

Day 1 ARRIVE CHIANG MAI:

Arriving at Chiang Mai Airport, meet your English speaking guide for your private transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure for relaxation or exploring. This evening, enjoy the delicious gourmet "Khantoke" Food, the symbol of Northern Thai cuisine, including appetizers, main course, desserts and coffee or tea. A variety of graceful Chiang Mai traditional dancers and selected hill tribe dancers will perform their colorful, original and photogenic, traditional dances. These can be viewed while dining on low tables while seated on traditional floor mats with comfortable cushions Lanna Thai style.

(Dinner)

Private Transfer - Chiang Mai Airport to Chiang Mai City Center Hotel with Guide

Duration: 20 Minutes

You will be met at the Chiang Mai Airport by an English speaking guide and driven to your Chiang Mai City Center hotel.

Chiang Mai - Ratilanna Riverside Spa and Resort - Standard

5 Nights

Style: Contemporary Location: Chiang Mai

Nearby Attractions: Mengrai Bridge, Nong Hoy Market, Wiang Kum Kam Ratilanna Riverside Spa Resort translates and transforms from the origin of Lanna City and culture in the theme of water architecture, temples, tenement and old commercial buildings from the last 200 years. Mr. Apichart Sri aroon was inspired in his architectural design of the resort by flashing back 200 years, when the Wat Gate community was a prosperous trade center with foreigners who traveled along Ping River by ancient Lanna scorpion vessel boat.

Evening Kantoke Dinner with Show and Private Transfers from within Chiang Mai 4 Hours

Duration: 4 Hours Category: Food and Drink Tour Type: Meal

You haven't been to Chiang Mai without tasting the northern Thai food especially a Kantoke Dinner. While savoring perfect cuisine, you will be entertained by wonderful classic dances performed by hill tribes.

Day 2 CHIANG MAI:

Today will give you a general introduction to the city of Chiang Mai as you soak in the festive atmosphere around the town. After breakfast, meet your guide for a private tour around this famous city and get an up close and personal look at some of its most notable temples, as well as stops at its old city walls, gates and moat. You'll begin with a steep drive to the venerable 600 year old Wat Phrathat Doi Suthep, the sacred temple with a challenging flight of steps, flanked by Naga Serpents. Reaching the top, you're

rewarded with superb views of the city. You'll also visit Wat Chedi Luang, the site of a formerly massive pagoda that was unfortunately destroyed in the great earthquake of 1545, and Wat Phra Singh, the lovely Lai Kam chapel that houses the revered Phra Singh Buddha image. In the San Kamphaeng handicraft district, watch artisans practicing ancient Thai arts and crafts, and learn more about the generations old traditions.

(Breakfast)

Private Wat Phra That Doi Suthep Tour from within Chiang Mai - 3.5 Hours

Duration: 3 Hours 30 Minutes Category: Art and Culture, Historical Tour Type: Car/Bus Tour

This tour takes in one of the best: 600 year old Wat Phra That Doi Suthep. After a drive up the mountain, climb a Naga staircase with 306 steps. Inside is a copper plated chedi topped by a five tier gold umbrella containing partial relics of Lord Buddha. On a clear day, there are incomparable panoramic views over the city of Chiang Mai and the surrounding countryside.

Day 3 CHIANG MAI:

Today you'll venture a bit further afield to Chiang Rai to take in all that this nearby city has to offer while enjoying the splendid scenery along your journey.

(Breakfast)

Private Chiang Rai and Golden Triangle Tour from outside Chiang Mai - 12 Hours

Duration: 12 Hours Category: Authentic/Local Tour Type: Car/Bus Tour

Visit the Golden Triangle, which was once a hub for the opium trade. A hilltop view point gives a view of the splendor of the mighty Mekong River joining forces with the Ruak River and forming the actual "Triangle" with Laos, Myanmar (Burma), and Thailand. Visits are also made to Akha and Yao hill tribe villages along the way to witness the fascinating lifestyles of these ethnic groups who make a living from the land.

Day 4 CHIANG MAI:

Today will allow you an insight into the local traditions and the handicrafts which inform the basis of the festival and creation of the lanterns themselves. After breakfast, embark on a captivating 3.5 hour tour through the enchanting streets of Chiang Mai, Thailand's handicraft haven, where the rich tapestry of local artistry unfolds before your eyes, showcasing the meticulous craftsmanship behind delicate hand painted Thai paper umbrellas, the timeless elegance of Celadon ceramics, the intricate allure of lacquerware, and the gleaming beauty of silverware, each piece a testament to the city's vibrant cultural heritage.

(Breakfast)

Private Local Handicraft Tour from within Chiang Mai - 3.5 Hours

Duration: 3 Hours 30 Minutes Category: Art and Culture Tour Type: Car/Bus Tour

Chiang Mai is Thailand's handicraft heaven. See delicate hand painted Thai paper umbrellas, Celadon ceramics, lacquerware, and silverware.

Day 5 CHIANG MAI:

Today's the day! You can take in the buzzing atmosphere during the day as you prepare for the evening's festivities and perhaps prepare your own lantern as well.

(Breakfast)

Day 6 DEPART CHIANG MAI:

After breakfast, meet your guide in the hotel lobby for your private transfer to the airport for your return home, or onward to your next Avanti Destination!

Private Transfer - Chiang Mai City Center Hotel to Chiang Mai Airport with Guide

Duration: 20 Minutes

You will be met at your Chiang Mai City Center hotel by an English speaking guide and driven to the Chiang Mai Airport.