

BANKOK

Day 1: JOHANNESBURG

Meet at O.R Tambo International Airport at the Singapore Airlines check in counter for your flight to Thailand via Singapore. Please ensure that you arrive at the airport at least three hours prior departure.

Overnight on board your flight

Day 2: BANGKOK / SIAM NIRAMIT SHOW

Arrive in Singapore and board flight to Bangkok. Arrive in Bangkok at Suvarnabhumi Airport and meet your English speaking guide, transfer to your hotel for check-in. In the evening enjoy a Thai dinner and show at the Siam Niramit; A world class spectacular performance of Thai Art and Cultural Heritage. This must-see spectacular is performed on the gigantic stage now listed in the Guinness World Records, featuring over 150 performers with as many as 500 costumes. On top of this, enhanced special effects with the world's most advanced technology are used to produce a stimulating, very realistic and inspiring experience. This is a Journey to the Enchanted Kingdom of Thailand that no one can miss.

Dinner and overnight in Bangkok

Day 3: TEMPLE OF THE EMERALD BUDDAH / CHAO PHRAYA RIVER

After breakfast, depart for a morning visit the home of the Kings of Siam of the Chakri Dynasty, originally built by King Rama I, it served as the royal residence until 1946. Today the palace is still used on certain occasions for visiting royalty or special guests of the Kingdom. Adjoining the Grand Palace you will find the Temple of the Emerald Buddha (Wat Phra Keo), this is probably the best known of the royal temples. It is regarded as the most important temple in all Thailand and it is the venue of many of the numerous religious ceremonies in which the King participates, especially at the beginning of each of the three seasons when His Majesty personally changes the elaborate robes of the Buddha image, carved out of a single piece of emerald-green jasper. Stop for lunch at a riverside restaurant. Continue to explore Bangkok by boat. Enjoy a cruise along the Chao Phraya River and the canals of Thonburi on the east side of the river. This is perhaps the best opportunity to see the famous 'water people' of Thailand. You board special, covered boats, travelling along the Chao Phraya River and into a large Klong (canal) on the Thonburi side. See modern as well as traditional teakwood houses on stilts. On your return, stop at what is probably the best known symbol of Bangkok, the Temple of Dawn (Wat Arun), with its sparkling spires covered with broken bits of glass and pottery, most impressive at sunrise. Tonight enjoy a dinner at Bangkok Sky Restaurant, the highest restaurant in Thailand, commanding a panoramic view over the city of Bangkok.

Dinner and overnight in Bangkok

Day 4: BANG KRA JAO / SRI NARKON PARK

Enjoy breakfast. Just across the Chao Phraya River, a short hop from busy Sukhumvit, is an extraordinary place known to the locals as Bang Kra Jao. This amazing wilderness in Bangkok can only be reached by boat as no bridges span this part of the river, and incredibly it has been left untouched by developers. Crossing the river is like taking a journey back in time. You will find a peaceful place with lush vegetation, a maze of waterways, small villages, temples and real tropical jungle. If it wasn't for Bangkok's skyline, you would never believe you were so close to the city. Ride through the local communities, temples and schools and continue on to a delightful floating market (open weekends only). Have a snack break at a river pier across from Thailand's naval academy. Next visit a fascinating temple, built in the Ayutthaya period that is more than 250 years old. It has a unique roof made of teak wood and windows and shutters are painted in ancient Mon-style, and the grand Buddha image was brought to the site by the Mons. Cycle on to the relaxing Sri Narkon park and feed the fish in the pavilion that was built for Princess Sirinthorn's visit. Visit the unique Thai Village just outside of Bangkok. Artisans and artists are there for you to watch, shops selling various handicrafts and souvenirs are only a prelude to the cultural show where 150 performers provide you with an introduction to a Thai wedding ceremony, a monk's ordination, Thai boxing, sword-fighting, classical dances, and folk dances from all parts of Thailand.

Dinner and overnight in Bangkok

Day 5: BAIPAI COOKING SCHOOL

After breakfast, depart for Baipai Cooking School. This cooking course at Baipai Cooking School is an ideal course for those who want to learn the art of preparing fine Thai cuisine, but have little time. Classes are held every morning in a stylish, fully equipped Thai kitchen. The schools instructional emphasis is always focused on three things: traditional Thai technique, innovative use of ingredients and aesthetic presentation. Afternoon shopping at MBK, later we return to the hotel by Sky Train.

Dinner and overnight in Bangkok



Day 6: BANGKOK / HAU HIN

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation and transfer to the coastal town of Hua Hin. Hua Hin is a seaside resort on the Gulf of Thailand. Once a quiet fishing village, it grew into a fashionable escape for residents of Bangkok after the 1920s, when the Thai royal family built summer palaces here. Hua Hin Beach, popular for kitesurfing and other water sports, is the main stretch of sand, lined with high-end hotels and seafood shacks. Lunch at your hotel.

Dinner and overnight in Hau Hin

Day 7: VANA NAVA WATER JUNGLE

After breakfast, transfer to Vana Nava Hua Hin. Asia's first Water Jungle is located right in the heart of Thailand's most renowned resort town of Hua Hin. Claiming to be the first ecologically and community aware waterpark in the region, Vana Nava Hua Hin has literally transformed an empty plot of land into a tropical jungle, with over 200,000 living species from across Thailand in its 20 Rai (3.2 hectares) property. Combining state of the art technology and modern facilities with 19 very exciting rides and slides from the World's best, White Water West industries, exciting Vana Nava Hua Hin is set to make a very big splash in.

Dinner and overnight in Hau Hin

Day 8: HAU HIN LEISURE DAY

After breakfast we enjoy a full day at leisure for sight-seeing. Enjoy lunch at the hotel.

Dinner and overnight in Hau Hin

Day 9 BANGKOK / SOUTH AFRICA

After breakfast, check out of the hotel. Enjoy some time at leisure before you transfer to the airport for your flight to South Africa.

Day 10: CAPE TOWN

Arrive at Cape Town International Airport.

