



Thailand Unbound: Bangkok, Chiang Mai and the Islands

Three Thailand. Ten days. One journey that earns each of them.

Bangkok • Chiang Mai • Koh Samui

Departures: 14–23 February 2027 • 6–15 March 2027

Thailand doesn't reveal itself in one register. It moves — from the noise and ceremony of Bangkok's temples and canals, north into the cool mountain air of Chiang Mai, south again to the open water of the Gulf. Three nights in each, never rushing what deserves time. What sets this apart from every other Thailand itinerary is where we spend the evenings: with the drag artists who own their own stages, with an advocate from Thailand's transgender community over drinks and a proper conversation, and with a Karen family running an elephant sanctuary where the welfare story and the community story are the same story.

Day by day

DAYS 1-3: BANGKOK

Day 1 Arrival; orientation walk with the Lead Explorer; welcome dinner at a river-view restaurant.

Day 2 Grand Palace & Wat Phra Kaew with a private guide; free afternoon; evening of drag at an artist-owned venue, reserved table.

Day 3 Thonburi canals & Wat Arun by longtail; free afternoon; dinner across the stalls of a local market near Silom, then drinks and conversation with a transgender advocate, then out into Silom Soi 4.

DAYS 4-6: CHIANG MAI

Day 4 Flight north; free afternoon for a massage or a spa — including two run as social enterprises for women leaving prison; evening free.

Day 5 Wat Phra That Doi Suthep with a private guide; hosted conversation with monks on Buddhism, Thai society and LGBTQ+ acceptance; evening free.

Day 6 Full day at a Karen community eco-lodge and elephant sanctuary — twenty-two rescued elephants, no riding, no bathing shows.

DAYS 7-10: KOH SAMUI

Day 7 Flight south to Koh Samui; free afternoon and evening — this one is not filled on purpose.

Day 8 Full-day private boat through Ang Thong National Marine Park — sea caves, snorkelling, the Emerald Lake viewpoint; evening free.

Day 9 Open day — temples, waterfalls, the island or the beach, all optional; farewell dinner on the sand.

Day 10 Departure from Koh Samui.





What's included

- ✓ Small Group Travel: never more than 15 people
- ✓ A Lead Explorer for the whole trip
- ✓ 9 Nights in upper-scale or boutique hotels, double room to share, breakfast included
- ✓ Welcome Dinner in Bangkok & Farewell Beach Dinner on Koh Samui
- ✓ Domestic flights: Bangkok → Chiang Mai → Koh Samui
- ✓ All ground transport throughout
- ✓ Bangkok: Grand Palace & Wat Phra Kaew private guided visit
- ✓ Bangkok: drag evening at an artist-owned venue, reserved table
- ✓ Bangkok: Thonburi canals and Wat Arun by longtail boat
- ✓ Bangkok: market dinner, then drinks and conversation with a transgender advocate
- ✓ Chiang Mai: Wat Phra That Doi Suthep with a private guide
- ✓ Chiang Mai: hosted conversation with monks on Buddhism, Thai society and LGBTQ+ acceptance
- ✓ Chiang Mai: full day at a Karen community eco-lodge and elephant sanctuary
- ✓ Koh Samui: full-day private boat through Ang Thong National Marine Park with lunch

What's not included

- ✗ International flights to and from Thailand
- ✗ Transfer to/from the airport on the first and final day
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in "what's included"
- ✗ Travel insurance, which is a condition of joining
- ✗ Extra activities or optional add-ons suggested by Lead Explorer

Available add-ons

- + Chinatown and river-community food route with a specialist (Bangkok)
- + Private in-home meal cooked with a local host (Bangkok or Chiang Mai)
- + Chiang Mai drag night — smaller scene, different register from Bangkok
- + Massage or spa afternoon, social-enterprise or conventional (Chiang Mai)
- + Jungle zipline or Thai cooking class (Chiang Mai)
- + Northern hilltribe village day — Karen terraced rice landscape (Chiang Mai)
- + Full Moon Party on Koh Phangan — speedboat over, scheduled returns
- + Temples, waterfalls and viewpoints across the island (Koh Samui)
- + Ethical elephant sanctuary, half day (Koh Samui or Chang Mai)
- + Diving or snorkelling at Koh Tao and Koh Nang Yuan (Koh Samui)
- + Island scooter loop (Koh Samui)

Pricing

1 person in Double Room (sharing)	£1,960	(deposit £294)
1 person in Private Room	£2,385	(deposit £358)

Group size: 10–15 travellers. **Lead Explorer:** included on every departure.

