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Chiang Mai Lampang / Full Day Tour

Highlights: Wat Phra That Hariphunchai Woramahavihan / Wat Phra That Doi Phra Chan / Dhanabadee Ceramic Museum / Horse Carriage Ride (Lunch)

07:00 AM

Pick up from the hotel.

Our journey through Northern Thailand begins with a scenic drive along the historic Chiang Mai-Lamphun Road. Towering sentinels of time flank our route – thousands of Yang Na trees, some standing tall for centuries. We arrive in Lamphun, a city steeped in history, and head straight to its crown jewel – Wat Phra That Hariphunchai Woramahavihan. This revered temple complex dates back over a thousand years, a testament to the enduring faith of the region. Before entering the sacred grounds, you'll be greeted by a magnificent brick and cement arch, meticulously decorated with intricate patterns. This masterpiece stands as a lasting tribute to the artistry of ancient Srivijaya craftsmen. Look out for the imposing pair of lions guarding the entrance, perched majestically on pedestals. Step inside the temple grounds and prepare to be awestruck. The Viharn Luang, a grand temple, greets you with its elegant balconies on all sides. Explore its serene chambers and admire the exquisite craftsmanship. Behind the main temple lies the Phra Borommathat Hariphunchai, a golden pagoda strikingly similar to Chiang Mai's Phra That Doi Suthep. This magnificent structure houses a sacred relic – a lock of hair of the Buddha himself. Don't miss the bell tower, a majestic structure standing northeast of the Phra Borommathat Hariphunchai. Its purpose is simple yet profound – to resonate with the sound of devotion. Throughout the temple complex, discover hidden gems like the Phra Chao Tanjai and Phra Chao Ong Daeng temples, the serene Buddha Footprints, and the Reclining Buddha Hall. A dedicated museum within the temple grounds houses a treasure trove of ancient artifacts, offering a glimpse into Lamphun's rich history. Wat Phra That Haripoon Chaiyaworamahawihan is more than just a place of worship; it's a wellspring of knowledge and a haven for spiritual peace. Prepare to be captivated by its beauty, historical significance, and the sense of tranquility it evokes.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Leaving the historical grandeur of Lamphun behind, we continue our journey towards Lampang province. Nestled amidst the serenity of Doi Phra Chan mountain lies our next destination – Wat Phra That Doi Phra Chan. This architectural gem embodies the essence of Lanna style, a regional tradition known for its intricate details and graceful elegance. Prepare to be captivated as you ascend the mountain. The temple complex itself comprises a serene vihara (sanctuary) housing a revered

Buddha image known as "Somdej Phra Phutthasikhi Thotsapolyan Conquer Vikram primordial right Sri Prachan Banphot." This statue depicts the Buddha in a meditative posture, radiating peace and tranquility. Take a moment to appreciate the exquisitely carved wood and gilded gold that adorn the vihara's interior, a testament to the meticulous craftsmanship employed. Standing proudly near the vihara is the Phra That Doi Phra Chan, a white chedi (pagoda) adorned with a multi-tiered golden crown. Its presence adds to the aura of spiritual significance that permeates the entire complex. But Wat Phra That Doi Phra Chan offers more than just architectural wonders. Adjacent to the temple and pagoda stands a majestic Daibutsu (Great Buddha) statue. This impressive figure, a replica of the renowned Kotokuin Temple in Kamakura City Japan, embodies the Amitabha Buddha. Gazing upon this colossal statue, you'll be struck by its serenity and the sense of peace it evokes. The Daibutsu is elegantly enshrined on a continuous hill, further enhancing its grandeur. The true beauty of Wat Phra That Doi Phra Chan extends beyond its structures. As you explore the temple grounds, take a moment to soak in the breathtaking panorama. The verdant landscapes of Mae Tha and other districts sprawl before you, offering a truly unforgettable vista. This harmonious blend of spiritual significance, architectural mastery, and breathtaking scenery makes Wat Phra That Doi Phra Chan a truly remarkable destination.

After basking in the serenity and breathtaking views of Wat Phra That Doi Phra Chan, we'll delve into the heart of Lampang's artistic heritage with a visit to the Dhanabadee Ceramic Museum. Located in Phra Bat Subdistrict, this museum offers a captivating glimpse into the history of the Dhanabadee Group and the iconic Chicken Brand bowls. Step inside and embark on a journey through time. Discover the fascinating origin story of these world-renowned bowls, a source of immense pride for Lampang. Witness firsthand the meticulous process of crafting these traditional ceramic pieces. Watch skilled artisans transform raw clay into beautiful bowls, adorned with the rooster motif that has become synonymous with Lampang. The museum serves as a dedicated space for preserving this artistic legacy. It's a testament to the Dhanabadee Group's commitment to promoting learning and appreciation for ceramics and art. But the Dhanabadee Ceramic Museum is more than just a display of production techniques. Prepare to be mesmerized by a collection of valuable historical artifacts. Marvel at the ancient dragon stove, a silent witness to generations of ceramic artistry. Explore exhibits showcasing miniature Chicken Brand bowls, meticulously crafted and painted with traditional designs. Immerse yourself in an exhibition dedicated to the cultural significance of these bowls. Learn how they transcend mere objects, becoming a symbol of Lampang's artistic heritage, community spirit, and the rich cultural tapestry passed down through generations. The Dhanabadee Ceramic Museum is not just a museum – it's a treasure trove of information. It caters to all levels of interest, offering historical insights, artistic exploration, and a deeper understanding of Lampang's cultural identity.

Before bidding farewell to Lampang, we'll embark on a delightful journey through time with a traditional horse-drawn carriage ride. As we meander through the streets, immerse yourself in the local way of life and soak in the city's unique atmosphere. These carriages, once the main mode of transportation in Lampang, traversed bustling economic roads. Traces of that bygone era are still evident – grand, old structures line the streets, serving as silent testaments to Lampang's prosperous past.

Admire the architectural details of these buildings, a glimpse into a different time. Horse-drawn carriages are more than just a means of transportation; they're a symbol of Lampang's identity. While advancements have brought modern vehicles, the people here have preserved these carriages, using them today specifically for tourism purposes. Taking a ride in one is like stepping back in time, offering a unique perspective of the city.

As the day draws to a close, it's time to say goodbye to Lampang. We'll head back to Chiang Mai, arriving comfortably in the evening. We'll drop you off at your accommodation, marking the end of this enriching exploration of Northern Thailand's cultural treasures.

Prices:

- 1 Person 8,300 THB
- 2 Persons 5,050 THB
- 3 Persons 4,000 THB
- 4 Persons 3,200 THB
- 5 Persons up 2,700 THB
- 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:

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