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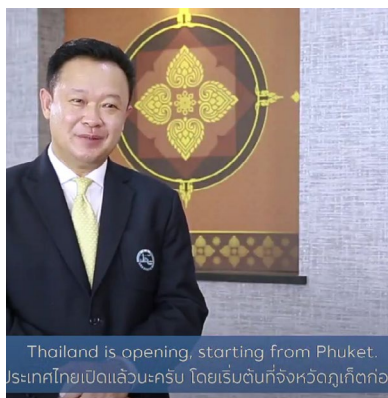


Sawasdee to all our readers!

*Thank you for reading the monthly e-newsletter of the Tourism Authority of Thailand,
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*We bring you the highlights of Amazing Thailand.
Welcome to the Land of Smiles!*

GREEN SEASON TREATS
AMAZING THAILAND REDISCOVER



Thailand is opening, starting from Phuket.
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THAILAND TRUSTED REPORT: THAILAND REOPENS TO TOURISM

Thailand is set to welcome international tourists back. On 1 July, Phuket will be the first destination that allows those who are fully vaccinated to enter and travel within the destination without quarantine under the 'Phuket Sandbox model'. In this episode, Mr. Yuthasak Supasorn, Governor of the Tourism

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Samui Island is Thailand's second-largest island, located in the Gulf of Thailand. Samui offers the best beach escape with palm-fringed white beaches, blue, emerald seas, luxurious hotels and resorts, and relaxing feeling and fun. SAMUI REOPENS TO TOURISM ON 15th JULY 2021.

Peek Into Amazing Thailand



Pattaya is a city stretching along the eastern seaboard of Thailand. This city is offering endless experiences under the sun, water sports lovers' activities, fun-filled for the family, and lively nightlife and entertainment.

Krabi is in the southern part of Thailand known for its stunning scenery, beautiful white-sand beaches, dense mangrove forests, and friendly atmosphere. Discover the beautiful islands and surrounding by boat or relaxing by the beach.



Hua Hin in Prachuab Khiri Khan Province is about 2 hours journey from Bangkok. Considers as a short drive away, Hua Hin is an ideal spot for a weekend getaway, family outing and became one of the popular destinations with many attractions around.



Phang-Nga is a province in southern Thailand, in the Andaman Sea. Phang Nga distinctive features are the sheer limestone karsts and fascinating emerald green water.



Chiang Mai is a mountainous city in the northern part of Thailand. Offering the best misty mountains, the hill tribes, the cultures, and local foods.

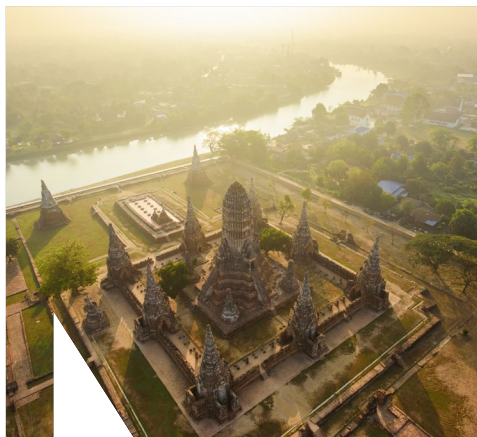
editorial

THAILAND REOPENS TO TOURISM

Phuket is reopening on 1 July 2021.

The approved Phuket Sandbox scheme sees other destinations in Thailand will gradually open for tourism, allowing in fully vaccinated tourists from some countries.

Let's us refresh your mind in planning your holidays with some of the perfect getaways in Thailand;



AYUTTHAYA

The successor to Sukhothai in becoming the capital of Siam. Ayutthaya was the capital from 1350 – 1767 and is just a 1 hour 30 mins drive from Bangkok. Here are some places of attractions to visit in Ayutthaya;

Wat Chaiwatthanaram

One of Ayutthaya’s most impressive temples, the Khmer style Wat Chaiwatthanaram is a Royal temple that was used by the King and other members of the Royal family. There are 120 sitting Buddha statues dotted around the area; originally thought to have been painted black and gold, they now sit dressed in orange drapery, creating a peaceful, picturesque scene

Ayutthaya Historical Park

Designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is comprised of 67 stunning temples and ruins. The huge area includes the former Siamese capital city, with imposing Buddha statues set within a serene and striking landscape of blue skies and greenery.

Wat Phra Mahthat

Comprised of a large stone Buddha head set in a colossal and deep-rooted tree. Exactly how the head became locked in its present location is unclear. This place is the most photographed spot in Ayutthaya, so you should take one here too.

Special Highlights

THE CAPITAL CITIES OF SIAM

The Capital Cities of Siam

Everyone knows the capital city of Thailand, which is Bangkok. But did you know that it was not the first capital city of Thailand/Siam. Let us bring you to the 3 capital cities of Siam and what place you should visit there.



BANGKOK

Bangkok became the capital of Siam (as Thailand was previously known) in 1782, when General Chao Phraya Chakri, the founder of the ruling Chakri dynasty, assumed the throne as Rama I and is still the capital till now. There are a lot of places to visit Bangkok, but here are some historic places to consider next time in Bangkok;



The Grand Palace

No trip to Bangkok will be complete without visiting this place. The official residence of The King from 1782, this place is majestic with its architecture and history. It also houses one of the most impressive temples in Bangkok, the temple of the Emerald Buddha or known as Wat Phra Kaew

Wat Arun

Also called the Temple of Dawn, this temple is easily accessible by boat through the Chao Phraya River and greets your sight majestically from the boat. It is directly opposite Wat Pho, so taking a boat tour is highly recommended.

SUKHOTHAI

This was the capital of the Thai Empire from 1238 – 1278 AD. Literally meaning ‘Dawn of Happiness’, Sukhothai is a 6-hour drive from Bangkok and is somewhat like the middle point between Bangkok and Chiang Mai. This ancient kingdom is now designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here are some places to visit whenever in Sukhothai.



Sukhothai Historical Park

This historical park was an initiative to preserve the history of Sukhothai. There a lot of places to visit in this historical park such as ancient ruins, temples and museum. It’ll take you the whole day to tour around. For a little more exercise, you can choose to bike around the historical park and take the sights at a leisurely pace.

Wat Maha That

The very heart and largest temple in the park, you cannot miss this temple when here in Sukhothai. Inside the temple is a grand pagoda that surrounds by another 8 pagodas as if they are a lotus. There were about 200 chedis at their best, although only some are well preserved till today. It is an impressive place to visit.

Muang Boran (Ancient City)

Want to experience the whole of ancient Thailand in one day, why not visit the Ancient City. Muang Boran just outside Bangkok is an outdoor museum in Samut Prakan covering 96 hectares or 240 acres with scaled models or replicas of ancient city ruins and historical monuments from various parts of Thailand. There are 116 scaled models or replicas of ancient ruins, monuments, buildings, and structures that sum up the ethnic and cultural heritage of Thailand.

ALL FOR SPORT, SPORT FOR ALL

Thailand is a home for many sports. Thai people have an enthusiasm for sports. Thai sport is part of Thai culture that has been there for generations. Traditional games such as Muay Thai, Kite Fighting, and Takro are popular, and well participated throughout the country.

More modern sports are also well received in Thailand. In fact, Thailand has many world-class sportsmen. Let's try and watch these sports while you are in Thailand. Thailand has it all!

Special Highlights

LOCAL SPORT FOR THRILL-SEEKING

Muay Thai

Muay Thai is the most passionately followed sport in Thailand and this ancient martial art has been handed over from generation to generation. This martial art uses kicking and punching in a ring. The hands, shins, elbows, and knees are used extensively. Even known as the most fierce and furious battling, Muay Thai indeed is one of the most exciting to watch.



Takro

Takro or takraw is a sport that played throughout Southeast Asia including Thailand. This sport is traditionally played in a loosely formed circle of people who use feet, knees, thighs, chests, and shoulders to pass the woven rattan ball. In Thailand, takro is played during leisure time or at festivals such as Songkran. Modern takro or takraw use the net in which the light rattan ball is knocked from team to team. Thailand has a team that most respected among its peers.



MODERN SPORT FOR ONE'S DETERMINATION

Football

Football is one of the most-watched and played sport in the world. In Thailand, this popular sport has supporters of both sexes and the national team in several competitions on the world level. Thailand has many notable football players, and this sport has created competitiveness among active clubs in Thailand. To football enthusiasts, Thailand offers several grounds to watch football matches all over the country.



Golf

Golf is one of the most popular sports in Thailand. Golf's gain popularity in 1990s and to play one in Thailand is not that hard as Thailand has a world class designed golf courses throughout the country. Golfing in Thailand is quite an experience with beautiful and challenging design golf courses, great weather, and top-class facilities.



MotorSport

Thai MotoGP at Chang International Circuit in Buriram is an evidence of ever-increasing passion for motorsport in Thailand. Thailand builds its reputation as one of the countries that offer the highest standard of the racing circuits in the world. Thailand has few racing circuits, namely Chang International Circuit in Buriram, and Bira Circuit in Chonburi.

FOOD WAS FAMOUS BY REGION IN THAILAND

Thailand has some amazing food, right? By some, we meant a lot. Famous world-wide for its cuisine and gastronomy, Thailand has a lot to offer. Here are some food famous in regions around Thailand.



NORTHEASTERN REGION

Thailand's Northeast Region, or Isan, is famous for its grilled meats, sticky rice, strong fermented salads, and heaped plates of fresh vegetables and herbs. Isan kitchen table is represented with spicy, sweet, salty, and sour flavors. Famous dishes from this region are Kai Yang (barbecued chicken), Som Tam (green papaya salad), Lap (spicy ground meat or fish), dishes that are usually served with sticky glutinous rice.



Gastronomy of Thailand



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SOUTHERN REGION

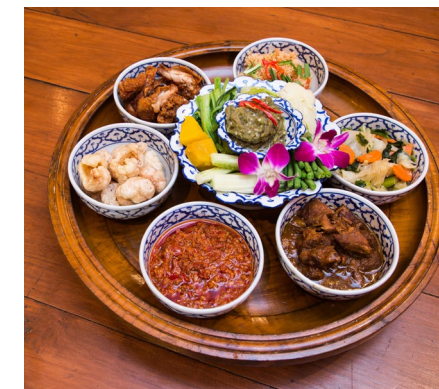


A majority Muslim populace region, southern cuisines shares flavours from its neighbours, particularly Malaysia and Indonesia. Trademark flavors from this regions are powerful with spiciness being highlighted usually. Famous dishes from this region are Kaeng Tai Pla (fermented fish curry), Kaeng Som Pla (hot and sour fish soup), and Kua Kling (dry fried meat curry). Massaman, a stewed curry of meat and potatoes, is another key specialty.



NORTHERN REGION

Centered around Chiang Mai, this region is famous for its Lanna Cuisine. Usually starts off the meal with am Phrik Ong / Nam Phrik Num (chilli dips) with raw or boiled vegetables is an appetizer to get your taste bud stimulating. The most famous dish in this region is undoubtedly Khao Soi, (curried noodles). Flavour and texture contrasts dominate a red and yellow coconut curried broth, and crunchy noodles are piled on top of the soft noodles with succulent chicken leg meat layered underneath it.



CENTRAL REGION

The cuisine of this region is what hits the closes to the visitors as Thai food. With Bangkok at its heart, and rich fertile soil and river fish, this region is home to Jasmine rice, a staple food. Famous dishes from this region are Phat Thai, and also the birthplace of Kaeng Khiao Wan (green curry), and the equally loved Tom Yam Kung (hot and sour shrimp soup. Both are deliciously eaten with rice.



TAT KL Features



Phuket Sandbox: Return To Paradise

Missing Thailand? Well, here's some good news... vaccinated tourists can visit Phuket from July 1 under an innovative 'Sandbox' model crafted by the Tourism Authority of Thailand in collaboration with travel industry stakeholders in the famed island destination.

ParGolf Magazine has details if you plan to do golf in Phuket!

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Golf in Thailand is always a fun experience, and where better than Phuket to rediscover the joys of golfing in the Land of Smiles! Anyone who's played golf in Thailand will appreciate why the Kingdom is called the Land of Smiles.

Read more about how fun and challenging on ParGolf Magazine.

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Aonang Princeville Villa Resort & Spa offers a Healthy Life Balance Package.

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THE FIRST TRIP: PHUKET EDITION

From 1 July 2021, Phuket is open!

As Phuket reopens to International Vaccinated Travellers, without Quarantine, we would like to reassure you of our Safe Sanctuary measures and share important travel information to ensure a smooth trip.

Click on the photo for more packages from BANYAN TREE PHUKET

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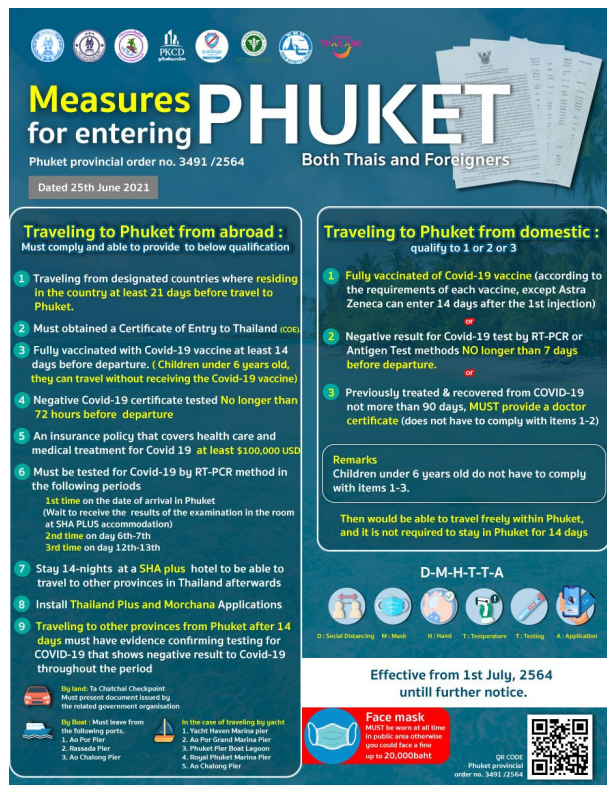


AMAZING MOMENTS IN PHUKET

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What's Cooking!
Drunken Seafood Pasta or Seafood Keemao Pasta is a famous spicy dish in Thailand. Chef May Pataravarin from Chef Table, Thailand will show you simple steps to make this deliciously hot dish!

Click on the photo to watch now. Give it a try!

