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The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) presents the new tourism concept for 2022 "Amazing Thailand, Amazing New Chapters". Thailand is now filled with more amazing new experiences than ever before. Visit Thailand in the year 2022 and make your new chapter the very best of your life.



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## QUICK GUIDE TO THAILAND PASS

### Thailand Pass FAQs

#### REGISTRATION AND APPROVAL PROCESS

- When will Thailand Pass be open for registration?  
Thailand Pass will be open for registration starting from 1 November 2021 at 09.00 hrs. (Bangkok Time)
- Is registration in Thailand Pass required for all 3 schemes traveling into Thailand?  
Effective from 1 November 2021, all travelers arriving in Thailand by air are required to register with Thailand Pass in order to travel into Thailand.
- Can I use my approved COE to enter Thailand?  
If you have an approved COE, you can travel to Thailand using that COE, and will be eligible to enter Thailand via one of the three schemes, depending on whether you meet the scheme's requirements. Your COE will indicate which schemes you are eligible for.
- What should I do if my COE is still under consideration?  
If your COE has been pre-approved, you will need to submit the rest of the required documents by 7 November 2021, otherwise your COE request will be automatically rejected, and you will need to register with Thailand Pass to travel to Thailand.  
If your COE has not been pre-approved by 1 November 2021, your COE request will be automatically rejected, and you will need to register Thailand Pass to travel to Thailand.
- How long does the approval process take with Thailand Pass?  
Applicants are required to submit their registration at least 7 days before their intended travel date.

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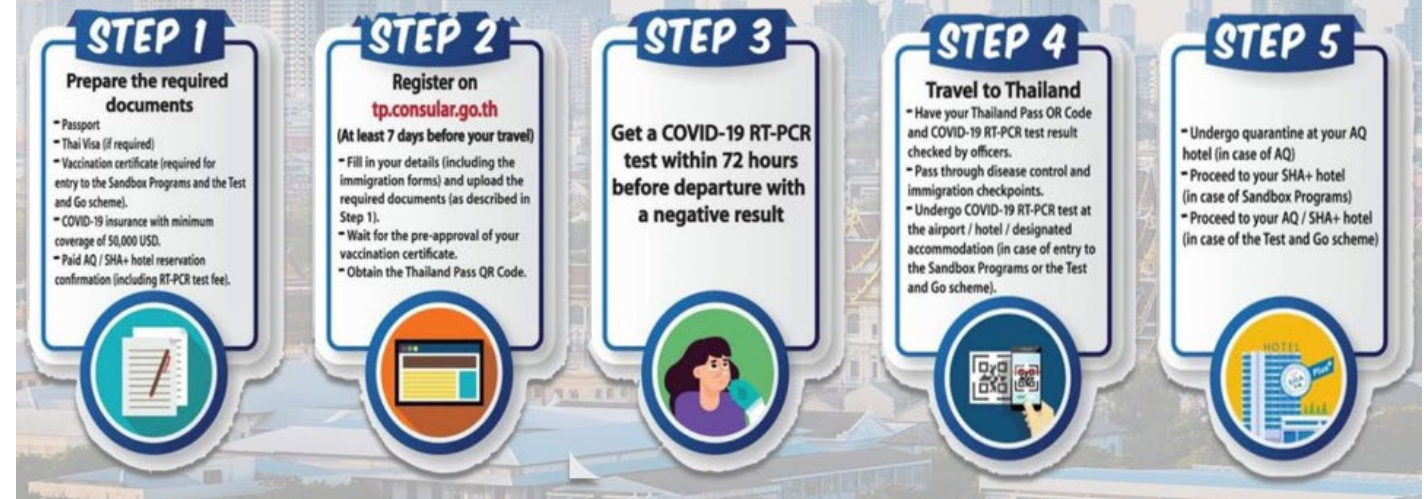
- Can I change my travel date once I have registered and received my QR code?  
No. If you would like to change your travel date or other details, you will need to re-register on the Thailand Pass system.
- I am traveling as a family or a group, can I submit one application for the whole family/group?  
No, except when traveling with children if the conditions below are met:  
- For the Exemption from Quarantine scheme, everyone aged 12 or over must submit an individual registration through Thailand Pass.  
- Children aged under 12 can be added into their parents' registration under the section Personal Information.  
- For the Sandbox Programme, everyone aged 18 or over must submit an individual registration through Thailand Pass. Children aged under 18 can be added into their parents' registration under the section Personal Information.
- My children are unvaccinated, can they enter Thailand through the same scheme as their parents?  
- For the Exemption from Quarantine scheme, all persons aged 12 or over must have a vaccination certificate confirming that they have been fully vaccinated at least 14 days before their travel in order to be able to enter Thailand.  
- For the Sandbox Programme, all persons aged 18 or over must have a vaccination certificate confirming that they have been fully vaccinated at least 14 days before their travel in order to be able to enter Thailand.
- What are AQ and SHA+ hotels?  
- AQ hotels are hotels that are eligible to be used as quarantine sites under the AQ scheme as well as designated venues to wait for your RT-PCR result under the Exemption from Quarantine scheme.  
- SHA+ hotels / accommodation are hotels that meet the "Amazing Thailand Safety and Health Administration" standards and are eligible to be used as hotels under the Sandbox Programme and as venues to wait for your RT-PCR result under the Exemption from Quarantine scheme.

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- Can I travel in Thailand freely if I have entered through the Exemption from Quarantine scheme / Sandbox Programme / Alternative Quarantine?  
- Exemption from Quarantine scheme: You can travel to any destination in Thailand if the RT-PCR test conducted on your day of arrival is negative.  
- Sandbox Programme: You can travel freely in the Sandbox area for the duration of 7 days if the RT-PCR test conducted on your day of arrival is negative (can stay in the province that your hotel is located only, traveling across different Sandbox areas is not permitted). Once you have completed your 7-day mandatory stay at SHA+ hotel within the Sandbox area, you can travel to any destination in Thailand.  
- Alternative Quarantine scheme (without vaccination): You will need to undergo your 10-day mandatory quarantine at your AQ hotel / accommodation. Once you have completed your 10-day mandatory quarantine, you can travel to any destination in Thailand.
- Do I need to register with Thailand Pass if I plan to travel to Thailand by land or sea?  
No. Currently, Thailand Pass is for those who plan to travel to Thailand by air only. Passengers who plan to arrive by land or sea must contact the Royal Thai Embassy / Royal Thai Consulate-General in your area for COE issuance.
- When will Thailand Pass be expanded to include passengers arriving by land and sea?  
The related agencies are still considering the issue of expanding the registration system for passengers who plan to travel to Thailand by land and sea.
- My country is currently not one of the listed countries / territories eligible for the Exemption from Quarantine scheme. Will registration / Exemption be included in the future?  
The list of countries / territories eligible for the Exemption from Quarantine scheme are constantly being considered and revised. Please stay tuned for more updates. In the meantime, if you want to travel to Thailand, you can do so through the Sandbox Programme or Alternative Quarantine, depending on your vaccination history.
- Do I need to submit my COVID-19 test result (RT-PCR) into Thailand Pass?  
No. However, you must provide your COVID-19 test result (RT-PCR) issued within 72 hours before your travel to the offices at the airport, except if you are a Thai national arriving in Thailand through Alternative Quarantine. For others, failure to provide your COVID-19 test result (RT-PCR) may result in being denied entry into Thailand. Please note that your test result must be a hard (not digital) copy or print-out and in the Thai or English language only.

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## Thailand Pass Travellers Journey



## QUICK GUIDE TO THAILAND PASS

Visitors from 63 countries were welcome to Thailand with quarantine free including Malaysian and Bruneian. One of the requirements to enter Thailand is to have Thailand Pass. Here is a quick guide on how to apply for Thailand Pass.

We look forward to seeing you soon in Amazing Thailand.

### DOCUMENTATION

- I am an expat living and working in Thailand, do I have to submit an insurance policy document?  
Yes.  
- Expatriate living and working in Thailand under a valid visa or residential permit are required to provide proof of insurance coverage in Thailand with a minimum coverage of 50,000 USD or a valid social security card or equivalent letter from their employer.  
- The rationale is not required to provide proof of insurance coverage as they are covered by Thailand's Universal Health Coverage (UHC) scheme.
- Does my insurance have to be a COVID-19 insurance in order to register with Thailand Pass?  
No. You can also use general insurance or health insurance with a minimum coverage of 50,000 USD.
- What are the required documents for Thailand Pass registration?  
Requirements vary depending on the scheme you plan to apply for your entry into Thailand. Details are as follows:

| Documentary Requirements              | Exemption from Quarantine (Test and Go) | Sandbox Programme | Alternative Quarantine |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Passport Copy                         | Required                                | Required          | Required               |
| Vaccination Certificate               | Required                                | Required          | Required               |
| Insurance Minimum coverage 50,000 USD | Required                                | Required          | Required               |
| Hotel Reservation                     | Not required                            | Required          | Required               |
| Thai Visa                             | Required                                | Required          | Required               |

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### DOCUMENTATION

- What if I do not have a mobile phone, how can I present my Thailand Pass QR Code?  
You do not need to carry a mobile phone with the QR Code, you may print out a hard copy of the QR code and bring it with you to present to the officers at the airport. In this case, you may register with Thailand Pass on your PC and then be able to print out the QR Code as a hard copy.
- Can I use a COVID-19 test result other than the RT-PCR to enter Thailand?  
No. Your COVID-19 test result must be obtained using the RT-PCR testing technique (ATK) and not permitted and issued within 72 hours before your travel only.
- What are the vaccines approved by Thailand?  
The vaccines approved by Thailand include:  
- CoronaVac (Sinovac)  
- AstraZeneca  
- Pfizer-BioNTech  
- Moderna  
- Sputnik V
- Does Thailand recognize mixed vaccination?  
Thailand fully recognizes mixed vaccination. However, your second dose needs to be administered based on the recommended timeframe for each vaccine type (first dose as follows):  

| Vaccine Type               | 1st dose (Timeline)      | 2nd dose (Timeline)    |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1st dose (Sinovac)         | 1st dose (After 2 weeks) | 2nd dose after 4 weeks |
| 1st dose (Pfizer-BioNTech) | 1st dose (After 2 weeks) | 2nd dose after 4 weeks |
| 1st dose (Moderna)         | 1st dose (After 2 weeks) | 2nd dose after 4 weeks |
| 1st dose (Sputnik V)       | 1st dose (After 2 weeks) | 2nd dose after 4 weeks |
- I have previously been infected with COVID-19, can I travel to Thailand?  
Yes. Those previously infected with COVID-19 are considered fully vaccinated if they have received a single dose of COVID-19 vaccine within 3 months after their recovery. In this case, your proof or medical record of COVID-19 recovery must be submitted along with your vaccination certificate. However, if you have been fully vaccinated before contracting COVID-19, you are still considered to be fully vaccinated.

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### SECURITY AND PRIVACY

- Will my personal information be safe with Thailand Pass?  
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### FURTHER INQUIRIES ON THAILAND PASS

**CALL CENTER (24 HOURS)**  
02-572-8442  
065-205-4247  
065-205-4248  
065-205-4249

**FOR PEOPLE RESIDING OUTSIDE OF THAILAND**  
May also contact the Royal Thai Embassy and Royal Thai Consulate-General in your area. Phone numbers can be found in the link below.

E-mail: Reporting technical problems support@tp.consular.go.th

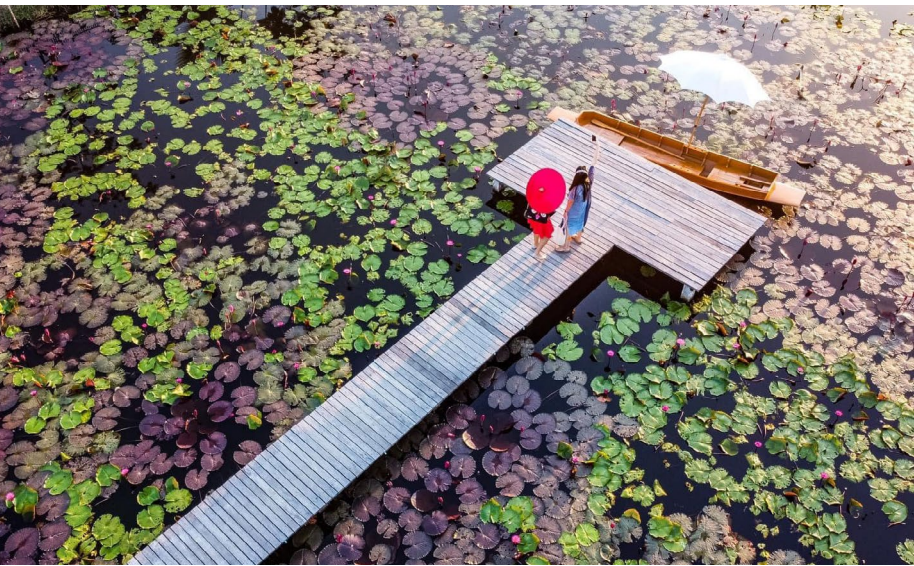
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# Special Highlights

## FEELING BREEZY IN CHIANG MAI

As the year ends, the weather in the northern region will drop significantly and give you an experience of winter weather in Thailand. Feel the cold weather and breeze while enjoying traveling around Chiang Mai. These are the few attractions to visit in Chiang Mai during the colder months from December to February.



## COCOON FARM

The name comes from its local resident, the Silkworm. Originally a silkworm farm and silk producer, Cocoon has taken the silk farm to the next level – into a fabulous local tourist attraction. Set in a beautiful farm setting surrounded by rice fields, yet wonderfully modern with a Lanna twist

Enjoy various activities there such as visiting the animal farm, silkworm farm, or try your hand at arts and crafts with their tie-dye activity. There are many things to do here.

Check out for more info at [COCOON FARM/FACEBOOK](#)



## DOI INTHANON NATIONAL PARK

One of the best places to enjoy the chilly weather, the highest mountain in Thailand will surely give you the feeling of winter when in Thailand. As you go up, get your phone ready as you find yourself surrounded by pink shades of Himalayan cherry while strolling along the slopes of the park. To capture dreamy photos of these flowers, locate Khun Wang Royal Project, a research centre within the park and snap away to your heart’s content!

Check out more info at [DOI INTHANON NATIONAL PARK](#)



## DOI ANG KHANG

Another mountainous tourist spot you can visit is to feel the winter weather in Chiang Mai. It’s also called the Ang Khang Royal Project Station that offers scenic views and nice weather all year round. Here you can visit the Bonsai Garden and sea type of winter Bonsais, visit the Kiew Lom Viewpoint to see the spectacular sunrise and soak up the sea fog in the morning hours. Also, you can visit the strawberry fields and enjoy picking it. Much to do here at Doi Ang Khang.

## I LOVE FLOWER FARM

Located around 17 kilometres north of Chiang Mai, as the name sounds, it is a flower garden that is insta-worthy. Catch pictures like crazy there and enjoy the beautiful purple Marguerite and white cutter flowers that are grown there. Catch a snap that will be the envy of others back home.

Read more at [I LOVE FLOWER FARM/FACEBOOK](#)





## BUENG KAN - NORTHEASTERN

Bueng Kan located in the northeast of Thailand is rich with its historical and archaeological sites. A must-see tourist attraction in Bueng Kan is Three Whales Rocks in which from a bird-eye view looks like a family of whales.

*Bueng Kan*  
*Three Whale Rocks*

# Provinces with Alluring Cold Spell

It's time of the year again when the cool breezes slowly move in. The beautiful scenery, flower blooming, sea mist, and even Thai Sakura - these beautiful sites are waiting for you all to enjoy. Here're the seven provinces around the town known for their alluring cold spell.



*Chiang Mai*  
*Khun Chiang Khian*

## CHIANG MAI - NORTHERN

Chiang Mai is always a favorite destination for those who love the cold weather and nature. Towards year-end, the Thailand cherry blossom will bloom depending on the weather. Khun Chiang Khian is one of the places to enjoy pink sightseeing which is located in the campground of the Doi Suthep-Pui National Park.



*Chiang Rai*  
*Phu Chi Fa*

## CHIANG RAI - NORTHERN

Chiang Rai is the northernmost city located about 3 hours from Chiang Mai. Phu Chi Fa is one of the most famous destinations uphill in Chiang Rai, especially during wintertime. Phu Chi Fa offers a spectacular mountain view and a beautiful sunrise.



*Loei*  
*Phu Kradueng*

## LOEI - NORTHEASTERN

Loei is located in the upper northeastern of Thailand. It is surrounded by mountain ranges and the most well-known mountain is Phu Kradueng. Phu Kradueng is popular for its long trails and one of the best spots to enjoy the cold winter in Thailand.



*Mae Hong Son*  
*Doi Mae U-Kho*

## MAE HONG SON - NORTHERN

Mae Hong Son is a remote and mountainous province in northern Thailand. Popular with Mae Hong Son loop in, which is often described as the most scenic route. During November the hilly area of Doi Mae U-Kho is blooming with Dok Bua Thong (wild sunflower) in which painted the area a bright yellow.

## TAK - NORTHERN

Tak is a city in lower northern Thailand. The province's proximity to the Myanmar border resulted in a unique cultural mix. One of the places to enjoy the sea mist is Doi Hua Mhod, situated in Umpang district. The attraction is a place for people who want something different from typical hills.



*Tak*  
*Doi Hua Mhod*

# Discover Eco Luxe- Turtle Bay Hua Hin

Nestled amongst the picturesque flora and fauna - Sai Noi beach on the east, Khao Tao Mountain on the south, and Royal King's reservoir up north, at Turtle Bay, the Eco-Luxe blend a harmonic balance of fine restaurant, café, and luxury villa with an eco-sensibility.

The main design of Turtle Bay required the protection of the large lotus pond necessitating meticulous site planning. To preserve the quality of the natural water, no untreated water drainage was permitted into the pond or natural soil. The roof is the shape of a turtle and carefully bent by hands and combined with local bamboo.

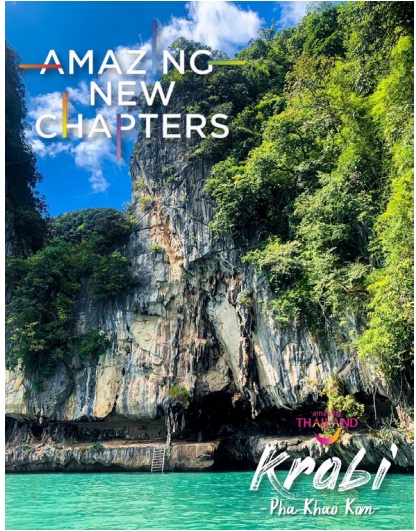
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## AMAZING NEW CHAPTERS, AMAZING KRABI

Krabi is one of the favorite destinations of Malaysians. Located in the south of Thailand, Krabi is known for its beautiful beaches and exciting surrounding islands.

With the new tagline Amazing New Chapters, let's have a glimpse of where to go in Krabi.



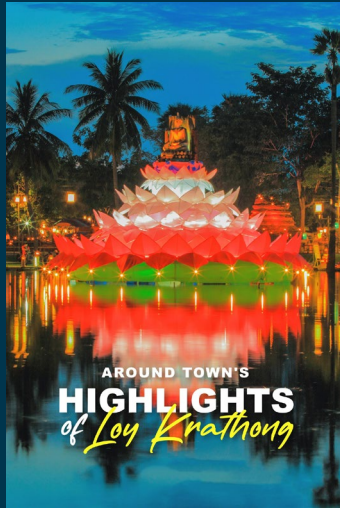
# Peek Into Amazing Thailand

## Koh Chang, Trat, Thailand

Koh Chang is one of the largest islands in Thailand. Located in the Gulf of Thailand, Koh Chang offers beautiful beaches, with a wide variety of accommodations. In addition to natural beauty, the island is also home to a wide range of wildlife, including native birds, snakes, deer, and even some elephants. As for activities, Koh Chang and the nearby islands that make up the National Park are great for snorkeling, diving, camping, and jungle hiking.

Let's have a look at the attractions spot around Koh Chang;





AROUND TOWN'S  
**HIGHLIGHTS**  
of Loy Krathong



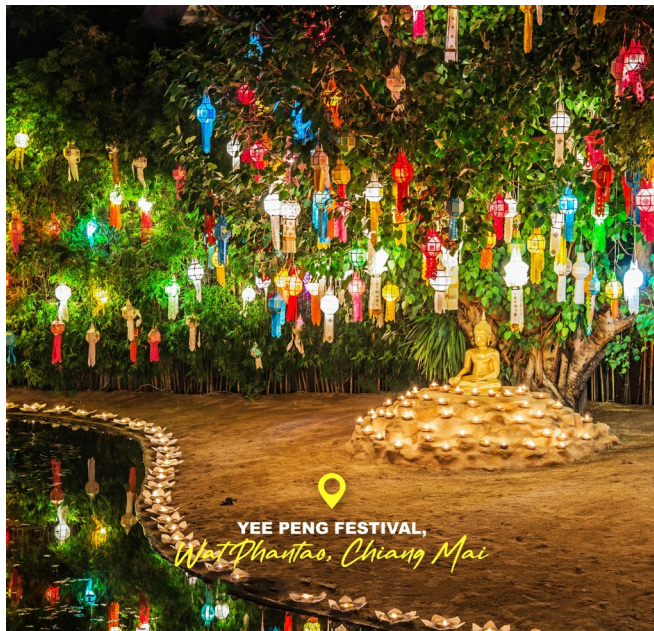
LOY KRATHONG FESTIVAL,  
Klong Ong Ang, Bangkok

# Amazing Thailand Festival

LOY KRATHONG FESTIVAL 2021

This year the Loy Krathong Festival takes place on 19 November 2021. Loy Krathong is celebrated throughout Thailand and nearby countries.

Let's take a look at the highlights of the beautiful celebration all over Thailand.



YEE PENG FESTIVAL,  
Wat Phantao, Chiang Mai



LANNA LAMP LANTERN (KHOM SAEN DUANG),  
Wat Phra That Haripunchai, Lamphun



LOY KRATHONG KAB KLUAY,  
Wat Phummanin Kudeethong,  
Samut Songkhram



LOY KRATHONG FESTIVAL,  
Sukhothai Historical Park

# Thailand Gastronomy

Phetchaburi - an agriculturally-rich province about 200 kilometres south of Bangkok - has just been designated as the latest UNESCO City of Gastronomy, making it the fifth Thai province to be a part of the UNESCO global Creative Cities Network.

Fields of soaring toddy palms, lush rice paddies, geometric salt farms, and rich coastal areas make Phetchaburi a real abundant province. With its history harking back to the Ayutthaya Period, Phetchaburi's foods are unique not only for flavours but also for the ingredients and the stories behind them all.

Phetchaburi becomes Thailand's second UNESCO City of Gastronomy after Phuket which was designed back in 2015. Bangkok has been recognized as a UNESCO City of Design while Sukhothai and Chiang Mai as UNESCO Cities of Crafts and Folk Art.



Gang Kua Hua Tan -  
Phetchaburi's young toddy  
palm is the main event in this  
thick curry with coconut milk  
and grilled meats.

GANG KUA HUA TAN



Khanom Cheen Tod Man -  
Phetchaburi's unique savory  
combination of rice vermicelli  
and fish cakes, ladled with  
sweet and sour sauce.

KHANOM CHEEN TOD MAN



Khanom Mor Gang -  
Phetchaburi's own caramelized  
custard sweetened with local  
aromatic palm sugar.

KHANOM MOR GANG



Khao Chae - Phetchaburi's  
all-year-round delicacy of  
chilled rice with three sides:  
deep-fried shrimp paste,  
sweet radish preserves, and  
sweet dried fish - all polished  
with the province's famous  
palm sugar.

KHAO CHAE



Guay Tiew Nam Dang -  
Phetchaburi's red-sauce  
local noodle soup with broth  
brightened by a locally-made  
chili sauce.

GUAY TIEW NAM DANG



Khanom Tan (Toddy Palm Soufflé)  
- Bright-yellow and aromatic, this  
soft sponge cake is made from the  
fermented mature flesh of toddy  
palm, rice flour, coconut milk, and  
palm sugar. Steamed to cook, they are  
served with shredded coconut on top.

KHANOM TAN  
(TODDY PALM SOUFFLÉ)



LOD CHONG NAMTAN KHON  
(PANDANUS CENDOL WITH PALM SUGAR FUDGE)



Lod Chong Namtan Khon (Pandan  
cendol with palm sugar fudge) - When  
cendol or Lod Chong is served in  
Phetchaburi, it is treated with the local  
flavour of toddy palm sugar, caramelized  
and thickened for a deeper aromatic  
flavour.