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TREASURES OF THAILAND

11 or 14 days | Thailand

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.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** 1 sightseeing tour led by a licensed local guide; 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director
-  **Entrances:** Boat tour of Chao Phraya River and Klongs; Grand Palace; Summer Palace of King Rama IV; Elephant ride; Hill-tribe villages; Wat Phra That Doi Suthep; Sukhothai Historical Park; Saiyoke Yai Waterfall and National Park; Wat Pa Lelai Monastery; "Death Railway" train ride; JEATH Museum; Damnoen Saduak floating market
-  **weShare**, our online platform that taps into each student's interests for a more engaging learning experience
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; Comfortable motorcoach; Night train; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (11 with extension); 1 night couchette accommodation; Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
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Grand Palace



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 online learning platform, **weShare**, 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 of 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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War Remnants Museum



Via Instagram

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." Visit the Grand Palace, an enormous royal compound from commoners. Gaze upward at the golden spires of this architectural masterpiece, and enter the Royal Chapel (Wat Phra Kaew) that houses the most sacred Emerald Buddha.

Day 3: Bangkok | Ayutthaya

- Take an excursion to Ayutthaya
- Visit the Summer Palace of King Rama IV
- Return to Bangkok by boat
- Enjoy a Thai dinner with classical dances

Day 4: Bangkok | Night train

- Take an expertly guided tour of Bangkok
- Take a boat tour of the Chao Phraya River and Thonburi klongs
- Visit the Grand Palace
- See the Temple of the Emerald Buddha
- Take an overnight train to Chiang Mai, Thailand's second-largest city. Founded in 1296, it is home to the largest number of Buddhist temples. During your visit you'll enjoy an excursion to San Kamphaeng and Bor Sang, where local artisans are known for their weaving and umbrella making expertise. Villagers will demonstrate how to make bamboo rafts; later discover what it's like to float down the Ping River on one of these. Also scheduled on this tour is an elephant ride. Feel the exhilaration as you climb this enormous wonder and see the unique view from atop. Finally, visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, a temple that dates back to 1383, and rises over 5,248 feet above the city on a forested mountain peak with outstanding views of the surrounding area.

Day 5: Chiang Mai

- Visit the Karen hill-tribe villages
- Visit Palong and Lahu tribe villages
- Visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep

Day 6: Phitsanulok

- Visit an elephant camp and ride an elephant
- Float on a bamboo raft along the Ping River
- Take an excursion to San Kamphaeng and Bor Sang
- Travel to Phitsanulok via Lampang

Day 7: Phitsanulok | Kanchanaburi

- Visit the Sukhothai Historical Park
- Travel to Kanchanaburi
- Visit the Wat Pa Lelai Monastery

Day 8: Kanchanaburi

- See the Saiyoke Yai Waterfall
- Stop at the Hell Fire Pass Memorial in Burma
- Experience a train ride on the "Death Railway"

Day 9: Bangkok

- Visit the JEATH Museum and World War II Cemetery, dedicated to the victims of the Death Railway Bridge. The museum houses photographic exhibits, memorabilia and paintings. After visiting the World War II Cemetery, head over the bridge over the River Kwai. The current bridge is a reconstruction of the original Death Railway Bridge, built under torturous conditions by World War II prisoners to connect segments of the Japanese empire. One of Thailand's most beautiful treasures—Saiyoke Yai Waterfall—is also found in this province. Naturalists love the deep, blue-winged pittas, limestone wren-babblers, wild pigs and tiny Kitti hog-nosed bats that inhabit the dense deciduous forest around the waterfall.
- Continue to Bangkok

Day 10: Bangkok

- Travel to Ratchaburi
- Visit the Damnoen Saduak floating market
- Enjoy free time in Bangkok

Day 11: Depart for home

☛ 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

Days 11-12: Cha-Am

- Travel to Cha-Am
- Enjoy free time on the beach

Day 13: Cha-Am | 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, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2014

“ Tour review

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