

Sweet Mango Tours Itinerary

Photographer's Journey to Thailand

November 8 – 23, 2008

					Saturday, Nov 8	Sunday, Nov 9
					Airport pick ups	8:00 am start with intros and tour overview River taxis to Chinatown Return to the hotel for download and share Board long-tail boats for dusk tour of city canal life
					Silom Village Inn	Silom Village Inn
Monday, Nov 10	Tuesday, Nov 11	Wednesday, Nov 12	Thursday, Nov 13	Friday, Nov 14	Saturday, Nov 15	Sunday, Nov 16
Early morning river taxi to Wat Arun, the temple of dawn and "tuk-tuks" to the Flower Market Return to Bangkok and wander the temples winding down at Wat Po's massage school Return to the hotel for download and share	This morning we depart for a three-day road trip across Northeast Thailand (Isaan) Each day we have a hotel destination determined by dawn and/or dusk shooting opportunities. Each day, we'll also review bits of the course curriculum	However, we will stop when we feel like it - the rice fields will be lush and green and busy with harvesting activities There are Khmer temple ruins along the way	We'll stop at markets and to indulge in street life, too ...and then there's the elephant training camp - and a ride We arrive in Ubon in the afternoon with time to download and share	We travel to Wat Pah Nanachat, the international forest temple for a sermon and breakfast - and a chat with the Abbot Wander Ubon's busytling Provincial Field Dinner in the night market	Early morning trip to the Warin District market Vegetarian breakfast at the Asoke restaurant National History Museum	We travel to a remote forest temple The resident monks have graciously agreed to allow us to stay with them and document their monastic life-style We'll practice meditation and discuss life
Silom Village Inn	Hotel TBA	Northeast Training Center, Surin	Rajaphat University Cultural Center	Rajaphat University Cultural Center	Rajaphat University Cultural Center	Forest monastery
Monday, Nov 17	Tuesday, Nov 18	Wednesday, Nov 19	Thursday, Nov 20	Friday, Nov 21	Saturday, Nov 22	Sunday, Nov 23
Option of a pre-sunrise hike to the edge of the Mekong We'll leave after breakfast and travel to our home-stay village We'll settle in with our families and get a community tour Dinner together and download and share	Alms for the monks While we're in the village we'll have opportunities to explore the area - by foot, by boat and by "tak-tak" (motorized wagon) We'll also have lots of time to just hang out and take pictures	Alms for the monks We'll eat meals together - prepared in the community kitchen - where we can help if we'd like In the evenings, the villagers will provide entertainment and request that we do the same	Alms for the monks We've arranged to be able to print and mat photos while in the village - to create an exhibit for the villagers	Farewells after breakfast and we return to Ubon Time to clean up, pack up, wander, download and share 5:00 to the train station for 6:30 departure	Arrive early in Bangkok Transfer to our hotel Options for guided day trips: Chatuchak Market Jim Thompson House Back alleys of Silom Road, etc Dinner together	Airport transfers available
Home-stay village	Home-stay village	Home-stay village	Home-stay village	Overnight Train	Silom Village Inn	