# **EPIC ASIA**

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## Phuket, Thailand - Chiang Mai, Thailand - Tokyo, Japan



Trip includes everything in this itinerary unless noted. Included is all International and Intra-Asia airfare (economy), hotels (double occupancy), transportation (bus, taxi, subways, etc.), guided tours, activities, breakfast daily, and other meals notated in the itinerary (total of 19 meals provided). For pricing and payment details, visit the FAQ page at www.EpicGroupVacations.com

## **Travel Day**

- Flights from home city to Phuket, Thailand.
  - Actual travel time depends on flights selected. Flight options may include a layover on Day 2 in Seoul, Bangkok, or Singapore. Flight and layover options will be discussed approximately 6-months prior to departure. Guests will decide individually on their desired flights and class of service. Travel credit of \$1,200 is given towards selected airfare. 2 meals served on flights.
  - Don't worry. We will give you lots of suggestions on what you can do to make this long journey not as bad!

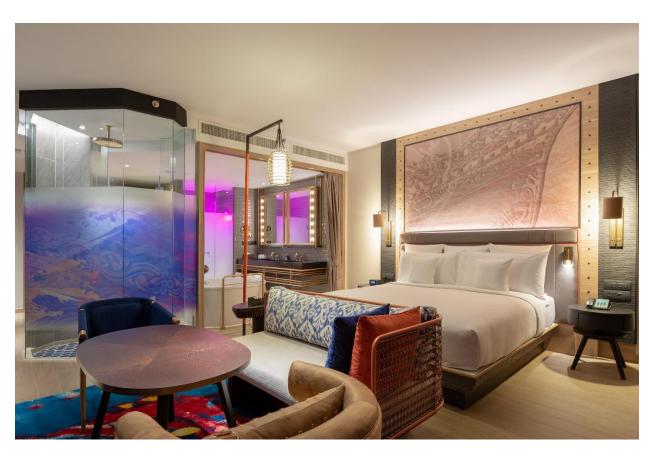




## DAY 2

- Arrival into Phuket (usually late afternoon or evening) Transfer to hotel
- Hotel Hotel Indigo Patong (or similar)















## Free day to shake off the jet lag!

#### Patong Beach

 Sip a cold drink at the hotel pool, take a swim in the calm ocean, and feel the sand between your toes on Patong Beach! The Day is yours to relax and recharge.

#### • Morning excursion to Monkey Hill

 A short drive and hike to the top of monkey hill where families of monkeys are waiting for you to bring them bananas and nuts.

#### • Afternoon Thai Massages

 Most people on this trip end up getting several massages while in Thailand. We bet you will too! The first massage is on us to get you hooked!

#### Mountain Trek to Big Buddha

 Challenge yourself to a trek through the Thai wilderness on a challenging hike to the Phuket Big Buddha and Wat Chalong, Phuket's largest Buddhist temple.

#### • Red Mountain Golf Club – (not included in trip price - add \$139 per person if desired)

o 18-Holes including cart, caddy, and transportation.

#### Sunset on Patong Beach

o The perfect way to end a perfect day! The sun sets at 6:00pm over Patong beach.

#### • Group Welcome Dinner

 After sunset, we meet together for a group dinner At Naughty Nuri's Restaurant (familystyle dinner is included).

#### • Explore Bangla Road Night Market

o Spend the remainder of the evening exploring the crazy nightlife along Bangla Road.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner



































## **Lagoons and Sea Caves at Phang Nga Bay**

#### Full-Day excursion on Sea Canoes

O This has been one of the highlights of the trip with past groups. We will explore Phang Nga Bay's caves and hidden lagoons. Every couple is assigned to a sea canoe with a guide that will do all of the paddling for you while you sit back and relax! Plenty of time included for swimming, hanging out on a private beach, or taking your canoe out on your own to explore. In the evening, surprises and glowing plankton await. Gourmet meals are prepared and served back on the transfer boat. A day you will talk about forever!

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner















### **Phi Phi Islands Snorkel**

#### Speed Boat tour to Phi Phi Islands

• We will ride in a speedboat through the Andaman Sea to visit Phi Phi Island, Maya Bay, Viking Cave, Monkey Beach, Khai Island, Loh Samah Bay, Pileh Cove, and Tonsai Bay. Lots of snorkeling and swimming along the way. Lunch is included at a local restaurant on Ko Phi Phi Don. Good luck explaining to your friends at home how incredible that water is!

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch









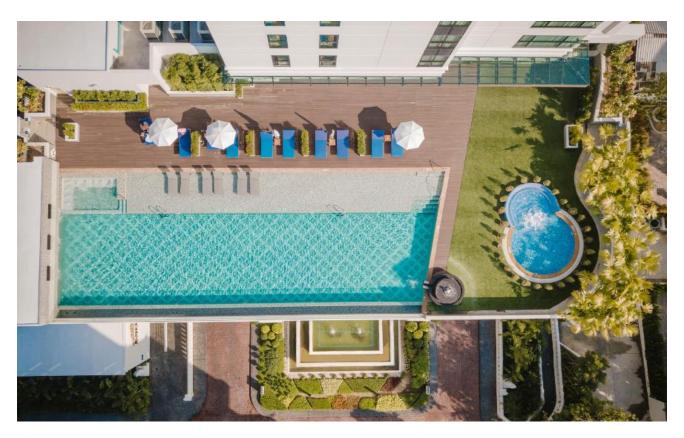
## **Chiang Mai**

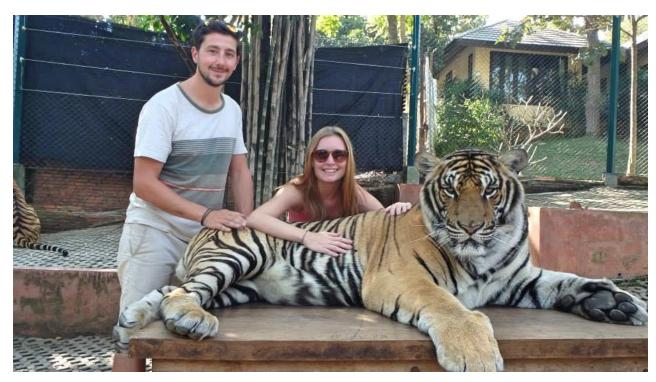
- Short morning flight to Chiang Mai and quick transfer to hotel
- Hotel Empress Premier Chiang Mai (or similar)
- Tiger Kingdom
  - o We will make a visit to Tiger Kingdom and enter the cages with these gentle giants!
- Wat Pa Dara Temple
  - Located near Tiger Kingdom, we will visit this fascinating Buddhist temple and see the most life-like statues you have ever seen...or are they real Monks?
- Night Bazaar
  - The night comes alive at the famous Chiang Mai Night Bazaar. Find some dinner, get a banana pancake and buy some "elephant pants" to take home!





















## **Chiang Mai Jungle**

#### • Elephant Sanctuary

Another much anticipated highlight of the trip is our visit to a highly regarded elephant sanctuary. You will spend half a day with these beautiful, well taken care of, rescued elephants (even a new baby!). You will feed them, play with them, and trek through the jungle to a river to bathe them. A truly unbelievable experience!

#### • Bamboo River Rafting & Lunch

• We will finish the day with a relaxing float down the river onboard bamboo rafts & enjoy lunch at a local restaurant.

#### • Free Evening

 Spend the evening getting another massage, returning to explore the night market, take a stroll through Old Town, or take it easy back at the hotel.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch









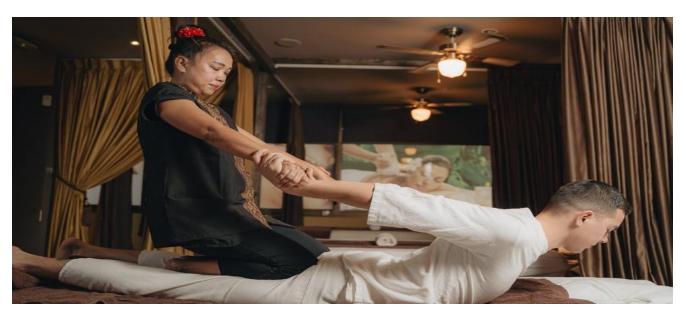


## **Chiang Mai Food & Fun**

- Free Day
  - o Spend the day relaxing, shopping, more massage, or lounging by the hotel pool!
- Wat Pha Lat Morning Hike (Monk's Trail)
  - o Steep 30-minute hike to a Buddhist Temple in the jungle above Chiang Mai
- Chiang Mai Highlands Golf Course (not included in trip price add \$139 per person if desired)
  - o 18-Holes including cart, caddy, and transportation.
- Evening Thai Cooking Class
  - Another favorite of past groups. During this dining experience, everyone in your group will have their own cooking station as you follow the chef's instructions to prepare and eat 11 Thai dishes prepared to your liking, with a cookbook to take home!

Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner

























## **Travel Day**

- Flight to Tokyo with a short connection in Bangkok. Evening arrival.
- Hotel Hyatt Tokyo Bay (or similar)







## **Exploring Tokyo**

- Tsukiji Fish Market
  - We will start the day at this awesome morning street market.
- Tokyo Tour
  - We will navigate through Tokyo to visit the following sites:
    - Sensoji Shrine
    - Meiji Jingu Shrine
    - Harajuku Takeshita Street
    - LDS Temple Visitors Center
- Evening exploring and eating in Shibuya
  - The "Times Square" of Tokyo, and home of the busiest pedestrian intersection in the world. We will point out our favorite conveyor belt sushi restaurant and ramen house. You will then have a few hours to explore and eat at your leisure.

















## **Disney in Japanese**

#### Full Day at Tokyo Disneyland

O Some have asked, "Why are we going all the way to Tokyo and spending time at Disneyland?". The answer is simple- the majority of the visitors are season-pass holding locals. A visit to Tokyo Disney is a cultural experience that will have you raving. Japanese people watching at its best, you will be mesmerized with how fun the groups of Japanese students are, and how kind everyone is to the only group of Americans in the whole park! I promise, you will love it!

#### Disney Evening Ticket

For those who do not want an entire day of Disney, these additional options include a 4-hour Disney evening pass (just to give you a small taste) along with an additional activity during the day.

#### Mount Mitake Day Hike & Evening Disney

- Mount Mitake is one of the most popular places for hiking in Tokyo. The charming Musashi Mitake shrine that sits atop of the mountain makes for a beautiful backdrop. The mountain is home to hundreds of rare species of birds, plants, and insects. Finish the day with an evening 4hour Disney pass.
- Tokyo Bayside Golf Course & Evening Disney (not included in trip price add \$95 per person if desired)
  - 18-Holes including cart and transportation. Finish the day with an evening 4-hour Disney pass.



















## Noodles, Shopping, and Return Home

- Group Farewell Lunch at Din Tai Fung
  - One of our favorite restaurants in the world! We'll eat family style so you can try the dumplings, noodles, rice, and the mango shaved ice! Spend whatever time we have left buying those last-minute souvenirs in the Shibuya district.
- Final Shopping in Shibuya
- Afternoon flights back to home

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch



