

**HOT DEAL**

# THAILAND ODYSSEY



**With Optional Extension: PHUKET**

**DEPARTURE:**

**11**  
Sep, 2018

**TOUR SUMMARY:**

Explore Bangkok and the nearby provinces including Kanchanaburi famous for its historical role during World War II, and Ayutthaya the 2nd capital city of Thailand from 1350 to 1767. See the highlights of some of Bangkok's most popular places: the Grand Palace & the Emerald Buddha Temple, the Reclining Buddha Temple, and enjoy shopping.

**TOUR DAYS:** 09 DAYS

**TOUR TYPE:**  
SMALL GROUP TOUR

**TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Explore the Grand Palace and Emerald Buddha Temple
- Discover the Bridge of River Kwai, train trip on the Death Rail Way route, Saiyoke Waterfall
- Visit the ancient capital city of Ayutthaya

**TOUR PRICE:**

Per person on twin sharing basis:

**USD 2449**

Single Supplement:

**USD 475**

**FROM ATLANTA**



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## TOUR LODGING INFO: 7 Nights Hotel

Accommodation will be provided on a twin sharing basis

CITIES	NIGHTS	SUPERIOR HOTELS
Bangkok	03 Nights	Aloft Bangkok Sukhumvit 11 Hotel or similar
Kanchanburi	02 Nights	Felix River Kwai Resort or similar
Ayuthaya	01 Night	Aloft Bangkok Sukhumvit 11 Hotel or similar

(If any of the above mentioned hotels are not available we will provide a similar alternative)

## TOUR ITINERARY:

### DAY 01: USA - BANGKOK

Make your own way to International Airport to board your overnight flight to Bangkok. Enjoy inflight meals and services.

### DAY 02: ARRIVAL BANGKOK

Upon arrival in Bangkok you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the evening at your leisure. Overnight in Bangkok

### DAY 03: BANGKOK (B)

Breakfast at the hotel. Later proceed for tour of Unknown Bangkok and Thonburi Klongs. Walking through the morning flowers market to explore real Thai lifestyle. Proceed to board on the long-tailed boat to Thonburi, western part of Bangkok, situated on the right side of the Chao Phya River. Its many canals had originally given Bangkok the name "Venice of the East." Passing by boat along the canals gives you a first hand impression of the scenic life along Bangkok's waterways. Also visit the Royal Barges and the Temple of Dawn.

Later proceed for the City and Temple tour. This tour includes three of the most unusual Buddhist temples in Bangkok: **Wat Trimit** with its invaluable Golden Buddha (5 ½ tons of solid gold) – **Wat Po**, the most extensive temple in Bangkok, with its colossal Reclining Buddha and the Chedis of the Kings – **Wat Benjamaborpitr**, the White Marble Temple, one of the finest examples of Thai architecture. This morning take a half day Bangkok City & Temples tour. From several magnificent temples in Bangkok, the three most unique ones are Wat Traimit, Wat Pho, and Wat Benchamabophit. Wat Traimit houses a striking 3-meter tall Golden Buddha image - a gleaming, 5-ton figure of solid gold. Wat Pho, which features the largest reclining Buddha image in Thailand, and the Chedi of the kings, is Bangkok's oldest and largest temple. Finally, there is Wat Benchamabophit, a fine modern Thai temple constructed from white Carrara marble with ornate crossbeams decorated with lacquer and gold. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure. Overnight in Bangkok.

### DAY 04 BANGKOK (B)

Enjoy your day at leisure or pre book the following optional tour. Overnight in Bangkok

**Afternoon Optional: Half Day Grand Palace Tour – 45 USD per person on S.I.C basis**

## TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation on a twin sharing basis at listed hotels or similar
- Daily buffet breakfast
- 4 Lunches, 1 Dinner
- Grand Pearl Cruise from Ayuthaya to Bangkok
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Services of local English speaking guides
- Transportation in a luxury air-conditioned vehicle
- Sightseeing & entrance fees as per the itinerary
- International return airfare from Atlanta, taxes included
- All taxes and fuel surcharge

The Grand Palace was the seat not only of the king and his court, but contained within its crenulated walls the entire government administration. The architecture is vibrantly Thai though there are some European designs as well. Brilliantly colored and gilded, and decorated with intricate detail, the overall effect is dazzling. The palace served as the official residence of the kings of Thailand from the 18th to the mid-20th century. The most famous building on the palace grounds is Wat Phra Kaew (Temple of the Emerald Buddha), regarded as the most sacred Buddhist temple (wat) in Thailand. Construction of the temple began when King Rama I moved the capital from Thonburi to Bangkok in 1785. Unlike other Thai temples, it does not contain living quarters for monks; rather, it has only the richly decorated holy buildings, statues, and pagodas. The main temple building is the central ubosoth, which houses the Emerald Buddha. Though green in color, the Buddha is actually carved from a single piece of jade, and though only 17 inches tall, is the most revered object in Thailand. Also within the grounds are several palaces, used for various occasions: the Funeral Palace, Reception Palace, Throne Hall, Coronation Hall, and the Royal Guest House. The majority of halls and palaces can be viewed from outside only, but the exteriors are captivating enough to please.

### Evening Optional: Siam Niramit include Thai Dinner (Ticket only, no transfers) – USD 55 Per person

A world class spectacular performance of Thai art and cultural Heritage with amazing state of the art special effects. Travel back through time into the history and culture of the Kingdom of Siam. You will be amazed and captivated by journey back into History, journey beyond imagination and journey through joyous festivals. You can also find yourself at the Thai village where the unique architecture, music and costumes are revived. Not only can you see how Thailand delicate and ornate handicrafts are made, you can try to create them yourselves!

### DAY 05 BANGKOK / KANCHANBURI (B, L)

Morning breakfast. Check-out and depart to Damnoen Saduak Floating Market, situated 110 kms west of Bangkok, is a very attractive place for tourists to see the old style and traditional way of selling and buying fruits, vegetables, etc., from small boats. You will also see traditional Thai houses, the way they live and travel by boats. Lunch at local restaurant. Continue to Kanchanaburi with visit :

Visit Thailand–Burma Railway Centre an interactive museum, information and research facility dedicated to presenting the history of

the Thailand– Burma Railway. The fully air–conditioned center offers the visitor an educational and moving experience. Visit Allied War Cemetery which is memorial to some 6000 allied prisoners of war (POWs) who perished along the death railway line and were moved post-war to this eternal resting place. Visit the world famous Bridge over the River Kwai, a part of Death Railway constructed by Allied POWs. Overnight in Kanchanaburi

**DAY 06 KANCHANBURI (B, L)**

Breakfast at the hotel, take a historic ride on Death Railway Train passing over original wooden viaduct constructed by Allied POWs. Lunch at local restaurant. Continue to visit Hellfire Pass Memorial Overnight in Kanchanaburi.

**DAY 07 KANCHANBURI / AYUTHAYA (B, L, D)**

Breakfast at the hotel, Check-out and depart Kanchanaburi to Ayuthaya, former capital of Thailand , visit Ayuthaya Historical Park, a vast stretch of historical site in the heart of Ayutthaya city,

has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site . Lunch at local restaurant. Continue to visit Wat Mongkol Borphit, the three ancient pagodas at Wat Phra Srisanpetch and Wat Pranangcherng. Dinner at the Hotel. Overnight in Ayuthaya.

**DAY 08 AYUTHAYA / BANGKOK (B, L,)**

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit Wat Chai Watthanaram, the temple that graces the official tourist pamphlet for Ayutthaya, this wat is a must see. Many intact pagodas surround a central chedi that you can climb from all sides. A nice view of the city can be had from the top. Also visit Bang Pa In Summer Palace ,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 completethe memorable experience. Arrive Bangkok (River City Pier) and then transfer to hotel. Overnight in Bangkok

**DAY 09 BANGKOK (B)**

Enjoy the day at leisure or Last Minute shopping. Transfer to airport for return flight home

**END OF OUR SERVICES**



# PHUKET EXTENSION

## TOUR LODGING INFO:

Accommodation will be provided on a twin sharing basis

CITIES	NIGHTS	HOTELS
Phuket	03 Nights	Centara Blue Marine

### DAY 09: BANGKOK - PHUKET

On arrival at Phuket International Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check in. Overnight in Phuket

### DAY 10: PHUKET (B)

Enjoy your day at leisure; no services provided, you can pre-book the optional tour below. Overnight in Phuket

### Optional: Coral Island by Speedboat including Lunch USD 50 /pp

**FREQUENCY:** Daily

**TIMING:** 0800-1600

**NOTES:** SIC tour with English speaking guide. Pick up & drop off from Phuket Town, Tri Trang, Kalim, Patong, Kar Kata, Rawai, Yacht Club, Naiharn, Ban Krating beach area only. Pick up from other beaches are available on request at a surcharge. A Short speedboat trip 15 minutes by speedboat to Coral island (Koh Hey) to enjoy the white sandy beach, snorkeling and swimming in a turquoise water. Or a various sea activities (optional) such as sea walking, diving, parasailing and banana boat. Lunch at Hey restaurant. Afternoon take leisure time left through relaxing on the beach.

Per person on twin sharing basis:

USD **390**

Single Supplement:

USD **210**

program ends at the camp with refreshments of cold drinks, cold face-towel and local fruits in season.

### DAY 11: PHUKET (B)

Enjoy your day at leisure; no services provided, you can pre-book the optional tour below. Overnight in Phuket

### Optional: City Tour USD 60 /pp

**FREQUENCY:** Daily

**TIMING:** 0800-1300 & 1330-1800

**NOTES:** \*SIC tour with English speaking guide

A sightseeing of Phuket town where you can see some of the most magnificent views of the island Phromthep cape and Phuket view point. Discover also the biggest temple of the island and on the way back visit Gems Gallery, where you will see a gigantic aquarium and a magnificent dark-ride "Gems Gallery the Ride". The ride, which provides its audience a unique way of demonstrating the gemstone mining.

### DAY 12: PHUKET (B)

After breakfast transfer to airport.

### END OF SERVICE

