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This Amazing Thailand map is designed to be a simple introduction to all that Thailand has to offer across the whole country. Thailand is a holiday destination that offers so much variety, with a wide range of things to see and do. To make your planning a little easier we have highlighted some of the most popular here in this brochure.

Our 'Top 10 Things To Do' list below includes lots of activities you can enjoy such as visiting temples, elephant camps, floating markets, hilltribe people and National Parks.

This map is just a guide, so once you have an idea of where you would like to visit you can contact the Tourism Authority of Thailand for more detailed information (See details at the bottom of this page).

Happy planning!



Travel from the UK to Thailand

Flight time from the UK to Bangkok is approximately 11 hours. There are over 30 scheduled airlines flying daily to Thailand.

Top 10 things to do in Thailand.

- **The Grand Palace** – over 200 years old and the no.1 attraction in Bangkok. Also see the Emerald Buddha and nearby Wat Pho, home to the largest reclining Buddha in Thailand. Another must see is Wat Arun, the Temple of Dawn which is stunning from a distance and intriguing close up, with its mosaic detailing as you climb to the top. Visit by night too for a completely different view of the temple.
- **The Golden Triangle** – situated in Chiang Rai and the gateway to the Mekong where Thailand, Laos and Myanmar all meet.
- **Elephant Camps** – the elephant is Thailand's national symbol and a revered animal. Just some of the places you can get up close and personal with these gentle giants are:
 - The Elephant Training Centre, Chiang Dao, Chiang Mai
 - Elephant Conservation Centre, Lamphang
 - Elephants World, Kanchanaburi
 - Elephant Hills, Khao Sok National Park
- **Island Hopping** – Thailand has over 5,000 miles of coastline just waiting to be explored. Travel by longtail boat and explore as many beaches and islands as possible! See Phang Nga Bay and the limestone rocks that are so famously photographed.
- **Hill Tribe Villages** – Akha, Lisu, Hmong and Karen tribes are found across the north of Thailand. Spend a day or a few nights with a local family to learn and experience their way of life.
- **Festivals** – Visitors are more than welcome to take part in Thailand's many colourful festivals and celebrations. Must-see events include Loi Krathong and the famous floating lanterns in November, and Songkran, the incredible Thai New Year water festival in April, that takes place all over the country. Head to Bangkok or Chiang Mai for the most unforgettable experiences.
- **Floating Markets** – get there early to avoid crowds and get the best bargains. Don't forget your camera as these markets are very colourful!
 - Damnoen Saduak, Ratchaburi is the most famous of the floating markets and is located 100 kilometres southwest of Bangkok en route to Hua Hin/Cha-am
 - Amphawa Floating Market, Samut Songkhram. Open in the afternoons and situated next to a temple.
 - Talang Chan Weekend Floating Market, Bangkok. Only recently discovered by tourists, the market is entirely authentic and frequented by locals
- **Kanchanaburi** – visit Death Railway, Bridge over the River Kwai and experience floating river raft hotels.
- **National Parks** – take a bike ride around the ancient city of Sukhothai or visit the famous Buddha statues in Ayutthaya. Thailand is a naturally rich country with diverse landscapes so visit one of the many stunning national parks, UNESCO World Heritage Sites or waterfalls to experience the best of green tourism:
 - Doi Inthanon National Park – Thailand's highest peak, Chiang Mai
 - Phu Daeng National Park, Chiang Dao, Chiang Mai
 - Khao Yai National Park – considered one of Asia's largest monsoon forests and a UNESCO world heritage site, Nakhon Ratchasima
 - Sai Yok National Park – several waterfalls, caves and particularly rare animals, Kanchanaburi
 - Khao Sok National Park – considered the greatest in southern Thailand, Surat Thani
 - Khao Sam Roi Yot National Park – towering limestone cliffs, caves and beaches. The park's lagoons and coastal marshlands are excellent for birdwatching, Prachuab Khiri Khan
 - Phang Nga National Park, Phang Nga Bay
 - Tarutao National Park, Satun, near Trang
 - Phi Phi Islands National Park, Hat Leppaghet, Thera, Krabi
 - Phimai Historical Park – 12th century Khmer ruins, Nakhon Ratchasima
 - Phanom Rung Historical Park – Ancient Khmer ruin, dating from the 12th century, constructed of sandstone, Buri Ram, lower north east
- **Waterfalls**
 - Khao Soi Dao Waterfall – wildlife sanctuary, sixteen-level waterfall that flows year round, Chanthaburi, near Trat
 - Erawan Waterfall – Seven tiers of waterfalls, each feeding freshwater pools to swim, in Kanchanaburi Province
 - Thiloua Waterfall – considered by many to be the most beautiful waterfall in Southeast Asia, Chiang Mai

Transport information and useful web links

Airports
International: Bangkok and Phuket are international airports with direct flights from the UK.
Domestic: Most routes originate from Bangkok, but Chiang Mai, Ko Samui and Phuket all have routes to other Thai towns.
Flight Info
THAI Airways www.thaiairways.co.uk
THAI Smile Air (THAI light-premium airline) www.thaismileair.com
Bangkok Airways www.bangkokair.com
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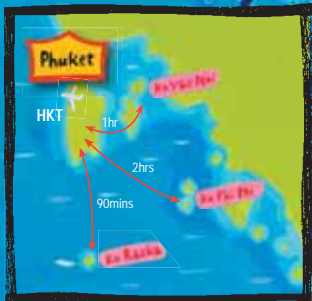
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Domestic Flight Times within Thailand

From Bangkok (BKK) to:

- Sukhothai (THS) 1hr
- Lampang (LPT) 2hrs (via Sukhothai)
- Udon Thani (UTH) 1hr 55mins
- Khon Kaen (KCC) 55mins
- Ubon Ratchathani (UBP) 1hr 4mins
- Chiang Mai (CNX) 1hr 10mins
- Chiang Rai (CEI) 1hr 20mins
- Trat (TDX) 1hr
- Surat Thani (URT) 1hr
- Ko Samui (USM) 1hr 10mins
- Phuket (HKT) 1hr 10mins
- Krabi (KBV) 1hr 20mins

Flights are also available between islands such as Pattaya to Ko Samui, Phuket to Ko Samui and Ko Samui to Krabi making it easier for you to enjoy a multicentre Thailand holiday. You can also fly direct from Chiang Mai in the north to both Phuket and Ko Samui in the south (THAI and Bangkok Airways) without a stop in Bangkok.

Train Times

From Bangkok's Hualamphong station to:

- Ayutthaya – 1hr 15mins
- Chiang Mai – 12hrs (overnight sleepers available)
- Kanchanaburi (to see Bridge over River Kwai) 4hrs
- Hua Hin – 4hrs
- Chumphon – 8hrs
- Surat Thani 9hrs

Ferry Times

- Chumphon to Ko Tao – 2hrs 30mins
- Surat Thani to Ko Samui – 2hrs

Road Transfers

From Bangkok airport or city centre to:

- Hua Hin – 3hrs
- Pattaya – 1.5hrs
- Kanchanaburi – 2.5hrs
- Surat Thani – 8hrs
- Chiang Mai – 8hrs

