

## Mae Hong Son Holidays

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# Mae Hong Son Chiang Mai 3 Days 2 Nights

## D/M/Y Mae Hong Son Arrival

00:00 After arriving at Ma

After arriving at Mae Hong Son 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 Mae Hong Son and take this opportunity to explore the city at your own pace.

DAY 01 Mae Hong Son Sightseeing: Su Tong Pe Bamboo Bridge / Ban Rak Thai Chinese Village / Ban Ruam Thai Shan Village (Pang Oung) /Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu Temple / Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang Temples (Hotel / Lunch)

08:30 AM Pick up from the hotel

Your exploration of Mae Hong Son begins with a visit to the Su Tong Pe Bridge, Thailand's longest bamboo bridge and a testament to local ingenuity and tradition. Stretching gracefully across lush paddy fields and tranquil canals, this remarkable structure connects Suan Tham Phusama Temple with the quaint Kung Mai Sak Village, offering both practicality and beauty. The bridge's charm is especially striking during the rainy season, when the surrounding fields are a vibrant green, or in winter, when golden grains shimmer under the sunlight. Framed by majestic mountains, the picturesque landscape enhances the bridge's timeless elegance, making it a favored spot for photography and quiet reflection. As you walk along the gently swaying bamboo planks, the rhythmic sounds of nature surround you, from rustling leaves to the soft murmurs of flowing water. The experience immerses you in the tranquil beauty of Mae Hong Son's countryside, offering a unique perspective of the lush fields and serene waterways. Whether seeking a moment of solitude or capturing the perfect snapshot of rural Thailand, the Su Tong Pae Bridge invites visitors to pause, reflect, and embrace the peaceful rhythm of nature.

Following this, set your sights on Baan Rak Thai village, a historical gem located near the border of Thailand and Myanmar. This village has a rich history, being founded by former Kuomintang soldiers from China who brought with them their distinctive culture and traditions. Immerse yourself in the awe-inspiring mountain vistas that envelop the village, be enchanted by the peaceful lakes, and admire the vibrant shrubbery that adds a burst of color to the scenery. Take in the expansive view of the green tea plantations that cascade down the mountainsides, a testament to the village's enduring agricultural legacy. As you delight in a sumptuous Yunnan meal, treat yourself to the exquisite Chinese tea, revered as the finest in Mae Hong

Son province. The blend of flavors and history will make your visit a truly unforgettable experience.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Your journey continues to the serene Baan Ruam Thai village, often referred to as Pang Oung. This enchanting Shan village is a sanctuary of peace and tranquility nestled amidst a rugged mountain range. Known as the Switzerland of Thailand, Pang Oung captivates visitors with its large, mirror-like reservoir encircled by lush pine forests and adorned with vibrant winter flowers. The crisp, refreshing air amplifies the idyllic charm of this hidden gem, offering a soothing escape from the bustle of modern life. Imagine the breathtaking scene of the pine forest standing tall along the reservoir's edge, with the surrounding mountains providing a dramatic backdrop. In every season, visitors can experience a veil of mist hovering above the calm waters, creating an ethereal atmosphere that feels almost otherworldly. Throughout the year, the vibrant hues of blooming flowers add a splash of color to the landscape, making it a visual delight in every season. Beyond the stunning scenery of Ban Ruam Thai, you'll have the chance to meet the Shan people and gain insight into their culture and way of life. Whether you're strolling along the reservoir's edge or simply soaking in the tranquil ambiance, Pang Oung promises an experience that will remain etched in your memory.

Ascend to the peak of Kong Mu Mountain and pay your respects at Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu, the most revered place of worship in Mae Hong Son. This sacred site features two magnificent pagodas, each with a unique history. The larger pagoda, built in 1860 by Chong Thong Su, a Shan merchant, stands alongside the smaller one, constructed in 1874 by Phraya Singhanatracha, the first ruler of Mae Hong Son. As you take in the breathtaking panorama of the town nestled amidst majestic mountains and verdant valleys, let the serenity of the moment envelop you. Next, visit the historic Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang temples, located beside a tranquil swamp. These ancient temples, adorned with stunning Burmese-style architecture, are home to the revered Buddha image, Luang Paw To. At Wat Chong Klang, marvel at the intricate Burmese wood carvings and the large glass paintings illustrating captivating Buddhist stories. As the day comes to an end, settle in for a peaceful night in Mae Hong Son, carrying with you cherished memories of breathtaking landscapes, diverse cultures, and enriching experiences.

DAY 02 Mae Hong Son Trekking (2-3hrs) / Long Neck Karen Tribe Village (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel

08:30 AM Pick up from the hotel.

Begin your journey with a scenic 15-minute drive to a picturesque Shan village, which serves as the starting point for an exciting trekking experience. The adventure kicks off with a leisurely walk through a serene forest path, where trekkers will cross a charming, crystal-clear creek several times. The sound of flowing water, combined with the cool, refreshing atmosphere, sets the perfect tone for the journey ahead. As you make your way through the countryside, you'll encounter lush gardens and farms maintained by the Shan people. These villagers cultivate a variety of

vegetables and fruits, not only for their own households but also to sell in the nearby town markets. This is a fantastic opportunity to immerse yourself in their agricultural lifestyle, learning about local produce and traditional farming methods. From planting to harvesting, the villagers are eager to share their knowledge, giving trekkers a deeper appreciation of their way of life. The trek gradually becomes more challenging as the trail winds upward, offering a mix of adventure and discovery. Here, you'll pass through dense forests teeming with an incredible diversity of flora, from towering trees to delicate undergrowth. One of the highlights is walking through the cool, shady bamboo groves. Bamboo plays a vital role in the lives of the local communities; its rapid growth and versatility make it indispensable for daily life. It is used for cooking, crafting tools, and constructing simple yet sturdy homes. In Mae Hong Son's rural areas, you'll often see charming houses made of bamboo with leaf-thatched roofs, a testament to sustainable living practices that have been passed down through generations. As the trail continues, trekkers face a more demanding ascent up a steep mountain path. This one-hour climb is both exhilarating and rewarding. Upon reaching the summit, you'll be greeted by breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding mountain ranges. The undulating peaks stretch as far as the eye can see, forming a stunning natural tapestry that will leave you in awe.

## Lunch box will be provided

The adventure doesn't end here. After lunch, the trek leads to the Padong village, home to the Long-Necked Hill tribe. The Padong people have settled in Thailand for an extended period after seeking refuge from Myanmar. A fascinating aspect of their culture is the women's distinctive tradition of wearing brass winding rings around their necks, giving them the "long-necked" appearance. These rings are added from a young age and gradually increase in number, elongating their necks over time. Despite their conservative lifestyle, they have successfully preserved and passed down their unique customs and traditions through generations. Exploring the Long-Necked village provides insights into their intriguing lifestyle and culture. Visitors have the opportunity to interact with the Padong people, learning about their daily routines, traditional crafts, and the significance of the brass rings. The village offers a glimpse into a way of life that is deeply connected to their heritage and beliefs. The Padong people are known for their intricate weaving and handicrafts, which they create using traditional techniques passed down through the generations. As you wander through the village, you will be captivated by the vibrant colors and patterns of their textiles, each piece telling a story of their cultural identity. The experience is both educational and enriching, leaving you with a deeper appreciation for the resilience and cultural richness of the Padong people. The journey through the village is a reminder of the importance of preserving cultural heritage and supporting communities that strive to maintain their traditions in the face of modern challenges. This trekking adventure not only offers breathtaking natural scenery but also provides a meaningful cultural experience, connecting you with the heart and soul of the local communities. The memories of this journey will stay with you long after you leave, inspiring a greater understanding and respect for the diverse cultures and landscapes that make up this beautiful region.

## 08:00 AM Pick up from the hotel.

Your journey commences with a scenic drive to Doi Inthanon National Park, winding through picturesque mountain roads. As you ascend, prepare to be awestruck by breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding mountains, a prelude to the natural wonders that await you. Doi Inthanon, the highest peak in Thailand at an impressive 2,565 meters above sea level, is a true gem of the Thanon Thongchai Mountain range. This range, stretching from the Himalayas across Nepal, Bhutan, and Myanmar, boasts a diversity of climates and forests. Here, you can experience the lush rainforests, the fragrant pine forests, and the vibrant mixed forests, each offering a unique perspective of this remarkable landscape. The cool, refreshing air and the stunning scenery, combined with the abundance of flora and fauna, have captivated visitors from all over the world.

Next, ascend to the summit and marvel at the architectural beauty of the Twin Royal Pagodas, Napamethanidol and Napapolpumisiri. These magnificent structures, perched on a hilltop, were built as a tribute to Phra Bat Somdet Phra Paraminthra Maha Bhumibol Adulyadej Rama IX during the auspicious celebration of His Majesty the King's 5th cycle birthday in 1987. Similarly, Phra Mahathat Naphaphonphumisiri was constructed as an offering to Her Majesty Queen Sirikit during the celebrations of Her Majesty the Queen's 5th cycle birthday in 1992. Nestled amidst vibrant winter flower gardens and a diverse array of plants, the pagodas offer a serene atmosphere and captivating panoramic views, considered some of the most breathtaking in Chiang Mai.

### Lunch at the restaurant.

Immerse yourself in the raw beauty of the Wachirathan Waterfall, a majestic natural wonder that stands as one of Thailand's most stunning cascades. This towering, single-tiered waterfall plunges dramatically from a height of 70 meters into a pristine pool below, creating a thunderous symphony of rushing water. During the rainy season, the waterfall transforms into an even more magical sight as fine mist rises from the crashing waters, often forming brilliant rainbows that dance in the sunlight. Surrounded by lush greenery and the soothing sounds of nature, Wachirathan Waterfall offers not only a visual feast but also a moment of profound connection with the natural world. As you stand in awe of its sheer power and beauty, you'll understand why this waterfall remains a beloved destination for nature lovers and adventurers alike.

The final destination of your trip is the colorful and captivating Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon. This research station, dedicated to the cultivation of winter plants, features vibrant flower gardens alongside an impressive variety of vegetables and fruits. Explore the ongoing research on flowers, ornamental plants, and innovative agricultural practices. The station plays a crucial role in supporting the livelihoods of hill tribe farmers by sharing research insights and promoting sustainable development within the surrounding communities. As the sun begins to set, embark on the final leg of your journey to Chiang Mai. Upon your evening arrival, reflect on the day's enriching experiences, filled with awe-inspiring natural landscapes, cultural

treasures, and the enduring legacy of the Thai people. Settle into your hotel and prepare for the adventures that await you in the vibrant city of Chiang Mai.

D/M/Y	Chiang Mai Departure

00:00 Your journey in the northern region of Thailand has come to an end, and it is time to

bid farewell. Our dedicated team will now escort you to Chiang Mai Airport to ensure that your return journey or onward travels to other destinations go smoothly,

and this is end of our services.

### **Prices:**

1 Person 32,700 B
2 Persons 17,700 B
3 Persons 14,500 B
4 Persons 11,500 B
5 Persons up 10,500 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
- Meals as mentioned in the program (2 Breakfasts / 3 Lunches)
- Accommodations as mentioned based on twin sharing (2 Nights)

#### **Excluded:**

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

# **Tour Difficulty Levels:**

• Easy / Moderate / Challenging

Hotels			
Date	City	Hotel Name	Room Type
Day 1-2	Mae Hong Son	The Imperial Mae Hong Son Resort	Deluxe

#### Note:

Please note that the package does not include accommodation in Mae Hong Son on the day of arrival or the last night in Chiang Mai after the tour is completed, nor does it include any other nights not specified in the itinerary. If you choose this package, you will need to make your own arrangements for accommodation in Mae Hong Son and Chiang Mai for those nights. There are plenty of hotels, guesthouses, and other lodging options available in both Mae Hong Son and Chiang Mai to suit various preferences and budgets. We recommend booking your accommodation in advance to ensure a smooth and enjoyable stay during your time in both city. However, if you are not comfortable booking these accommodations yourself and would like us to include them in your package, please let us know.

### **No Hidden Costs:**

Aside from personal expenses and dinner, you will not incur any additional 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 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 need and any other requirements you may have. Please also provide the details of your flight to Mae Hong Son, including the name of the airline, flight number, arrival date, and time. If applicable, include the flight details departing from Chiang Mai, such as the name of the airline, flight number, 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.