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2NIGHTS IN CHIANG MAI & 2NIGHTS IN CHIANG RAI



Day 1: Chiang Mai

Our guide will meet you upon arrival at Chiang Mai Airport and transfer and check into the hotel.
Overnight Chiang Mai

Day 2 : Chiang Mai (Breakfast)

Breakfast at Hotel

Pick up from hotel 0800-08300hrs to do a morning city tour of Chiang Mai.

The city of Chiang Mai has a wealth of beautiful and historic Buddhist *Wats* (temples), and this journey takes you to some of the more interesting *Wats*.

Near the summit of Doi Suthep, is the 600 year old temple of WAT PHRATHAT DOI SUTHEP. After a drive up a mountain road , the final climb to the site is via an enormous mythological Nagas (Dragon-headed serpent) staircase of 306 steps (elevators are available). Inside the cloister is an intriguing copper-plated chedi topped by a five-tier gold parasol, which contains partial relics of Lord Buddha.

On a clear day, there are incomparable views over the city of Chiang Mai from the temple grounds. Other temples visited on this tour include WAT SUAN DOK, whose large central stupa contains Buddha relics which supposedly self-multiplied!, and WAT CHEDI LUANG consisting of an impressive *chedi*, originally built in 1411.

Overnight Chiang Mai

Day 3: Chiang Mai – Chiang Rai Golden Triangle. (Breakfast ,Lunch)

Morning 0700 hr. pick up from your hotel in Chiang Mai. Drive to Chiang Rai

An early morning 3-hour drive through beautiful scenery, with a stop at the Hot Springs at Maekajan

At the Golden Triangle, there are magnificent views over the Mae Khong River to the physical triangle made by Burma, Laos and Thailand at the confluence of the Ruak and Mekong River. For a small fee, you can also enjoy the boat ride to view the splendour of mighty Mae Khong River.

Continue on to Mae Sai, the farther-most northern trading border between Thailand and Burma, where a local lunch is provided.

Overnight Chiang Rai

Day 4: Chiang Rai (Breakfast)

Halfday Doi Tung & Royal Villa

This trip takes you to the highest peak of Doi Tung.

Drive up to the highest mountain peak on the Thai/Burma border, Doi Tung, 2,000 meters above sea- level. The name Doi Tung means 'Flag Peak', where Tung comes from the Northern Thai word for flag. In the past, the forest area around Doi Tung was destroyed by shifting slash-and-burn cultivation.

Opium implantation, once common all over Doi Tung. all changed in 1987 with the , Doi Tung Development Project established by the King's Mother initiative, opium cultivation has been virtually eliminated following the royal crop substitution project. A visit is made at Mae Fah Luang Gardens and Royal villa.

Drive further up to Wat Phra Thad Doi Tung on the mountain peak, regarded as the holiest sanctuary by the residents of Chiang Rai and nearby provinces. The Wat was built in A.D.911 and it is believed that the left collarbone of Lord Buddha is enshrined in the twin pagodas. The legend says Phraya Achutarat (King of Chiang Saen) marked the spot where the twin pagoda was to be constructed and ordered a giant flag to be flown from the peak of the mountain, local legend says that a mysterious large hole in the ground is for this flag pole and can still be seen in the temple area.

Overnight Chiang Rai

Day 5: Chiang Rai –Chiang Rai Airport (Breakfast)

Free till departure time, private transfer from hotel to Chiang Rai for your departure flight.

Services included:

** Accommodation in Chiang Mai 2nights & Chiang Rai with Daily breakfast*

Meals as mentioned in the above program

**Transfers and tours are private,*

** English speaking guide*

** Entrance fees for mentioned visits*

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