



## Thailand Excursion 19 - 27 MAR 2010

### Friday 19 March 2010

### Bangkok

Individual arrival to Grand Diamond Suite Hotel

address 888 Petchburi Road Rajthevee  
Bangkok 10400 Tel (66) 02-656-6888

1800

ACT Committee will meet at the Hotel lobby, walk across to Hotel Amari Watergate for dinner



### Saturday 20 March 2010

### Bangkok – Rose Garden Sampran

0900

After breakfast, check out from hotel to visit the Royal Grand Palace built by King Rama I in 1782 when he moved his capital across the river to Bangkok ; He tried to reproduce the magnificent royal palaces in Ayutthaya, the former capital before it was ransacked by the Burmese Army in 1767. In the compound, the royal chapel was built to enshrine the Emerald Buddha which has been the national palladium ever since. Explore the dazzling Emerald Buddha Temple with its golden pagodas and the Pantheon of Kings. Proceed to visit the Ananta Smakom Palace housing the Arts of the Kingdom where you can explore and admire the beauty of workmanship of each piece on display.



noon

Lunch at restaurant

1300

Proceed to Rose Garden 32 km south of Bangkok. Rose Garden was transformed gradually from rice field into magnificent gardens and now into a full botanical park of 70 acres in size with a riverside hotel where we will be staying.

Evening

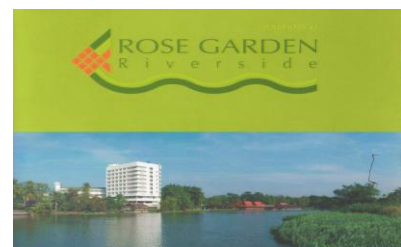
Dinner at Hotel

### Sunday 21 March 2010

### Rose Garden Sampran

0630

Early morning Merit Making. Observe or joining the special traditional activity, a generous act of sharing and receiving blessings. From the local temples and on board a tiny paddle boat, monks stop by at the Rose Garden Riverside pier to receive



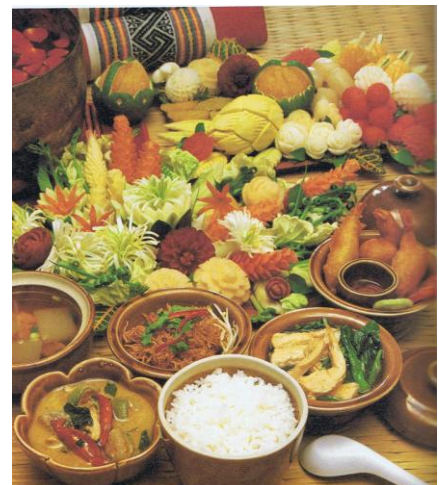
offerings of rice, item of food, dessert or fruits, drinking water, joss sticks, candles and a lotus blossom.



- 0730 Breakfast
- 0900 Embark on rice barge cruise along the scenic Ta Chine River to Wat Rai Khing Temple and visit the natural fish sanctuary
- Noon Lunch at a local restaurant
- 1300 Visit the famous week-end market Don Wai
- 1500 Return to Hotel. Enjoy the hotel facilities
- 1800 Dinner at Hotel

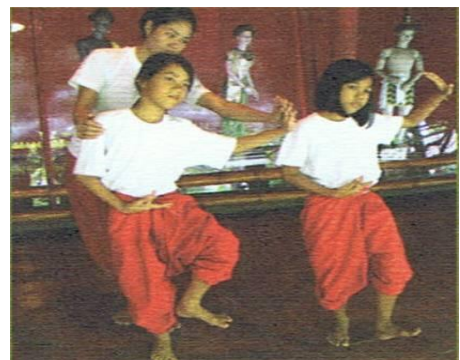
**Monday 22 March 2010                      Rose Garden Sampran**

- 0700 Breakfast
- 1000 Acquaint and enjoy yourself with The Thai Culture. Observe and participate in Garland making and fruit Carving, Traditional Pottery, Umbrella Painting, Thai Martial Arts, Thai Music Dancing, Orchid Nursery, Thai Herbal Pavilion, Rice farming, Siamese Fighting Fish.
- Noon Buffet lunch at Vanda restaurant, see canal side market where one could buy fresh local produces from their boats.
- 1500 Join the Thai Village Cultural Show The highlights dances, customs and traditions that originate from Northern, Southern, North Eastern and Central Thailand. Past and present come alive in this diversified show that provides a glimpse of Thailand
- 1900 Dinner at restaurant



**Tuesday 23 March 2010                      Rose Garden Sam Pran**

- 0700 Breakfast
- 0900 Visit the Organic Farm, across the Ta-chine river to the Farm which the local community and Rose garden Riverside Hotel have been working closely together to bring back the farm to its former glory. They grow fruits, vegetables, herbs and lotus with fertilizer made from waste materials





such as leaves. Meet the village head man for briefing. Sample fresh fruits in season which may include mango, papaya, guava, pomelo, rose apple etc. Observe the livelihood of water buffalos and their keeper. Try the country style tea or fresh herbal drinks with banana fritter served.

Noon

Lunch at restaurant

1400

Join the cooking class, learn how to cook your favorite thai dishes “Tom Yam Kung” , “Pad Thai” etcs and try and taste your creation!

1900

Dinner at restaurant

**Wednesday 24 March 2010 Rose Garden Sam Pran – Kanchanaburi**

0800

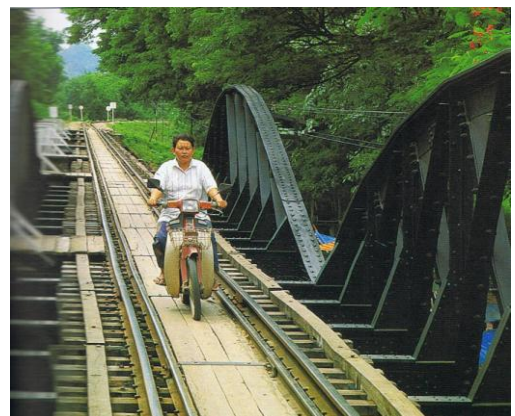
After breakfast depart by bus to visit Kanchababuri, the city related to the World War II and the infamous Bridge over the River Kwai. The symbol of Japanese atrocities in the region. Visit the World War II Museum, the war section comprises an old mixture of memorabilia and pictures. Visit the Bridge of River Kwai.

Noon

Lunch at a local restaurant

1300

Visit Hellfire Pass Memorial Museum which formally was the POWS had to build a series of embankments and trestle bridges and at intervals had to dig, cutting through solid rock. The Pass got its name from the hellish looking lights and shadows of the fires the POWS used. Now it has been turned into a memorial walk in honors of the POWS who worked and died on it and their story is documented and show at the beautifully designed museum founded by Australian – Thai volunteer group. Now the museum serves as a sort of pilgrimage site for the families and friends of Australian POWS



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Check- in at Hotel Pung Warn Resort and Spa by the river.

1900

Dinner at Hotel

**Tuesday 25 March 2010 Kanchanaburi – Bangkok**

0900 After breakfast return to Bangkok  
1200 check- in at Grand Diamond Suites Hotel at own leisure.

For your information, Platinum Plaza is right next door to your hotel. There are hundreds of shops selling all kind of local product for you to choose with very cheap price, you can hardly resist buying. For brand names, good import quality product can be found at Central World Plaza and The Emporium with a ten minutes walking distance from your hotel.



**Friday 26 March 2010 Bangkok**

At own leisure  
1900 Meet with ACT Friends dining at Baiyoke Skyline restaurant on 76<sup>th</sup> Floor of Baiyoke Sky Hotel.

**Saturday 27 March 2010 Bangkok – Destination**

After Breakfast, individual departure.

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**Price:** USD 825 per person twin sharing  
with USD 300 for supplement for single.

**Service includes**

- Accommodation 8 nights
- Meals breakfast daily, 5 lunch 7 dinner
- Tour and transfers
- English speaking guide

**Payment** USD 225 deposit when booking confirms  
Transfer to Airline Club of Thailand  
Account number 029-1-04100-0  
Swift Code KASITHBK  
Kasikorn Bank  
Sanampo Branch  
Bangkok.

The rest will be paid on arrival in cash or traveler cheque only.  
Bank service charge for each traveler cheque will be borne by the participants

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