

# Bangkok to Ayutthaya Pilgrimage & Historic Ruins Tour

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 Destination  
**Thailand**

 Duration  
**4 Nights 5 Days**

 Starting from  
**Rs. 18,800 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

 **Bangkok · 3N**

 **Ayutthaya · 1N**

## Overview

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A 4 nights / 5 days Thailand Pilgrimage tour package tailored for travelers seeking spiritual sites and UNESCO-listed ruins. This journey blends iconic Bangkok temples with the ancient capital of Ayutthaya's historic ruins, perfect for those searching for a Thailand Pilgrimage package that combines devotion, culture, and history.

Highlights:

- Grand Palace & Wat Phra Kaew (Temple of the Emerald Buddha)
- Wat Pho (Reclining Buddha)
- Wat Arun (Temple of Dawn)
- Ayutthaya Historical Park: Wat Mahathat, Wat Ratchaburana, Wat Phra Si Sanphet
- Bang Pa-In Summer Palace

Tip: Wear modest clothing (shoulders and knees covered) for temple visits; comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ 4 nights accommodation (3 nights in Bangkok, 1 night in Ayutthaya)
  - Daily breakfast - Private transfers airport-hotel-airport - Private guided tours with English-speaking guide as stated in itinerary - Entrance fees to listed monuments and parks - One-way or round-trip transfer between Bangkok and Ayutthaya - One bottled water per person per day

### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ International flights to/from Thailand - Thai visa fees (if applicable) - Travel insurance - Meals not specified in inclusions - Optional activities (Thai massage, dinner cruise, extra excursions) - Personal expenses, tips, and gratuities - Any services not mentioned in the inclusions

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival, Bangkok Temples & Evening Welcome**

Arrival at Bangkok Suvarnabhumi/Don Mueang Airport and private transfer to your hotel in Bangkok. After check-in and rest, begin your pilgrimage with a guided visit to the iconic Grand Palace & Wat Phra Kaew – Thailand's most revered shrine. Continue to Wat Pho to see the magnificent reclining Buddha and experience traditional Thai massage (optional). Evening at leisure with an optional dinner cruise on the Chao Phraya River.

Note: The Grand Palace observes strict dress codes; visitors with inappropriate attire will be denied entry.

Day

2

### **Riverside Shrines & City Pilgrimage**

Cross the river by long-tail boat to visit Wat Arun (Temple of Dawn) with its impressive prang towers. Explore Wat Saket (Golden Mount) for panoramic city views and stop at Wat Benchamabophit (Marble Temple) to admire its elegant architecture. Afternoon free for optional visits to local markets or a spa.

Tip: Early mornings have cooler temperatures and fewer crowds at major temples.

Day

3

### **Transfer to Ayutthaya & Sunset Ruins**

Depart Bangkok after breakfast for a scenic drive (approx. 1.5–2 hours) to Ayutthaya, the ancient capital and UNESCO World Heritage site. Start your exploration at Wat Mahathat (famous for the Buddha head in tree roots), then visit Wat Ratchaburana and Wat Phra Si Sanphet. Enjoy sunset views over the river and an overnight stay in Ayutthaya.

Important: Many archaeological sites are outdoors – bring sun protection and water.

Day

4

### **Deeper into Ayutthaya & Bang Pa-In Palace, Return to Bangkok**

Continue your guided tour of Ayutthaya in the morning with visits to Viharn Phra Mongkol Bopit (large bronze Buddha) and local ruins. Drive to Bang Pa-In Summer Palace to explore its elegant royal grounds. Return to Bangkok in the late afternoon for an evening at leisure – consider visiting the bustling night markets or rooftop views.

Tip: For photographers, the soft morning and late-afternoon light is ideal for capturing temple details.

Day

5

## Final Pilgrimage Visit & Departure

Spend your final morning visiting a local Bangkok shrine such as the Erawan Shrine or enjoy last-minute shopping in Siam Square. Check out of your hotel and take a private transfer to the airport for your onward flight. End of service.

Note: If your flight is late, consider adding an optional half-day excursion or museum visit.

## ❓ Frequently Asked Questions

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### ❓ When is the best time to visit Thailand from India?

The best time to visit Thailand is during the cool/dry season from November to February, when temperatures range from 24–30°C with clear skies and minimal rainfall. This is perfect for beach activities on the Andaman coast (Phuket, Krabi) and sightseeing in Bangkok and Chiang Mai. However, this is peak season with higher prices and crowds. The hot season (March–June) offers good deals but temperatures can reach 35°C. During monsoon (June–October), the Andaman side experiences rough seas, but the Gulf side (Koh Samui) is often better July–September. Northern Thailand (Chiang Mai) can get quite cool in winter mornings (15–20°C), so pack layers. Book early for November–February travel.

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### ❓ How can I reach Thailand from India?

Flying is the most convenient option with direct flights from major Indian cities including Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bengaluru, and Hyderabad to Bangkok (BKK/DMK), Phuket (HKT), and seasonal flights to Chiang Mai and Krabi. Flight times are short: Kolkata (2.5 hours), Chennai/Bengaluru (3.5–4 hours), and Delhi/Mumbai (4–5 hours). Airlines like Thai Airways, IndiGo, Air India, and budget carriers operate these routes. There's no direct rail connection, and overland travel via Myanmar requires complex permits and is only recommended with specialist operators. Once in Thailand, domestic flights, trains, and buses connect major destinations efficiently.

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## ❓ **Do Indian citizens need a visa for Thailand?**

Visa requirements for Indian passport holders change frequently, so always check the latest policies before travel. Thailand has offered various schemes including visa exemption periods, visa on arrival, and e-visa options for Indians. Currently, you may be eligible for visa-free entry for short stays or visa on arrival, but policies can change based on diplomatic agreements. Keep multiple passport-sized photos handy and ensure your passport has at least 6 months validity with blank pages. Check with the Royal Thai Embassy or consulate in India, or visit the official Thai immigration website for the most current requirements. It's advisable to have proof of return tickets and accommodation bookings.

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## ❓ **What are the local transportation options in Thailand?**

Thailand offers excellent transportation options. In Bangkok, use the BTS Skytrain, MRT subway, and Airport Rail Link for efficient city travel. Get a Rabbit Card for quick payments. Metered taxis, tuk-tuks, and Grab (ride-hailing) are widely available. For intercity travel, domestic flights are quick and affordable. The State Railway offers comfortable overnight sleepers to destinations like Chiang Mai and Surat Thani. VIP buses provide good connectivity between cities. For islands, ferries and speedboats are essential - book through reputable operators. In tourist areas, songthaews (shared pickup trucks) are common. Always insist taxi drivers use the meter, and compare Grab prices. Motorbike taxis are available but use caution and wear helmets.

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## ❓ **Where should I stay in Thailand and what accommodation options are available?**

Thailand offers accommodations for every budget. In Bangkok, stay near BTS stations in Sukhumvit (shopping/nightlife), Silom (business district), or riverside areas for convenience. Chiang Mai's old city puts you near temples and markets. For beaches, Phuket offers variety from Patong (nightlife) to quieter Kata/Karon. Krabi's Railay Beach provides stunning limestone scenery. Koh Samui has family-friendly resorts and boutique properties. Options range from budget hostels (₹500-1500/night) and mid-range hotels (₹2000-6000/night) to luxury resorts (₹10000+/night). Popular chains include Anantara, JW Marriott, and InterContinental. Book early for peak season (November-February). Consider location carefully - beach proximity, transport links, and nearby attractions matter more than just price.

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## 🔗 What are the must-visit attractions in Thailand?

Thailand's top attractions span culture, nature, and adventure. In Bangkok, visit the Grand Palace and Wat Pho temple, then explore floating markets and take a Chao Phraya river cruise. Ayutthaya's UNESCO ruins make an excellent day trip. Chiang Mai offers the old city's temples, Doi Suthep mountain temple, and vibrant markets. For beaches, Phuket and Phang Nga Bay provide island-hopping to James Bond Island. Krabi's Railay Beach offers world-class rock climbing and stunning limestone karsts. Koh Samui features palm-fringed beaches and Ang Thong Marine Park. Don't miss Kanchanaburi's Bridge on River Kwai and Erawan Falls. Sukhothai's quieter ruins are perfect for cycling. Each region offers unique experiences - temples in the north, beaches in the south, and urban energy in Bangkok.

## 🔗 What Thai food should I try and where can I find good restaurants?

Thai cuisine offers incredible variety beyond the familiar Pad Thai. Must-try dishes include Tom Yum Goong (spicy-sour soup), Green/Red/Massaman curry (Massaman is milder), Som Tam (papaya salad), and Khao Soi (Chiang Mai's coconut curry noodles). Don't miss Mango Sticky Rice for dessert. For vegetarians, say 'gin jay' for vegan options without fish sauce. Top dining spots include Raan Jay Fai (Bangkok) for legendary crab omelette, Thipsamai for classic Pad Thai, and Gaggan Anand for progressive Indian-Thai fusion. In Chiang Mai, try Khao Soi Khun Yai for authentic northern flavors. Street food is generally safe at busy stalls with high turnover. Start with milder dishes and gradually increase spice levels. Always drink bottled water and eat at crowded local spots for the freshest food.

## ★ Traveller Reviews



**Suman Verma**

★★★★★ 5/5

### A Perfect Mix of Relaxation and Fun

This tour struck the right balance between relaxation on the beaches and adventure in the cities. I appreciated the variety in activities.



**Tarun Singh**

★★★★★ 5/5

### A Foodie's Delight

Food lovers will find Thailand irresistible! The variety of flavors and dishes we experienced on this tour was phenomenal.



**Jasmin Ali**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Cultural Richness

The depth of culture and tradition in Thailand is remarkable. The tour offered plenty of opportunities to immerse ourselves in local customs.



**Kavya Gupta**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Thrilling Activities

From scuba diving to zip-lining, every activity in this tour package was exhilarating. An adventure-seeker's dream come true!



**Ajay Kapoor**

★★★★★ 5/5

### A Journey of a Lifetime

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