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Rates in THB per person

TOUR NAME BANGKOK TOURS	DESCRIPTION	TOP UP RATE
City & Temples	<p>CITY AND TEMPLES TOUR - HALF DAY Seat-in-coach tour - daily 08:30 & 13:30.</p> <p>This half-day tour includes visits to three magnificent temples in Bangkok: Wat Suthat, Wat Pho, and Wat Benchamabophit. Wat Suthat is one of the oldest and largest temples in Bangkok, famed for its beautiful roofline, huge golden Buddha, excellent murals and giant swing out front. Wat Pho, which features the largest reclining Buddha image in Thailand, and the Chedi of the kings, is Bangkok's oldest and largest temple. Finally there is Wat Benchamabophit, a fine modern Thai temple constructed from white Carrara marble with ornate crossbeams decorated with lacquer and gold.</p>	THB919.04
Royal Grand Palace	<p>ROYAL GRAND PALACE TOUR – HALF DAY Seat-in-coach tour - daily 0830 & 13:30.</p> <p>The Grand Palace was the seat not only of the king and his court, but contained within its crenellated walls the entire government administration. The architecture is vibrantly Thai though there are some European designs as well. Brilliantly colored and gilded, and decorated with intricate detail, the overall effect is dazzling. The palace served as the official residence of the kings of Thailand from the 18th to the mid-20th century. The most famous building on the palace grounds is Wat Phra Kaew (Temple of the Emerald Buddha), regarded as the most sacred Buddhist temple (wat) in Thailand. Construction of the temple began when King Rama I moved the capital from Thonburi to Bangkok in 1785. Unlike other Thai temples, it does not contain living quarters for monks; rather, it has only the richly decorated holy buildings, statues, and pagodas. The main temple building is the central ubosoth, which houses the Emerald Buddha. Though green in color, the Buddha is actually carved from a single piece of jade, and though only 17 inches tall, is the most revered object in Thailand. Also within the grounds are several palaces, used for various occasions: the Funeral Palace, Reception Palace, Throne Hall, Coronation Hall, and the Royal Guest House. The majority of halls and palaces can be viewed from outside only, but the exteriors are captivating enough to please.</p> <p>Note: The entire Grand Palace is closed during special royal ceremonies and during visiting heads of state, while other buildings (such as the Throne Hall and Coronation Hall) are always closed on SAT/SUN and public holidays, during special ceremonies and on Buddhist Holidays. A calendar for visiting the Palace and Temple of the Emerald Buddha can be viewed on the web-site of the Bureau of the Royal Household at: http://www.palaces.thai.net/calendar/2010/english_2010.htm</p>	THB1285.12
Damnoen Saduak Floating Market	<p>DAMNOEN SADUAK FLOATING MARKET – HALF DAY Seat-in-coach tour - daily 07:00. There are countless floating markets throughout the country, many within a couple of hours' of the capital. The colorfully clad merchants at these lively markets paddle along congested canals in sturdy canoes laden with fresh fruit and vegetables to sell to shoppers on the banks. There is lots of chatter and activity – bargaining is common – that's all part of the fun -- but don't expect to get the price down more than a few baht. The most famous of the floating markets is Damnoen Saduak, about 100 kilometers southwest of Bangkok. This buzzing market is at its best in the early morning before the crowds arrive and the heat of the day builds up. Our tour further includes a visit to Phra Pathom Chedi in Nakorn Pathom, supposedly the largest pagoda in Southeast Asia.</p>	THB2016



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River Kwai	<p>RIVER KWAI – FULL DAY Operates daily 07:00 – 18:00</p> <p>Fascinating, nostalgic and memorable sums up this day tour to Kanchanaburi province. The famous bridge and the beginning of the 'Death Railway' is a poignant reminder of the thousands of POW's and forced labourers who lost their lives in the Second World War during the construction works of the railway. Transfer from your hotel in Bangkok to Kanchanaburi. Visit the Thailand-Burma Railway Museum, an interactive museum, information and research facility dedicated to presenting the history of the Thailand-Burma Railway. The fully air-conditioned centre offers the visitor an educational and moving experience. After a visit to the War Cemetery, enjoy a scenic long-tail boat trip along MaeKlong River to the famous Bridge over the River Kwai. Continue by van / coach to Pakseng for lunch at a local restaurant, then board the local train for the thrilling ride across wooden viaducts, which offer fantastic scenery along the Kwai River. Coach-transfer back to Bangkok.</p>	THB1726.72