

## ULTIMATE THAILAND BUCKET LIST - TRAVELLERSELIXIR.COM

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Things To Complete

### Bangkok & Central Thailand

- 1. Enjoy some incredible views and watch a breathtaking sunset at Wat Arun temple in Bangkok.
- 2. Explore the famous Grand Palace in Bangkok - once home to the kings and queens of Thailand.
- 3. Take a bike ride around Bang Krachao island.
- 4. Dine at the world's largest restaurant - The Royal Dragon in Bangkok caters for as many as 5,000 customers. Over 1,000 members of staff scoot around on roller skates to serve the customers.
- 5. Let loose and make some new friends on Khaosan Road.
- 6. Buy a souvenir from Thailand's largest market - Chatuchak Weekend Market. Bonus points if you barter for it!
- 7. Visit the Reclining Buddha at Wat Pho.
- 8. Unwind and take a free meditation class at Wat Mahathat in Bangkok.
- 9. Explore and experience a floating market in Bangkok.
- 10. Wander around and explore the ruins at Ayutthaya.
- 11. Sip a cocktail at Lebua Sky Bar at State Tower overlooking the city of Bangkok - this is the bar from The Hangover II movie!
- 12. Hire a bike and take a relaxing ride around Bangkok's biggest greenspace - Lumpini Park. Bonus points if you see one of the famous lizards!
- 13. Discover a hidden temple inside a cave at Phraya Nakhon Cave near Hua Hin.
- 14. Take a swim and bathe in the waterfalls at Erawan Falls in Kanchanaburi.
- 15. Swim on top of the world in an infinity pool on top of one of Bangkok's iconic skyscrapers.
- 16. Take an idyllic boat ride down the famous Chao Phraya River in Bangkok - also known as the Venice of the East.
- 17. Shop until you drop at one of Bangkok's impressive malls such as the MBK Center, Terminal 21 or Siam Paragon.
- 18. Get lost in Chinatown.
- 19. Satisfy your sweet tooth at Bangkok's Unicorn Cafe - filled with pastel colours and sweet treats. Why not try some rainbow spaghetti or a unicorn waffle?
- 20. Wander around and explore the Flower Market in Bangkok.
- 21. Trek up the 300 stairs of the Golden Mount for amazing 360 views of Bangkok Old Town.

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- 22. Relax and take a swan shaped paddle boat out onto the lake at Benjakitti Park surrounded by skyscrapers.
- 23. Visit the eerie 'Ghost Tower'. Sathorn Unique Tower is an unfinished skyscraper in Bangkok.
- 24. Wander around and explore one of Thailand's many night markets! A great one is Rod Fai Night Market in Bangkok.
- 25. Hang out in Thonglor - Bangkok's hippest district. It's a great place for shopping, cuisine and nightlife.
- 26. Take in the modern beauty of the impressive Rama VIII bridge which stretches across the Chao Phraya River.
- 27. Ascend Thailand's Temple of the Rising Dragon - Wat Samphran. This is a must see site - it's basically a huge building with a dragon wrapped around it. You need to see it to believe it.
- 28. Check out the unusual Wat Phra Mahathat in Ayutthaya where you'll see a large stone Buddha's head wedged into a huge deep-rooted tree. It's definitely an interesting site.
- 29. Marvel at the beauty of the Sanphet Prasat Palace which was constructed for Ayutthaya's 8th king and used for royal ceremonies. It's magnificent.
- 30. Visit the unique Maeklong Railway Market - the thing that makes this unique is the fact that a railway track (with live trains) runs through the middle of it!
- 31. Use the BTS Skytrain in Bangkok - hurtle above the city on this high speed train taking you all over the city.
- 32. Sip on a cocktail at a rooftop bar such as Red Sky Bar or Octave Rooftop Bar & Lounge.

**Thai Islands & The South - Koh Samui, Phuket etc**

- 33. Explore one of Thailand's many islands by motorbike!
- 34. Relax and unwind on Koh Lipe island (known as the Maldives of Thailand).
- 35. Dive and discover the marine life at Richelieu Rock.
- 36. Swim in the ocean all day long at Phra Nang Beach in Krabi.
- 37. Go rock climbing at Railay Beach in Krabi.
- 38. Take a photo from the viewpoint on Koh Nang Yuan - a little island just off of Koh Tao.
- 39. Drink coconut water out of an actual coconut in Phuket.
- 40. Take an enchanting boat ride in the Ao Phang Nga National Park and discover the so-called James Bond island featured in the 1974 movie 'The Man with the Golden Gun'.
- 41. Take a dip in the ocean at Maya Bay on Koh Phi Phi Le island.
- 42. Climb the stairs up to the Tiger Cave Temple in Krabi.

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- 43. Chill out on a beach swing on the Similan Islands.
- 44. Spend a night in a riverside cabin at the Khao Sok National Park.
- 45. Take a scuba diving class in Koh Tao and discover the ocean.
- 46. Take an enchanting ride in a longtail (a traditional Thai boat) on one of the Thai islands.
- 47. Take a boat tour around the 42 islands of the Ang Thong Marine Park in Koh Samui.
- 48. Go kayaking in the iconic Phang Nga Bay.
- 49. Rent a motorbike and explore the hidden beaches and coves of Koh Samui.
- 50. Have breakfast at the Jungle Club View Point in Koh Samui overlooking the jungle and ocean below.
- 51. Go snorkelling in Koh Lipe - you'll see lots of tropical fish here. See if you can spot a clownfish (Nemo).
- 52. Be adventurous and try 'The Challenge Phangan' which is an epic water obstacle course on the tropical paradise island of Koh Phangan.
- 53. Delve into history and visit the tomb of the Mummy Monk on Koh Samui - the remains of a monk who died meditating remain here.
- 54. Visit the Big Buddha in Phuket - it's pretty impressive as it's 45 metres tall and made of white marble.
- 55. Watch the breathtaking sunset at Promthep Cape - it's one of Phuket's best viewpoints.
- 56. Meet some monkeys on Toh Sae Hill in Phuket. It is also known as monkey hill due to the abundance of monkeys that roam there.
- 57. Dine at a floating restaurant. Phuket has many amazing floating restaurants to try such as The Black Crab which offer a unique dining experience.

**Northern Thailand - Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Pai etc**

- 58. Wander around and explore the incredible White Temple in Chiang Rai.
- 59. Walk through a real life fairytale at Doi Inthanon National Park.
- 60. Fall in love with the small, hippie town of Pai in Northern Thailand.
- 61. Take a hike and explore Pai Canyon, taking in the sweeping valley views. Stay for sunset if you can - it's magical.
- 62. Learn how to dance with fire at the Pai Circus School.
- 63. Hike up Doi Luang Chiang Dao for some incredible views of Northern Thailand.
- 64. Immerse yourself in ancient history at the Sukhothai Historical Park in Mueang Kao.
- 65. Get up close to the waterfalls at Nam Tok Thilawsu.

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- 66. Have a bowl of Khao Soi in Chiang Mai - it's a famous noodle soup.
- 67. Explore Tham Lod Cave - one of Thailand's most amazing caves.
- 68. Catch the sunrise at Mount Phu Chi Fah, right on the border with Laos. One of Earth's most enchanting sunrises as the mountains below are surrounded by mist.
- 69. Set foot on the golden triangle! This is where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet.
- 70. Learn more about Thai culture by visiting the 14th century Wat Phra Singh temple in Chiang Rai.
- 71. Wander around and explore the Old City of Chiang Mai where you'll find hundreds of temples!
- 72. Explore Mae Sa Valley and be at one with nature.
- 73. If you're feeling brave, jump off of a cliff at Chiang Mai's Grand Canyon - definitely not one for the faint hearted. The biggest jump is about 14 metres.
- 74. Get adventurous at 'Flight of the Gibbon' in Chiang Mai and soar over the jungle on a 800 metre zip line.
- 75. Go tea tasting in Mae Salong - this place is famous for producing green tea and oolong tea and you can drink it whilst overlooking the amazing views of the tea plantations.
- 76. Visit the Elephant Poo Paper Park in Chiang Mai to learn how they recycle Elephant poo into paper! It's wacky but also sustainable.

**Northeastern Thailand**

- 77. Shoot some photos in the beautiful Red Lotus Lake - a breathtaking lake filled with pink water lilies.
- 78. Spend a night under the stars and go camping (or glamping) in Khao Yai National Park.

**Eastern Thailand - Pattaya etc**

- 79. Dine on the beach on the island of Koh Kut.
- 80. Be brave and go skydiving in Pattaya for an experience you'll never forget.
- 81. Marvel at the beauty of the Sanctuary of Truth in Pattaya - a wooden castle filled with intricate wooden carvings.
- 82. Explore the beaches and go bay hopping on Koh Samet island - this is the closest Thai island to Bangkok and has incredible beaches.

**General**

- 83. Unwind and get a relaxing Thai massage from a local parlour!
- 84. Try the traditional Thai dessert - Mango Sticky Rice. It's a favourite of the locals.

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- 85. Barter for a souvenir at one of Thailand's many markets.
- 86. Visit an elephant sanctuary.
- 87. Try a deep fried scorpion from a street food stall.
- 88. Experience the Loi Krathong festival where every year thousands of lanterns are released into the sky.
- 89. Join a Thai cooking class to learn some new skills and try some of Thailand's famous dishes such as Tom Yum Soup.
- 90. Try some local Pad Thai - a famous Thai dish.
- 91. Watch a thrilling Muay Thai boxing match. Hint: they have a free Fight Night every Wednesday at the MBK Center in Bangkok.
- 92. Take a Tuk Tuk ride!
- 93. Let loose at a Full Moon Party and party until sunrise.
- 94. Take part in a water fight during Songkran (Thai New Year national holiday)!
- 95. Take an overnight bus/train and live like a backpacker.
- 96. Drink a bucket (or two, or three).
- 97. Relax and unwind at a yoga retreat.
- 98. Attend a Muay Thai training session and get physical!
- 99. Sip on a refreshing Chang beer. Bonus points if you're on a beach!
- 100. Indulge in some refreshing coconut ice cream.
- 101. Visit a 7/11 store - you'll see these everywhere in Thailand and no trip is complete without at least stepping foot into one.
- 102. Take a motorbike taxi to your destination. Hop onto the back of one of these taxis, and weave between the traffic - don't forget to wear a helmet!