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THAILAND QUEER TRIP 2027

Dates:

29th Jan - 15th Feb 2027 (18 days)

Price

£1,679 (approx \$2,229/€1,959)

Secure your spot with just a **£49 deposit (approx \$65/€57)** - Payment plans available

Operator

The trip will be run by @adventure360official, the UK's leading independent specialist travel company for 18-30s.



Trip Highlights

- Help feed the elephants at an ethical elephant project
- Sleep on the water in a traditional Thai 'float-house' in Khao Sok National Park
- Go off-grid with a jungle trek and bamboo rafting in Northern Thailand
- Live the best beach life on the tropical island of Koh Samui
- Party at The Stranger Bar, The Pride Bar and Sapphic Riot Bar
- Travel with other LGBTQ+ Backpacker community members!



What is Included in the price

- 17 nights' accommodation
- Some meals (see accommodation & meal section)
- Exclusive group chat before you travel
- Airport transfer on arrival
- A local Thai guide
- Welcome drink and entrance fee at The Stranger Bar
- Bangkok city boat tour
- In-country transport (inc. internal flight)
- Cookery class in Chiang Mai
- Visit Sapphic Riot Bar in Chiang Mai
- Chiang Mai night market tour
- Ethical elephant experience
- Bamboo rafting
- Koh Phi Phi viewpoint visit
- Phi Phi boat trip with snorkelling
- Street food crawl
- Bor Thor mangrove forests kayak trip
- Khao Sok entrance fee
- Khao Sok long-tail boat trip
- Khao Sok floating bungalows
- Ang Thong National Marine Park visit
- Drink at The Pride Bar
- 24-hour emergency support



WHATS NOT INCLUDED: INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS, TRAVEL INSURANCE, VISAS (IF NEEDED), SOME MEALS, SNACKS AND DRINKS, OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES, RETURN AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Coming Solo?

Perfect - most people on our trips do! Our trips are **designed to help travellers meet and make new friends**, so whether you're joining alone, with a partner, or alongside friends, you'll quickly feel part of the group.

A **dedicated group leader will be with you throughout the trip**, making sure everyone is mixing, socialising, and having an amazing time together. Adventure360 also **creates a WhatsApp group around a month before departure**, so you can start chatting and breaking the ice before you even arrive.

Several travellers across multiple trips have even ended up **getting matching tattoos together**, and there have been **countless reunions happening all over the world** since - which really says a lot about how close the group becomes by the end of the trip!

Tattoos



Thailand 2025



Philippines 2025



Thailand 2026

Reunions



Amsterdam pride



Brighton pride



Switzerland

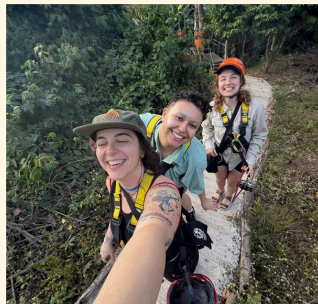


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Who is the trip open to?

This trip is open to **LGBTQ+ backpackers aged 18-35 from any country!** Our trips **usually attract queer women, trans, and non-binary people**, but they're open to - and we encourage - **everyone across the LGBTQ+ community to join!**

Our insta gives a good glimpse into the kind of lovely people you can expect to be travelling with! (@lgbtq_backpackers).



Reviews

As our trips are operated by trusted travel partners, we don't collect reviews directly ourselves. However, **the reviews below were left on Adventure360's Reviews.io profile** specifically for our LGBTQ+ Backpackers Trips.

Adventure360, the operator for this trip, is rated 4.8/5 on Reviews.io, and we'd definitely encourage you to check out their reviews!

Daisy ★★★★★

Solo travel is always an exciting yet intimidating prospect and sometimes, as someone who is a part of the LGBTQ community, it can feel more intimidating than exciting. That's why I was so excited to be able to go on a fully queer trip and I have never been so glad that I did. What a fantastic, vibrant and beautiful group of people I got to spend time with, all while discovering a new country. We really got to see the wide variety that Thailand has to offer: from beautiful beaches, expansive jungle and bustling cities. Throughout the trip, the organised experiences gave us the chance to become extremely close as a group and there really was something for everyone. There was also the chance for additional activities such as rock climbing. It is impossible to leave a review for this trip and not mention the incredible Mr Patrick. It's safe to say that we would have been lost without him and that he made this trip the best it could possibly be for all of us. Mr Patrick led us all through the experience with jokes, hugs and anti-sea sickness medications and we never were unsure about our next move. I cannot recommend him more highly as a guide and fully express what a wonderful person he is. Everyone in their life needs a Mr Patrick ❤️ thank you for making such an inclusive and safe trip possible for all of us.

Jen ★★★★★

Wow - what an incredible experience! I haven't got a single bad word to say about this tour and our wonderful, caring and fun guide Patrick! From day one he helped bring our group together ready to see his country not with strangers, but with new friends. This activity packed tour was so well organised: I always felt safe, knew what our plan was and could easily ask for suggestions for our free time. Patrick put so much work into making our time together memorable and worry free, it really wouldn't have been anywhere near as good without him and I am so grateful for him! I couldn't recommend doing a Gap360 tour as part of the LGBTQ+ backpackers group enough! It was so special and I now have a group of queer people from all around the world that I can call family - I will definitely be doing it again!

Anonymous ★★★★★

This trip was so fun! We did so many amazing things and I've met the best people! Our guide Mr. Patrick took so good care of us and made the trip the best it could've been:) I felt so safe as queer the whole time

MJ ★★★★★

I had an incredible time on the LGBTQ Backpackers Thailand trip. Everything was very well organized and planned, and I loved the group activities we did as well as the freedom to go off and explore a bit on my own, which I had a great time doing. I loved the hill trek and the night in the jungle village as well. I do wish we could have spent more time in Bangkok and Chiang Mai, though- it would have been nice to get to explore the city and learn about the culture. As a vegan, I was amazed at how well gap360 accommodated my dietary needs for all of the included meals. I never found myself in a situation where I felt like there wasn't anything I could eat; and often, a separate vegan meal was prepared for me without even having to ask! Our tour guide Mr Patrick was an absolute delight. He did an amazing job and made the trip so fun. He helped us so much on the trip and it wouldn't have been the same without him!

Ella ★★★★★

I had a fantastic 18 days in Thailand, exploring all of this country's beauty. I specially want to shout out our guide, Patrick, for expertly shepherding 22 of us around the whole country and taking us on the most fantastic excursions!

Samantha ★★★★★

What a life changing experience. I had the absolute pleasure joining the LGBTQ+ backpackers trip and had the most heartwarming experience. This was my first time traveling solo which going with Gap360 allowed the comfort of traveling with a group alongside gaining the feel of backpacking. We saw the most beautiful locations with a mix between chilled beach time, adrenaline pumping activities and learning a lot about the culture! Highlights were definitely the elephant sanctuary and the hill village stay. I have come out of this trip with so many beautiful new friends and memories that I will cherish forever. I was very worried about going to Thailand with a peanut allergy but the tour provided safe meals and our amazing tour guide helped every step of the way with communicating and pointing me in the right direction of safe alternatives. We had the absolute delight of Mr Patrick's company on our tour. Patrick was the perfect tour guide for our LGBTQ+ tour. He has a strong knowledge of cultural history and had many suggestions for places/activities for us to do in each location during free time which were always welcomed. Mr Patrick deserves a full five stars. He is such an inspiration and joy to have met! For a diverse group who struggle to sometimes feel safe in different locations, Mr Patrick made us all feel safe every step of the way. Thank you Mr Patrick ❤️

Aisling H ★★★★★

I was very nervous leading up the queer trip to Thailand but once I got there, I felt so at ease. Travelling around Thailand with a beautiful bunch of people was an unforgettable experience. I have made some lifelong friends and will always be grateful for this trip. Mr. Patrick was amazing. He knew everyone's names from the start and joined in on our fun when he was able to. His communication was excellent, we always knew what the plan was and timings etc, he was always there with the anti-sickness tablets too. Mr. Patrick was the perfect person to show a bunch of queers around Thailand. Would do it all again in a heartbeat.

Post-Trip Chat Vibes

We believe there's no better way to get a sense of how incredible the trips are than by taking a sneak peek into the post-trip group chat messages!



From @saskf



From @jana_o4



From @lifeofrachel_x



From @danncannon



From @hfarris



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THAILAND GROUP TRIPS, OPERATED BY ADVENTURE360.

Day 1

Trip Overview

Discover the best of Thailand on this incredible group trip - exclusive to book through Adventure360 and the LGBTQ+ Backpackers community! Check out Bangkok's best gay bars with your new friends. That's just the start, because even more unforgettable memories await in Thailand's enchanting north and paradise south. From elephants to island-hopping, jungles to beach parties, this is Thailand!

Day 1: Begin in Bangkok

Welcome to Thailand! Touchdown at Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK), where your included transfer will take you to our home base in the chaos of the Khao San Road area. From bright neon lights to street food and the wildest of bar crawls, Khao San Road is Asia's number one for nightlife!

No activities are planned for today, so arrive whenever you like before meeting your new friends for tonight's welcome meeting. Say hey to your group leader, an amazing local guide who has got everything organised, plus the best recommendations for where to eat, drink and party. Ready for your first Pad Thais and big night out?



Day 2-4

Day 2: Bangkok drag show

Your free day in Bangkok starts now! Tick off the capital's most popular temples, from Wat Pho to the Grand Palace, famed for their stunning gold colours. Get lost inside Bangkok's railway and floating markets to shop for local artisan souvenirs. You could even head to Chinatown for a fusion of different Asian flavours, or to Bangkok's world-famous shopping malls.

Let's regroup later this evening for a group dinner. Then it's time for the main event! Bangkok's premier Drag Show is about to begin, and it's a rainbow celebration. Watch the fabulous Queens of the Night take centre-stage with performances that slay the house down boots.

Dance under the glitterball, sip on cocktails, and soak in the electric energy. Tonight's dress code? Be yourself! Because when the show's over, our night is just beginning...

Day 3: Bangkok and Chiang Mai.

Hop on a boat that cruises along the Chao Phraya River this morning, savouring all the insane views packed inside Bangkok. Traditional temples meet towering skyscrapers here, so have your cameras ready! Enjoy free time to tick off any final highlights with your friends. Then we're Chiang Mai-bound, with a sleeper bus journey up to Thailand's second biggest city.

Day 4: Chiang Mai elephants and homestay.

You've been waiting for it, and now it's actually happening... You're feeding elephants! Today we'll visit an ethical sanctuary in the heart of Chiang Mai's jungle. You'll have the chance to see how these beautiful animals, native to Thailand, are cared for. Get involved in the inspiring work being done here. After the most unforgettable day, we're about to make even more memories. Spend tonight at a local homestay, getting to know our friendly hosts. Fall asleep to the jungle ambience. What a day!



Day 5

About the elephant project

We've specifically chosen to work with this project, because of their ethical approach to working with elephants. The home is at the forefront of the movement in Thailand towards finding new, more positive ways to interact with these majestic beasts. Many of the elephants have been rescued from hard labour, circuses, and riding camps, and given a better life, in a safe, natural environment, where they can roam free. Visitors are not permitted to ride the elephants. Instead, you'll be involved in a more authentic experience, caring for the elephants, and living alongside them in a way that's beneficial to the animals.

Day 5: Jungle trek

Start today with jaw-dropping scenery, as we hike past scenic waterfalls, rice paddies and bright emerald jungle stretches. Our trek will take around two hours, as we soak it all in. Think those views are impressive? Wait until we climb onto bamboo rafts to float along the river. Keep your eyes peeled for any wildlife at the edges!

Following our delicious lunch out in nature, Chiang Mai city life is calling! Tonight's vibe couldn't be more different from this morning, and in the best way. Tonight, we will head to Sapphic Riot Bar, for another great night out!



Day 6 & 7

Day 6: Chiang Mai cooking class.

Roll up your sleeves and get that apron on. You've been daydreaming about how amazing Thai food is, and today, the students become the masters. Learn from a professional chef how to whip up authentic recipes from scratch, using fresh, locally sourced ingredients. Then dig into what you've made for lunch!

Speaking of delicious food, tonight we'll be exploring Chiang Mai's famous night market. Your group leader has got the best street food stall recommendations, and you'll probably want to try them all!

Day 7: Chiang Mai to Phuket.

Rise and shine, our next destination is pure paradise. Fly down south to Phuket, the biggest of Thailand's 1,400+ islands. You'll love everything about it, from those sapphire ocean views to Phuket's iconic Old Town, perfect for strolling along those pastel streets, dotted with boutiques and cafés... It's even dreamier than it sounds!

Phuket is a party animal island, especially in Patong. Think Bangkok's queer energy, but swap big city lights for beaches. Patong's LGBTQ+ party scene is truly legendary and has everything from gay bars to clubbing until sunrise. So... Any guesses what we'll be doing tonight?



Day 8 – 10

Day 8: Phuket to Koh Phi Phi.

Enjoy a lazy morning in Phuket to chill on the beach (or sleep in, if you partied too hard last night!). Later today, we'll island-hop over to Koh Phi Phi. Welcome to the dreamiest island ever, famed for its limestone cliffs, crystal-clear waters and pure white beaches. It's actually paradise on Earth. We'll be staying at the heart of the island, so you won't miss a thing. Soak in the island's energy as it transforms from day to night. Dance under the stars, catch the fire shows, crawl the beachside bars... Koh Phi Phi just has that something special.

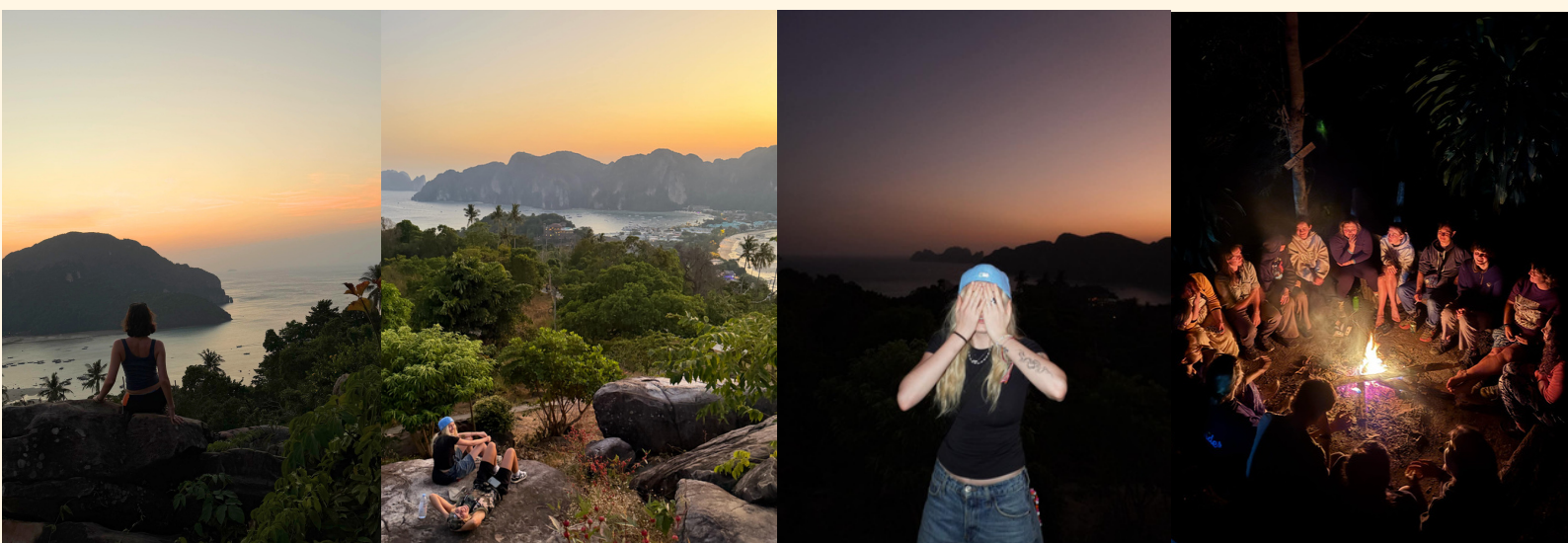
Day 9: Koh Phi Phi.

We're in no hurry to leave this stunning island, not before exploring every stretch of famous scenery. Enjoy today at your leisure, with loads of free time to relax on the sand, go snorkelling around the bay, shop for souvenirs... Or you know, all of the above! Then regroup for an easy hike to an iconic island viewpoint, gazing out onto the twin bays from above. Climb back down for another magical night. What happens in Koh Phi Phi, stays in Koh Phi Phi!

Day 10: Koh Phi Phi boat trip.

Glide along the bay, as we tick off Koh Phi Phi's biggest highlights in style. Our five-hour boat trip takes us to Monkey Beach and Shark Point, home to Thailand's best wildlife. We also have fantastic snorkelling spots along the way, for you to swim alongside vibrant coral reefs and tropical fish. Last but not least is Maya Bay. You've seen it before online, yet nothing can prepare you for the real thing. What a view!

Please note: due to government closures at Maya Bay, sometimes an alternative activity will be offered.



Day 11-13

Day 11: Koh Phi Phi to Krabi. Journey back to the mainland today, with our sights set on the West Coast. Just when you think Thailand cannot get any more beautiful, Krabi surprises you in the best way. Picture sandy beaches drenched in golden sunlight, with those traditional longtail boats at the shore. And there's no better place to begin than Ao Nang. It's a sleepy beachside town by day, fun nightlife after sunset!

Day 12: Krabi and Bor Thor Mangrove Forest. Switch up the scenery as we go kayaking in the Bor Thor Mangrove Forest. Discover hidden river trails nestled in the forest, listening to the natural jungle soundtrack as we glide along the water. Listen out for some incredible wildlife sightings, from herons to monkeys! We'll even stop at a famous local cave, which has Neolithic paintings estimated to be around 2,000 years old. Back in Ao Nang later today, chill on the beach and freshen up for a night out on this backpacker strip.

Day 13: Ao Nang to Khao Sok.

Hop on an early morning mini-bus ride to Khao Sok. Welcome to Thailand's most epic national park, which is home to unspoilt landscapes that belong in a movie. From lush jungle trails to bright turquoise lakes, it will leave you lost for words. Take a hike through the surroundings, or kick back and soak it all in. Spend tonight in jungle-style accommodation set in tropical gardens right outside the park



Day 14 & 15

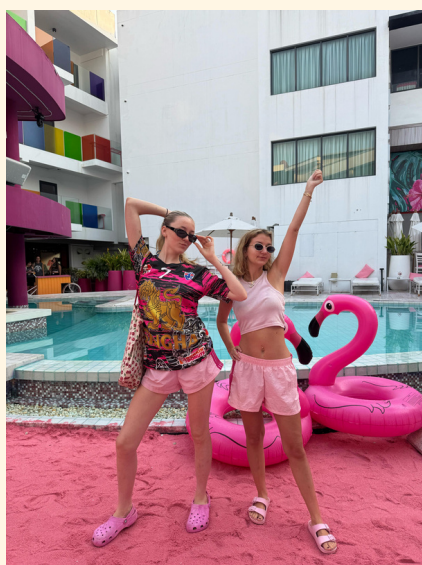
Day 14: Khao Sok National Park.

We have a feeling today just may be one of our favourites. Khao Sok is famous for its floating bungalows, and tonight you'll be sleeping inside one on the waters of Cheow Lan Lake! Hop on a traditional longtail boat, sailing past limestone cliffs that soar above the jungle. Soak in the rich natural beauty over lunch, then enjoy a bit of free time to explore. Tonight, regroup for dinner before heading back to the bungalows, letting the gentle lakeside sounds send you to sleep.

Day 15: Khao Sok to Koh Samui.

Wake up on the lake, listening to jungle noises as life in Khao Sok falls to its daily rhythm. Prefer an early start? Join an optional sunrise boat safari for your chance to spot some of its indigenous wildlife. Khao Sok is home to wild elephants, sun bears, and even tigers. Fingers crossed that we'll get to see them all!

After breakfast, enjoy a few hours to relax by the lake or continue exploring. Later on, our journey continues to Koh Samui, perfect for experiencing the best of Thai island life. Drop your bags and get ready, because we have a big night out planned at Chaweng. First drinks will be at Pride Bar Samui - Giant Jenga, anyone?



Day 16 – 18

Day 16: Koh Samui.

We have no plans for today, so enjoy Koh Samui as you like! Swim in the ocean, chill at the beachside bars, or explore another side of the island with waterfall hikes and temples. After your free day in paradise, we'll finish things off with cocktails and a street food crawl at Chaweng Night Market. If you have a sticky mango rice craving, you've come to the right place! Please note that the visit to Chaweng Night Market may take place on day 15.

Day 17: Ang Thong Marine Park.

Pack your waterproof phone case, as we set sail for Ang Thong Marine Park! This stunning ocean stretch is home to over 40 jungle-clad islands. Go snorkelling over pristine reefs, kayak for a closer look and, of course, flood your camera roll with endless photos. Spend the entire day exploring this dream destination. Then it's our final night as a group, so let's celebrate all the memories made together! Please note: As with all boat-based activities, the trip to Ang Thong is weather dependent and the marine park can be subject to closure by local authorities. If we are unable to operate the day trip, we will provide an alternative activity.

Day 18: Finish in Koh Samui. And just like that, our adventure's over. You're free to go at any time. Return transfers to Bangkok are not included, and the easiest way to head back is by flying directly from Koh Samui to Bangkok. Flights360, who are Adventure360's partners, can help you to book this once your space is confirmed.

If you book this trip last-minute, there's a small possibility you may be on a different coach and / or flight than the rest of your group for some of your transfers. Coaches run every 15 minutes so you will never be far behind.

Please note: All activities, inclusions and itineraries are subject to change.





FAQS

Will I get free time ?

On this trip you will have some free time to explore on your own or with others in your group. During your free time, you decide how to spend your time. Some travellers like to go out in the evenings for a meal and then carry on the party but there is no expectation to do so. If you prefer to chill and wake up with a clear head, then there are plenty of great options too!

How much money should I take?

All accommodation, in-country transport and most excursions are included on this trip. However, you will need to pay for most meals, drinks, and any additional activities yourself. Thailand is a really affordable country, so depending on your personal spending habits, we recommend taking between £600 and £800 for this tour. That allows for a nice mix of optional activities and eating out. There are ways of keeping costs low. For example, Thai food from local restaurants and markets is much more affordable than Western food (see accommodation and meals section for more information). Please note, days 3-7 are spent in the North of Thailand, where costs tend to be much lower, and days 7-18 are on the Thai islands, which are more expensive, so you'll want to make sure you pace your spending.

Is there a guide on this trip?

Yes. Your guide will be with you throughout the trip and is a local Thai guide who knows the areas you'll be visiting inside out, and speak fluent English.

Are flights included?

International flights are not included in the trip price and you will have to book these yourself (our flights team can help with this). However, one internal flight is included between Chiang Mai and Phuket.

Will I get a buddy list?

Yes! You'll get a Whatsapp buddy list before you travel, so you can start connecting with the rest of your group before you go.

How long are the included transfers?

On this trip we take you to the best destinations in Thailand, but as a large country, travel times can sometimes be longer than you might be used to in the UK. Below is a list of approximate travel times between destinations.

- Bangkok airport to Khao San Road - up to 1 hour but on occasion more if peak travel time (e.g. Fridays)
- Bangkok to Chiang Mai - 8-10 hours (bus)
- Chiang Mai to Elephant Camp - 1 hour approx (minivan)
- Chiang Mai to Phuket - 2 hours (flight)
- Phuket to Phi Phi - 4 hours approx (bus to ferry port, boat to phi phi)
- Phi Phi to Krabi - 1 hour approx (boat)
- Krabi to Khao Sok - 3-4 hours (bus)
- Khao Sok to Samui - 6-7 hours (bus and boat)

More Info

Arrival Info

Arrive in Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK) where you'll be met and taken to your starting accommodation in the city. There are no activities planned for today, apart from a welcome meeting this evening, so arrive whenever suits you best. However, please note that airport transfers are only available between 6am and 10pm on day 1. If you arrive outside these hours, or at Bangkok's smaller airport (Don Muang), you will need to take a taxi to your hotel, which is very easy to arrange.

Departure Info

Your trip ends on day 18 in Koh Samui. You can fly direct from Samui to Bangkok, and this is easy to arrange. Ask one of our flight team for more information. If you're staying on in Asia, we can also help with any onward travel.

Accommodation

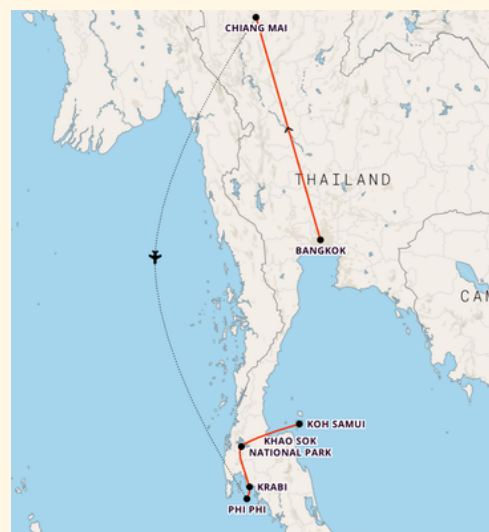
Accommodation is included for the full duration of the tour (17 nights). We've handpicked an incredible selection of accommodation, perfect for travellers looking for a sociable atmosphere. Most nights will be spent in hostels (usually 4-12 per room). All accommodation is mixed-gender, though some restrooms within the accommodation and during the trip may be not be. You'll also spend one night on an overnight bus from Bangkok to Chiang Mai, one night in rustic huts at an elephant camp, and an unforgettable evening in a floating lake house in Khao Sok National Park! Please note that all accommodation is subject to change.

Meals

4 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners are included.

Group Size

Min 10, Max 24



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Interested?

To secure your space you just need to pay a £49 non-refundable deposit (if you're paying via a payment plan) or £199 non-refundable deposit (if you want to pay the rest just 12 weeks before)

As this trip is operated by Adventure360, all terms and conditions are with them.

To book, please visit <https://www.lgbtqbackpackers.com/group-trips>

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