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Thailand- The Land of Smiles

Gay and Lesbian Group Departure, open to Family and Friends





*Thailand is a wondrous kingdom, featuring Buddhist temples, exotic wildlife, and spectacular islands. Along with its fascinating history and unique culture that include delectable Thai food and massage, Thailand features a modern capital city, a pastoral countryside, and friendly people who epitomize Thailand's "land of smiles" reputation. **Join us for a once-in-a-lifetime vacations in Thailand.** This cultural program will offer sightseeing in varied locations, opportunities to meet Thai people, and the camaraderie of a lively, friendly, gay and lesbian group.*

Over the past twenty years, Thailand has surpassed in popularity every other destination in the world among gay and lesbian travelers. The reason for this popularity can be found in the tolerant religious philosophy of the Thai people who's majority practice Buddhism. The stigma toward gay and lesbian communities or individuals in the West doesn't exist in Thailand. Most Thai people simply accept individuals as enjoying a different kind of sexuality. This accepting attitude has fostered a very important gay scene throughout Thailand.

The sheer beauty of Thailand is its major asset for tourism that is enhanced by its tropical climate. By joining this tour you are embarking on a journey of the spirit. You will discover a diverse and culturally rich area of the world. Your imagination will be sparked by art, religion, customs, traditions, music, and dance.

Thailand, the only Southeast Asian nation never to have been colonized by European powers, is a constitutional monarchy whose current head of state is HM Bhumibol Adulyadej. A unified Thai kingdom has existed since the mid-14th century, and Thailand was known as Siam until 1939 when it officially became the Kingdom of Thailand. The country is roughly the size of France or Texas.

Thailand is a constitutional monarchy, not dissimilar to England's, whereby an elected Prime Minister is authorized to be the head of government and a hereditary Thai King is head of state. The constitution of Thailand allows for the people of Thailand to democratically elect their leaders in the form of a parliament, with a bicameral legislature consisting of a Senate and House of Representatives, and executive authority in the hands of the Prime Minister.



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Daily Itinerary of Events

Your 12-day adventure starts and finishes in the capital city of Bangkok, and home to Asia's best food, nightlife, and shopping. The majority of this incredible journey will be spent on the islands and beaches of Southern Thailand. We have prepared this itinerary to give you an in-depth look at what this program will provide and what you can expect each day.

Days 1 and 2 - BANGKOK

We highly recommend that you arrive in Bangkok a day prior to the trip start date. This will allow you time to rest after your international flight and begin the program full of energy. Simple let us know at the time of booking and we can make all the arrangements for your extra day.

The time you spend in Bangkok will provide you with a great introduction to the incredible country of Thailand. During these couple days, you'll really get to know the city by checking out Bangkok's highlights using many different forms of local transportation, a ride in a tuk-tuk, a leisurely boat trip, and perhaps even a train ride. Your second day, you'll have a guided day-trip around the city visiting Wat Arun, Wat Pho and several additional sites.



There are over 31,000 Buddhist temples spread around Thailand. In Thai these are called wat. One of these, the Wat Arun or the Temple of Dawn, is named after Aruna, the Indian God of Dawn. The legendary Wat Arun is one of the most striking riverside landmarks of Thailand.



Wat Pho, or the Temple of the Reclining Buddha, is the oldest and largest Buddhist temple in Bangkok. It is home to more Buddha images than any other Bangkok temple and it shelters the largest Buddha in Thailand.

Each evening you will have an opportunity to check out Silom Road's famous night market and very lively gay scene. Bangkok never disappoints and is world famous for many reasons.

Overnight accommodations at a centrally located 4 Star property.

Days 3, 4 and 5 - KOH PHANGAN

On Day 3 you fly to southern Thailand and then continue by boat to Koh Phangan, an idyllic paradise island with white sand beaches and the clear blue waters of the Gulf of Thailand. Koh Phangan offers dense jungles for hikers, beaches for sun-worshippers, and plenty of opportunity to shop, eat, and meet people from all around the world. You can choose to stay on land or enjoy SCUBA diving or snorkeling.

An island that's a hedonist's paradise, Koh Phangan offers exquisite beaches, and breathtaking adventures that are sure to fulfill your every desire!



Overnight accommodations at a 4 Star beach front property.

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Days 6, 7 and 8 - KOH SAMUI

This morning you will take a 1 hour boat ride from Phangan to Koh Samui, the island that “has it all”. Including bungee jumping, zip-lining, stunning beaches, and even an amazing nightly drag show, this is an island paradise that never fails to amaze. You'll have enough time here to really immerse yourselves in island life. Feel free to get active on Samui or swing away the day in a sun-kissed hammock.



Overnight at an island 4 Star beach-front property.

Days 9 and 10 - PHUKET

On day 9 you travel overland to Phuket, stopping along the way to check out the scenery, the people, and the animals of the inland areas. You'll stop to have lunch with a Thai "family" who are always excited to show our groups their local area. Phuket brings you the amazing west coast of Thailand, an area full of huge limestone cliffs rising from white-sand beaches and endless adventures that keeps that travel bug of yours very happy.



It's here you'll find opportunities to SCUBA dive, feed wild monkeys, island hop, relax with a massage, or get some sun on the local gay beach by day while socializing with people from all over the planet by night.



Overnight at an island 4 Star beach-front property.

Day 11 and 12 - BANGKOK

Today, you return to Bangkok! But this time staying in the Khao San Road area of town to give you an opportunity to see a completely different side of Bangkok. The Khao San Road area is the famous backpackers hangout, full of street food, stalls and peddlers. This is an easy place to stock up on some new outfits or some souvenirs for your boyfriend/mother/bff before you head back to airport on day 12 and wave a goodbye-for-now to Thailand and new friends and old..



What to Do as a Gay Tourist in Thailand

The largest gay scenes in Thailand are located in Bangkok, Phuket, Chiang Mai and Pattaya.

Bangkok, being the largest city in Thailand, has of course the biggest number of gay bars, restaurants and hotels. The main gay areas in the capital can be found in Silom (soi 2 and 4), Sukhumvit and Ramkhamhaeng. A [full Bangkok gay city guide](#) is available .

Phuket is the largest island in the country. It is of course home to an important local and expatriate gay community. Most gay bars are located in Patong. Unfortunately, due to its huge popularity, Phuket can sometimes feel a bit overcrowded with tourists.

If visitors long for a quieter place, then Chiang Mai should be a perfect match. This Northern city, the second largest in Thailand, is home to an important gay community. Bars and discos can be found easily.

Pattaya is probably one of the most infamous cities on earth. Known for its adult bars and prostitution, it isn't for the faint-hearted or for families. The lack of historical or natural sights, as well as the poor state of its beaches can also be an issue.



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Registration Information

This departure is planned February of 2014. Please contact Janice Brannon or Waqas Mirza with questions or to register by phone.

This form can be submitted by fax or mail. Upon receipt of information we will contact you by phone to confirm your reservation and discuss how we can personalize this journey for you as an individual.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Passport Number _____ Date of Birth _____

I will be travelling with—

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Passport Number _____ Date of Birth _____

We would like single accommodations and understand that there will be a single supplement charged.

We would like to share accommodations and understand that most rooms will have one large bed.

Registration will be accepted on a first come first serve basis and group size is limited.



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