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Best of Northern Thailand 14 Days 13 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 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 fascinating journey as you explore the renowned Prathat Doi Suthep temple, an integral part of Thailand's history and a cherished destination for tourists. Nestled atop Doi Suthep, at an impressive elevation of 1,053 meters above sea level, this sacred temple holds profound religious and historical significance in the city of Chiang Mai. Established in the year 1383, the temple's fame extends throughout Thailand, as it is considered one of the most revered temples in the country. To reach this revered site, you'll climb nearly 300 stairs, leading you to the sanctified interior. A Mon-style pagoda graces the temple grounds, enshrining Lord Buddha's relics beneath its base. The full name of this spiritual haven is "Praboromathat Doi Suthep Woravihan Temple," a name that reflects its vital role in showcasing Thai Lanna art alongside the splendor of Chiang Mai city. Aside from its religious significance, Prathat Doi Suthep captivates visitors with its striking beauty and serves as a popular destination for locals and tourists alike, drawn to pay their respects and seek moments of tranquility in its serene atmosphere. As you wander around the temple,

you'll be rewarded with a breathtaking panoramic view of Chiang Mai city. The temple's elevated location provides an exceptional vantage point to admire the surrounding landscape, making it a must-visit for those seeking both spiritual enrichment and awe-inspiring vistas. In conclusion, Prathat Doi Suthep temple stands as a remarkable testament to Thailand's cultural heritage, attracting visitors from far and wide with its sacred allure and the timeless beauty of its surroundings. Whether you seek spiritual enlightenment, a glimpse into history, or simply wish to revel in the charm of Chiang Mai's vistas, this cherished temple offers an unforgettable experience for all who venture to its hallowed grounds.

Next destination is Wat Chedi Luang Worawihan, situated at the heart of Chiang Mai city. This grand and ancient temple boasts a massive pagoda that once stood even taller before a devastating earthquake in 1545 caused its upper portion to collapse. Nevertheless, the pagoda remains an impressive testament to the Lanna identity. Over the years, the temple has been restored multiple times and now spans an impressive 60 meters on each side. Known by various names such as Rajakudakan Temple and Chotikaram Temple, its construction is believed to date back to the year 1391 during the reign of King Prachao Sanmuangma, the seventh king of the Mungrai dynasty. Wat Chedi Luang Temple holds immense cultural significance and is a cherished landmark in Chiang Mai.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuing your adventure, we'll venture to the San Kamphaeng district, approximately 13 kilometers east of Chiang Mai city. This district is famous for its exquisite silk and cotton weaving, making it a favorite destination for tourists seeking high-quality and reasonably priced textiles to take home as souvenirs for friends and family. The district's weaving factories offer visitors a unique opportunity to witness the intricate weaving process and even witness silk production up close. In addition to silk and cotton goods, the district is also known for its skilled artisans who produce an array of handicrafts, including wood carvings, silverware, lacquerware, leather goods, pottery, and more. With numerous factories and souvenir shops, tourists are sure to find delightful treasures to commemorate their journey in Chiang Mai. After a day filled with cultural exploration and shopping, we'll retire for the night in the charming city of Chiang Mai.

DAY 03 Chiang Mai - Lampang: Thai Elephant Conservation Center / Wat Chaloe Phra Kiat Phrachomklao Rachanusorn / Horse Carriage Riding (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel

Embark on a captivating journey from Chiang Mai province to Lampang province, where an unforgettable adventure awaits at the Thai Elephant Conservation Center in Ban Thung Kwian village, Wiang Tan Subdistrict, Hang Chat District, under the supervision of the Forest Industry Organization. This center serves as a haven for elephants, providing care and medical treatment for these majestic creatures. But that's not all; visitors will be thrilled with the array of activities available, including elephant shows, insights into elephant care and handling, and the opportunity to witness the enchanting ritual of elephant bathing, among other engaging experiences.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuing the expedition, head to Chae Hom District to behold the celestial beauty of "Wat Chaloe Phra Kiat Phrachomklao Rachanusorn" or "Wat Phra Bat Phu Pha Daeng." Nestled atop a mountain at nearly 1,000 meters above sea level, this sacred site offers a sense of paradise on earth. The only way to reach its pinnacle is by walking along a 1-kilometer trail that winds through the forest, sometimes involving steep ascents and stairs. Amidst this scenic journey, travelers can immerse themselves in the lush abundance of nature before arriving at the mountain's zenith, adorned with numerous meticulously constructed pagodas. These pagodas stand as a testament to the devotion of monks and villagers, with years of dedicated effort culminating in their completion. From this vantage point, witness the most magnificent and breathtaking panorama of the surrounding landscapes, with sweeping views of Chae Hom District and beyond.

Immerse yourself in the charm of Lampang city by taking a delightful carriage ride along its historic roads, offering a glimpse into the authentic way of life of the local people. These carriage routes were once bustling main economic roads of Lampang, and even today, they bear traces of the city's bygone prosperity, adorned with ancient buildings that line both sides of the road, a treat for tourists to admire and appreciate. The horse carriage holds a special significance as a symbol of

Lampang Province's identity. In the past, it served as the primary mode of transportation for the locals, embodying the rich heritage and traditions of the region. However, with the passage of time and advancements in transportation technology, machinery gradually replaced these beloved carriages, leading to their gradual disappearance from everyday life. Despite the changes brought by modernity, the people of Lampang have displayed remarkable dedication to conserving their heritage. Even to this day, horse carriages continue to be cherished and used as a means of transport, though primarily for tourism purposes. This enduring commitment reflects the deep-rooted cultural significance of these carriages, which now offer visitors a nostalgic and picturesque way to explore the city's historical charms. As your carriage glides through the streets of Lampang, you'll be transported to a bygone era, witnessing the fusion of old and new in this enchanting city. After a day filled with the allure of Lampang's heritage, spend the night in this captivating province, savoring the memories of your delightful carriage ride and the unique experiences it bestowed upon you.

DAY 04      Lampang - Sukhothai: Si Satchanalai Historical Park /  
Sukhothai Historical Park (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM.      Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on a captivating journey from Lampang to Sukhothai Province, the ancient capital of Thailand, where history comes alive amidst a serene and traditional way of life. Upon arriving in Si Satchanalai District, immerse yourself in the grandeur of Si Satchanalai Historical Park, an essential site recognized by UNESCO as a World Cultural Heritage site in 1991. This archaeological wonder spans over 45 square kilometers and boasts an impressive 215 archaeological sites, revealing traces of prehistoric settlements. The park's distinctive feature lies in its numerous large archaeological sites constructed from laterite. Among the five key archaeological sites, you'll discover significant temples such as Wat Chang Lom, Wat Chedi Chet Thaeo, Wat Nang Phaya, Wat Suwan Khiri, Wat Phra Si Rattana Mahathat, Wat Suan Kaew Yai, Wat Suan Kaew Noi, and the City Pillar Shrine, each steeped in historical significance. Nestled in the heart of the forest, this ancient city has retained its natural beauty, offering visitors an unparalleled glimpse into Thailand's historical heritage.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuing your journey to Mueang Sukhothai District, you'll encounter the famed Sukhothai Historical Park, a sprawling area spanning approximately 70 square kilometers. Serving as Thailand's inaugural capital during the 18th to 20th Buddhist centuries, Sukhothai laid the foundation for the country's political, economic, and cultural flourishing. UNESCO's recognition in 1991 reflects the park's role in shaping the nation's arts, culture, and urban planning. Among its treasures are Sukhothai Buddhist sculptures, known for their exquisite delicacy, deemed the epitome of beauty in various fields of Thai art. Within the park's confines, you'll encounter a plethora of magnificent structures, including ancient Buddha images and over 70 ancient buildings outside the city walls, as well as 26 within the walls. Notable sites include Wat Mahathat, Wat Chana Songkhram, Wat Traphang Ngoen, Wat Sri Sawai, Wat Si Chum, and many more, each offering a unique glimpse into the rich cultural tapestry of the region. As the sun sets, savor the day's explorations and spend the night in Sukhothai, cherishing the memories of your immersive encounter with Thailand's illustrious history and its harmonious blend with the simplicity of traditional life.

DAY 05 Sukhothai - Phrae: Wat Pong Sunan Temple / Khum Wongburi Museum / Khum Chao Luang / Phae Mueang Phi Forest Park (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Depart from Sukhothai province and set your sights on Phrae province, a gateway to the Lanna Kingdom, steeped in captivating history and brimming with attractions ranging from temples to natural wonders and museums. Upon arriving in Mueang Phrae District, begin your exploration with a visit to Wat Pong Sunan, a mesmerizing temple boasting an impressive golden reclining Buddha, located near an auspicious archway. Inside the ubosot, you'll find the revered Buddha image named "Phra Chao Saen Suk," an ancient artifact over 500 years old, enshrined within a pagoda containing the Lord Buddha's relics. A unique sight to behold is the "Phra That Chedi Wiharn Kaew," a white temple adorned with 108 pagodas, each enclosed in a plexiglas ball. Interestingly, when viewed through these balls, the pagodas appear beautifully inverted. The viharn houses a large Buddha image named "Phra Saraswadee

Prathanpon" and features intricate murals depicting Buddha images in Phrae province and various zodiac years.

Next, venture to Khum Wong Buri or Ban Wong Buri, an iconic pink ancient Thai house aged over a century. Constructed in 1897 by Mae Chao Bua Tha, the first consort of Chao Luang Piriyaathepwong, the last ruler of Phrae, this impressive golden teak wood house showcases a splendid blend of Thai-Lanna and European architectural styles. The house's construction showcases traditional Thai craftsmanship, featuring wooden tongue inserts instead of nails. Khum Wong Buri's exquisite detailing includes wood stencil patterns that were popular during King Rama V's reign, adorning the gables, roof ridges, eaves, and various windows. The interior rooms, including Chao Mae Bua Tha's room, living room, and bedroom, are adorned with antique furniture, ancient weapons, and Buddha images from the Chiang Saen and U-Thong periods, as well as captivating old pictures recounting the house's history.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continue your historical journey with a visit to Khum Chao Luang, another century-old house steeped in Phrae's heritage. Built in 1892 by Chao Luang Piriyaathepwong, this two-story brick and mortar building showcases a graceful blend of Thai Lanna and European architectural influences. Supported by solid wood logs instead of piles, the building exudes elegance with its fretwork and intricately carved patterns. Inside, you'll find three rooms below the elevated structure used to store belongings, money, and treasures. The abundance of windows and doors, along with beautifully carved fretwork patterns, adds to the building's allure, showcasing the craftsmanship of renowned Chinese artisans from that era.

After the historical immersion, journey to Phae Mueang Phi, also known as Phae Mueang Phi Forest Park, a natural wonder formed by soil and sandstone erosion, resulting in beautifully lined-up, peculiar clay pillars. This captivating forest park was established on March 4, 1981, and spans over 100 rai, offering a geological feast for the eyes with its cliffs and intriguingly shaped formations. A nature trail awaits adventurous tourists, providing an opportunity to explore the park's geological features and appreciate its natural beauty. As the day draws to a close, bask in the tranquility of Phrae and spend the night, cherishing the unforgettable experiences and discoveries of this remarkable province.

DAY 06 Phrae - Chiang Rai: Kwan Phayao Lake / Wat Rong Khun Temple (White Temple) / Singha Park Farm / Wat Rong Suea Ten temple (Blue Temple) / Chiang Rai Night Bazaar (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on a picturesque journey from Phrae Province to Chiang Rai Province, making captivating stops along the way to explore the region's natural beauty and cultural wonders. First, pay a visit to Kwan Phayao Lake in Muang Phayao District, Phayao Province. This crescent-shaped lake is surrounded by stunning mountain ranges, creating a serene and picturesque setting. As the largest freshwater lake in the north and the fourth largest in Thailand, it holds great significance as the primary freshwater fishing area of the upper northern region. Its waters are teeming with over fifty species of freshwater fish, making it a vital breeding ground for diverse aquatic life.

Next on your itinerary is the renowned Wat Rong Khun Temple, popularly known as the White Temple. This artistic marvel was envisioned and constructed by Professor Chalermchai Kositpipat, a highly acclaimed Thai artist. His masterpiece combines striking contemporary religious architecture with the rich influences of Lanna culture. The temple's pure white chapel resembles a heavenly castle, adorned with intricate stucco patterns embellished with glass and large wall paintings. As you approach the chapel via a bridge, you'll encounter sculptures depicting both heaven and hell, offering a thought-provoking exploration of religious precepts. The chapel's interior features a dazzling display of shiny silver mirror patterns, adding to the temple's ethereal beauty. Art galleries and exquisite sculptures further enhance the experience for visitors.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continue your journey to the enchanting Singha Park Farm, an agricultural attraction owned by Boon Rawd Brewery. Spanning over 3,000 acres, this sprawling farm presents a captivating landscape of rolling hills and a vast lake. Explore more than 250 acres of green oolong tea plantations, as well as various fruit kingdoms showcasing melons, strawberries, raspberries, giant gooseberries, and an array of other fruits. Wander through vegetable and herb gardens, marvel at the blooming flower fields,



and have the chance to interact with African animal life amidst the lush greenery.

As the day unfolds, make your way to Wat Rong Suea Ten, also known as the Blue Temple. This architecturally stunning temple, designed by Chiang Rai's folk artist, Mr. Puttha Kabkaew, captivates tourists with its mesmerizing blue and gold color scheme. The vihara inside the temple showcases intricate applied art, creating a beautiful and artistic atmosphere. Within the temple, find the enshrined place of Phra Buddha Ratchamongkol Bodi Tri Lokanath, which houses relics on the head of the Buddha image, inviting travelers to offer their prayers and respect.

Finally, conclude your day at the Chiang Rai Night Bazaar, a vibrant shopping destination renowned among locals and tourists alike. Peruse a wide array of hill tribe handicrafts, clothing, accessories, and home furnishings. The night bazaar also tantalizes taste buds with a diverse selection of food and beverages. Immerse yourself in the lively ambiance, enjoy Lanna cultural activities, and be entertained by performances from various hill tribes. As the night falls, savor your time in Chiang Rai, cherishing the memories of the day's enriching encounters.

DAY 07 Chiang Rai Sightseeing: Doi Tung Palace and Mae Fah Luang Garden / Mae Sai / Golden Triangle / Mekong River Cruise (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on a captivating journey to the charming Mae Fah Luang District, where the enchanting Doi Tung Palace and Mae Fah Luang Garden await your visit. These popular attractions in Chiang Rai draw tourists from all corners of the globe throughout the year. At the heart of these destinations lies an exquisite array of flowers, meticulously arranged and ever-changing with the seasons. Visitors are treated to a breathtaking sight at the Mae Fah Luang Garden, an ever-evolving tapestry of natural beauty that can be admired in all its splendor regardless of the time of year. Moreover, the Doi Tung Palace, an exquisite testament to Lanna-style art and architecture, adds to the allure of this must-see destination.

The journey continues to the northernmost district of Thailand, Mae Sai. Bordered by Myanmar's Tachilek province, the district boasts the Mae Sai River as a



natural demarcation line, with a bridge seamlessly connecting the two cities. From the Thai side, visitors can catch a glimpse of Myanmar, and a visit to the renowned Mae Sai Market offers a unique experience. This bustling border market has a long-standing reputation and serves as the largest shopping district in northern Thailand. Here, an impressive variety of products can be found, from electrical appliances and local goods to herbs, wicker items, and delectable dry food, all offered at attractive prices.

Lunch at the restaurant.

The journey then takes an intriguing turn, inviting travelers to explore the historical significance of the Golden Triangle, situated in Sop Ruak Village, Chiang Saen District. The Mekong River gracefully divides the borders of Thailand and Laos, where it converges with the Ruak River, marking the boundary between Thailand and Myanmar. This vantage point affords a clear view of the Myanmar and Laos landscapes. The Golden Triangle's past reveals a fascinating history as it once served as a thriving opium cultivation area, famously known as the epicenter of the global opium trade, earning the moniker "Golden Triangle." Legends abound about the immense wealth generated from trading opium for raw gold, leading to this evocative title. Today, the opium trade has been relegated to history's pages, but the allure of the past remains. Tourists can pay their respects at The Golden Triangle Buddha, an awe-inspiring bronze sculpture adorned with topaz, weighing a staggering 69 tons, with a span of 10 meters and a towering height of 15 meters. This magnificent Buddha was erected to replace its predecessor, which had been submerged in the Mekong River. Now, it stands majestically on the river's shore, a symbol of peace and reflection.

To appreciate the wonders of nature and embrace the local way of life, a cruise along the Mekong River presents an unforgettable opportunity. Originating from the Tibetan Plateau's icy embrace in northern Tibet and Qinghai county in China, the Mekong River traverses mountains and plateaus in China, meanders through the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, and Thailand's "Golden Triangle" area in Chiang Saen District, Chiang Rai Province. The river acts as a natural boundary between Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic, nourishing the livelihoods of the people residing along its banks while fostering economic and cultural connections. The Mekong River stretches an impressive 4,880 kilometers, culminating in the vastness

of the South China Sea in Vietnam. After a day filled with exploration, immerse yourself in the charming ambiance of Chiang Rai, where you can spend another night, savoring the memories of an unforgettable adventure in this enchanting region.

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

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on an enriching journey to explore the cultural and natural wonders of Northern Thailand. Begin your day by visiting the awe-inspiring Wat Huay Pla Kang Temple in Chiang Rai. Perched on a small hill, the temple boasts a striking 9-storey, 12-sided chedi with an intriguing pointed shape adorned with Chinese and Lanna arts. The red roof is flanked by two dragon statues, leading to the chedi. Inside, marvel at the enshrined Goddess Guan Yin Bodhisattva, an impressive large sandalwood statue offering blessings and forgiveness. Moreover, the temple features a 69-meter-tall statue of Guan Yin Bodhisattva, resembling a 25-storey building. An elevator system allows tourists to ascend easily and enjoy panoramic views of Chiang Rai's picturesque landscapes.

Next, venture to Doi Mae Salong, a captivating area renowned for cultivating fine tea. The region's green terraced tea plantations create a serene and natural atmosphere, offering a delightful ambiance for visitors. Doi Mae Salong is a Chinese Yunnan village where immigrants settled decades ago, escaping the communist regime in China. The area's scattered villages resemble a traditional Chinese village in the southern regions.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Explore the fascinating culture, traditions, and lifestyle of the Akha hill tribe, which resides in picturesque settings. Originating from southern China, the Akha people migrated to the north of Myanmar and later settled in various districts of Chiang Rai Province over the past century. They prefer to reside at higher altitudes, building thatched-roof houses with bamboo walls on mountain ridges. Agriculture, crop planting, and livestock form the basis of their economy, while household industries such as sewing, embroidery, and silverware making also contribute to their income. Admire the vibrantly colored dresses and hats adorned with eye-

catching silverware and beads, showcasing the distinctive tribal dress of the Akha.

Continue your journey to Ban Huai San Village in Mae Ai District, where you'll find the Roi Jai Rak Project, managed by the Mae Fah Luang Foundation under the Royal Patronage of His Majesty the King. The project aims to generate income and create job opportunities for the hill tribe communities in the area. Explore Suan Roi Jai Rak, a garden plantation featuring winter flowers and vegetable plots, and Kad Luang Roi Jai Rak, a market where villagers bring quality produce, fruits, flowers, and handicrafts for tourists to choose from.

Continue your expedition to Ban Tha Ton Village, a charming border village adjacent to Myanmar in Mae Ai District, Chiang Mai Province. The village's picturesque setting boasts mountains and a meandering river, offering a cool and inviting atmosphere throughout the year. Embrace the rich cultural diversity and traditions of the multi-ethnic hill tribes residing in and around the village. Explore Wat Tha Ton temple, situated on the hillside, with its impressive nine-tiered base housing sacred religious places on each peak. At the highest peak rests "Phra Borommathat Ratchamangkalachan Samanchan" or "Phra Chedi Kaew," offering breathtaking views of Ban Tha Ton village and the surrounding mountains. Spend a restful night in Ban Tha Ton Village, cherishing the memories of a day filled with cultural encounters and natural splendor.

DAY 09 Ban Tha Ton - Pai: Hinoki Land / Wat Ban Den Temple / Mork Fah Waterfall / Pong Dued Hot Spring / Pai Walking Street (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embark on a captivating journey to explore the unique attractions and natural wonders of Northern Thailand. Begin your day by visiting Hinoki Land, a fascinating Japanese architectural tourist attraction. Spread across an area of 83 rai, this enchanting land showcases Japanese art, culture, and architecture in a beautiful Japanese setting. As you enter, a large red lantern arch symbolizing "good luck" welcomes you, leading to a tunnel lined with 88 pairs of torii gates that guide you to the magnificent four-story Hinoki Castle, built from the noble and sacred hinoki pine wood. Inspired by Kyoto's Kinkakuji Castle, Hinoki Castle offers visitors a glimpse

of Japanese splendor amidst the serene mountains and forests.

Next, visit Wat Ban Den Temple, also known as Wat Den Sari Sri Muang Kaen, will be a captivating experience enriched with cultural and architectural beauty. Located in Inthakin Sub-District, Mae Taeng District, the temple holds a significant historical background. The name "Sari Tree" comes from the Bodhi tree that graced the temple grounds, carrying auspicious meaning and influencing the temple's name. The location of the temple within the ancient old city, Muang Kaen, has resulted in its full name being called "Wat Den Sari Sri Muang Kaen" by the villagers. Set amidst a breathtaking landscape, Wat Ban Den Temple stands gracefully on a hill. Upon arrival, visitors are greeted by a vast area adorned with an array of exquisite buildings, each showcasing the remarkable Thai Lanna Architecture. The temple complex includes the ubosot, the tripitaka hall, the drum tower, the Inthakin pole sanctuary, the Lanna cubicle golden teak, and the pagoda. Every structure is meticulously crafted, resembling works of art in literature, leaving tourists awestruck by their intricate details. Stepping into the enchanting world of Wat Ban Den Temple allows tourists to immerse themselves in the beauty of Thai Lanna architecture, appreciating the harmonious blend of cultural heritage and nature's splendor that surrounds this sacred place.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Immerse yourself in nature's beauty at Mork Fah Waterfall, situated in Doi Suthep-Pui National Park, Sop Poeng Sub District, Mae Taeng District. This single-tiered waterfall, though not the largest, flows year-round, with streams cascading from the dense forest into the rocky cliffs below. Morning sunlight creates a mesmerizing sparkling rainbow, and autumn brings a different kind of charm to the scene. During the rainy season, the waterfall's splendor intensifies, as water rushes with a rumbling noise, forming a mist-like backdrop.

Indulge in the therapeutic experience of Pong Dueat Hot Springs, a large geyser-like hot spring accompanied by steam that rises regularly. The water's temperature ranges from 90-200 degrees Celsius, emitting a constant sulfur smell. Surrounded by lush jungle, the area also offers a 1.5 km nature study route, featuring big trees, ferns, and moss, with informative signboards for tourists to learn about the environment.

Continue your journey to Pai district, traversing the historical World War II road, offering breathtaking views of the majestic mountains through numerous sharp curves. In Pai, explore the local lifestyle on a lively walking street, where you can shop for handmade products, clothing, jewelry, and souvenirs. Sample delectable dishes at various international and Thai restaurants, and soak in the vibrant atmosphere of the walking street, open from 5 pm until midnight. Relish your night in Pai, surrounded by the charm of this enchanting destination.

DAY 10      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.

Discovering Santichon village is an extraordinary journey that transports you to the preserved world of the Yunnan Chinese community, who settled here generations ago. The village exudes an authentic Yunnan Chinese ambiance, from its traditional houses to the quaint decorations that adorn the surroundings. Stepping into Santichon feels like stepping back in time, immersing oneself in the nostalgic charm of a bygone era. Just a stone's throw away from Santichon lies the Yun Lai viewpoint, a mesmerizing spot that unveils the picturesque landscape of Pai city. Enveloped by lush paddy fields and a rugged mountain range, the viewpoint offers a breathtaking panorama of Pai, with mist-kissed mountains providing a dreamlike backdrop during both winter and the rainy season. Witnessing the sunrise from this vantage point is an ethereal experience that etches itself into the memories of all who are fortunate enough to behold it.

Another captivating destination in Pai is the Wat Phra That Mae Yen Temple, perched atop a lofty hill in Mae Yen village. From this elevated position, tourists are treated to awe-inspiring vistas of Pai city. Sunrise and sunset moments are especially magical, as the golden hues of the sun accentuate the majesty of the surrounding mountain ranges. The view from Wat Phra That Mae Yen Temple is nothing short of awe-inspiring, leaving a lasting impression on every visitor. Continuing the exploration, tourists will encounter the Memorial Bridge, a historical relic from the Second World War. Initially utilized as a crucial transportation route for troops and supplies to Myanmar, the bridge now stands as a poignant

reminder of Pai's storied past, inviting travelers to reflect on its historical significance and capture poignant photographs.

Lunch at the restaurant.

A visit to Pai Canyon, also known as Kong Lan, is an enchanting experience that unveils the marvels sculpted by nature's patient hand over countless years. This remarkable canyon has formed through a combination of soil subsidence and the relentless forces of wind and rain, giving rise to deep trenches that resemble magnificent cliffs. The terrain stretches over an area of more than 3 acres, with meandering ridge-like structures that present a truly captivating sight. Pai Canyon's surroundings boast a rich diversity of deciduous forests and an array of flora, further enhancing the allure of this one-of-a-kind attraction. Adventurous souls can trek along the narrow and steep trails that wind along the canyon's edges, treating themselves to breathtaking vistas of the lush forests and the deep chasms below. One of the highlights of Pai Canyon is the awe-inspiring view from its highest points. As visitors reach these elevated vantage points, they are rewarded with sweeping panoramas of quaint villages and farms nestled amidst the majestic mountains. The landscape presents a harmonious blend of nature and human habitation, showcasing the symbiotic relationship between the local community and the stunning environment.

The rugged beauty of Pai Canyon, with its ever-changing colors and textures, creates an otherworldly atmosphere, making it a favorite spot for photographers seeking to capture nature's artwork. Strolling along the trails, travelers can bask in the tranquil ambiance and embrace the sense of wonder that permeates the area. The feeling of being surrounded by nature's grandeur and contemplating the forces that sculpted Pai Canyon is an enriching and unforgettable experience for all who venture here. As the sun gracefully sets over the canyon, casting a warm glow over the landscape, visitors can savor the enchantment of the moment and bid adieu to the day with hearts filled with gratitude for the breathtaking beauty they have encountered. Pai Canyon is a natural masterpiece that leaves an indelible mark on the souls of those who explore its magnificence.

The Merit Bridge, known as "Khokuso," exudes its own unique charm as a bridge of faith, lovingly constructed by the villagers. This winding bamboo bridge gracefully meanders through verdant rice fields, with the stunning

mountains serving as an exquisite backdrop. The bridge holds a special purpose, facilitating the monks' alms rounds and offering a convenient path for both tourists and villagers to traverse, providing them with opportunities to make merit and bask in the splendor of the surrounding forests, mountains, and rice fields. Spending a night in Pai allows visitors to relish the peaceful ambiance and embrace the distinctive atmosphere of this captivating destination.

DAY 11      Pai - Mae Hong Son: Doi Kiew Lom Viewpoint / Tham Lod Cave / Lahu Hill Tribe Village (Ban Jabo Village) (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30AM.      Pick up from the hotel.

Departing from Pai to Pang Mapha District, travelers are in for a treat as they visit the Doi Kiew Lom Viewpoint, a well-known spot among both Thai and foreign visitors. The viewpoint offers a breathtaking sight of a spectacular sea of mist that gathers in the valley, creating a magical and ethereal atmosphere. Along with the misty beauty, the area is adorned with various types of colorful flowers, adding to the charm of this natural wonder. Continuing the journey, travelers will arrive at Tham Lod Cave, one of the most significant archaeological sites in the region. The cave features a flowing stream known as "Lang" that traverses from one end to the other, creating a mesmerizing underground world adorned with stalactites and stalagmites. The cave's interior showcases a variety of early age antique tools and utensils, believed to be over 2,000 years old, offering a glimpse into ancient human history and cultural practices. Aside from admiring the cave's magnificent splendor, visitors have the opportunity to partake in other exciting activities, such as bamboo rafting inside the cave. The enchanting journey on the bamboo raft takes travelers through the dark waters, allowing them to appreciate the unique cave formations from a different perspective. Furthermore, short trekking around the cave offers an opportunity to explore the surrounding natural beauty, embracing the tranquility of the lush landscapes that envelop the area.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Afterward, the journey continues to a Lahu hill tribe village. The Lahu people have an ancestral origin in Tibet and have gradually migrated to different regions over time. They have settled in the north of Thailand for



hundreds of years, bringing with them their unique lifestyle and culture. The Lahu prefer to build their villages on high land and lead a simple and close-knit way of life. Agriculture, particularly rice farming and corn planting, is their primary occupation, and they are skilled hunters as well. The Lahu people are known for their friendliness and warm hospitality, eagerly welcoming foreign tourists with open arms. This presents an excellent opportunity for travelers to immerse themselves in the Lahu culture, learn about their customs and traditions, and witness their way of life firsthand. As the day comes to an end, travelers will retire for the night in Mae Hong Son, reflecting on the unforgettable experiences and cultural encounters they've had throughout the day. The journey has taken them through stunning natural landscapes, ancient caves, and encounters with vibrant local communities, leaving them with lasting memories of Northern Thailand's rich cultural heritage and picturesque scenery.

DAY 12 Mae Hong Son Sightseeing: Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu Temple / Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang Temples / Su Tong Pae Bamboo Bridge / Ban Ruam Thai (Pang Oung) / Ban Rak Thai village (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel

08:30AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Embarking on the next leg of the journey, you will visit Wat Phra That Doi Kong Mu temple, a significant and revered place of worship in Mae Hong Son. Situated on top of Kong Mu Mountain, the temple comprises two pagodas, one larger one constructed by "Chong Thong Su" in 1860 and a smaller one built by "Phraya Singhanatracha" in 1874. The hilltop location offers panoramic views of the town surrounded by majestic mountains and lush valleys, creating a serene and awe-inspiring atmosphere. Continuing the exploration of local temples, visitors will arrive at Wat Chong Kham and Wat Chong Klang, two ancient temples located near a large swamp. These temples boast exquisite Burmese-style architecture and house the revered Buddha image called "Luang Paw To." Inside Wat Chong Klang, visitors will be captivated by the numerous Burmese wood carving dolls and intricate glass paintings depicting Buddhist history, adding to the spiritual and cultural significance of these temples.

Next on the itinerary is the Su Tong Pae Bridge, the longest bamboo bridge in Thailand. Spanning over paddy fields and canals, the bridge connects Suan Tham Phusama

Temple and Kung Mai Sak village. With its classic beauty, especially during the rainy season when it crosses the verdant paddy fields, or in the winter when the fields gleam golden, the Su Tong Pae Bridge leaves a lasting impression on visitors. The surrounding landscape, embraced by mountains, further enhances the beauty and charm of this remarkable bamboo bridge.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Arriving at Baan Rak Thai village, you will be transported to a unique enclave with a rich history and cultural heritage. The village, settled by the "Kuomintang" or the 93rd Division of the Chinese Nationalist forces, is located near the border between Thailand and Myanmar. The Kuomintang soldiers had evacuated from Southern China during the revolution and rise of the communist regime, seeking refuge in this picturesque region. As tourists explore Baan Rak Thai, they will be captivated by the stunning mountain scenery that surrounds the village, offering breathtaking panoramic views. The natural beauty of the landscape, with its lush greenery and majestic mountains, creates a serene and awe-inspiring atmosphere that leaves a lasting impression on visitors. One of the highlights of Baan Rak Thai is its beautiful lakes, which add to the village's charm and allure. The tranquil lakes create a calming environment that perfectly complements the surrounding mountains, offering visitors a sense of peace and tranquility.

Amidst the village, you will encounter colorful shrubbery that adds a touch of vibrancy and beauty to the setting. The colorful blooms and well-maintained gardens create a picturesque scene, inviting tourists to take leisurely strolls and immerse themselves in the beauty of nature. Another notable attraction in Baan Rak Thai is the green tea farmland, carefully cultivated in rows that gracefully curve along the mountainside. The tea plantations not only add to the scenic beauty of the village but also serve as a source of pride and livelihood for the local community. Visitors can witness the tea cultivation process and may even have the opportunity to taste the renowned Chinese tea, celebrated for its exceptional quality, making it a delightful experience for tea enthusiasts. Additionally, the village offers a gastronomic journey through Yunnan cuisine, allowing travelers to savor a delectable array of flavors. The unique blend of local ingredients and traditional Chinese recipes makes the dining experience in Baan Rak Thai truly memorable.

The exploration takes you to Baan Ruam Thai, also known as Pang Oung, a tranquil Shan village surrounded by rugged mountain ranges. This village boasts a spectacular landscape with a large lake, often referred to as the "Switzerland in Thailand." Surrounded by pine forests and colorful winter flowers, the area enjoys cool weather throughout the year. The picturesque sight of the pine forest hugging the spacious reservoir amidst the mountain range, with morning fog floating above the lake, is simply mesmerizing. The serene and peaceful atmosphere, along with the beauty of the surrounding nature, makes Baan Ruam Thai an enchanting destination for travelers to cherish. As the sun sets, travelers will spend another night in Mae Hong Son, reflecting on the diverse cultural encounters, natural wonders, and breathtaking landscapes they have experienced throughout their journey.

DAY 13 Mae Hong Son - Chiang Mai: Doi Inthanon National Park / Royal Pagodas / Wachiratharn Waterfall / The Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon (Hotel / Breakfast / Lunch)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:00AM. Pick up from the hotel.

Departing from Mae Hong Son, the journey to Doi Inthanon National Park takes you through a winding and scenic route, offering impressive views of the beautiful mountains. As visitors arrive at Doi Inthanon, they will be greeted by the highest peak in Thailand, rising to an altitude of 2,565 meters above sea level. Doi Inthanon is a part of the majestic Thanon Thongchai Mountain range, stretching from the Himalayas through various countries, including Nepal, Bhutan, and Myanmar. The diverse and abundant climate and forest in the area make it a nature lover's paradise. Within Doi Inthanon National Park, tourists will have the opportunity to experience different types of forests, including rain forests, pine forests, and mixed forests at various altitudes. The cool weather throughout the year, coupled with the breathtaking scenery and lush forest, makes Doi Inthanon a sought-after destination for visitors from around the world.

One of the prominent attractions in Doi Inthanon is the Twin Royal Pagodas, Napamethanidol, and Napapolpumisiri. These elegant pagodas were built by the Air Force in collaboration with Thai people to celebrate the 60th anniversary of King Bhumibol Adulyadej's reign in 1987 and to honor Queen Sirikit on her birthday in 1992. The pagodas are beautifully adorned with winter flower

gardens and an array of plants. The location provides stunning panoramic views and is considered one of the most picturesque viewpoints in Chiang Mai.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Next, you will visit the majestic Wachirathan Waterfall, a magnificent and towering single-tiered cascade that boasts unparalleled beauty, earning its reputation as one of Thailand's most stunning waterfalls with a continuous flow of water throughout the year. As the water gracefully descends into the basin below, the waterfall stands tall at an impressive height of 70 meters, leaving spectators in awe of its grandeur. During the rainy season, a delightful natural phenomenon occurs as water droplets glisten in the sunlight, creating mesmerizing rainbows that grace the surroundings of Wachirathan Waterfall. This enchanting display adds an extra touch of wonder and allure to the already breathtaking sight, making this waterfall an even more captivating destination for nature enthusiasts and visitors seeking a true sense of awe-inspiring beauty.

At the Royal Agricultural Station Inthanon, you will be delighted by the vibrant flower plots showcasing a variety of colorful blooms, as well as the diverse assortment of vegetables and fruits. The research station focuses on winter plant cultivation, including flowers, ornamental plants, vegetables, fruits, and highland fisheries. The project not only contributes to agricultural research but also supports social development and forest watershed conservation while generating income for hill tribe farmers in the surrounding villages. After a day of exploring the natural beauty and cultural landmarks of Doi Inthanon National Park, travelers will retreat to Chiang Mai for a restful night. This journey promises to leave visitors with unforgettable memories of Thailand's stunning landscapes and rich cultural heritage.

#### DAY 14 Chiang Mai Departure (Breakfast)

Breakfast at the hotel.

00:00 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 78,500 ฿
- 3 Persons 68,500 ฿
- 4 Persons 53,500 ฿
- 5 Persons up 51,500 ฿
- 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 (13 Nights)
- Meals as mentioned in the program (13 Breakfasts / 12 Lunches)

**Excluded:**

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

**Hotels:**

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

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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.