

# Mae Hong Son Holidays

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Northern Thailand Highlights 16 Days 15 Nights

## DAY 01 Chiang Mai Arrival (Hotel)

O0:00 After arriving at Chiang Mai Airport, you will be warmly welcomed and assisted with your transfer to the hotel. Once you have checked in, the remainder of the day is at your leisure, allowing you to relax and enjoy your stay in Chiang Mai and take this opportunity to explore the city at your own pace.

DAY 02 Chiang Mai Sightseeing: Wat Prathat Doi Suthep Temple / Wat Chedi Luang Temple / Sankampaeng and Borsang Handicraft Village (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embark on a journey to explore the renowned Prathat Doi Suthep temple, a site of great historical and religious significance in Chiang Mai. Perched atop Doi Suthep at an elevation of 1,053 meters above sea level, this sacred temple holds deep reverence among Thai people and is considered one of the most sacred in Thailand. Founded in 1383, the temple can be reached by climbing almost 300 stairs. Inside, you will find Mon-style а enshrining Lord Buddha's relics. Officially known "Praboromathat Doi Suthep Woravihan Temple," sanctuary showcases the splendor of Thai Lanna art and offers a stunning viewpoint of Chiang Mai city.

Visit the illustrious Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan temple, majestically situated in the heart of Chiang Mai city. This temple holds a significant place in the history of Chiang Mai province, boasting its distinction as one of the largest and oldest temples in the region. The temple complex is adorned with a grand pagoda, which, despite its upper section being damaged during a substantial earthquake in 1545, remains a treasure of Lanna heritage. The pagoda's graceful charm exudes the essence of the

ancient Lanna identity, adding to the allure of this remarkable site. Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan temple is known by several names, including Rajakudakan temple Chotikaram temple, each reflecting its rich history and cultural importance. The temple is said to have been constructed during the reign of King Prachao Sanmuangma, the seventh king of the Mungrai dynasty, with an estimated year of origin in 1391. Though the exact year construction remains uncertain, the temple has stood as an ancient royal sanctuary and undergone various restorations over the centuries. Presently, it boasts an impressive width of 60 meters on each side, truly making it one of the most significant pagodas in Chiang Mai. As you explore the magnificent Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan temple, you will be immersed in the storied past of Chiang Mai and the timeless beauty of its architectural heritage. The temple's significance as a cultural and spiritual landmark is sure to leave a lasting impression on all who have the privilege of visiting.

Lunch at the restaurant.

As your journey continues, make your way to San Kamphaeng district, approximately 13 kilometers east of Chiang Mai. This district is famous for its silk and cotton weaving, making it a must-visit for tourists seeking high-quality and affordable textiles to bring home as souvenirs for loved ones. Witness the intricate weaving process at local factories and gain insight into silk production. Additionally, San Kamphaeng offers a diverse array of handicrafts, including wood carvings, silverware, lacquerware, leather goods, pottery, and cotton products, providing ample opportunities for you to choose and purchase unique mementos. Spend the night in Chiang Mai, cherishing the memories of your enriching exploration.

DAY 03 Chiang Mai - Mae Hong Son: The Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon / Wachiratharn Waterfall / Grand Pagodas / Doi Inthanon National Park (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embarking on a journey from Chiang Mai, we venture towards the enchanting Doi Inthanon National Park. Our first stop takes us to the Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon, a haven of beauty where colorful flower plots and a diverse array of vegetables and fruits flourish. This research station serves as a focal point for studying winter plants, conducting vital research on flowers, ornamental

plants, vegetables, fruits, and highland fisheries. The knowledge gained here is not only shared through promotion but also contributes to fundamental development, social progress, and the conservation of forest watersheds. One of the remarkable aspects of the Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon is the positive impact it brings to the lives of hill tribe farmers in the nearby villages. By generating income through sustainable agricultural practices, the project uplifts these communities and fosters a harmonious relationship with the environment. Witnessing the vibrant flora and the thriving agricultural practices, visitors are left mesmerized by the significance of this research station in supporting local livelihoods and preserving the region's natural heritage.

Next, behold the awe-inspiring Wachirathan Waterfall, a majestic single-tiered waterfall that stands tall with unparalleled beauty. Regarded as one of Thailand's most stunning waterfalls, Wachirathan never ceases to amaze with its year-round flow of water. As the water cascades into the basin below, it creates a mesmerizing spectacle of rainbows when the sun's rays shine through the mist during the rainy season. The enchanting display adds to the allure of this natural wonder.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuing your journey, you'll encounter the Twin Royal Pagodas, Napamethanidol, and Napapolpumisiri, perched atop a lofty hill within Doi Inthanon National Park. These splendid pagodas were crafted by the Air Force in collaboration with people from all corners of Thailand. Created to commemorate the 60th anniversary of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej Rama 9 in 1987 and to honor Her Majesty Queen Sirikit during the auspicious period of her 5th birthday anniversary on August 12, 1992, these pagodas stand as architectural marvels. Surrounded by resplendent winter flower gardens and an array of plants, the area exudes a sense of tranquility. Additionally, the cool weather throughout the year offers panoramic views that rank among the most breathtaking in Chiang Mai.

Venture further to Doi Inthanon, the highest peak in Thailand, soaring impressively at an altitude of 2,565 meters above sea level. This mountain is part of the expansive Thanon Thongchai Mountain range that stretches across several countries, including Nepal, Bhutan, and Myanmar. The mountain range's diverse climate and lush forests make for a captivating experience. As you ascend, you'll traverse rainforests, pine forests, and mixed forests, each offering its own unique charm. Upon reaching

the peak, you'll be treated to sweeping panoramic views of the surrounding landscape. The allure of Doi Inthanon lies not only in its natural splendor but also in its cool climate, which remains delightful throughout the year. This combination of breathtaking scenery and abundant forest life makes it a destination that captivates travelers from across the globe. Conclude your day's adventures with a well-deserved rest, spending the night in the charming Mae Hong Son, cherishing the memories of the stunning wonders you've witnessed on your journey through Northern Thailand.

DAY 04 Mae Hong Son Sightseeing: Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu
Temple / Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang Temples / Ban
Rak Thai Chinese Village / Ban Ruam Thai Shan Village
(Pang Oung) / Su Tong Pae Bamboo Bridge (Hotel /
Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

The journey will takes you to the majestic Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu temple, a sacred and revered place of worship in Mae Hong Son, situated atop Kong Mu Mountain. This temple boasts two distinctive pagodas, with the larger one constructed by "Chong Thong Su" in 1860 and the smaller one by "Phraya Singhanatracha" in 1874. From this elevated vantage point, we are treated to breathtaking views of the town surrounded by lush mountains and valleys, an aweinspiring sight to behold. Next, we explore the enchanting Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang temples, nestled in close proximity to a magnificent swamp. These ancient temples showcase exquisite Burmese-style architecture and house the revered Buddha image, Luang Paw To. Wat Chong Klang also features a remarkable display of Burmese wood carving dolls and grand glass paintings depicting Buddhist history, adding to the cultural splendor of these sacred sites.

Continuing your adventure, we come across the captivating Su Tong Pae Bridge, a remarkable bamboo bridge renowned as the longest in Thailand. Spanning across paddy fields and canals, the bridge provides convenient passage for monks and villagers alike. The timeless beauty of this classic structure is accentuated during the rainy season, when the surrounding paddy fields glisten in golden hues during winter, offering an unforgettable landscape embraced by majestic mountains.

Lunch at the restaurant.

The journey then leads you to Baan Rak Thai village, a charming settlement located near the Thailand-Myanmar border. Originally home to the Yunnan Chinese Nationalist 93rd division who sought refuge during the tumultuous communist regime, the village now captivates visitors with its stunning mountain vistas, picturesque lakes, and vibrant shrubbery. The emerald green tea plantations curving along the mountainside add to the village's allure, while the tantalizing Yunnan cuisine and the honored Chinese tea, renowned for its exceptional quality, beckon travelers to indulge in a delightful culinary experience.

Your final destination of the day is the serene Shan village of Baan Ruam Thai, also known as Pang Oung. Nestled amidst rugged mountains, this village is home to a breathtaking reservoir that has earned the nickname "Switzerland in Thailand" due to its captivating beauty. The pine forests and colorful winter flowers that surround the vast reservoir create a tranquil and picturesque atmosphere throughout the year. The ethereal sight of fog floating above the lake during the chilly mornings adds to the allure of this idyllic village, inviting travelers to immerse themselves in its serene charm. As the day comes to a close, you find yourselves in Mae Hong Son, where you can savor the memories of your enriching journey before retiring for the night.

DAY 05 Mae Hong Son - Pai: Lahu Hill Trbe Village (Ban Ja Bo Village) / Tham Lod Cave / Doi Kiew Lom Viewpoint / Pai Walking Street (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

The journey continues as you depart from Mae Hong Son and head to Pang Mapha District to visit the charming Ban Ja Bo Village. This village is home to the Lahu hill tribe, who originally hailed from Tibet and later migrated to various regions before settling in the north of Thailand centuries ago. Nestled on a ridge surrounded picturesque mountain landscapes, the Lahu people embrace a simple and peaceful way of life. They hold firm beliefs in spirits' worship, and their main occupations revolve around agriculture, including rice farming, corn planting, and raising animals for consumption. The Lahu are known for their exceptional hunting skills and warmly welcome foreign tourists with open arms, making for memorable encounters with their unique culture.

Next, venture to Tham Lod Cave, an extraordinary archaeological site that has stood the test of time. The cave is blessed with a flowing stream known as "Lang," meandering from end to end, creating a magnificent cave adorned with stalactites and stalagmites. This wondrous cave also houses a remarkable collection of antique tools and utensils dating back over 2,000 years, offering a glimpse into the past. In addition to marveling at nature's grandeur, visitors can partake in exciting activities such as bamboo rafting inside the cave and embarking on short treks around its vicinity.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Your journey then leads you to the renowned Doi Kiew Lom Viewpoint, a favorite destination among both Thai and international travelers. This breathtaking viewpoint treats you to mesmerizing views of a sea of mist gently cascading into the valley, harmoniously juxtaposed with a vibrant display of colorful flowers. The enchanting sight is a testament to the region's natural beauty, leaving a lasting impression on all who witness this picturesque scenery.

As the day draws to a close, you immerse yourselves in the local lifestyle on a lively walking street in Pai. The bustling street is adorned with an array of handmade products, clothes, jewelry, baskets, and souvenirs, making it a perfect place to indulge in some shopping. To satisfy our taste buds, we explore the many international and Thai restaurants that line the street, offering a delectable array of culinary delights. The walking street welcomes visitors from 5 pm until midnight, creating an enchanting ambiance for a delightful evening in Pai, where we will spend the night.

DAY 06 Pai Sightseeing: Santichon Chinese Village / Yun Lai Viewpoint / Wat Phra That Mae Yen Temple / Memorial Bridge / Pai Canyon / Khokuso Bamboo Bridge (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on a captivating exploration of Pai, starting with a visit to the enchanting Santichon village, a haven for the Yunnan Chinese people who migrated from China and settled here many years ago. This charming village serves as a living testament to their rich culture and traditions, preserving its unique Yunnan Chinese style in its architecture, decorations, and overall ambiance. As

you wander through Santichon, you will be captivated by the authenticity and heritage that emanate from every corner, offering a rare glimpse into the enduring Yunnan culture. From Santichon, a short distance leads you to the Yun Lai viewpoint, a spot that unveils a breathtaking panorama of Pai city. The picturesque landscape is adorned with lush paddy fields and rugged mountain ranges, often veiled in a magical sea of mist during both winter and the rainy season. The sunrise from this vantage point is a sight to behold, evoking a sense of wonder and leaving a lasting impression on your heart.

Next, you ascend to the majestic Wat Phra That Mae Yen Temple, gracefully perched on the high hill of Mae Yen village. The temple's elevated position offers sweeping views of the idyllic Pai city. As the golden rays of the sun paint the horizon during sunrise and sunset, the intricate mountain ranges are bathed in a mesmerizing glow, creating a scene of unparalleled beauty that will forever linger in your memories.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuing on your journey, you encounter the Memorial Bridge, a poignant relic from the Second World War, symbolizing an era of significant historical importance when Japan held considerable influence in Thailand. The bridge served as a vital transportation route for troops and arms into Myanmar, akin to the historic Kwai River Bridge. Today, a standard bridge has replaced it, but the remnants of the old structure stand as a solemn reminder of history, drawing tourists to capture its legacy through photographs, preserving its memory in their hearts.

Your exploration leads you to Pai Canyon, or Kong Lan, a natural wonder shaped by the erosion of soil on high mountains. The resulting deep trenches and winding ridges create a mesmerizing landscape spread across an expanse of more than 3 acres. The surrounding mixed deciduous forest further enhances the beauty of the canyon, and as you traverse the narrow and steep trails along the ridges, you are rewarded with stunning vistas of the charming villages and verdant farms below, nestled amidst the majestic mountains.

Finally, you will visit the Merit Bridge, also known as "Khokuso," a bridge built on faith by the villagers. This elegant bamboo bridge gracefully stretches across rice fields, framed by the breathtaking beauty of the surrounding mountains. Connecting Pambok village and Huai Khai Khiri temple, the bridge facilitates the monks' alms

rounds in the morning without disrupting the villagers' daily agricultural activities. This bridge not only serves the practical needs of the locals but also provides an opportunity for both tourists and villagers to relish the beauty of the encompassing forest, mountains, and rice fields as they traverse it.

As the day draws to a close, you return to the charming town of Pai, where you can once again indulge in its allure, exploring its vibrant streets and reveling in the warm hospitality that embraces you. Spend another enchanting night in Pai, cherishing the memories of the captivating journey you've undertaken through its picturesque landscapes and rich cultural heritage.

DAY 07 Pai - Ban Tha Ton Village: Pong Dued Hot Spring / Mork Fah Waterfall / Wat Ban Den Temple / Hinoki Land / Ban Tha Ton (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:00AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Leaving behind the charming town of Pai, we set our sights on the captivating Mae Taeng District, where our first stop awaits at the enchanting Pong Dueat Hot Springs. These large geyser-like hot springs offer a mesmerizing display of rising steam, coupled with the faint scent of sulfur in the air. There are four big ponds and several smaller ones, surrounded by lush jungle, making it an ideal spot to study nature along a 1.5 km trail that takes us through the forest, under the canopy of big trees, ferns, and moss-covered paths. Next, we'll visit the captivating Mork Fah Waterfall in Doi Suthep-Pui National Although not the largest, this single-tiered waterfall boasts a year-round flow, fed by streams flowing from the dense forest. In the morning, sunlight creates a sparkling rainbow effect as it dances on the waterfall's surface. During autumn, the scenery is equally stunning, and in the rainy season, the powerful stream brings a rumbling symphony of water spray and mist, creating a breathtaking backdrop.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Moving on, you will visit the awe-inspiring Wat Ban Den Temple, also known as Wat Den Sari Sri Muang Kaen. The temple's name comes from the auspicious "Sari Tree" or Bodhi tree, and it is located in the ancient city of Muang Kaen. With its beautiful surroundings and intricate Thai Lanna architecture, the temple stands as a picturesque symbol of cultural heritage. Our journey then leads us to

the unique Hinoki Land, the first and only hinoki wood kingdom in Thailand. This Japanese architectural wonder captures the essence of Japanese art, culture, and architecture within its 83 rai area. The Hinoki Castle, inspired by Kinkakuji Castle in Kyoto, is a four-story structure made entirely of hinoki pine wood, creating an immersive Japanese atmosphere surrounded by stunning mountain scenery.

As your continue, you will arrive at Ban Tha Ton Village, an idyllic border village nestled against Myanmar, graced by mountains and a serene river flowing through. The cool climate and cultural diversity of the hill tribe people offer a memorable experience. We'll explore the charming Wat Tha Ton temple, built on the hillside with nine layers and the sacred Phra Chedi Kaew at its highest peak. From this vantage point, we'll be treated to breathtaking views of Ban Tha Ton village, Mae Ai District, and the surrounding majestic mountains. Spend a tranquil night in Ban Tha Ton Village, immersed in the captivating atmosphere of this remarkable border village.

DAY 08 Ban Tha Ton Village - Chiang Rai: Roi Jai Rak Project / Akha hill tribe Village / Doi Mae Salong / Wat Huay Pla Kang Temple (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on a journey to Ban Huai San Village in Tha Ton Sub District, Mae Ai District, Chiang Mai Province. Here, you will explore the Roi Jai Rak Project managed by the Mae Fah Luang Foundation under the Royal Patronage of His Majesty the King. The project's aim is to create employment opportunities and improve the quality of life for the local hill tribe communities. We'll visit Suan Roi Jai Rak, a garden plantation boasting a variety of winter flowers and vegetables for tourists to admire, and Kad Luang Roi Jai Rak, a market where villagers offer fresh produce and handicrafts for visitors to choose from.

Next, you will have a unique opportunity to learn about the captivating culture, traditions, and lifestyle of the Akha hill tribe. Originally from southern China, the Akha people migrated to the north of Myanmar before finally settling in the north of Thailand over the past century. Their villages are scattered across various districts of Chiang Rai Province, and they prefer living at altitudes around 1,000 meters above sea level. The Akha's main livelihood involves agriculture, including crop planting

and livestock, along with household industries such as sewing, embroidery, and silverware making. Their colorful women's dresses and hats adorned with eye-catching silverware and multicolored beads add to the vibrant beauty of the Akha tribe.

Lunch at the restaurant.

journey then takes you to Doi Mae Salong, captivating area known for its exceptional tea cultivation and breathtaking natural beauty. As you explore this charming destination, you'll be enchanted picturesque green terraced tea plantations that stretch as far as the eye can see. The tranquil and serene atmosphere of Doi Mae Salong will undoubtedly leave you with a sense of peace and harmony. Doi Mae Salong holds a fascinating history as a Chinese Yunnan village that found its way to Thailand due to the political upheavals and changes in the communist regime in China many decades ago. The village's settlement began in northern Thailand in 1961, and later, in 1972, the Thai government officially embraced Chinese immigrants, allowing them to settle in the area. Embracing a life in agriculture, the immigrants cultivated tea, along with a variety of vegetables and fruits for trade.

As a result, Doi Mae Salong flourished not only with the beauty of terraced tea plantations and stunning mountain scenery but also with an atmosphere reminiscent of a traditional Chinese village in the southern regions of China. As you journey through Doi Mae Salong, take in the sights and scents of the tea fields, surrounded by lush greenery and captivating landscapes. The tea cultivated here is renowned for its exceptional quality, making it the finest tea-growing area in the country. The tranquil ambiance and the unique blend of Chinese and Thai cultures offer a truly immersive experience for visitors. Whether you're a tea enthusiast seeking the finest brews or a nature lover in search of serene beauty, Doi Mae Salong promises an unforgettable journey filled with remarkable sights and an atmosphere that resonates with the rich history of its inhabitants. Embrace the allure of this enchanting destination and let its charm captivate your heart.

Continuing to Chiang Rai, you'll visit the remarkable Wat Huay Pla Kang Temple. Perched on a small hill, the temple features a striking 9-storey, 12-sided chedi adorned with intricate Chinese and Lanna arts, topped by a red roof flanked by dragon statues. Within the chedi, there's an enshrined Goddess Guan Yin Bodhisattva made of large sandalwood. The temple also boasts a 69-meter tall statue

of Guan Yin Bodhisattva, nearly the height of a 25-storey building, with an elevator system allowing visitors to appreciate the stunning landscapes of Chiang Rai. Spend a restful night in Chiang Rai, surrounded by the enchanting allure of this vibrant city.

DAY 09 Chiang Rai Sightseeing: Doi Tung Palace and Mae Fah Luang Garden / Mae Sai / Golden Triangle / Mekong River Cruise / Chiang Rai Night Bazaar (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Venture to the captivating Mae Fah Luang District, where the alluring Doi Tung Palace and Mae Fah Luang Garden beckon visitors from all corners of the world. These renowned attractions in Chiang Rai are a year-round magnet for tourists seeking to immerse themselves in beauty and culture. As you enter Mae Fah Luang Garden, prepare to be entranced by the symphony of colors presented by the meticulously arranged flowers that transform with each passing season. A visual feast awaits, where nature's kaleidoscope showcases its everchanging palette for all to behold. Amidst this floral wonderland, the Doi Tung Palace stands tall, an exquisite embodiment of the elegant Lanna architectural style. Each architectural detail is a testament to the region's rich heritage and artistic finesse, adding to the enchantment of this remarkable place. The combination of splendid blooms and captivating architectural design creates an irresistible ambiance that lingers in your heart long after your visit. Your journey to Mae Fah Luang District promises to be a truly magical experience, leaving you with unforgettable memories of nature's artistry and the grace of Lanna culture.

Next, you will venture to Mae Sai District, Thailand's northernmost district, which shares a border with Myanmar's Tachilek province. The Mae Sai River serves as the natural boundary, connected by a bridge that allows you to catch a glimpse of Myanmar from the Thai side. The bustling Mae Sai Market, renowned for being a prominent border market, offers a plethora of products at affordable prices. This shopping district is a bustling hub where both Thai and Myanmar people freely engage in trade, creating a vibrant and lively atmosphere.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continue your journey to the legendary Golden Triangle, located at Sop Ruak Village, Chiang Saen District. This historically significant area is where the Mekong River divides the borders of Thailand, Laos, and Myanmar. In the past, this region was notorious for opium cultivation and trade, earning it the name "Golden Triangle" due to the exchange of raw opium for wealth, known as "black gold." Presently, the opium trade has ceased, but the area's history lives on in legends. Explore the Golden Triangle Buddha, a magnificent bronze statue gilded with topaz, symbolizing peace and unity. Embrace the serenity of the Mekong River as you embark on a cruise to witness the beauty of nature and the way of life of the people along its banks. This majestic river flows through various countries, including Thailand, significant role in the lives of the people who depend on its nourishing waters.

End your day at the vibrant Chiang Rai Night Bazaar, a renowned night shopping destination. This bustling marketplace offers an array of hill tribe handicrafts, local products, clothing, accessories, and home furnishings. Delight in cultural performances and folk activities, showcasing the essence of Lanna aesthetics and the captivating traditions of numerous hill tribes. As you indulge in the rich cultural tapestry and natural beauty of Chiang Rai, let its charm and warmth leave a lasting impression on your heart. Enjoy a restful night in Chiang Rai, recharged and ready for more adventures in this captivating region.

DAY 10 Chiang Rai - Nan: Wat Rong Suea Ten temple (Blue Temple) / Singha Park Farm / Wat Rong Khun White Temple / Kwan Phayao Lake (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embark on a fascinating journey to Wat Rong Suea Ten Temple, also known as the Blue Temple, in Chiang Rai. This architectural gem, designed by the talented folk artist Mr. Puttha Kabkaew, is revered by tourists for its breathtaking beauty and artistic brilliance. The vihara's interior is adorned with stunning blue and gold tones, creating a captivating display of applied art that leaves visitors in awe. Within the temple, you'll find the enshrined Phra Buddha Ratchamongkol Bodi Tri Lokanath, a sacred image of Buddha containing relics, offering a spiritual experience for worshippers and travelers alike.

Next, venture to Singha Park Farm, an agricultural wonder spanning over 3,000 acres. Managed by Boon Rawd Brewery, this farm is a must-visit attraction in Chiang Rai, where nature's beauty unfolds across hills, lakes, and green fields. Take a farm car tour to explore the expansive oolong tea plantations, indulge in a variety of fruits in the fruit kingdoms, stroll through lush vegetable and herb gardens, and revel in the blooming flower fields. Don't miss the chance to interact with African animals roaming freely on the verdant grounds, creating cherished memories of your time in Singha Park Farm.

Lunch at the restaurant.

The journey continues to the awe-inspiring Wat Rong Khun Temple, also known as the White Temple, a masterpiece crafted by the renowned artist Professor Chalermchai Kositpipat. Immerse yourself in the architectural splendor that seamlessly blends contemporary religious elements with the essence of Lanna culture. Marvel at the intricate stucco patterns embellished with glass and the grand wall paintings. Traverse the bridge adorned with sculptures depicting the journey through heaven and hell, providing a profound spiritual experience for visitors. Art galleries and exquisite sculptures further enrich your exploration of this unique temple.

As the day draws to a close, make your way to Nan province, with a stop at the breathtaking Kwan Phayao in Phayao Province. This crescent-shaped lake, embraced by majestic mountain ranges, offers a picturesque setting for relaxation and contemplation. Known as the largest freshwater lake in the northern region, Kwan Phayao is a vital fishing area and home to a diverse range of freshwater fish species. Take in the serene ambiance and natural beauty of the surroundings before retiring to your hotel in Nan, where you'll spend a restful night, ready for more adventures in this enchanting province.

DAY 11 Nan Sightseeing: Floating Sky Roads / Rock Salt Wells / Sapan Village / 1715 Viewpoint (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on an unforgettable journey from Nan city to Bo Kluea District, with delightful stops along the way to immerse yourself in the natural beauty of Nan province. Kickstart your day with a visit to The View at Kew Muang, a picturesque mountain café offering stunning vistas of

the lush forested mountains. Sip on a cup of coffee as you bask in the serene atmosphere and breathe in the fresh mountain air, invigorating your senses for the adventures ahead. Travel along Highway No. 1081, winding route that meanders along the mountain ridge on both sides, treating you to awe-inspiring views of the surrounding landscape. This scenic route is often hailed by tourists as one of the most beautiful in Thailand, providing an unforgettable journey through breathtaking mountains of Nan province. Next, arrive at Sapan Village, a charming and tranquil community nestled in the heart of a valley with babbling streams flowing through. Here, you'll have the opportunity to experience simple yet captivating lifestyle of the locals. Marvel at the lush mountain views, fertile forests, and local fields, which showcase verdant rice paddies during rainy season, turning golden yellow as winter approaches, signaling the harvest season.

Lunch at the restaurant.

After savoring the beauty and charm of Sapan Village, make your way to the Rock Salt Boiling Plant, an ancient salt well with a history spanning over 800 years. This site is considered the origin of rock salt wells in Nan Province. Experience the traditional salt production process and witness the dedication of the locals who have been engaged in this trade for generations. Please note that salt production may not be visible during the rainy season, as sunlight is essential for drying the salt. Continue your journey to the breathtaking Doi Phu Kha National Park and stop at the viewpoint, which sits approximately 1715 meters above sea level. Here, you'll be treated to cool weather and panoramic views, offering a glimpse of the majestic landscapes that define the highest point of Doi Phu Kha National Park. As the day draws to a close, head back to Nan city to spend another night. In Nan, you can indulge in the local cuisine, immerse yourself in the town's unique cultural heritage, and relish the tranquil ambiance that this charming city offers. Take time to reflect on the delightful experiences and the natural beauty you encountered throughout your exploration of Nan province. peaceful and restful night, preparing for the adventures that await you on the following day of your journey.

DAY 12 Nan - Phrae: Nan National Museum / Nan Riverside Art Gallery / Wat Phra That Khao Noi Temple / Wat Phumin Temple (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Your journey continues with a visit to the Nan National Museum, housed in the former residence of the ruler of Nan. This two-story brick and mortar building, combining Western and Thai art, showcases various art antiques and provides insights into the way of life of the native people in the north and the different hill tribes that have settled in the region. Don't miss the opportunity to take photos with the frangipani tunnel arch in front of the museum, where rows of frangipani trees create beautiful tunnel-like canopy. Next, explore the Riverside Art Gallery, a large art gallery along the Nan River. Founded and run by the renowned Nan artist, Winai Prabripoo, this gallery is a center for Nan's arts and culture. It features works of art from contemporary Thai artists, displaying their creative and unique pieces.

Continue your journey to Wat Phra That Khao Noi Temples, located atop Khao Noi Mountain in Du Tai Subdistrict, Mueang Nan District, holds historical and cultural significance. The relic pagoda of Wat Phra That Khao Noi is a splendid example of architectural fusion, blending Burmese and Lanna art styles. Made of brick and mortar, the pagoda houses the sacred Buddha's hair relics, making it an important pilgrimage site for Buddhist devotees. Due to its historical importance and cultural value, Wat Phra That Khao Noi was recognized as one of the most crucial ancient archaeological sites in Nan province and was registered as such by the Fine Arts Department in 1980. The location of Wat Phra That Khao Noi on a high mountain offers visitors breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding scenery, including the picturesque Nan city. The temple's viewpoint area provides an excellent vantage point to soak in the beauty of the landscape below, creating a sense of peace and tranquility. addition to the scenic splendor, Wat Phra That Khao Noi boasts an elegant golden Buddha image in the posture of giving blessings. The craftsmanship and intricate details of this statue make it a mesmerizing sight for all who visit. Visiting Wat Phra That Khao Noi not only offers an opportunity for spiritual contemplation and reverence but also provides a serene and unforgettable experience amid the stunning natural beauty of Nan province.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Visit the ancient Wat Phumin temple, over 400 years old, known for its outstanding and unique architecture. The Phra Ubosot Chaturamuk (Ubosot with four porches) is believed to be Thailand's first Chatura Muk Ubosot,

combining elements of an ubosot, a temple, and a pagoda. The temple's interior features four large Buddha images facing the door in all directions. Notable murals, known as Hoop Tam, adorn the walls and depict Jataka stories, local legends, and the way of life of the Nan people in the past. Among these murals, the famous "Pu Man Ya Man" painting, depicting a man whispering in a woman's ear, is particularly captivating. After exploring the wonders of Nan province, head towards Phrae province, known as the gateway to the Lanna Kingdom. With a rich history and a variety of attractions, including temples, natural wonders, and museums, Phrae promises an enchanting experience. Upon arrival in Phrae, check into your hotel for a relaxing overnight stay.

DAY 13 Phrae - Sukhothai: Phae Mueang Phi Forest Park / Wat Pong Sunan Temple / Khum Vongburi Museum / Khum Chao Luang / (Ancient Thai House) (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Visiting Phae Mueang Phi Forest Park, also known as The Ghost Pillars, is an enchanting experience. naturally occurring tourist attraction showcases soil and sandstone formations that have been naturally eroded into various shapes, creating a mesmerizing landscape of beautifully lined-up clay pillars and cliffs. The park was established on March 4, 1981, and covers an area of over 100 rai. Its geological beauty and unique formations make it a must-visit destination for nature enthusiasts and curious travelers. As you explore the forest and nature within Phae Mueang Phi Forest Park, you'll find a well-prepared nature trail for general tourists to study the park's geological features. This trail aims to promote knowledge and understanding of the park's natural condition, allowing visitors to appreciate the wonders of this unique natural attraction even more.

Next, your journey takes you to Wat Pong Sunan, a tranquil temple with notable cultural and historical significance. The temple grounds feature a large golden reclining Buddha located near an auspicious archway, making it a prominent sight for visitors. Inside the ubosot (ordination hall), you'll find the enshrined Buddha image named "Phra Chao Saen Suk," which is over 500 years old and holds the pagoda containing the relics of the Lord Buddha. One of the intriguing features of Wat Pong Sunan is the 108 Phra That Chedi Wiharn Kaew, a white temple with all 108 pagodas surrounded by a wall of

108 plexiglas balls. Interestingly, when looking at these plexiglas balls, you'll notice that the Phra That Chedi Wihan Kaew 108 pagodas appear to be beautifully upside down, creating a unique visual effect. Inside the viharn (assembly hall), you'll find the enshrined large Buddha image named "Phra Saraswadee Prathanpon," along with captivating murals depicting Buddha images in Phrae province and various zodiac years. These artistic creations add to the spiritual and cultural significance of the temple.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Visiting Khum Wong Buri, an over 100-year-old distinctive pink ancient Thai house, offers a glimpse into the rich history and unique architectural styles of the past. This remarkable house was built in 1897 by Mae Chao Bua Tha, the first consort of Chao Luang Piriyathepwong, the last ruler of Phrae. Khum Wong Buri is a grand 2-storey golden teak wood house that beautifully combines Thai-Lanna and European architectural elements. The construction technique used in this house is a testament traditional Thai craftsmanship. Instead of hammering nails, a tongue of wood engraving is inserted, and wooden wedges are used to secure the structure, making it a showcase of skilled craftsmanship. Originally, the roof thatched with wooden pads, giving it a unique appearance. Over time, the roof material was changed to galvanized and tile, respectively, while decorative stencil wood patterns, popular during King Rama V's reign, adorn the building's exterior, including gables, roof ridges, eaves, air vents above doors, windows, and balcony windows. The interiors boast intricate patterns of plants and vines, adding to the house's charm. Khum Wong Buri houses intriguing rooms, such as Chao Mae Bua Tha's room, the living room, and the bedroom. These rooms are furnished with various antique items, including cabinets, beds, tables, chairs, dressing tables, cups, bowls, silverware, ancient weapons, and Buddha images from the Chiang Saen and U-Thong periods. Ancient pictures decorate the walls, narrating the fascinating story of this house and the people who lived within its walls.

Continuing your journey, you'll visit Khum Chao Luang, another ancient house in Phrae. This valuable building, built in 1892 by Chao Luang Piriyathepwong, the last ruler of Phrae, boasts a unique blend of Thai Lanna and European architectural styles. The two-story building is supported by solid wood logs instead of piles, adding to

its architectural elegance. Under the building, you'll find three rooms used for storing belongings, money, and treasures. Khum Chao Luang is gracefully decorated with fretwork and intricately carved patterns, showcasing the craftsmanship of famous Chinese artisans of that era. The 72 windows and doors, shingle roofs known as "Mai Pan Kled," the Pan-Yah style roof with a rectangular porch, and the triangular porch roof create an exquisite visual appeal. The gables and eaves are adorned with beautifully carved fretwork patterns, further enhancing the building's aesthetic charm.

After exploring the historical treasures of Phrae, your journey takes you to Sukhothai Province, the ancient capital of Thailand. This province, rich in historical value, offers an opportunity to delve into the past through its important World Heritage Sites, such as Sukhothai Historical Park and Si Satchanalai Historical Park. Amidst the historical significance, Sukhothai still maintains a simple traditional way of life, set against a backdrop of beautiful natural landscapes. You'll have the chance to immerse yourself in this unique blend of culture and nature during your stay in Sukhothai.

DAY 14 Sukhothai - Lampang: Sukhothai Historical Park / Si Satchanalai Historical Park (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Visiting the Sukhothai Historical Park will transport you back in time to the first capital of Thailand, which thrived between the 18th and 20th Buddhist centuries. This UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, covering approximately 70 square kilometers, holds significant political, economic, and cultural importance in Thai history. The park is a treasure trove of arts culture, characterized by delicate Sukhothai Buddhist sculptures that are considered the epitome of beauty in Thai art. Inside the park, you'll encounter numerous ancient buildings, including large Buddha images and temples both within and outside the city walls. Some of the notable places to explore are Wat Mahathat Temple, Wat Chana Songkhram Temple, Wat Traphang Ngoen Temple, Wat Sri Sawai Temple, Wat Si Chum Temple, and many others. Each structure tells a unique story of the flourishing civilization that once graced this historical city.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Moving on to Si Satchanalai Historical Park, located in Si Satchanalai District, you'll find yet another UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. The park spans over 45 kilometers and boasts a remarkable 215 archaeological sites, offering traces of prehistoric settlements. The main attraction is the archaeological sites built from laterite, showcasing impressive temples like Wat Chang Lom Temple, Wat Chedi Chet Thaeo Temple, Wat Nang Phaya Temple, Wat Suwan Khiri Temple, Wat Phra Si Rattana Mahathat Temple, Wat Suan Kaew Yai Temple, Wat Suan Kaew Noi Temple, and the City Pillar Shrine. Due to its location amidst the forest, Si Satchanalai Historical Park preserves its natural beauty and remains untouched by modern urbanization, offering an authentic glimpse into the ancient city's splendor. After exploring the historical parks, continue your journey to Lampang Province. Lampang is rich in cultural heritage and promises intriguing attractions to discover. Arriving in Lampang, you'll have the chance to experience the province's unique charm and stay overnight at comfortable hotel.

DAY 15 Lampang - Chiang Mai: Thai Elephant Conservation Center / Wat Chaloem Phra Kiat Phrachomklao Rachanusorn / Horse Carriage Riding (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embarking on a journey to the Thai Elephant Conservation Center in Hang Chat District presents a remarkable and heartwarming experience of caring for these majestic creatures. Situated in the quaint village of Ban Thung Kwian and overseen by the Forest Industry Organization, this center is dedicated to providing excellent care for elephants, including essential medical attention for sick elephants. As visitors arrive, they are greeted with a plethora of engaging activities, including captivating elephant shows, insightful lessons on elephant care and handling, and the joyful opportunity to participate in the playful ritual of elephant bathing. This unique encounter with these gentle giants is sure to leave a lasting impression and create cherished memories for every traveler.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuing the journey to Chae Hom District, you'll visit the awe-inspiring "Wat Chaloem Phra Kiat Phrachomklao Rachanusorn," also known as "Wat Phra Bat Phu Pha Daeng."

Perched on top of a mountain at an altitude of almost 1,000 meters above sea level, this temple offers a heavenly experience for visitors. To reach the summit, you'll walk along a 1-kilometer-long path that takes approximately 30 minutes. The path winds through the lush forest and includes some stairs, offering a challenging but rewarding hike. On top of the mountain, you'll find pavilion halls and pagodas, more than 10 of them, each built with the devotion of monks and villagers over The pagodas years. hold deep significance and add to the sacred atmosphere of the place. Moreover, the top of the mountain treats visitors to a breathtaking viewpoint, allowing them to take in the surrounding scenery, with clear views of Chae District and other areas.

A delightful carriage ride awaits in Lampang city, where you'll get a glimpse of local life and explore the city's historical charm. Carriages used to be the main mode of transport along Lampang's prosperous economic roads, and today, some of these roads still feature ancient buildings that hark back to the city's past glory. The horse carriages of Lampang have a symbolic value for the province and have been preserved and used as a means of transport for tourism. This nostalgic experience allows you to immerse yourself in the rich heritage of the region. Set off from the enchanting Lampang Province and continue your journey to the vibrant and culturally rich Chiang Mai Province. As the sun begins to set, you'll arrive in Chiang Mai in the evening. We will transfer you to the hotel, where you can unwind and relax after this wondrous and enchanting adventure in the northern region of Thailand.

# DAY 16 Chiang Mai Departure (Breakfast)

Breakfast at the hotel.

O0:00 As your delightful holiday in Northern Thailand draws to a close, it is now time to bid farewell and head back home. We are pleased to provide you with transportation from your hotel to Chiang Mai Airport, where our services will come to an end.

## Prices:

- 2 Persons 89,400 B
- 3 Persons 76,900 B
- 4 Persons 60,700 B
- 5 Persons up 58,600 B
- Price per person / In Thai baht / Private tour

#### Included:

- English Speaking Guide
- Travel Accident insurance
- Admission fees as tour mentioned
- Tour and transfer as private air-con vehicle
- Accommodations as mentioned based on twin sharing (15 Nights)
- Meals as mentioned in the program (15 Breakfasts / 14 Lunches)

#### Excluded:

- Air Fare
- Personal expenses
- Meals are not mentioned in the program

#### Hotels:

- Chiang Mai: Duangtawan Hotel Chiang Mai or similar
- Mae Hong Son: The Imperial Mae Hong Son Resort or similar
- Pai: The Quarter Hotel or similar
- Ban Tha Ton: Maekok River Village Resort or similar
- Chiang Rai: Nak Nakara Hotel or similar
- Nan: Nannakara Boutique Hotel or similar
- Phrae: Maeyom Palace Hotel or similar
- Sukhothai: Le Charme Sukhothai or similar
- Lampang: Lampang River Lodge or similar

#### No Hidden Costs:

We are committed to providing complete transparency and ensuring that the prices and services listed on our website or in the quotation letter are the final and all-inclusive prices for our valued customers. You can rest assured that there will be no hidden or extra charges added to the quoted price. Our goal is to offer a seamless and hassle-free booking experience, and we understand the importance of providing accurate and upfront pricing to our customers. We take pride in our integrity and customer-centric approach, and we want you to feel confident and assured when booking with us. Should you have any questions or concerns about the pricing or services offered, our dedicated team is always available to address any queries and provide you with the necessary information.

### Dinner:

In our Northern Thailand tour packages, you will enjoy complimentary breakfast and lunch, which will be provided during our guided tours and activities throughout the day. However, dinner is not included in the package to allow you the flexibility to explore and experience the local lifestyle in the evenings. We encourage you to venture out on your own, savoring the vibrant nightlife and indulging in the diverse range of local delicacies or your favorite dishes available in each city where you stay overnight. To ensure your convenience and safety during your evening adventures, we will offer a shuttle service from your hotel to popular nightlife attractions, such as bustling shopping districts, lively walking streets, or charming restaurants.

#### Travel Accident Insurance:

All tours and car rentals are covered by travel accident insurance. According to the regulations of the Department of Tourism of Thailand, every tourist who uses the services of a travel company in Thailand must be provided with travel accident insurance by that company. Therefore, if you book a tour or car rental with us, please provide us with a name list and personal details of all passengers, including their first name, last name, date of birth, age, gender, and nationality. We will send the name lists of all passengers to the insurance company at no additional cost.

### Booking Requirements:

Please inform us of the Northern Thailand tour package programs you are interested in, along with the date you would like to start the tour and the number of participants. If there are children participating, please provide the number of children and their ages. Additionally, specify the type of room you prefer and any other requirements you may have. Please also, provide the details of your flight to Chiang Mai, such as the name of the airline, flight number, arrival date and time, and departure date and time. If you are traveling by bus or another mode of transportation, please provide full details of the journey. This information will help us plan your itinerary perfectly and arrange transfers between airports, train stations, bus terminals, and hotels efficiently.