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Chiang Mai Classic / Full Day Tour

Highlights: Wat Prathat Doi Suthep Temple / Bhubing Palace / Hmong Doi Pui Village / Wat Chedi Luang Temple (Lunch)

08:00 AM Pick up from the hotel.

Embarking on a mesmerizing journey through Chiang Mai's most significant and breathtaking landmarks awaits you. First on the list is the iconic Wat Phra That Doi Suthep Temple, nestled atop Doi Suthep Mountain. A symbol of profound spirituality and revered as one of Northern Thailand's holiest sites, this temple dates back to 1383 and is believed to house a sacred relic of Lord Buddha. Locals and visitors alike seek blessings and tranquility here, making it an essential pilgrimage destination. To reach the temple, visitors can opt for an enchanting ascent of a 306-step staircase, flanked by magnificent serpent sculptures. For a more leisurely option, a funicular railway offers a comfortable and picturesque ride to the temple complex. The architectural brilliance of Wat Phra That Doi Suthep seamlessly blends Lanna and traditional Thai styles, adorned with intricate golden decorations, ornate wooden carvings, and striking pagodas. The main attraction, a revered chedi housing the sacred relic, is said to emanate great spiritual power. From the temple's vantage point, the sweeping panoramic views of Chiang Mai city and its surrounding countryside are breathtaking.

Next, venture to the enchanting Phra Tamnak Bhubing Rajanives Palace, a Thai-style architectural marvel nestled amidst lush greenery. This palace is not only a royal residence but also a showcase of exquisite Thai architecture and landscape design. The serene setting features meticulously maintained gardens, streams, ponds, and vibrant flowers, creating a picturesque and tranquil atmosphere. The highlight, however, is the astounding variety of roses that bloom in impressive sizes and colors, captivating visitors with their beauty. During the colder months, the palace transforms into a veritable paradise garden, where hundreds of rose variants compete for attention, exuding delightful scents that permeate the entire area. The palace grounds also include several notable features such as a fern garden, a reservoir, and a variety of tropical plants, providing a feast for the senses and a haven for nature lovers.

Continue your adventure to Doi Pui Village, home to the Hmong hill tribe, situated within the Doi Suthep Pui National Park at an altitude of 1,658 meters. This village offers a unique glimpse into the traditional lifestyle of the Hmong people, who have maintained their cultural heritage despite modern influences. The village is surrounded by a captivating panorama of tall trees, pine forests, and the locals' vegetable, fruit, and winter flower gardens. The winter

months between December and January are particularly enchanting, as the mountains are adorned with the blooming wild pink Himalayan cherry blossoms, a mesmerizing spectacle that attracts visitors from near and far. The village also offers a viewpoint where tourists can marvel at the intricate arrangement of the mountains in the distance. Visitors can engage with the local community, learn about their customs, try traditional Hmong clothing, and purchase handmade crafts, making for an enriching cultural experience.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Explore the heart of Chiang Mai city with a visit to Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan Temple, an ancient and grand temple steeped in history and cultural significance. One of the largest and oldest temples in the region, it houses a sizable pagoda, though the top was partially damaged by a significant earthquake in 1545. Despite this, the Lanna-styled pagoda remains an invaluable gem of cultural identity. The temple, also known as Rajakudakan or Chotikaram Temple, was erected during the reign of King Prachao Sanmuangma in the 14th century. Over time, it has undergone numerous renovations and stands proudly as one of Chiang Mai's most revered pagodas. The temple complex also features a large Viharn (assembly hall) with a beautiful Buddha statue, a city pillar shrine, and several smaller chedis and shrines. Visitors can participate in traditional Buddhist rituals, explore the temple's ornate architecture, and gain insight into the rich religious heritage of Chiang Mai. The temple grounds provide a peaceful retreat from the bustling city, inviting contemplation and reflection.

As the day comes to a close, return to your hotel, cherishing the memories of this unforgettable expedition through the cultural gems of Chiang Mai.

Prices:

- 1 Person 7,900 **B**
- 2 Persons 4,400 **B**
- 3 Persons 3,100 **B**
- 4 Persons 2.650 **B**
- 5 Persons up 2,200 **B**
- Price per person / In Thai baht / Private tour

Included:

- English speaking guide
- Travel accident insurance
- Admission fees as tour mentioned
- Meals as mentioned in the program (1 Lunch)

Excluded:

- Personal expenses
- Meals are not mentioned in the program

Tour Difficulty Levels:

• Easy / Moderate / Challenging

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.

Booking Requirements:

Please inform us of the one-day tour 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, inform us of the location where you would like to be picked up or dropped off, such as airports, train stations, bus terminals, accommodation, or hotels.