occupancy

AIRFARE:

International and domestic airfares not included and available on request.



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Day 1 March 5 - Arrive Bangkok

On arrival in Bangkok you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Room will be available from 1400hrs.

Hotel: COMO METROPOLITAN (City Room)

Day 2 March 6 – Bangkok - Klongs and China Town Tour / Grand Palace & Wat Po (BL)

Travel by motor launch on the picturesque Chao Phraya River and canals, or klongs, to observe the serene family homes and temples along the waterways. You will pass the famous Royal Barges, excellent samples of Thai craftsmanship and stop at Wat Arun, the Temple of Dawn. Then visit Grand Palace, the former residence for the Thai kings. Visit the Reception Hall, the Coronation Hall, the Funeral Hall and the beautiful Temple of the Emerald Buddha, Wat PhraKeo. Visit Wat Po, one of the oldest and largest temples in Bangkok. Ride on a tuk-tuk, a three-wheeled taxi, to Chinatown for a short walk.

Day 3 March 7 - Bangkok - Floating Market (B)

The real floating market is the one at DamnoenSaduak, around 110 kilometers west of Bangkok. A trip to this Thai phenomenon is like traveling back to the ancient times of the Siam Kingdom, where colorful clad merchants paddle along the narrow canals. The Floating Market is an ideal place for tourists to see the old style and traditional way of selling and buying fruits, vegetables and other from small boats. Tourists will also be able to see traditional Thai houses and the way locals use boats in their everyday lives.

During your visit, there will be lots of activity and bargaining is part of the fun of the sale. The market's popularity among visitors has grown over the years and outside the traditional means of selling and trading food and drinks, souvenir shops around the market are home to some of the best local handicraft one can buy.

Day 4 March 8 - Bangkok - Ayuthaya - Cruise back to Bangkok (BL)

06:45: Pick-up guests at hotel and travel to Ayuthaya. This tour by Grand Pearl Cruise introduces you to Ayutthaya's rich historical and architectural heritage, starting at Bang Pa-In Summer Palace and temple ruins of the 14th and 16th centuries. You will then embark on the luxurious Grand Pearl Cruise for the return journey to Bangkok. A superb lunch buffet and fascinating scenery along the Chao Phraya riverbanks complete the memorable experience. You can view Wat Po from the roof top. Overnight at hotel in Bangkok

Day 5 March 9 - Bangkok -Cooking Class at Baipai (B)

There is no better way to learn Thai Cooking once you are in Thailand and taking a Thai cooking class, taught by qualified Thai personnel. This is an ideal home-style learning environment that is different from most of the hotels and restaurants in Thailand. A real hands-on experience. You will be amazed what you can cook! Free afternoon.

Day 6 March 10 - Bangkok / Chiang Rai (B)

Morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Chiang Rai where the borders of Thailand, Burma and Laos meet. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel. Rest of day at leisure.

Hotel: RIVERIE (Deluxe Garden Room)

INCLUDED:

- 13 nts accommodations on Twin sharing basis.
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner)
- All sightseeing on private basis by an Air-Conditioned vehicle on private basis as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Services of English speaking local tour guide during sightseeing tours
- Entrance fees
- All present applicable government taxes

NOT INCLUDED:

- International & Domestic Airfare
- Any meals except mentioned in the itinerary.
- Any services during leisure time.
- Airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- Insurance
- Tipping/gratuities
- Necessary inoculations
- Items of personal nature such as visa fee, telephone, laundry, beverages
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Day 7 March 11 - Chiang Rai - Golden Triangle (BL)

Departure to visit the Golden Triangle, where the borders of Myanmar, Laos and Thailand are located along the Mekong River. Traditional boat trip enjoying the daily life of the people of Laos to visit the local market selling local handicrafts and lunch at local restaurant. Return to hotel in the afternoon.

Day 8 March 12 - Chiang Rai / Chiang Mai (B) Departure approx. 3 hours to Chiang Mai by road with stop enroute.

Hotel: DUSIT D2 (Deluxe room)

Day 9 March 13 - Morning Market - Handicraft Village (BD)

Early this morning leave your hotel for Wat Srisoda at the foot of DoiSuthep where you can see the Buddhist monks have their morning prayers and to witness the traditional Thai culture of offering food to Buddhist monks. Take a rickshaw ride from city area to

Chiang Mai Gate to visit the morning market and your local breakfast will be served. Return to hotel for refreshment. Late morning visit a handicraft village to see the manufacturing of lacquerware, the weaving of Thai silk, paper umbrella making, woodcarving, silverware-making and more delightful arts. Return to hotel This evening, feast at a Khantoke dinner with authentic traditional performances featuring regional tribes.

Day 10 March 14 - Chiang Mai - Elephant Camp- Hill Tribes (BL)

Visit the elephant camp, where you can watch the animals bathe, drag trunks and other feats. You can take a 45 minute ride through the forest on elephant back (1 Elephant : 2 pax). Then drive to visit to the village of Baan Tong Luang, where you can visit different ethnic groups in the north, such as Karen, Lahu, Palong, Hmong and Padong known as female giraffe. Departure to Mae Sa Valley and visit the orchid farm where buffet lunch is served with the best selection of flowers and a small butterfly enclosure.

Day 11 March 15 – Chiang Mai / Phuket (B) You will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Phuket. On arrival in Phuket you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Rest of the day is at leisure.

Hotel: CAPE PANWA

Day 12 Mar 16 - Phuket - Phang Nga Bay (B)

The Magical Phang Nga Bay by June Bahtra excursion is a cruise on a traditional junk boat (June Bahtra) through the enchanting and breathtaking Phang Nga Bay. Visit the James Bond Island and continue your journey by long tail boat through the mangrove delta and the Grotto Cave to the Sea, Gypsy village (Panyee Village). A delicious Thai buffet lunch is served back on board, the afternoon is free to relax, sunbathe and swim. *Joined tour with min. 6 persons, Bilingual speaking guide.

Day 13 Mar 17 - Phuket (B)
Day at leisure

Day 14 Mar 18 - Depart Phuket (B)

You will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. Rooms will be available till 1200N.





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