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Northern Thailand Package 9 Days 8 Nights

## DAY 01 Chiang Mai Arrival

- 00:00 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. (Hotel)
- DAY 02 Chiang Mai Sightseeing: Wat Phrathad 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 captivating journey to Wat Prathat Doi Suthep Temple, an esteemed historical and tourist destination in Thailand. Known as one of the country's most sacred temples, this divine site sits atop Doi Suthep, a majestic mountain reaching an altitude of 1,053 meters above sea level. Possessing profound religious and historical significance in Chiang Mai, the temple's origins date back to 1383. Ascending nearly 300 stairs, visitors will be awed by the enchanting Mon-style pagoda that houses Lord Buddha's precious relics at its base. With its full name being "Praboromathat Doi Suthep Woravihan Temple," this place serves as a testament to the captivating Thai Lanna art intertwined with Chiang Mai's heritage. As a cherished place of worship, it attracts a plethora of devotees and tourists alike. Moreover, the temple's surroundings offer a mesmerizing view of Chiang Mai city.

Another must-visit temple is Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan, located at the heart of Chiang Mai city. As one of the largest and oldest temples in the province, it boasts a grand pagoda within its premises. Although the top of the pagoda suffered damage in a significant earthquake in 1545, its historical and cultural significance remains intact. Known by various names such as Rajakudakan Temple and Chotikaram Temple, it was constructed during the reign of King Prachao Sanmuangma, the seventh ruler of the Mungrai dynasty, with an estimated founding year of 1391. A symbol of Lanna identity, this ancient royal temple has undergone several restorations, now spanning an impressive 60 meters on each side. As one of Chiang Mai's paramount pagodas, Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan is a testament to the region's historical heritage.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Explore the San Kamphaeng district, renowned for its silk and cotton weaving. This area beckons tourists with its high-quality yet affordable silk and cotton products, making it the perfect place to find souvenirs for loved ones. Visitors can witness the art of silk weaving and factory, silk raising at the local silk immersing the themselves in the craftsmanship of region. Additionally, the district houses numerous factories and souvenir shops offering a diverse array of items, including wood carvings, silverware, lacquerware, leather goods, pottery, and cotton products. A visit to San Kamphaeng promises an enriching experience of Chiang Mai's artisanal heritage. After a fulfilling day of exploration, spend a peaceful night in Chiang Mai, savoring the memories of the enchanting temples and the vibrant cultural experiences encountered throughout the day.

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

Embark on a remarkable journey from Chiang Mai to the captivating Doi Inthanon National Park, a destination known for its natural beauty and cultural significance. The first stop is the Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon, a research center focused on winter plants. As you explore this place, you'll be mesmerized by colorful flower plots and a diverse range of vegetables and fruits. The research conducted here spans various areas, including flowers, ornamental plants, vegetables, fruits, and highland fisheries. Notably, the station plays a vital role in transferring research results to promote sustainable development, social upliftment, and forest watershed conservation. Additionally, it serves as an income source for the hill tribe farmers residing in the neighboring villages. Witness the awe-inspiring Wachirathan Waterfall, an impressive single-tiered cascade renowned for its beauty. Standing tall at a height of 70 meters, this waterfall maintains its flow throughout the year. During the rainy season, the sunlight creates a mesmerizing display of rainbows, adding to the waterfall's allure. It's a magical sight that enhances the natural splendor of Wachirathan Waterfall.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Next, delve into the architectural marvels of the Twin Royal Pagodas, Napamethanidol, and Napapolpumisiri. Perched atop a high hill within Doi Inthanon National Park, these pagodas were built by the Air Force in collaboration with the people of Thailand. They were dedicated to commemorate the 60th anniversary of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej Rama 9 in 1987 and to honor Her Majesty Queen Sirikit on her auspicious 5th birthday anniversary on August 12, 1992. Surrounded by enchanting winter flower gardens and a variety of plants, these pagodas offer a serene and picturesque setting. With the cool weather prevailing year-round, this location provides breathtaking panoramic views, making it one of Chiang Mai's most captivating viewpoints.

Reach the summit of Doi Inthanon, the highest peak in Thailand, towering at an elevation of 2,565 meters above sea level. Part of the Thanon Thongchai Mountain range, the Himalayas across several which extends from countries, including Nepal, Bhutan, and Myanmar, this region boasts diverse climates and forests. As you journey through the area, you'll encounter rainforests, pine forests, and mixed forests at varying elevations. Upon reaching the peak, you'll be rewarded with aweinspiring panoramic vistas. The perennially cool weather, stunning landscapes, and abundant forests make Doi Inthanon a magnet for visitors from all corners of the world. Conclude this wondrous day in Mae Hong Son, where you can relish the tranquility and immerse yourself in the charm of this picturesque region.

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

Experience the enchanting wonders of Mae Hong Son with a visit to the revered Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu temple, perched atop Kong Mu Mountain. This sacred site holds immense significance as the most revered place of worship in the region. Comprising two distinct pagodas, the larger one was constructed by "Chong Thong Su" in 1860, while the smaller one was built by "Phraya Singhanatracha" in 1874. the temple's hilltop location, From bask in the breathtaking beauty of the surrounding town nestled amid mountains and valleys. Explore the splendid Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang temples, situated side by side next to the grand swamp. These ancient temples boast exquisite Burmese-style architecture and house the revered Buddha image (Luang Paw To). Wat Chong Klang is adorned with a plethora of Burmese wood carving dolls and intricate glass paintings depicting Buddhist history, leaving visitors in awe of their craftsmanship.

Stroll along the impressive Su Tong Pae Bridge, Thailand's longest bamboo bridge, thoughtfully constructed to connect Suan Tham Phusama Temple and Kung Mai Sak village. Meandering over lush paddy fields and canals, the bridge serves as a convenient route for monks and villagers. Visitors are captivated by the bridge's classic charm, crossing verdant paddy fields during the rainy season and glistening golden in the winter, amidst the picturesque mountain backdrop.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Journey to Baan Rak Thai village, nestled near the Thailand-Myanmar border, once home to the Yunnan people, including the former military personnel of the Chinese Nationalist 93rd division, also known as "Kuomintang." This village offers a stunning panorama of mountains, beautiful lakes, and vibrant shrubbery. Be enchanted by the orderly green tea plantations gracefully adorning the mountainside and savor the delectable Yunnan cuisine, including the renowned Chinese tea, considered the finest in Mae Hong Son province.

Immerse yourself in the serene ambiance of Shan village, known as "Baan Ruam Thai" or Pang Oung. Tucked amidst rugged mountains, the village boasts a magnificent reservoir, often likened to "Switzerland in Thailand." Encircled by pine forests and colorful winter blooms, this idyllic landscape enjoys cool weather throughout the year. Witness the captivating sight of mist gently caressing the lake's surface during the morning chill, attracting tourists year-round. The allure of pine forests hugging the vast reservoir amidst the embrace of the mountain range and the kaleidoscope of flowers creates an irresistible magnetism that beckons visitors to this heavenly place. Conclude this unforgettable day in Mae Hong Son, where you can indulge in the tranquility of the night.

DAY 05 Mae Hong Son - Pai: Lahu Hill Trbe Village (Ban Jabo 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

Embark on a fascinating expedition from Mae Hong Son to Pang Mapha District, where you will discover the enchanting Ban Ja Bo Village, home to the Lahu hill tribe. Nestled on a ridge amidst breathtaking mountain vistas, the Lahu people originally hailed from Tibet and gradually migrated southward, eventually settling in the north of Thailand hundreds of years ago. Embracing a simple way of life, the Lahu prefer tranquil highland abodes and follow a spiritual doctrine, worshipping ancestral spirits. They thrive in agriculture, engaging in rice farming, corn cultivation, and animal husbandry, with hunting being one of their renowned skills. Despite cultural and linguistic differences, the Lahu warmly welcome foreign tourists, forging connections as good friends.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Explore the fascinating Tham Lod Cave, a vital archaeological site boasting a stream known as "Lang" that flows through the entire cave. The cave's captivating interior is adorned with stalactites and stalagmites, and it houses a plethora of ancient tools and utensils dating back over 2,000 years. Witness nature's magnificent wonders and partake in exciting activities like bamboo rafting within the cave and embarking on short treks nearby.

Continue your adventure by visiting the renowned Doi Kiew Lom Viewpoint, beloved by both Thai and international visitors who flock here to witness the mesmerizing sea of mist gracefully blanketing the valley, accompanied by an array of vibrant flowers. In the evening, immerse yourself in the local lifestyle at the lively walking street. Meander along the bustling street, perusing handmade clothing, jewelry, products, baskets, and various souvenirs. Numerous Thai and international restaurants invite you to savor their delectable dishes. The vibrant walking street stays open from 5 PM until midnight,

offering a delightful experience for all. Conclude the day's exploration in the charming town of Pai, where you'll spend the night.

DAY 06 Pai - Ban Tha Ton Village: Santichon Chinese Village / Yun Lai Viewpoint / Memorial Bridge / Pai Canyon / Pong Dueat Hot Spring / Wat Ban Den Temple / Wat Tha Ton (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embark on an unforgettable journey to explore the diverse and captivating attractions of northern Thailand. Firstly, visit Santichon village, a charming enclave inhabited by Yunnan Chinese people who settled here long time ago, preserving their unique culture, traditions, and lifestyle. Wander through this village, marveling at the Chinese-style houses, decorations, Yunnan and surroundings. Just a short distance away, at the Yun Lai viewpoint, witness the awe-inspiring landscape of Pai city, enveloped by lush paddy fields and a rugged mountain range. Whether in winter or the rainy season, the area is often adorned with a mystical sea of mist, creating a breathtaking sight.

Next, venture to the Memorial Bridge, a poignant reminder of the Second World War era when Japan utilized Thailand as a strategic route for troop and arms transportation into Myanmar. Though replaced by a modern bridge, this historic structure holds deep significance, and visitors often capture its essence through photographs, preserving its memory. Continue your exploration to Pai Canyon, also known as Kong Lan, a natural wonder shaped by soil subsidence and eroded by wind and rain, resulting in deep trenches and cliff-like formations. Amidst a mixed deciduous forest, narrow and steep trails wind along the ridge, offering spectacular views of the surrounding villages and farms set against the backdrop of lofty mountains. In Mae Taeng District, discover the mesmerizing Pong Dueat Hot Spring, an impressive geyser-like hot spring accompanied by rising steam and surrounded by a jungle teeming with nature trails for exploration. Delve into the area's natural beauty, observing the diverse flora and fauna along a 1.5-kilometer circular route with informative signboards.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Visit the magnificent Wat Ban Den Temple, also known as Wat Den Sari Sri Muang Kaen, situated in Inthakin Sub-

District. The temple's history is intertwined with its auspicious Bodhi tree, earning it the name "Sari Tree" and leading to its full name. Explore the temple's expansive grounds, featuring exquisite Lanna-style architecture in the form of a ubosot, tripitaka hall, drum tower, Inthakin pole sanctuary, Lanna cubicle golden teak, and pagoda, each resembling a work of art. Conclude your adventure in Ban Tha Ton Village, located near the Myanmar border in Mae Ai District, Chiang Mai Province. Surrounded by mountains and a tranquil river, the village exudes a serene atmosphere with pleasant weather year-round. Immerse yourself in the diverse cultures and traditions of the multi-ethnic hill tribe people who call this area home. Explore Wat Tha Ton temple, beautifully perched on a hillside with nine layered peaks housing sacred religious sites, including the revered "Phra Chedi Kaew." From the temple's vantage points, enjoy breathtaking panoramas of Ban Tha Ton village and the picturesque Mae Ai District. Spend the night in Ban Tha Ton, cherishing the memories of an enriching and unforgettable journey.

# DAY 07 Ban Tha Ton - Chiang Rai: Kok River Cruise / Chiang Rai Night Bazaar (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embark on a delightful cruise along the Kok River, spanning approximately 3-4 hours, as you venture into Chiang Rai Province. The Kok River holds great significance as one of northern Thailand's essential waterways, nurturing the villages scattered along its shores. Originating in Myanmar's border mountain range, the Kok River meanders its way to Ban Tha Ton village in the Thai territory. Continuing its journey, it gracefully passes through Chiang Rai city, eventually joining the Mekong River at Ban Sop Kok village in Chiang Saen District, covering a total length of 130 kilometers. Along both banks, the Kok River treats travelers to picturesque landscapes, ideal for a river cruise, offering glimpses of the abundant natural beauty on either side. As you sail, you'll have the opportunity to encounter various hill tribes residing in villages along the riverbanks, adding cultural richness to your journey.

Lunch box will be provided.

As the sun sets, indulge in the vibrant atmosphere of the Chiang Rai Night Bazaar, a renowned shopping haven captivating both Thai and international visitors. The bazaar showcases an array of hill tribe handicrafts and local products, including clothing, accessories, and home furnishings, all reflecting the region's unique artistry and craftsmanship. Savor the delectable flavors of local cuisine and beverages, immersing yourself in the culinary delights of the region. The night comes alive with folk cultural activities adorned in Lanna aesthetics, providing a delightful experience for tourists. Additionally, performances by various hill tribes showcase their vibrant traditions and artistic expressions, creating a memorable and culturally rich evening in Chiang Rai. After an enchanting night, retire to your accommodations in Chiang Rai, cherishing the memories of a day filled with natural beauty, cultural encounters, and shopping delights.

DAY 08 Chiang Rai - Chiang Mai: Wat Rong Suea Ten temple (Blue Temple) / Singha Park Farm / Wat Rong Khun White Temple (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embark on a mesmerizing journey to explore the architectural wonders and natural beauty of Chiang Rai. Begin your expedition at Wat Rong Suea Ten Temple, also known as the Blue Temple, renowned for its captivating beauty and exceptional architecture. Designed by Chiang Rai folk artist, Mr. Puttha Kabkaew, the temple's interior exudes elegance and creativity. The vihara, adorned with applied art featuring stunning blue and gold tones, captivates visitors with its artistry. Within the temple, you'll find the revered Phra Buddha Ratchamongkol Bodi Tri Lokanath, a place for worship and contemplation.

Next, venture to Singha Park Farm, an agricultural paradise owned by Boon Rawd Brewery, a must-visit highlight for travelers in Chiang Rai. Spanning over 3,000 acres of lush landscapes, the farm's rolling hills and expansive lake create a picturesque setting. Hop on a farm car and explore the vast green oolong tea plantations and various fruit kingdoms, including melon, strawberry, raspberry, giant gooseberry, and more. Stroll through vegetable and herb gardens, marvel at the blooming flower fields, and have an enjoyable time feeding African animals in the green fields.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continue your journey to the renowned Wat Rong Khun Temple, famously known as the White Temple, an architectural masterpiece envisioned and built by the esteemed artist, Professor Chalermchai Kositpipat.

Combining artistry with Lanna culture, the temple showcases intricate stucco patterns adorned with glass and large wall paintings. Its pure white chapel resembles heavenly castle with contemporary religious а architecture, and the bridge leading to the chapel features sculptures depicting religious precepts, exploring the themes of hell and heaven. Inside, the chapel dazzles with its silver mirror-patterned decor. The temple also houses art galleries and exquisite sculptures for visitors to admire and appreciate. Conclude your memorable journey and continue on to Chiang Mai. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and enjoy a restful overnight stay, cherishing the experiences of the day's exploration.

#### DAY 09 Chiang Mai Departure

Breakfast at the hotel.

00:00 As your remarkable journey in Northern Thailand comes to an end, it is time to bid farewell. Our dedicated team will transfer you to Chiang Mai Airport to ensure that your return journey or onward travels to other destinations go smoothly, and this is where our service ends.

#### Prices:

- 2 Persons 49,700 ₿
- 3 Persons 42,500 B
- 4 Persons 33,500 B
- 5 Persons up 32,500 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
- Accommodations as mentioned based on twin sharing (8 Nights)
- Meals as mentioned in the program (8 Breakfasts / 7 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

#### No Hidden Costs:

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#### 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.

#### How to Book a Tour:

Please inform us of the Northern Thailand package tour programs that you selected; the date, month, and year you wish to start the tour; the number of participants; the full names of you and the participants; the type of room; and any other requirements, if any; the details of your flight to Chiang Mai, such as the name of the airline, flight number, arrival date and time, departure date and time; or full details of the journey in the case of traveling by bus or other mode of transportation, for our convenience in arranging the itineraries and airport transfers.

## 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 is required to be provided travel accident insurance by that company. Therefore, if booking a tour or car rental with us, please provide us with a name list and personal details of all passengers, such as 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.