

Thailand Bird Photography

Professional Bird Watching & Bird Photography Tours

Classic Tour-Thailand Bird Photography Tour 25 Days

Guest Name:

Tour Request: Classic Tour-Thailand Bird Photography Tour 25 Days

Tour Date:

Tour Code: Cls-TBPhoto#0025D

Duration: 25 Days

Destination: Pak Thale/Khao Yai/Keang Krachan/Bueng Boraphet/Mea Wong/Doi Ang Khang/Doi Lang/Doi Inthanon/Ao Phang-Nga/Sri Phang_nga/Krung Ching/

Bird Leader:

Vehicle Type: Minivan/4x4

Driver Name:

Room Type Request:

Deposit: 30% After Confirm the Trip.

Cash on Tours: 70% or One Week before Departure Date.

Sample Itinerary

Day 1: Bangkok >Pak Thale (Phetchaburi province)

05:00 Pick up from **Hotel in Bangkok or Airport**/Transfer to Leam Pak Bia/**Takes about 3 hours from Bangkok.**

07:00 Arrive at Leam Pak Bia/Searching Spoon-billed Sandpiper, Nordmann's Greenshank, Asian Dowitcher and many other Birds.

12:00 Lunch.

13:30 Start the afternoon program at King Project and the area nearby.

17:00 Transfer to Keang Krachan/Check into Baan Maka Nature Lodge

19:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Baan Maka Nature Lodge

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 2: Kaeng Kracharn National Park./Phetchaburi Province.

06:00 Early Morning Bird Photography at Khun Nuy's Bird Pond, for Blue Pitta, Large Scimitar Babbler, Greater and Lesser Neckled Laughingthrush, Siberian Blue Robin, and many the other Birds.

12:00 Lunch.

13:30 Transfer to Khun Nueng's Bird Pond/will see Kalij Pheasant, White-browed Scimitar Babbler, Bar-backed Partridge, Green-legged Partridge, Ferruginous Partridge, Grey Peacock Pheasant, and many the other Birds.

17:00 Return back to Resort.

19:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Baan Maka Nature Lodge

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 3: Kaeng Kracharn National Park./Phetchaburi Province.

06:00 Early morning drive up to Phanern Thung Summit, to explore Ratchet-tailed Treepie, White-hooded Babbler, White-browed Shrike-Babbler, Orange-bellied Leafbird, Streaked Spiderhunter, Mountain Imperial Pigeon and other species.

12:00 Lunch at Park's Restaurant.

13:30 Start the afternoon Bird Watching program to KM.27

17:00 Return back to Resort.

19:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Baan Maka Nature Lodge

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 4: Kaeng Kracharn National Park/Phetchaburi Province.

06:00 Breakfast/Transfer to KM.7. Continue to morning Bird Photography. You'll see White-browed Scimitar Babbler, Large Scimitar Babbler, Bamboo Woodpecker, Greater Yellowthroat, Ruby-cheeked Sunbird, Great Slaty Woodpecker, Blue-bearded Bee-eater and many other birds.

12:00 Lunch at Park's Restaurant.

13:30 Start the afternoon program

17:00 Return back to Resort.

19:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Baan Maka Nature Lodge

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 5: Kaeng Kracharn National Park./Phetchaburi Province.

06:00 Breakfast/Early Morning Bird Photography at Uncle's Sin Bird Pool, for Kalij Pheasant, Greater-neckled Laughingthrush, Lesser-neckled Laughingthrush, Indochinese Flycatcher, Siberian Blue Robin, Large Scimitar Babbler, White-browed Scimitar Babbler and many the other birds.

12:00 Lunch/Checkout/Transfer to Khao Yai NP.

17:00 Arrive at Khao Yai NP./Check into **Fortune D2 Plus Khaoyai.**

19:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Fortune D2 Plus Khaoyai.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 6: Khao Yai National Park/Nakhon Ratchasima Province.

06:00 Breakfast at Our Resort/Transfer to Khao Yai NP.

07:00 Enjoy your Photography Tours. At Khao Kieaw Summit/will see Common Green Magpie, Mountain Imperial Pigeon, Black-throated Laughingthrush, Red-headed Trogon and other birds.

12:00 Lunch at Park's Restaurant.

13:30 Start the afternoon Bird Photography Tours at Pha Klouy Mai, You'll see Moustached, Green-eared Barbet, Coppersmith Barbet, Blue-eared Barbet, Asian Paradise Flycatcher, Grey-headed Flycatcher, and many other birds.

18:00 Return back to Our Resort/ Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Fortune D2 Plus Khaoyai.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 7: Khao Yai National Park/Nakhon Ratchasima Province.

06:00 Breakfast at Our Resort/Transfer to Khao Yai NP./Enjoy your photography Tours at KM.30 Summit/will see Great Hornbill, Asian Fairy Bluebird, Blue-winged Leafbird and other Birds.

08:00 Transfer to Heaw Narok Waterfall/will see Banded Broadbill, Purple Sunbird, Black-throated Sunbird, Little Spiderhunter, Banded Kingfisher and many other birds.

12:00 Lunch at Park's Restaurant.

13:30 Start the afternoon program.

18:00 Return back to Our Resort/ Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Fortune D2 Plus Khaoyai.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 8: Tha Noi Lake(Khao Yai)> Bung Boraphet Larges Freshwater Lakes

06:00 Transfer to Tha Ngoi, You'll see Burmese Shrike, Long-tailed Shrike, Siberian Rubythroat, Spotted Owlet, Great Reed Warbler, Yellow-bellied Prinia, Grey-breasted Prinia, Yellow-eyed Babbler, Chestnut-capped Babbler, Lesser Coucal, Oriental Pratincole, Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Bronze-winged Jacana, Bright-headed Cisticola, Plain-backed Sparrow, Asian-barred Owlet and many other Birds.

09:00 Breakfast/Check out/Transfer to Pra Phuttabath Temple for **Endemic Species: Rufous Limestone Wren Babbler** and other birds/**Transfer to Bung Boraphet**

18:00 Check into Mhai Hom Resort/Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Mhai Hom Resort

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 9: Bung Boraphet Larges Freshwater Lakes

06:00 Breakfast

07:00 Start the Bird Photography By Longtail Boat/will see Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Bronze-winged Jacana, Striated Grassbird, and a variety of Ducks.

12:00 Lunch

13:30 Start the afternoon Bird Photography program/Transfer to Mea Wong NP./Check into **Rattana Bordee Resort.**

18:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Rattana Bordee Resort.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 10-11: Mea Wong National Park/Kampeangphet Province.

05:30 Breakfast/Transfer to Mae Wong National Park. You'll see Grey Peacock Pheasant, Rufous-throated Partridge, and many other Birds.

12:00 Lunch

13:30 Continue to afternoon Bird Photography Program.

17:00 Return back to Resort.

18:00 Dinner.

Day: 11 afternoon transfer to Chiang Mai Province/Check into **Dome Resident Hotel**

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Dome Resident Hotel

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 12: Doi Inthanon National Park.

06:00 Breakfast/Transfer to Doi Inthanon/start morning Bird Photography from the second checkpoint where typical species include Black-backed Sibia, Spectacled Barwing, Grey-throated Babbler, Scarlet Minivet, and many other birds. Next to the summit of Doi Inthanon will see Green-tailed Sunbird, Gould's Sunbird, Yellow-bellied Flowerpecker, Chestnut-tailed Minla, Snow-browed Flycatcher, White-browed Shortwing, Pygmy Wren Babbler, Ashy-throated Warbler, and many the other birds.

12:00 Lunch at Mr.Daeng Birding Center.

13:30 Continue to afternoon Bird Photography program at Bird Hide.

17:00 Return to Mr.Daeng Birding Center.

18:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Mr.Daeng Birding Center.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 13: Doi Inthanon National Park.

06:00 Breakfast/Transfer to Doi Inthanon/start morning Bird Photography at Yee Lee bird Hide/will see White-crowned Forktail, Slaty-backed Forktail, Dark-sided Thrush, Rufous-bellied Niltava, Plumbeous Water-redstart , Whitw-capped Water-redstart.and other birds.

12:00 Lunch at Mr.Deang Birding Center.

13:30 Start the afternoon Bird Photography program.

17:00 Return to Mr.Daeng Birding Center.

18:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Mr.Daeng Birding Center.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 14: Doi Inthanon National Park.

06:00 Breakfast/Checkout/Transfer to KM.13/You'll see White-rumped Falconet, Collared Falconet, Black-headed Woodpecker, Asian Barred Owlet, Red-billed Blue Magpie, Maroon Oriole, Grey-chined Minivet, White-crowned Forktail and other birds.

12:00 Lunch at Mr.Deang Birding Center/Transfer to Fang District/will stop on the way for bird photograph at Pha Plong Temple.

17:00 Arrive at Fang/Check into Tangerine Ville Hotel.

19:00 Dinner.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Tangerine Ville Hotel

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 15-17: Doi Lang National Park.

-We will spend 3 full days Bird Photography in Doi Lang, You'll see Hume's Pheasant, Spot-breasted Parrotbill, Mountain Bamboo Partridge, Red-faced Liochichla, Lesser Shortwing, Fire-tailed Sunbird, White-gorgeted Flycatcher, Rufous-gorgeted Flycatcher, Crested Finchbill, Black-throated Tit, Yellow-bellied Fairy Fantail, Pygmy Blue Flycatcher, White-bellied Redstart, Siberian Rubythroat, Himalayan Cutia, Spectacled Barwing, Large Niltava, Whiskered Yuhina, Ultramarine Flycatcher, Grey Bushchat, Pied Bushchat, Giant Nuthatch, Brown Treecreeper, White-tailed Robin, Rusty-cheeked Scimitar Babbler, White-browed Laughingthrush and many other Birds.

12:00 Lunch

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Tangerine Ville Hotel

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 18: Doi Angkhang National Park.

06:00 Breakfast/Checkout/Transfer to Doi Ang Khang/will see Black-breasted Thrush, Brown-breasted Bulbul, Giant Nuthatch, Silver-eared Mesia, Daurian Redstart, Spot-winged Grosbeak and many the other birds.

12:00 Lunch

13:30 Transfer Chiang Mai Air-Port/Lunch on the way/Takes Flight to Phuket)

/Pick up and Transfer to Khao Lak Beach, Phang-Nga/Check into **Sri Phang-Nga Nature Lodge.**

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Sri Phang-Nga Nature Lodge.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 19: Ao Phang Nga Mangrove Forest

06:00 Breakfast at the Hotel/**Check Out**/continue to Bird Watching in Mangrove Forest/will see Mangrove Pitta, Ruddy Kingfisher, Brown-winged Kingfisher, Collared Kingfisher, Chestnut-bellied Malkoha, Black and red Broadbill and many the other birds.

12:00 Lunch.

13:30 Continue to afternoon Bird Photography program.

17:00 Return back to hotel.

19:00 Dinner

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Sri Phang-Nga Nature Lodge.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 20-21: Sri Phang Nga National Park.

-We'll spend 2 full day in Sri Phang Nga will see Gould's Frogmouth, Rufous-collared Kingfisher, Chestnut-napped Forktail, Green Broadbill, Javan Frogmouth, Blue-banded Kingfisher, Blue-eared Kingfisher, Rufous-winged Philentoma, Asian Paradise flycatcher, Banded Pitta and many the other Birds.

12:00 Lunch.

13:30 Start the afternoon Bird Photography.

Day 21 Afternoon transfer to Khao Luang or Krung Ching National Park.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Sri Phang-Nga Nature Lodge.

-Expert Bird Leader:

Day 22-25: Khao Lung or Krung Ching National Park.

-We'll spend 4 full day in Krung Ching or Khao Luang/will see White-crowned Hornbill, Scarlet-rumped Trogon, Red-throated Barbet, Dusky Broadbill, Raffle's Malkoha, Buff-rumped Woodpecker, Buff-necked Woodpecker, Black and Buff Woodpecker, Spectacled Spiderhunter, Jerdon's Baza, Fluffy-backed Babbler, Chestnut-winged Babbler, Maroon-breasted Philentoma and many the other birds.

12:00 Lunch

13:30 Afternoon Bird Watching Program.

18:00 Dinner.

Day 25 Afternoon transfer to Suratthani Air-port/Take flight to Bangkok/overningt in Bangkok or Take Flight back Home.

-Meals: B/L/D

-Overnight at: Krung Ching Hill. -Expert Bird Leader:

***Remark:**

Inclusion:

- English-speaking Bird Leader.
- Accommodation (twin share) with private bathroom & A/C
- Meals, Fruit, Coffee and Tea
- Transfers as itinerary
- Park entrance fees
- Refreshment
- Insurance

Exclusion:

- Any other service not mentioned in the programs
- Personal expenses
- All alcoholic.
- Internal Flight

Preparation:

- Light walking boots or Sports Shoes
- Binoculars
- Long trousers and Long-sleeved Shirt for walking in the Forest
- Mosquito Repellent, Sun hat and Sun Cream.

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Health & Safety

Thailand has an excellent health care system with hospitals and clinics in every small town and large village. However, make sure you have travel insurance that covers you sufficiently as for foreigners it is not free at point of service (although cheap by the standards of most countries). Obviously I am not a health provider but as far as I know there are no requirements for any vaccinations of any sort for entry. There may be some exception to that regarding yellow fever depending on your age and where you have travelled, so check that. Thailand is a safe country and tropical diseases are not prevalent, malaria is not really an issue and my understanding is that all cases are in the rainy season and the strain of malaria in SE Asia is resistant to medications, apart from, perhaps, the antibiotic doxycycline.

Most Thais are still wearing masks for covid but it is not a legal requirement. More and more people are dispensing with them and my attitude would be wear them if you feel comfortable with them, don't if you do not want to. I would bring some with you though just in case. Thailand is really safe, it is highly unlikely that you would be the victim of the type of crime that is prevalent in many societies – mugging, car break-ins and suchlike. However, use your common sense when in tourist areas.

When in Kaeng Krachan National Park there are wild elephants and each year a few people are killed. However, it is always people who are behaving stupidly. Just listen to your guide on this and if he tells you to get into the vehicle, do so.

Be careful when crossing the road. By far the biggest danger in Thailand is the traffic.

Equipment

Obviously bring all your birding/photography equipment. Do bring a tripod and /or monopod. In hides and some stakeouts although birds are fairly tame they do get spooked by movement so if you keep bringing your camera up quickly they fly off. Also in some of the hides the light levels can be challenging so having the camera on a tripod is almost essential really.

In the early mornings it can be cold in the mountains in the early morning, evening and night so bring a warm sweatshirt or fleece or something. No need to go over the top with this but do bring something, in some years it can get quite cold although by February things are usually warming up. Make sure whatever you bring is soft in nature and not stiff and scratchy. I had a terrible time once with someone's coat making a noise every time he moved with birds flying away when he did so.

In the lowlands, particularly while watching the shorebirds, the temperature can be very high with no shade so bring a sunhat and sunscreen.

No special footwear is really required but do bring a change of shoes in case one gets wet. I would always recommend closed shoes rather than sandals.

Equally I recommend long trousers rather than shorts so that biting insects and scratchy plants do not get you.

Please remember to wear dull colours. In the dark forest this makes a big difference and certainly shy birds will not emerge if you are wearing pale colours in the field. I have had some people wearing pale stone-coloured birding clothing that might be appropriate in some places but certainly not in tropical forests.

Internet

Most of the places you will stay have decent internet connections but if it is essential for you I would suggest buying a Thai Sim with internet when you arrive at the airport. Internet requires a password at most places you will stay at so ask for this when you check in.

Alcoholic Drinks

These are not included in the cost so please pay your bill every night if you have a beer. From memory everywhere you stay sells local beers, very few places sell spirits. I do not think anywhere sells wine. If you want to drink wine you will need to ask your guide to take you to a 7/11 store, some of which sell it, or a supermarket.

Laundry

You can get laundry done cheaply at Tangerine Ville Hotel at Fang, Inthanon Highland Resort and Baan Maka Nature Lodge or from your hotel or resort, where you stay.

Problems

Please let your guide know immediately if there is anything that needs dealing with. While we cannot promise that everything will go perfectly, we do know that issues that are not raised until the trip ends cannot be addressed.