

THAILAND

SPECIALIST COLLECTION

EXPERIENCE

Fascinating temples and gilded royal palaces

EXPLORE

Exotic Thai cuisine, cultural performances, white sand beaches

DISCOVER

Hill tribe villages and city living, a myriad of entertainment options



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AN EXOTIC KALEIDOSCOPE

Open to the New Shades

Discover the different shades of Thailand...

- Shades of Thai Gastronomy
- Shades of Thai Art and Craft
- Shades of Thai Culture
- Shades of Thai Beach / Nature
- Shades of Thai Way of Life



WHY THAILAND WITH THOMPSONS?

This multi-faceted destination boasts incredible cultural and topographical diversity and Eastern treasures. It's full of fascinating attractions, from majestic ruins and ancient monasteries to gleaming temples, golden Buddhas and cultural festivals. Learn to cook traditional Thai dishes at special cookery schools, go shopping in sophisticated city plazas or bustling bazaars and find treasures in tiny street stalls. The country has so much to offer, from world-famous spas to exotic jungles, exquisite tropical islands offering white sand beaches and pristine coral reefs. Embark on a choice of fun water sports activities, savour stunning cuisine... there's always something new and exciting to discover. The Thai concept of 'sanuk', which means 'having fun' is what Thailand is all about. And this exciting Eastern destination, also known as 'The land of smiles' is just waiting to be discovered.

TRAVEL WITH CONFIDENCE WITH A GLOBAL COMPANY

With 40 years of travel experience you know you're in good hands. We offer expert advice for all your travel requirements. Thompsons Holidays is a division of Cullinan Holdings Group and a member of THE TRAVEL CORPORATION, a fourth-generation family-owned group. Our financial stability is the key to a hassle-free holiday.

UNRIVALLED VALUE FOR MONEY TRIED AND TESTED HOLIDAYS

As the largest South African tour operator, our unsurpassed buying power ensures you get the best deals.

WE ARE WITH YOU 24/7

Thompsons is with you all the way – your friend in an emergency is our special care line.

Star gradings (***) vary from country to country. This brochure features the star gradings of the host country and might not always reflect the same standards as in SA.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- ▶ **LANGUAGE:** Thai is the official language. English is widely spoken.
- ▶ **CURRENCY:** Thai Baht. Forex booths accept ALL MAJOR currencies. Major credit cards such as Visa, Mastercard and American Express are accepted.
- ▶ **VISA:** South African passport holders do not require a visa for a stay of up to 30 days. Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond intended departure date.
- ▶ **TIME:** 5 Hours ahead of South Africa.
- ▶ **WEATHER:** Year-round destination. Hotter season (Mar. – May) / Monsoon season (Jun. – Oct.) / Cooler season (Nov. – Feb.).

- ▶ **PLUG TYPE:** American (Flat 2-pin plug) and European (Round 2-pin plug). An international adapter is recommended. Standard voltage – 220V.
- ▶ **HEALTH:** Seek professional advice.
- ▶ **TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Contact Thompsons for more info.

COMMUNITY BASED TOURISM

Thompsons Holidays supports the Tourism Authority of Thailand in their Community Based Tourism (CBT) initiative which revolves around respect for local people, their customs, traditions, beliefs and uplifting them in a sustainable way to support themselves. This initiative also conserves the environment and protects local wildlife. "Travel like a local" exploring the real Thailand in a sustainable way.





DISTANCES (ESTIMATE TRAVELLING TIME)

BY AIR

From BANGKOK to -

- Phuket : 01H25
- Koh Samui : 01H10
- Krabi : 01H20
- Chiang Mai : 01H15
- Chiang Rai : 01H15
- Khao Lak : Fly into Phuket / Krabi
- Phi Phi : Fly into Phuket / Krabi

From PHUKET to -

- Koh Samui : 55 Minutes
- Chiang Mai : 01H55
- Chiang Rai : 02H05

From KRABI to -

- Koh Samui : 50 Minutes
- Chiang Mai : 01H40

Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Krabi and Koh Samui, all have their own airports.

BY ROAD

From PHUKET to -

- Elephant Hills Camp : 03H30
- Khao Lak : 01H25
- Krabi : 02H00

From KRABI to -

- Elephant Hills Camp : 03H00

From BANGKOK to -

- Pattaya : 02H20
- Hua Hin : 02H40



BY FERRY

From PHUKET to -

- Phi Phi : 02H00

From KRABI to -

- Phi Phi : 01H30

From KOH SAMUI to -

- Koh Phangan : 30 Minutes
- Koh Tao : 02H30



Northern Thailand

MOUNTAIN COUNTRY

Northern Thailand features flat rice-growing plains surrounded by sharp-peaked, forested hills, mountains, hill tribe villages and the golden spires of thousands of temples. Whether you're looking for a relaxing getaway, plenty of cultural activities, breathtaking scenery or an abundance of adventure, you will find it in this fascinating destination.



CHIANG MAI

Thailand's second-largest city is set in lush mountains in the scenic Chiang Mai Province. It features glittering temples, lush jungles, Thai cooking schools, year-round cultural festivals and lively markets, making it a great base for a variety of activities, from trekking and white water rafting to mountain biking and hill tribe visits. Here, life is at a slower pace. Enjoy a world-class massage, watch sunrise from a jungle hilltop or spend the night dancing to live music by the riverside.



CHIANG RAI

Despite offering numerous luxury hotels, excellent restaurants and bars, Chiang Rai is quieter, greener and less flashy than Chiang Mai. It's located in Thailand's northernmost province, which offers a variety of experiences. The mountains in the area are among the most dramatic in the country and in terms of people, it's among Thailand's most ethnically diverse provinces. While visiting here you can learn about various hill tribe cultures by exploring the town museum.

TOP SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES

TONG-BAI ELEPHANT FOUNDATION TOUR



Experience the friendliness of the Tong-Bai Foundation elephants and contribute towards the protection of these gentle giants. You can interact with them and even bathe in the river with them. No riding of the elephants is permitted.



GOLDEN TRIANGLE 3-COUNTRY EXPERIENCE



Visit Thailand, Myanmar and Laos, all in one day. From Mae Sai (Thailand), you walk into Myanmar to visit a colourful market. Then explore Chiang Saen, which is famous for its ruins and enjoy a long-tail boat ride to Don Sao in Laos where you can pick up local handicrafts.

CHIANG MAI NIGHT CYCLE RIDE



Discover the secrets of Chiang Mai after dark on this 20km bicycle tour. It's an easy ride with plenty of snack breaks, exploring the city's hidden corners, watching people practise Tai Chi, admiring golden chedis gleaming in the moonlight and shopping at a bustling night market.

THOMPSONS TIP: Pre-book memorable sightseeing experiences prior to departure.

ENQUIRE FOR HOTEL STAY AND FOR MORE SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES OPTIONS.

CULTURAL EXPERIENCES



3 DAYS GOLDEN TRIANGLE AND HILL TRIBES

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: Chiang Mai | Palong Village | Hill Tribes | Doi Mae Salong | Doi Tung | Mae Sai | Golden Triangle | Chiang Rai

DAY 1 (L / D)

CHIANG MAI - PALONG VILLAGE

Visit an Orchid Farm and an elephant camp. Then embark on an exciting river adventure on a bamboo raft. Enjoy lunch, then head for the Palong Hill Tribe Village for dinner and a traditional dance presentation. Overnight at a hotel.

DAY 2 (B / L / D)

PHITSANULOK - SUKHOTHAI - SRI SATCHANALAI - LAMPANG

Travel to the 13th century town of Sukhothai to explore the temples of Wat Sra Sri and Wat Sri Chum. After lunch, discover some of the city's most interesting temples. Continue towards Lampang for dinner and overnight.

DAY 3 (B / L / D)

DOI TUNG - MAE SAI - GOLDEN TRIANGLE - CHIANG RAI

Explore the beautiful King's Mother Garden and then head to Mae Sai. Visit the Golden Triangle where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Burma meet. Take a boat ride along the Mekong River to ancient Chiang Saen where you enjoy lunch. Then transfer to Chiang Rai Airport.

EXTRA INCLUSIONS

- Bamboo rafting trip
- Boat trip



5 DAYS AROUND NORTHERN THAILAND

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: Bangkok | Ayutthaya | Lopburi | Phitsanulok | Sukhothai | Sri Satchanalai | Lampang | Lamphun | Chiang Mai

DAY 1 (L / D)

BANGKOK - AYUTTHAYA - LOPBURI - PHITSANULOK

Depart Bangkok, stopping at Bang Pa In, former summer residence of the Kings of Ayutthaya. Visit the Royal Palace, the Thai pavilion and the Chinese-style Palace Viharn Chamrun. Continue to Ayutthaya with its interesting temples then head to Lopburi. After lunch, continue to Phitsanulok for dinner and overnight.

DAY 2 (B / L / D)

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DAY 3 (B / L)

LAMPANG - LAMPHUN - CHIANG MAI

Visit the stunning Wat Phra Dhat Lampang Luang and Wat Phra Keo Don Tao temples. On to Lamphun to see the beautiful Wat Hariphoonchai Burmese Style temple. Enjoy lunch in Chiang Mai before visiting the holy mountain temple, Wat Phra Dhat Doi Suthep. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 4 (B / L / D)

CHIANG MAI

Drive to Mae Sa Elephant Camp to watch Thailand's gentle national animals. Then visit an orchid and butterfly farm. Enjoy lunch, then, head to Sankampaeng's workshops to watch traditional handicrafts being made - it's also a great place for shopping. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 5 (B)

CHIANG MAI

Transfer to Chiang Mai Airport for your departure flight.

ITINERARIES INCLUDE

- Transportation
- English speaking guide
- Accommodation & meals as specified in itinerary

NOT INCLUDED

- International & domestic flights
- Expenses of a personal nature
- Travel insurance.
- Gratuities

Ask Thompsons for packages including flights



MEAL BASIS

B = Breakfast
L = Lunch
D = Dinner

Full itinerary details available on request and are subject to change.

BAREFOOT CHIC

NO SHOES, NO NEWS



A Barefoot Chic Luxury experience is Thompson's choice of how to relax and unwind. Whether you decide on a safari in a tropical forest resort or wish to soak up the sun on a palm fringed beach, Thailand offers a choice of exotic locations where barefoot chic is the norm, and luxury is unsurpassed. Experience a holiday in an exclusive, yet affordable location. That's what dreams are made of!



ELEPHANT HILLS

THAILAND'S FIRST LUXURY TENTED JUNGLE CAMPS

Elephant Hills is Thailand's first Luxury Tented Jungle Camp, combining an African-style safari holiday in the Thai tropical forest. There are two camps, Elephant Camp and the floating Rainforest Camp, both situated in Khao Sok and within easy reach of Phuket, Khao Lak, Krabi and Koh Samui. During your amazing country adventure, you will have the unique opportunity of interacting with endangered Asian elephants in an environment where elephant welfare is a high priority, so no elephant riding is permitted.

3 - 4 DAY LUXURY ADVENTURE TOURS IN & AROUND KHAO SOK NATIONAL PARK

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: (Subject to chosen itinerary): A unique elephant experience | Breathtaking landscapes | Explore legendary jungle lakes full of limestone formations | Relax on deserted beaches | Visit local markets | Discover primary rainforest on foot ... and much more!

3-DAY JUNGLE LAKE SAFARI (MOST POPULAR)



Combine a stay at The Elephant Camp with a unique and ethical Elephant Experience, then enjoy an overnight stay at the magical floating Rainforest Camp. You won't want to leave. (No kids under 7 allowed in the Rainforest Camp)

3-DAY JUNGLE SAFARI (YOUNG FAMILIES)



For families with kids under 7 years - 2 nights at The Elephant Camp, including a full-day trip to marvelous Cheow Larn Lake, and an unforgettable elephant experience.

4-DAY NATURE SAFARI (SENIOR EXPLORERS)



A soft adventure, showcasing the very best Southern Thailand has to offer. Explore a Jungle Lake, cruise through mangrove swamps and spend time interacting with the gentle elephant herd.

FULL ITINERARY DETAILS & INCLUSIONS ON REQUEST.

ACCOMMODATION

THE ELEPHANT CAMP

35 Luxurious and spacious tents with en-suite bathroom | A semi open-air restaurant bar | Small souvenir shop | Fireplace | Swimming pool with a superb view | Free Wi-Fi.

THE RAINFOREST CAMP

A floating tented camp situated in the centre of Cheow Larn Lake | 20 Luxury Safari tents with en-suite bathroom | Swim in the emerald waters of Cheow Larn Lake | Go kayaking.

WHY THOMPSONS LOVES THESE CAMPS

- Stunning experience
- Luxury and exclusivity
- Meticulous attention to detail
- Personalised service
- Knowledgeable guides



★★★★★ **CONRAD KOH SAMUI**

KOH SAMUI



THE LOWDOWN: Surrounded by azure sea and close to lush rainforests, this luxury pool villa resort is located on a secluded hill, offering panoramic views of the Gulf of Thailand. Enjoy the privacy of the Thai-inspired Pool villas with their breathtaking ocean views. Each villa features spacious indoor and outdoor living spaces with a private infinity pool.

ACCOMMODATION: One, Two and Three Bedroom Villas, each with an infinity pool.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 5 Restaurants and bars | Infinity swimming pool | Fitness Centre | Kids Club | incredible Sunsets | Award winning spa | Complimentary return trips to Chaweng | Complimentary boat excursion, 3 times a day, to Koh Matsum | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Beautifully appointed rooms • Seclusion and privacy

★★★★★ **LAYANA RESORT & SPA**

KOH LANTA

THE LOWDOWN: Elegant, tranquil and perfectly positioned on one of unspoilt Koh Lanta Yai's finest beaches, this adults-only resort is ideal for those seeking an intimate island-style retreat.

ACCOMMODATION: Garden Pavilion Rooms, Grand Garden Pavilion Rooms, Terrace Suites, Beach Suites, Ocean Deluxe Suites and a La Maison Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | Bar | Swimming pool & Jacuzzi | Spa | Fitness room | Hobie cats | Kayaks | Mountain bikes | Snorkelling trips to nearby islands (Seasonal) | Scuba diving (Nov - Apr) | Sunset Cruises | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- A slice of heaven with a stunning beach • Excellent facilities & top notch service



★★★★★ **DUSIT THANI KRABI BEACH RESORT**

KRABI



THE LOWDOWN: Nestled discreetly in a secluded area, steps from pristine, white sand Klong Muong Beach and near spectacular cliff formations, waterfalls and caves.

ACCOMMODATION: Various categories of Deluxe Rooms, Club Rooms & Suites plus a Club Suite with plunge pool.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 4 Restaurants | 4 Bars | Spa | 2 Beachfront swimming pools | Tennis | Fitness centre | Hammocks in garden | Snorkelling | Kayaks | Windsurfing | Sailing | Bicycles | Meeting and conference facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Uninhibited luxury • Superb facilities

★★★★★ ZEAVALA RESORT

PHI PHI

THE LOWDOWN: A luxury, rustic, romantic resort located on the tranquil white sands of Laem Tong Beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Village Suites, Garden Suites, Beachfront Suites and Pool Villa Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Intimate dining location experiences | Bar | Spa | Swimming pool | PADI diving centre | Fitness room | Activities centre | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Restaurant offering delicious Thai cuisine
- Romance personified



★★★★★ JW MARRIOTT PHUKET RESORT & SPA

PHUKET



THE LOWDOWN: A 5-star getaway situated on peaceful, scenic Mai Khao Beach, a secluded, idyllic location.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Deluxe Room & Ocean Front Suite Categories and a Royal Villa.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 6 Restaurants | 5 Bars | Thai cooking classes | Spa | 3 Swimming pools | Fitness centre | Tennis | Scuba diving | Kayaks | Sport Court® | Sailing | Bicycles | Kids activities | Meeting and conference facilities | Free Wi-Fi in public areas.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Luxurious and exclusive
- Fun cooking classes

★★★★★ THE SAROJIN

KHAO LAK

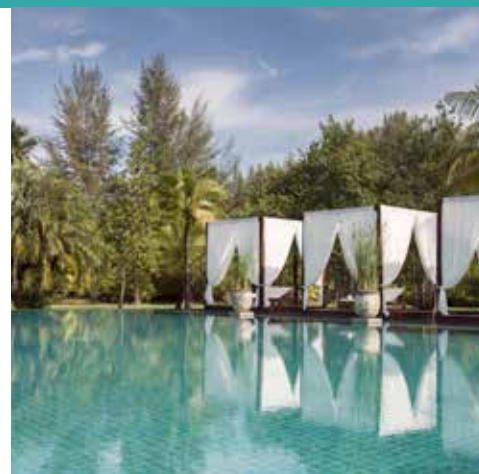
THE LOWDOWN: A gorgeous boutique resort set on a secluded 11km beach, providing year round swimming and water sports. Enjoy romantic private dining by a candlelit jungle waterfall or on a private island and bespoke excursions or private charters on the luxury yacht Lady Sarojin. No children under 10 years old.

ACCOMMODATION: Garden Residences, Pool Residences, Spa Suites and a 2-Bedroom Pool Residence.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Beach bar | Wine cellar | Private dining experiences | All day a la carte breakfast with sparkling wine served until 6pm | Thai cooking classes | Spa | Swimming pool | Free return transfers to community projects | Fitness centre | Scuba diving | Free use of sailing catamarans, stand up paddle boards, sea kayaks, windsurfers and mountain bikes | Meeting and conference facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Stunning relaxed setting
- Superlative service



A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a light blue shirt and a dark blue scarf, is seen in profile from the chest up. She is sitting on a boat, looking out over a body of water towards a large, ornate golden temple (Wat Arun) in the distance. The temple is illuminated with warm lights, and its reflection is visible on the water. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, suggesting sunset or sunrise. In the foreground, there is a dark blue awning with a scalloped edge.

Open to The New Shades

New Shades of the Thai Way of Life

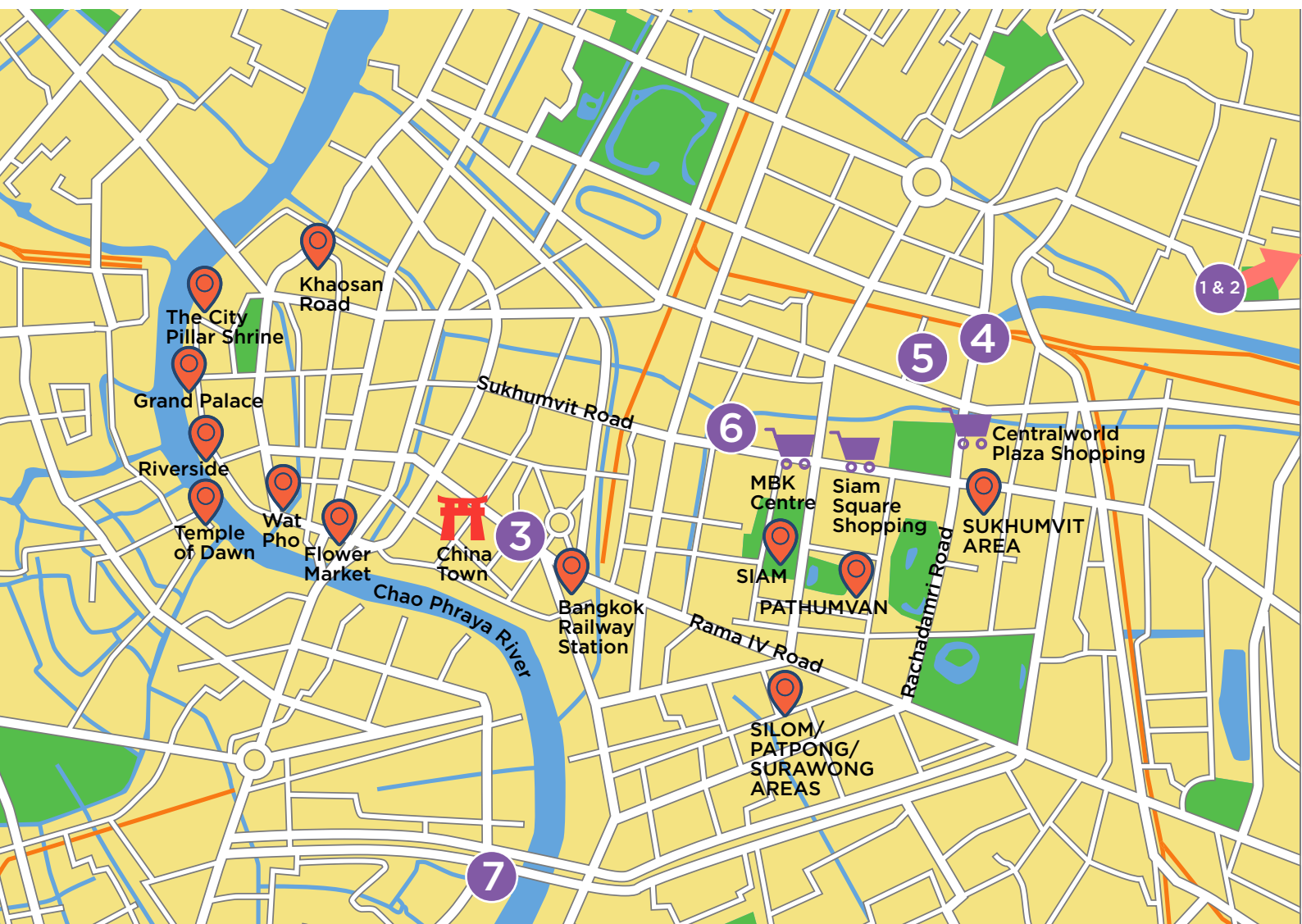
Open your senses to explore the way of Thainess.

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THAILAND


Bangkok

VENICE OF THE EAST

This bustling metropolis with its soaring skyscrapers is modern and sophisticated but also steeped in tradition. The city boasts a number of exquisite temples, glittering royal palaces, countless shopping malls and traditional markets. After dark, Bangkok comes alive and is as dynamic and vibrant as it is during the day.



HOTEL LOCATIONS

- 1) Bangkok Cha-Da Hotel
- 2) Eastin Hotel Makkasan Bangkok
- 3) Shanghai Mansion Bangkok
- 4) Centara Watergate Pavillion Hotel Bangkok
- 5) Amari Watergate Bangkok
- 6) Pathumwan Princess Hotel
- 7) Millennium Hilton Bangkok



TOP SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES

CALYPSO CABARET SHOW



Thai cabaret is a different take on the Western cabaret we're so used to. Calypso features the rare talents of Thai transgender artists who take centre stage in a unique and entertaining show. Well worth seeing.

BANGKOK TEMPLES



Visit three of Bangkok's most stunning temples – Wat Traimit with its 3-metre tall Golden Buddha; Wat Pho, which boasts the largest reclining Buddha in Thailand; and Wat Benchamabornpit, an extravagant Marble Temple. This tour is ideal for those interested in Buddhism and its history.

ESSENTIAL GRAND PALACE



Visit two of Bangkok's greatest attractions, the Wat Phra Kaew (the Temple of the Emerald Buddha) and the Grand Palace, which is Thailand's landmark, the country's most highly acclaimed royal monument with its 100 brightly coloured buildings and glittering mosaics.

TASTE OF THAILAND WITH TRADITIONAL DANCE



A great way to spend an evening, enjoying a unique combination of delicious authentic Thai cuisine and a warm hospitable atmosphere. Watch classical Thai dance performances that have been practiced for generations.

THOMPSONS TIP

Pre-book memorable sightseeing experiences prior to departure.



ENQUIRE FOR MORE SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES OPTIONS.

★★★ BANGKOK CHA-DA HOTEL

BANGKOK



THE LOWDOWN: This contemporary Thai style hotel is located in the city's CBD, surrounded by shopping malls, restaurants, night markets and various entertainment complexes. It is only a 200m walk from the new underground Metro system (MRT) that offers easy access to Sukhumvit, Silom and the Suan Chatujak weekend markets.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms and Junior Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Bar | Rooftop swimming pool | Spa | Fitness room | Business centre | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- 5 star service
- Great location

★★★★ EASTIN HOTEL MAKKASAN BANGKOK

BANGKOK

THE LOWDOWN: Designed with an emphasis on supreme comfort and style, this hotel is ideally located in the Pratunam and Ratchaprasong areas close to a number of upscale shopping complexes. The popular MBK Centre is just a short walk away.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Executive Deluxe Rooms and Executive Suites. A dedicated family floor is available with a kids' playground.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | Bar | 24-Hours room service | Swimming pool | Spa | 24-Hours fitness centre | Free Tuk Tuk shuttle service to many convenient locations in the area | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Superlative establishment
- Spectacular views from the Attica Sky Lounge



★★★★ SHANGHAI MANSION BANGKOK

BANGKOK



THE LOWDOWN: An award-winning, opulent boutique hotel in the heart of Bangkok's historic Chinatown, which is known for its great shopping. Reflecting the old world style of 1930's Shanghai, the hotel features vibrant colours and whimsical details. It's the perfect base from which to explore Bangkok.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Mu Dan Suites and Family Suites. Butler service available for Deluxe Rooms and Mu Dan Suites guests.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Jazz lounge | Spa | Zen courtyard | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Stunning décor with indoor fish pond and soaring atrium
- Atmosphere of a grand old hotel

★★★★ CENTARA WATERGATE PAVILLION HOTEL BANGKOK

BANGKOK

THE LOWDOWN: Located in the renowned Pratunam area in the heart of Bangkok, this splendid hotel is connected to the Watgate Pavillion Shopping Mall.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Deluxe & Premium Family Residences, Deluxe One Bedroom Suites and a Metro Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Rooftop lounge bar | Cocktail bar | 24-hours in-room dining | 24-hour room service | Spa | Fitness centre | Swimming pool | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Ideal location for shopping with a night market beneath the hotel
- Stunning breakfast display with a special section for Indian food





★★★★★ AMARI WATERGATE BANGKOK

BANGKOK



THE LOWDOWN: This comfortable, sophisticated hotel is located in the heart of the vibrant Pratunam neighbourhood, known for its bustling shopping bazaars and lifestyle malls.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms, Grand Deluxe Rooms, Executive Club Rooms, Corner Suites, Executive Suites and a Presidential Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Pool bar | Swimming pool & kids pool | Executive lounge | Spa | Fitness centre with indoor Jacuzzis & squash courts | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great location • Excellent service and accommodation

★★★★★ PATHUMWAN PRINCESS HOTEL

BANGKOK

THE LOWDOWN: An exceptional hotel located in the heart of the city's shopping, entertainment and arts district. Towers above Bangkok's iconic MBK Shopping Centre and is just minutes from the city's BTS Skytrain network.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 5 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Bakery shop | Adults only club lounge | Swimming pool | Spa | The Olympic Club fitness centre & gym | Conference and meeting facilities | Business centre | Free Wi-Fi.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms and various Suites categories.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Efficient, personalised service
- One of those hotels you want to return to time and again



★★★★★ MILLENNIUM HILTON BANGKOK

BANGKOK



THE LOWDOWN: Located in the city centre within easy reach of the river, skytrain and roads. The hotel is also close to many famous sightseeing attractions including the Grand Palace and The Riverfront, Bangkok's night market.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe & Family River View Rooms & Suites and Executive Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 4 Restaurants | Award-winning rooftop lounge bar | Pool cocktail bar | Executive lounge for Executive and Suite guests | Infinity swimming pool | Spa | Fitness room | Conference and meeting facilities | Business centre | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent service • Comfortable accommodation
- A great base from which to explore the city

Phuket Map



PATONG BEACH

This golden beach is the busiest in Phuket. It's lined with cafes, restaurants and bars and is perfect for sunbathing, jet skiing, kayaking and parasailing. The vibrant nightlife overflows into the street along neon-lit Bangla Road, but there are also quieter areas to explore if you wish.

KARON BEACH

Generally quieter than Patong Beach, Karon is popular with families, couples and art enthusiasts. It's great for swimming, snorkelling, diving and windsurfing and its lively centre offers a good choice of restaurants, shops and nighttime entertainment.

KATA BEACH

Very popular with families, Kata Beach has a small village-like atmosphere with an abundance of shops, great restaurants and lively, but not raucous nightlife. The spectacular palm-fringed beach and clear waters offer a variety of water sports including scuba diving trips to the coral reefs.

RAWAI BEACH

The launching point for day boat excursions to Phuket's surrounding islands, Rawai Beach also offers traditional long-tail boats and modern speedboats for hire for private trips. Many beach restaurants are located along the water's edge where diners enjoy the fresh catch of the day.

COCONUT ISLAND

This unspoilt island boasts a lush jungle interior and palm-fringed beaches with views across the calm waters of Phang Nga Bay. Like a tiny slice of paradise, the island is just a short ride from Phuket using the 24-hour water taxi service.

HOTEL LOCATIONS

PATONG BEACH

- 1) Sunset Beach Resort
- 2) Patong Resort Hotel
- 3) Seaview Patong Hotel
- 4) Patong Merlin Hotel
- 5) Banthai Beach Resort & Spa
- 6) Patong Beach Hotel
- 7) Amari Phuket
- 8) Horizon Patong Beach Resort & Spa
- 9) Centara Blue Marine Resort & Spa
- 10) Burasari Phuket
- 11) Phuket Graceland Resort & Spa
- 12) Phuket Marriott Resort & Spa

KARON BEACH

- 13) Karon Sea Sands Resort & Spa
- 14) The Old Phuket Karon Beach Resort
- 15) Centara Karon Resort Phuket
- 16) The Front Village Karon Phuket
- 17) Le Meridien Phuket Beach Resort
- 18) Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa

KATA BEACH

- 19) Kata Sea Breeze Resort
- 20) Kata Palm Resort & Spa
- 21) Beyond Resort Kata
- 22) The SIS Kata Resort

RAWAI BEACH

- 23) Rawai Palm Beach Resort

COCONUT ISLAND

- 24) The Village Coconut Island



Phuket

PEARL OF THE ANDAMAN SEA

Phuket is Thailand's premier resort island paradise, with a coastline fringed with beautiful white sand beaches, stunning scenery and opportunities for a variety of water sports including snorkelling and scuba diving close to one of the scenic outer islands. Pretty Phuket town boasts lovely traditional architecture as well as numerous shopping and dining opportunities.

GREAT SIGHTSEEING OPTIONS

FREE HALF DAY PHUKET CITY TOUR

THOMPSONS
EXCLUSIVE



A great introductory tour of the island that takes you past Phuket's most famous beaches. Visit the acclaimed Wat Chalong Temple and stop at the island's most popular lookout point, Promthep Cape. End the tour with duty-free shopping at a local gemstone factory where you can also view Phuket's renowned oysters and pearls.

PHUKET FANTASEA



Be immersed in the magic at this one-of-a-kind cultural theme park. Begin your journey of enchantment with the world's grandest buffet, then join in the festivities of the Royal Gala parade, delight in a spellbinding Las Vegas-style theatrical show, shop at the Festival Village and take a magical adventure on the Tiger Jungle 'Theatrical Safari'.

PHUKET SIMON CABARET



Experience a night to remember at Thailand's famous Ladyboy show. See the glamorous performers in their glittering costumes, revel in the stunning stage design and enjoy a spectacular show full of fun and laughter.

PHANG NGA BAY SCENIC SEA CANOEING



Travel to Phang Nga Bay by cruise boat. Discover a unique and hidden world as you paddle through a network of crystalline limestone sea caves, tunnels and lagoons in sea kayaks custom-designed for two people. Throughout the day fresh fruit, tea, coffee and soft drinks are served.

THOMPSONS TIP

Pre-book memorable sightseeing experiences prior to departure.

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★★★ SUNSET BEACH RESORT

PATONG BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: This excellent value hotel is located in the quieter beachfront area of Patong, ideal for those wanting to be away from the hustle and bustle of the main strip but close enough to great shopping and entertainment.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Superior Room, Deluxe Room, Sunset Studio & Junior Suite categories and a Family Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Beachfront restaurant | Bar | Swimming pool | Spa & beauty salon | Outdoor Jacuzzi | Kids club | Books corner | Fitness centre | Snooker & pool room | Free shuttle bus service to central Patong (until 21H00) | Conference room | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great location, close to the sea
- Picture-perfect views

★★★★ PATONG RESORT HOTEL

PATONG BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: An idyllic family resort located in the heart of Patong, within walking distance of Patong Beach, as well as great shopping outlets and Patong's famous nightlife.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Superior Room, Deluxe Room, Premium Deluxe Room & Executive Room categories and Grand Suite Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars inclusive of a Sky bar | 2 Swimming pools and a kids pool | Thai traditional massages | Outdoor Jacuzzi | Internet Café | Fitness room | Kids club | Thai cooking classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent facilities
- Fabulous Happy Hour with cocktails



★★★★ SEAVIEW PATONG HOTEL

PATONG BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: This vibrant hotel is just a few minutes from the delights of downtown Patong and across the road from an uncrowded beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Junior Suites and Seaview Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Poolside restaurant | 2 Bars | 2 Swimming pools and a kids pool | Spa & beauty salon | Shower and lounge for early arrivals and late departures | Library & internet room | Fitness room | Tour desk | Free Wi-Fi in restaurant.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent breakfast buffet
- Great evening entertainment

★★★★ PATONG MERLIN HOTEL

PATONG BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: Nestled amongst acres of swaying coconut palms and lush gardens, this hotel in the heart of Patong provides easy access to the sandy beach and the quaint street markets.

ACCOMMODATION: Standard Rooms, Superior Pool View Rooms, Deluxe & Deluxe Pool Access Rooms, Junior Suites, Executive Suites and a Presidential Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | Lobby lounge with live evening entertainment | Bar | 4 Swimming pools and 2 kids pools | Spa | Kids club | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- 6 different swimming pools
- Swim-up bar at one of the pools



★★★★ BANTHAI BEACH RESORT & SPA

PATONG BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: Located at the centre of Patong Beach. A perfect choice if you prefer high-quality rooms and facilities in an exotic environment with easy access to everything Patong has to offer.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Superior Room to Deluxe Pool Room & Suite categories, Grand Suites and a Villa Suite with plunge pool.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | 3 Bars | 3 Pool bars | Cocktail lounge | 3 Swimming pools with swim-up bars | Spa | Fitness centre | Shopping plaza | Internet corner | Free shuttle service to Phuket Town | Tour desk | Thai cooking classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent accommodation • Great facilities



★★★★ PATONG BEACH HOTEL

PATONG BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: The first hotel built on the fabulous 3km long Patong Beach, ideally located in a natural setting.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms - Garden / Pool view, Deluxe Rooms - Garden / Pool / Sea view, Junior Suites - Garden / Pool view, Sunset Spa Suites - Pool view and Sunset Suites - Sea view.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 4 Restaurants | Bar & pool bar | Discotheque | 2 Swimming pools and a kids pool | Fitness centre | Shopping plaza | Thursday theme nights | Thai cooking classes | Fruit carving classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Wide selection of facilities • Great location and excellent service

★★★★ AMARI PHUKET

PATONG BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: With a prime location in the southernmost corner of Patong and hidden on its own secluded beach, this resort is 5 minute's walk from popular Patong Beach.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Superior Room, Deluxe Room, Junior Suite, One & Two Bedroom Suite Categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | 2 Bars & pool bar | Spa | 2 Swimming pools | Kids club | Dive shop | The Clubhouse, exclusively for Club Suite guests | Sports centre | Shopping arcade | Shuttle bus to Jungceylon Shopping Mall and Kata Beach | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Stunning choice of facilities • Everything is on the premises - you never have to leave!



★★★★ HORIZON PATONG BEACH RESORT & SPA

PATONG BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: Ideally situated just across the road from famous Patong Beach and a short walk from the main shopping and entertainment district.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Family Rooms and Junior Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Sports bar & swim-up pool bar | Spa | 2 Swimming pools and an infant pool | Kids club | Fitness centre | Library | Shuttle bus to Karon Beach | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great for a family holiday • Kids love it here

★★★★ CENTARA BLUE MARINE RESORT & SPA

PATONG BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: Set on a cliff at the quiet northern end of Patong Beach, just across from Kalim Beach, this resort offers panoramic views of the Andaman Sea and is only a few minutes from the centre of Patong.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Superior Room, Deluxe Room, Premium Room & Suite categories and Deluxe One & Two Bedroom Villa & Suite categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | In-room dining | Bar | Spa | 3 Swimming pools | Waterslide | Kids pool | Kids club | Fitness centre | Games room | Shuttle bus to Patong | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Buggy rides up and down the hill are free • Superb accommodation and facilities

★★★★ BURASARI PHUKET

PATONG BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: Be blown away by the vibrant décor of the rooms, the garden restaurant and award-winning Spa. The oasis of tranquil beauty is perfectly located in the heart of Patong, just steps away from the beach and a short walk to Patong's existing array of restaurants, shops, markets, cafes and bars.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Premier Room, Elite Room, Mood Collection & Honeymoon Collection Room categories and a Glam Splash Room with Jacuzzi.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | Bar & pool bar | Health bar | Spa | 2 Swimming pools | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Romantic and secluded • Excellent location



★★★★ PHUKET GRACELAND RESORT & SPA

PATONG BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: Boasting a prime location overlooking the Andaman Sea, this resort in Patong Beach is surrounded by tropical flora. It offers the perfect mix of relaxation and activities.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Deluxe Room, Family Room & Graceland Suite Categories and Two Bedroom Family Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 8 Restaurants and bars | Live music entertainment | Nightclub & karaoke | Spa | 4 Swimming pools and kids pools | 8 Lane bowling alley | Internet lounge | Fitness centre | Thai cooking classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Guests are treated like royalty • Great choice of restaurants and entertainment options

★★★★★ PHUKET MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA

PATONG BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: Situated on a secluded stretch of Tri-Tang Beach in serene surroundings, making it seem a world apart. This resort is minutes from Patong Beach by shuttle or car.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Deluxe Room, Superior Room & Premier Room categories and two Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 8 Restaurants | Spa | 3 Swimming pools | Fitness centre | Kids activities programme | Reef education centre | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Very efficient staff • Stunning location for a secluded getaway



★★★ PLUS KARON SEA SANDS RESORT & SPA

KARON BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: An idyllic and centrally located resort across the road from the beach and within walking distance to Karon's shopping centres, markets and nightlife venues.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms, Pool Access Rooms and Family Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | Pool Bar | Lobby lounge | Cocktail evenings | Swimming pool | Spa | Gym | Thai and Indian cooking classes | Mini golf | Live entertainment | Free shuttle bus to Patong Beach twice a day | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Spacious rooms • Peaceful environment



★★★★ THE OLD PHUKET KARON BEACH RESORT

KARON BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: Heritage and modernism combine to create a strikingly beautiful resort in the heart of Karon Beach. The resort is a short walk from shopping, restaurants and the beach.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Deluxe Room, Private Jacuzzi and Studio Pool View Room categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 4 Restaurants | 2 Pool bars | Bakery & coffee café | 2 Swimming pools and a kids pool | Massage service at poolside | Library & internet corner | Fitness room | Kids room & games room | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Service is so exceptional that guests return time and again • Excellent location

★★★★ CENTARA KARON RESORT PHUKET

KARON BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: Located a few minutes' walk from Karon Beach, this modern resort is set against a background of lush hills. It offers a choice of accommodation and experiences.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Superior Room, Deluxe Room, Premier Room Categories and One & Two Bedroom Cabana Categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | 3 Pool bars | Cocktail lounge | 3 Swimming pools, each with a kids pool | 2 Waterslides | Spa | Activities programme | Fitness room | Kids club | One-way shuttle service to Patong | Evening entertainment | Thai cooking classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Everybody is catered for – families, couples and kids • Great variety of facilities



★★★★ THE FRONT VILLAGE KARON PHUKET

KARON BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: With soaring mountains as a scenic backdrop, this resort is ideal for an exotic getaway. It is located just a 5-minute walk from the beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Front Studios, Seafront Superior Rooms, Executive Deluxe Rooms, Waterfront Deluxe Rooms and Family Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | In-room dining | Pool bar | Thai cuisine restaurant at sister hotel | Swimming pool | Spa | Thai cooking and fruit carving classes | Free Wi-Fi in public areas.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Friendly staff • Comfortable accommodation

★★★★ LE MERIDIEN PHUKET BEACH RESORT

KARON BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: This resort is ideal for the discerning traveller. It's situated oceanfront on a secluded cove with a pristine beach and offers a full array of land and sea sports.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Deluxe Room, One & Two Bedroom Oceanfront Suite categories, Ocean View Junior Suites and a Four Bedroom Beachfront Grande Villa.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 10 Restaurants and bars | Pool bar | Fitness centre | 2 Swimming pools | Spa | Kids club | Mini-golf | Golf driving range | Archery | Bocchi ball court | Tennis | Squash | Thai culinary classes & crafts | Yacht cruises | Evening live entertainment | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Fall asleep to the sounds of the waves lapping the beach
- Superb selection of facilities and activities

★★★★ HILTON PHUKET ARCADIA RESORT & SPA

KARON BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: An idyllic destination for a truly unforgettable holiday, this resort offers breathtaking views of Karon beachfront and is the perfect place to enjoy a selection of activities.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of Twin, Queen & King Deluxe Room and Suite categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 8 Restaurants and bars | Bar | 24-Hour fitness centre | 5 Outdoor swimming pools | Spa | Kids Paradise | Putting green | Tennis | Squash | Thai cooking classes | Tour desk | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi for Hilton Honors members and around the lobby area.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great location close to the beach
- Wide choice of great facilities



★★★★ RAWAI PALM BEACH RESORT

RAWAI BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: Combining both traditional and contemporary architecture, the hotel is located 200m from the beach and just five minutes from Promthep Cape, famous for its spectacular sunsets.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Pool View, Deluxe Pool View, Deluxe Pool Access and Deluxe Family Pool View Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 3 Swimming pools | Spa | Internet room | Kids room and playground | Free shuttle service to Yanui, Nai Harn and Kata Beaches | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Close to a variety of bars and restaurants
- Modern facilities

★★★★ THE VILLAGE COCONUT ISLAND

COCONUT ISLAND

THE LOWDOWN: Phuket's ultimate island resort is set amidst lush tropical gardens. The resort boasts its own 500m of private beachfront and offers spectacular views all the way to Phang Nga Bay.

ACCOMMODATION: 2-5 Bedroom Beachfront or Sea View Grand Villas, 1-2 Bedroom Garden or Sea View Pool Villas and Jacuzzi Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | Bar | 2 Swimming pools | Water slides | Spa | Fitness centre | Kids club | 24-Hour water taxi service to Phuket | Water sports - sailing and kayaking | Tennis | Mountain bikes | Evening entertainment | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Superb facilities
- Excellent service



★★★ PLUS KATA SEA BREEZE RESORT

KATA BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: With a great location between Kata beach and the green inland hills, this resort is just a few minutes' walk from both Kata Centre and the beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Sea Breeze Rooms, Greenery Rooms, Aqua Pura Rooms (Direct access to the swimming pool), Family Breeze Suites and a Splendid Suite with Jacuzzi.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | Bar & swim up pool bar | Fitness suite | 4 Swimming pools | Spa | Kids playroom | Internet & book corner | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi in the main lobby.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great atmosphere • Excellent facilities



★★★★ KATA PALM RESORT & SPA

KATA BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: A family orientated resort set in a verdant tropical paradise just minutes from Kata Beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Pool View Rooms, Deluxe Pool View Rooms, Deluxe Pool Access Rooms, Deluxe Pool Access Villa Rooms, Grand Deluxe Rooms and Premier Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 3 Bars | Fitness centre | 2 Swimming pools and 2 wading pools for kids | Spa | Kids club | Thai cooking and fruit carving classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Reading and internet corner.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Brilliant buffet breakfasts • Great facilities

★★★★ BEYOND RESORT KATA

KATA BEACH

THE LOWDOWN: Formerly known as the Kata Beach Resort, the resort offers a tranquil atmosphere. It boasts an excellent location on the palm-lined Kata Beach beachfront and is close to lively nightlife, numerous restaurants and shops.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Grand Deluxe Rooms, Premier Deluxe Seaview Rooms, Pool Access Rooms and Junior Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | Bar | Spa | Lagoon swimming pool | Fitness centre | Thai cooking classes | Kids club | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent location • Beach is great for surfing



★★★★ PLUS THE SIS KATA RESORT

KATA BEACH



THE LOWDOWN: This stylish resort offers breathtaking views across The Andaman Sea. It's located close to beautiful Kata Beach.

ACCOMMODATION: A variety of room categories - SIS On The Hill, SIS Over The Pool, SIS Over The Garden, SIS Jacuzzi Pool, SIS Over The Sea, SIS Studio and "The SIS" Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | 4 Bars | Spa | 2 Swimming pools | 24-Hours fitness centre | Library & internet room | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Modern, stylish and comfortable • Exceptional views



Khao Lak

A NATURE LOVER'S DELIGHT

Located an hour's drive north of Phuket Island, Khao Lak is one of Thailand's most tranquil resort destinations. It's surrounded by scenic mountains and countryside filled with exquisite waterfalls. Adventure enthusiasts will enjoy a variety of water sports activities from the white sand beaches and the surrounding coral reefs are famous for excellent snorkelling opportunities, especially close to the nearby Similan Islands.

★★★ PLUS THE BRIZA BEACH RESORT KHAO LAK

KHAO LAK



THE LOWDOWN: The resort is located on an unspoiled beach. It's ideally situated just a 10-minute walk from stunning Lam Lu National Park as well as 10 minutes' drive from the charming old town.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Garden, Grand Deluxe Garden, Deluxe Family Garden, Grand Deluxe Beachfront, Deluxe Pool View and Deluxe Pool Access Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Swimming pool | Fitness room | Massage relaxation corner on beach | Library & internet corner | Briza Plaza | Kids playroom | Activities nearby – yoga classes, surfing, water rafting | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Ideal for families • So many great activities

★★★★ PLUS KHAOLAK MERLIN RESORT

KHAO LAK

THE LOWDOWN: Set amongst peaceful tropical landscape and lush gardens, the resort offers direct access to 190m of tranquil Khao Lak beachfront.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Pool Access Rooms, One Bedroom and Two Bedroom Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Spa | 4 Swimming pools, a children's pool with water slide and a spa pool with Jacuzzi | Fitness room | Tennis | Library & internet corner | Live evening entertainment | Kids playground | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Tranquil and secluded • Very attentive staff



★★★★★ BANGSAK MERLIN

KHAO LAK



THE LOWDOWN: This resort is a haven for relaxation in a stunning natural setting. It overlooks the most spectacular white sand beach in Khao Lak and is approximately 20 minutes from the town centre.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Superior Pool Access Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Deluxe Pool Access Rooms, Premium Deluxe Rooms, Family Rooms, Pool Villa Suites and One or Two Bedroom Pool Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Pool bar | Spa | 3 Swimming pools | Recreation room with internet corner | Fitness room | Yoga | Thai cooking & cocktail making classes | Kids club | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Peaceful setting • Beautiful beach

Phi Phi

PARADISE FOUND

Located just 45 minutes by speedboat or 90 minutes by ferry from either Phuket or Krabi, these exquisite islands are some of the most beautiful in the world. The uninhabited island of Phi Phi Ley is particularly beautiful; it's home to the beautiful beach of Maya Bay and is where the movie *The Beach* was filmed.

★★★ PHI PHI BAYVIEW RESORT

THE LOWDOWN: Situated on a gently sloping hillside overlooking the sparkling shores of Laem Hin Beach, this resort is a tranquil hideaway for nature lovers. It's just a 10-minute walk from the village centre and vibrant nightlife.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Villas, Deluxe Villas and Grand Deluxe Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Beachfront restaurant | Beach bar | Swimming pool with Jacuzzi and swim-up bar | Thai massage service | Free boat shuttle service to the pier & village | Free Wi-Fi in lobby, restaurant & beach bar.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Unsurpassed views • Stunning secluded location yet not too far from the town

PHI PHI ISLAND



★★★★ HOLIDAY INN RESORT PHI PHI ISLAND

PHI PHI ISLAND



THE LOWDOWN: This hideaway resort is located on the beachfront, surrounded by breathtaking natural beauty. It is the ideal place for both romantic couples and families. Offers a tranquil and serene environment.

ACCOMMODATION: Bungalows, Hilltop Studios and Ocean Sunset Pool Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Spa | 3 Swimming pools | Mini-gym | Thai cooking lessons | Scuba diving centre | Non-motorised water sports | Kids club | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent service and friendly staff • Great facilities

★★★★ PLUS PHI PHI ISLAND VILLAGE BEACH RESORT

PHI PHI ISLAND

THE LOWDOWN: An enchanting getaway with an idyllic setting. Here, privacy is guaranteed on one of Thailand's most secluded beaches. Offers spectacular views for the perfect sundowner.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Bungalows, Deluxe Garden Bungalows, Deluxe and Deluxe Sea View Bungalows, Beachfront Junior Suites, Two Bedroom Family Bungalows and Hillside Pool Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 4 Restaurants | 3 Bars | Spa | Swimming pool | Recreation centre | Fitness centre | Scuba diving centre | Kids & teens activities programme | Free Wi-Fi | Marine Discovery centre

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Tranquil, secluded and romantic • Exquisite beach





Open to The New Shades

New Shades Of Thai Beaches

Thai beaches are open to everybody and have diverse shades for everyone to indulge in. Every beach has its own uniqueness.

Separated sea and nail-shaped islands or, here at Koh Talu, you will enjoy an assorted mix of sceneries including the rainforests, high cliffs and shallow coral reefs that are nature's mesmerizing creations.

There are a million shades of Thailand waiting for you to discover.
We are open, are you?

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THAILAND

Krabi

SCENIC SPLENDOUR

Krabi is famous for its many natural attractions including the Noppharat Thara Beach National Park and Koh Poda, as well as its breathtaking beaches, Ao-Nang and Railay. The surrounding islands with their exquisite coral reefs are some of the most beautiful on earth and offer great opportunities for coral diving. There's also the Maharaj Walking Street, which is a weekend night market offering great shopping.

TOP SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCE

PHI PHI ISLAND PARADISE & SUNSET CRUISE



Set sail on a traditional wooden Indonesian Phinisi yacht towards world-renowned Maya Bay, where the famous movie *The Beach* was filmed. Spend the day exploring some of Phi Phi's spectacular islands, with plenty of time to swim, snorkel, soak up the sun and have fun. Return by Phinisi yacht, enjoying beautiful sunset views over the Andaman Sea.



HOTEL LOCATIONS

- 1) Krabi Cha-Da Resort
- 2) Cha-Da Krabi Thai Village Resort
- 3) Aonang Cliff Beach Resort
- 4) Aonang Villa Resort
- 5) Beyond Resort Krabi

★★★ KRABI CHA-DA RESORT

KRABI



THE LOWDOWN: Located on Ao-Nang mountain with stunning views over the tranquil Andaman sea, this Oriental-style hotel is just 20 minutes' drive to the centre of Krabi and a 10-minute walk to idyllic Ao-Nang beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms and Deluxe Pool Access Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | 2 Bars | Massage | Swimming pool | Jacuzzi | Free shuttle bus service to the hotel's private beach club at Ao-Nang beach with restaurant, sun umbrellas and deck chairs | Fitness centre | Internet corner | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- One of Krabi's best hotels
- Stunning views from the rooftop pool

★★★★ KRABI THAI VILLAGE RESORT

KRABI

THE LOWDOWN: This peaceful Thai-style resort is located in a stunning natural setting. It's a 10-minute walk to popular Ao-Nang Beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms and Executive Rooms.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Spa & beauty salon | 3 Swimming pools | Free shuttle bus service to the hotel's private beach club at Ao-Nang beach with restaurant, sun umbrellas and deck chairs | Gym | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.



THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great location close to plenty of sights • Variety of facilities

★★★★ AONANG CLIFF BEACH RESORT

KRABI



THE LOWDOWN: Located in the heart of Ao-Nang, this beautiful resort offers breathtaking views. It's located close to shopping, dining, nightlife, and the public beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Rooms, Ocean View Rooms, Panorama Suites, Family Retreat Rooms and Private Pool Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Spa | 2 Swimming pools | Free shuttle bus service to the hotel's private beach with restaurant | Gym | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent accommodation • Stunning views

★★★★ AONANG VILLA RESORT

KRABI

THE LOWDOWN: Beachfront resort with a stunning location at the southern end of magnificent Ao-Nang Beach. The resort is surrounded by unspoiled natural scenery backed by soaring limestone cliffs and is located just metres from the Andaman Sea.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Superior Sea View Rooms, Grand Superior Rooms, Grand Superior Sea View Rooms, Deluxe Garden, Pool and Sea View Rooms, a Honeymoon Suite and a Senator Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Spa | 3 Swimming pools | Children's pool | Fitness centre | Kids club | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.



THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Unrivalled location • Ocean views while you're having breakfast

★★★★ BEYOND RESORT KRABI

KRABI



THE LOWDOWN: Situated on pristine Klong Muang Beach, the perfect base for island hopping and Andaman explorations.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior Rooms, Deluxe Sea View Rooms, Cottage Garden Rooms, Villa Garden and Sea View Rooms, Villa Pamukale and a Grand Sea View Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Bar | Spa | Beachfront swimming pool | Thai cooking classes | Fitness centre | Children's activities | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Great beach and stunning views • Kids love it here

Koh Samui

TROPICAL PARADISE ISLE



Famous for its beautiful palm-fringed beaches, coconut groves and dense mountainous rainforest, this tropical paradise is breathtakingly beautiful. A haven for active adventurers, party people, beach bums and the rest of us, Koh Samui offers several luxury resorts and high-end spas. Most of the action takes place in Chaweng, which is full of fast food restaurants and bars and offers a raucous nightlife.



HOTEL LOCATIONS

- 1) Chaba Samui Resort
- 2) Chaweng Regent Beach Resort
- 3) Baan Samui Resort
- 4) Chaba Cabana Beach Resort
- 5) Centara Grand Beach Resort Samui

TOP SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES

SEA KAYAKING: ANGTHONG MARINE NATIONAL PARK



Explore the coast of Mae Koh in a sea kayak and soak up the unspoilt beauty. Highlights include swimming and snorkelling in clear water and canoeing between rocky limestone outcrops.

SAMUI JUNGLE BY JEEP



Explore the uninhabited part of Samui jungle in a 4WD jeep with an experienced driver. Glide down a fun slide, then take a dip at a waterfall before visiting some mountain farms.

*** CHABA SAMUI RESORT

KOH SAMUI



THE LOWDOWN: Located in vibrant Chaweng Beach, this resort boasts a private beachfront with easy access to shopping centres, nightlife and sightseeing.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms, Family Rooms, Junior Suites and Sunrise Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: Restaurant | Beach bar | Massage corner | 2 Swimming pools with kids section | Kids playground | Jeep rental | Fitness centre | Small conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent facilities
- Offers a fun-filled resort holiday

★★★★ CHAWENG REGENT BEACH RESORT

KOH SAMUI

THE LOWDOWN: Enjoy a taste of tropical living with sweeping ocean views at this stunning beachfront resort on Chaweng Beach. Vibrant entertainment spots, restaurants, and shopping are all within walking distance.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Villas, Deluxe Regency Rooms, Premier Rooms, Grand Premier Rooms, Spa Villa Suites, Grand Premier Family Rooms and Royal Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Bar | Spa | 2 Swimming pools | Yoga classes | Fitness centre & health club | Non-motorised water sports & scuba diving (external service providers) | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Premier rooms feature their own Jacuzzis
- Excellent facilities for a fun-filled holiday



★★★★ BAAN SAMUI RESORT

KOH SAMUI



THE LOWDOWN: This stunning retreat is located in a secluded and enchanting part of Chaweng Beach.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms, Superior Deluxe Rooms, Junior Suites and Family Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Pool bar | Beachfront swimming pool | Kids pool | Thai massages | Non-motorised water sports (external service providers) | Shopping centre next to the hotel | Library | Free Wi-Fi in public areas.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Variety of facilities including massages on the beach
- Great location

★★★★ CHABA CABANA BEACH RESORT

KOH SAMUI

THE LOWDOWN: Perfectly located towards the peaceful northern end of Chaweng Beach, this delightful retreat is only minutes from shopping, sightseeing and the vibrant Chaweng area.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms, Family Suites, Honeymoon Suites, Junior Suites, Deluxe Villas and Grand Villas.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 2 Restaurants | Pool bar | 2 Swimming pools with kids section | Kids playground | Beachfront Thai massages | Non-motorised water sports (external service providers) | Fitness centre | Thai cooking classes | Free Wi-Fi and internet corner.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent seafood in the restaurant
- Great fun for kids and adults alike



★★★★★ CENTARA GRAND BEACH RESORT SAMUI

KOH SAMUI



THE LOWDOWN: Offering old world Colonial charm and an unparalleled beachfront setting on Chaweng Beach, this long-established, award-winning resort is perfect for swimming, strolling, relaxing and having fun.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe & Premium Deluxe Ocean Facing Rooms, Deluxe Pool Suites, One Bedroom Suites, One Bedroom Premium Pool Suites and a Royal Suite.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars | 2 Coffee shops | Spa | Swimming pool with Jacuzzi | Kids club | Fitness centre | Yoga classes | Non-motorised water sports | Muay Thai boxing | Tennis | Beach volleyball | PADI scuba diving centre | Thai cooking classes | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Quintessential luxury resort holiday
- Great for families and couples

Hua Hin

Thailand's original beach resort is 2.5 hours' drive from Bangkok and offers a refreshing blend of both city and the sea with its lively markets, great golf courses, water parks and international cuisine. Hua Hin Beach is popular for kite surfing and numerous other water sports.



Pattaya

Famous for its beautiful beaches and great golf courses, this little village is just 1.5 hours' drive from Bangkok. It's full of hotels, shopping malls and 24-hour clubs. Nearby is Wat Phra Yai Temple, with its 18m-tall golden Buddha.

TOP SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES

FROM HUA HIN BURMA TO THE BEACH CYCLING



Transfer to the Burmese border with time to explore an outdoor handicrafts market. Then cycle through spectacular landscapes of jagged limestone mountains and islands. Highlights en route include a visit to a Thai Air Force Base, lunch on the beach and time to explore a beautiful teak wood temple full of Buddhist carvings.

FROM HUA HIN - KHAO SAM ROI YOT NATIONAL PARK



Take a scenic tour to this spectacular National Park, stopping off at a traditional fishing village to sail on a simple fishing boat to Laem Sa La beach. Then enjoy a steep and scenic 30-minute climb to reach one of the park's most famous landmarks, the Praya Nakorn cave, which boasts a four-gabled pavilion that honours visiting King Rama V.

FROM PATTAYA RAMAYANA WATER PARK



Spend a day at Thailand's largest and most exhilarating water park where you experience the thrills and spills of 21 awesome water rides, two dedicated kids' zones, a big double wave pool and an amazing ride on the lazy river through mystical caves. As it's built on an ancient, long-forgotten city, you can also explore the ruins of ancient buildings as well as visit a floating market.

★★★★ AMARI HUA HIN

HUA HIN

THE LOWDOWN: Situated in an idyllic garden setting, this resort is right next to Khao Takiab Beach and just 10 minutes from the downtown area, providing the perfect blend of convenience, style and comfort.

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms (Hillside View, Pool View or Ocean Facing), Family Suites (Hillside View or Pool View) and One Bedroom Suites (Pool View or Ocean Facing).

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Spa | Swimming pool & kids pool | Kids club | Fitness centre | Jogging track | Outdoor team games | Free shuttle bus service to shopping and entertainment areas | Business centre | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent family hotel • Great choice of food options



★★★★ INTERCONTINENTAL HUA HIN RESORT

HUA HIN



THE LOWDOWN: An elegant resort overlooking a pristine white sand beach and close to the night market. You have the option to fly here from Bangkok in the hotel's private jet.

ACCOMMODATION: Classic Rooms, Executive Rooms and Suites.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 8 Restaurants & bars | Spa | Swimming pool | Kids club | Fitness centre | Horse riding | Library | Yoga classes | Thai boxing | Thai cooking classes | Free access to Vana Nava Water Park (Subject to number of nights stay) | Business centre | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Excellent food • Personalised service

★★★★ HOLIDAY INN PATTAYA

PATTAYA

THE LOWDOWN: A family friendly hotel situated on popular Beach Road, just a one-minute walk from the beach. All rooms offer panoramic sea views and the hotel is ideally located, close to cultural attractions and beach activities.

ACCOMMODATION: Superior, Deluxe, Executive Room Categories and Premium, Executive, Family Suite Categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 5 Restaurants | 2 Bars | Rooftop bar for Executive Room guests | Spa | 4 Swimming pools | Kids club | Live entertainment | Fitness centre | Fun-filled family activities | Free shuttle bus service to shopping centre | Business centre | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- 5 star service at all times • So many excellent facilities



★★★★ HARD ROCK HOTEL PATTAYA

PATTAYA



THE LOWDOWN: Situated on vibey Pattaya Beach Road across the road from the beach, this hotel offers a vibrant, stylish, unique Rock 'n Roll experience. The perfect location to live a Rockstar lifestyle!

ACCOMMODATION: Deluxe Rooms, Deluxe Sea View Rooms, Rock Royalty City or Sea View Rooms, Roxstars City or Sea View Family Suites and a range of Suite Categories.

GUEST EXPERIENCES: 3 Restaurants | Bar | Cocktail lounge | Spa | Beach sand swimming pool with a water slide | Saturday pool parties | Kids & teens club | Fitness centre | Fun-filled events throughout the year | Conference and meeting facilities | Free Wi-Fi.

THOMPSONS LOVES IT BECAUSE:

- Unique fun atmosphere • Great for kids and adults alike

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