

9 DAY PROGRAM

FROM \$885/STUDENT*

THAILAND



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THAILAND

THAILAND HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE - FROM IDYLIC TROPICAL BEACHES, TO ORNATE GOLDEN TEMPLES, COLOURFUL HILL TRIBE COMMUNITIES TO MAJESTIC ELEPHANTS, AND NOT FORGETTING MOUTHWATERING DISHES - OUR THAI SCHOOL PROGRAMS HAVE LOTS OF OPTIONS!

STUDENTS
WILL

- TREK THROUGH LUSH FORESTS ON THE MOUNTAIN PATHS OF NORTH THAILAND, EXPLORING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, WILDLIFE AND LOCAL CONSERVATION PRACTICES WITH HILL TRIBE COMMUNITIES.
- WORK ON SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS AND VOLUNTEER AT THE ELEPHANT CAMP, LEARNING ALL ABOUT THE ISSUES OF WILDLIFE IN TOURISM AND ANIMAL WELFARE, AND TAKING PART IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES.
- GET IMMERSSED INTO THE LOCAL LANGUAGE, COMMERCE, CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS OF THAILAND, LEARNING ABOUT THE DIFFERENT FOOD, AND THE CHALLENGES OF THE WAY OF LIFE IN A DEVELOPING COUNTRY.
- LEARN TO COOK A DELICIOUS THAI MEAL MADE WITH FRESH INGREDIENTS FROM THE MARKET.



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SAMPLE ITINERARY

DAY 1

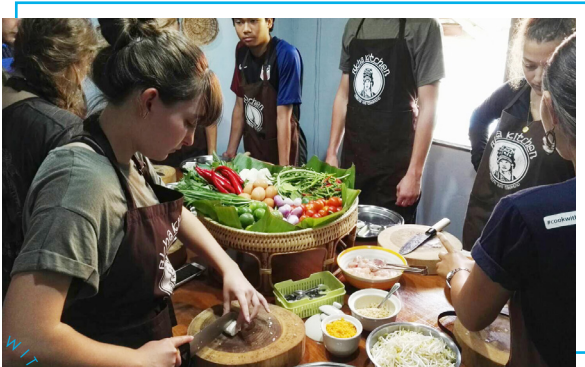
WELCOME TO THAILAND

Welcome to Thailand and the northern city of Chiang Mai. Meet local coordinators and attend an orientation about Thailand, currency, language, food, dress code and emergency procedures.

DAY 2

MEET AND CARE FOR ELEPHANTS

Visit the Thai Elephant Care Centre, and learn all about elephant care, conservation and animal welfare in tourism. Student activities include preparing food, bathing and escorting the elephants with their mahouts (trainer/owner) into the forest where they rest for the night.



DAY 3

TREKKING TO HILL TRIBE VILLAGE

Spend the day trekking through the forests of Doi Inthanon, Thailand's highest mountain, learning about protected forest ecosystems and highland coffee cultivation.

DAY 4-7

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Travel to a highland community village to commence the construction project and other community service activities. Each day there will be time scheduled for construction tasks, rest time and hands on cultural immersion activities. Spend the evenings playing sports with the local children and enjoying traditional Karen meals.

DAY 8

CITY EXPLORATION

Travel back to Chiang Mai and enjoy your free afternoon exploring the city.

DAY 9

COOKING SCHOOL

Learn how Thai values and customs are incorporated into their food. Visit a local market to buy the fresh ingredients and prepare a delicious lunch in a traditional Thai house. After tasting the results of your cooking skills, it's time to say goodbye to Northern Thailand and start the journey home.

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**Price inclusive of all meals, accommodation, in-country transport, activities and GROUND staff support, based upon a group of 18 students and including 2 adults free of charge. Flights and community service project costs not included.*