**Tour A, Bangkok - Phuket**

Stunning journey along the coast of Thailand from the City of Angels to the Pearl of the Andaman Sea.

10 days / 9 nights / 8 stages from 63 km - 140 km (39 – 86 miles) mostly flat.

Total Cycling Distance = 807 km (501 miles)

An exotic road bike journey on traffic deserted roads along the Gulf of Thailand and the Andaman Sea, going from Bangkok to the island of Phuket in the south of Thailand. This trip is full of variety as we pass lush plantations, green rice paddies, magnificent temple sites, as well as tropical jungle and bizarre limestone karsts. We ride mostly on roads that are practically traffic deserted, directly down the coastline where we experience lots of traditional villages. Most stages finish at beautiful beaches, perfect for swimming and relaxing. Enthusiastic cyclists and culture lovers of all ages, this is the cycling tour for you! All accommodation is in beautiful hotels, often located directly by the seaside and most boasting a swimming pool.
Bangkok

Bangkok, the pulsating metropolis of Thailand, offers uncountable choices for excursions, including temple visits, palaces, klongs, museums. With all the culinary treats that one could desire and a true shoppers’ paradise. There is the opportunity to visit the huge Chatuchak weekend market on the Saturday before the tour starts. We recommend that you stay a couple of days before the road bike tour in Bangkok. We are happy to help you book your accommodation in Bangkok and can provide you with further information as required.

1st day - arrival to Bangkok

We stay in the 4* hotel on Sukhumvit Road in the heart of Bangkok. In the evening, we welcome you in the hotel lobby, where you will receive all the information regarding the tour, as well as interesting details about your host country. Afterwards we will hand over the team jerseys to all participants.

2nd day
1st stage, Bangkok – Phetchaburi – Hua Hin = 73 km (45 miles), flat

We leave Bangkok in a comfortable minibus in the direction of Phetchaburi. The outward drive from the heart of Bangkok to our start location takes about 1,5 hours. Our starting stage, rolls along flat side roads down the coast to Cha – Am, where we rest for lunch. We ride the last miles to Hua Hin along low traffic main roads. Hua Hin is Thailand’s eldest sea side resort and welcomes us with plenty of good restaurants, shops, and a 5 km (3 miles) long white sandy beach. In the afternoon we will check in to our Hotel and refresh ourselves in the big pool.
3rd day
2nd stage, Hua Hin – Prachuap Khiri Khan = 119 km (74 miles), flat

After a delicious breakfast, we drive the first 13 km (8 miles) on the main road, and then continue riding on very smooth rural roads where plenty of shrimp farms shape the countryside. We cross the Khao Sam Roi Yot National Park and head towards the sleepy town of Prachuap Khiri Khan. We arrive on the seaside promenade and ride on to our hotel located directly by the sea. In the evening we have the opportunity to enjoy plenty of fine local specialities.

4th day
3rd stage, Prachuap Khiri Khan – Haad Ban Krut = 63 km (39 miles), mostly flat

We ride along good quality side roads, and then continue on the main road. We then leave this road and ride the last 15 km (9 miles) back on side roads to the beach of Haad Ban Krut – our finishing point for the day’s stage. The tiny village is one of Thailand’s hidden gems. At the end of the idyllic beach, perfect for swimming, is a very nice hilltop temple site. Here, we enjoy the view over the enchanting bay and the surrounding area covered by green foliage. The resort is located directly on the dreamlike sandy beach, beckoning us to relax.
5th day
4th stage, Haad Ban Krut – Chumphon = 122 km (76 miles), rolling

We cycling this slightly undulating stage on side roads rich in variety. We pass many plantations, rice paddies and palm tree groves. In the little villages we are always greeted with a heartily "Hello’s". The beach of Ao Thung Wua Laen is our finishing point for the day and is located 15 km (9 miles) outside of Chumphon.

6th day
R&R in Chumphon

The rest day offers the opportunity to sleep in, relax or stay by the Hotel pool. Nature lovers prefer the white sandy beach and the warm sea water. Later on, treat yourself to a massage! Those with energy can enjoy an additional cycle. Chumphon is considered as the door to the south of Thailand and therefore offers plenty of areas to explore. Or just enjoy the day at this beautiful beach, which is another hidden gem!

7th day
5th stage, Chumphon – Ranong = 140 km (86 miles), rolling

After 15 Km (9 Miles) we arrive in Chumphon, the capital of the province. The road then gets a bit steeper, and more undulating. We pass splendid fruit orchards and tall palm trees with fan like tops. On the way, we will taste the local Dim Sum specialities. We pass the Isthmus of Kra, the narrowest part of the Malaysian peninsular. Ranong is located on the Indian Ocean. Here we check in to the hotel that offers hot spa/thermal pools and a swimming pool. The thermal waters are reknowned for their healing effects. We can unwind in the hot water pools or in the pool outside, and even have a massage at the wellness facility.
8th day
6th stage, Ranong – Kuraburi = 127 km (78 miles), rolling

With ride on from Ranong on flat roads, with our sights set on the rain forest. The last miles towards our stage finishing point take in a rise up a slope to our hotel located like an oasis in the middle of the jungle. The beautiful resort is set in a splendid garden with a little lake and a swimming pool that invite us to a refreshing bath. We let the feeling of the evergreen rain forest sink in.

9th day
7th stage Kuraburi – Khao Lak = 74 km (46 miles), gently rolling

Today’s stage begins with a descent through rubber plantations, coconut groves and little villages to Takuapa. After Takuapa, we will reach the coast of the Andaman Sea. Khao Lak is located at the foot of the lush green Lamru National Park. The resort’s swimming pool and the beautiful white sandy beach invite us for a swim. Jungle fans can explore the National Park on the back of an elephant!
10th day - End of an exciting tour
8th stage, Khao Lak – Phuket = 88 km (55 miles), rolling / flat

We will ride to our finishing point on Phuket Island on the main road. After 55 km (34 miles), we cross the famous Sarasin bridge and reach the biggest island of Thailand. The exciting journey finally ends at the Siam Bike Tours Shop in Choeng Thale (Laguna). Proud of our achievement, but with a little melancholy that this unique road bike tour is already over, we lift our glasses with a refreshing drink to propose a toast to the tour.

Extension or continuation of individual journey as one chooses
Included services

- All overnight accommodation includes breakfast
- English-speaking tour guide
- Team jersey
- Team back pack
- Team wallet
- 0.75 l drinking bottle
- Isotonic drinks and fruits provided on all stages
- Minibus transfer to Phetchaburi
- Escort bus with luggage trailer, passengers possible
- National Park fees
- Repair service
- Pictures for download
- Insurance cover over duration of tour
- Five Star all-round service

Not included services (rates in Thai Baht per taxi)

- Bike rentals
- Taxi transfer into Bangkok ~ THB 300 to THB 500
- Taxi transfer to Phuket Airport ~ THB 600 to THB 900
- Optional tip for the staff
- All meals
- Accommodation in Phuket is not included
- There is the option to take part in the "Tour Kitty" to cover snacks and meals through the tour (~ THB 1'500, Eur 40)

Remark

- Possible additional charge for transportation of bike cases
- Personal bikes will be fixed in Phetchaburi (after minibus transfer)