SINGAPORE TO BANGKOK



Visiting Singapore, Malacca, Kuala Lumpur, Ipoh, Cameron Highlands, Penang, Khao Sok National Park, Hua Hin, Kanchanaburi, Bangkok, Ayutthaya

22 November to 9 December 2025





INCLUDES



Includes Accommodation, Sightseeing Tours and the Father's Day steam heritage train, the Floating Train, heritage rail in Malaysia and the Burma Railway.

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BY RAIL

Grand colonial-era stations, lush tropical countryside and golden temples are among the highlights of the unforgettable 2,100km rail journey from Singapore to Bangkok – probably the most exotic train journey in Southeast Asia. On this rail tour, you'll explore the Dutch architecture of Malacca, vibrant and cosmopolitan Kuala Lumpur, the lush tea plantations of the Cameron Highlands and the 'Pearl of the Orient' at Penang. Crossing into Thailand, you'll unwind in the pristine jungles of Khao Sok National Park, see the famous Damnoen Saduak floating market, and finish in the dynamic city of Bangkok. Train enthusiasts will enjoy riding on the heritage steam locomotives in Thailand and Malaysia, the 'Floating Train' near Lopburi, unique railway market trains, the Burma Railway over The Bridge Over the River Kwai, plus several electric trains.



- Reflect on WWII history at the Hellfire Pass in Kanchanaburi.
- · Ride the world's oldest funicular railway to Penang Hill.
- Visit Chinatown, Arab Street and the Raffles Hotel in Singapore.
- Wander the enigmatic Buddhist temple ruins at Ayutthaya.
- Stay and dine in the colonial era Hua Hin Railway Hotel.



YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 Saturday 22 November, 2025 Singapore

Arrive in Singapore and settle into your hotel in the vibrant and colourful Little India part of the city. This evening, enjoy a celebratory welcome dinner to get to know your group and tour leader. Overnight: Singapore. (D)

DAY 2 Sunday 23 November, 2025 Singapore

Your tour today visits the Malay enclave to see 19th century shophouses, trendy shops and cafés, Arab Street and the golden domed Sultan Mosque. Pause in a hawker market for a serving of Singapore Noodles for lunch and walk along Orchard Road shopping street and see Clarke Quay and the Merlion Statue. Finish by touring the iconic Supertree Grove and the Cloud Forest at the Gardens by the Bay and see the National Orchid Gardens. Later, why not enjoy a Singapore Sling at the Raffles Hotel followed by a drink on the top floor of the Marina Bay Sands Hotel. *Overnight:* Singapore. (B,L)

DAY 3 Monday 24 November, 2025 Malacca

This morning after breakfast, you'll cross into Malaysia and travel on the electric Southern Shuttle train from Johor Bahru to Segamat, stop to enjoy lunch, before driving to Malacca. This vibrant old town is quintessential Malaysia; a former colonial city with a fascinating history, multicultural diversity, great food and plenty of sights. Upon arrival, you'll check into your hotel and enjoy an orientation walk to admire the Portuguese, Dutch and British shophouses and mansions which have been transformed into cafes, galleries and hotels. Enjoy free time for dinner at the colourful Jonker Street Night Market. Overnight: Malacca. (B,L)

DAY 4 Tuesday 25 November, 2025 Malacca – Kuala Lumpur

This morning, you'll embark on a three-wheeled trishaw tour of Malacca old town to see Harmony Street and to learn about Malaysia's three main religions – Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism, visit the tomb of Hang Kasturi, the 15th century Sultan of Malacca and learn about the ancient spice trade from Asia to Europe. There's free time for lunch, before driving to Tampin Station for the electric train to Kuala Lumpur (or KL). Arrive and check into your hotel, the 1930s style colonial Majestic Hotel. This former 'railway hotel' has an excellent restaurant and cafe, where you will enjoy an included dinner. Overnight: Kuala Lumpur. (B,D)

DAY 5 Wednesday 26 November, 2025 Kuala Lumpur

Today, you'll visit the Negara Mosque, the Istana Negara Palace and wander through Independence Square. Visit the British colonialera KL Railway Station, the 19th century Sultan Abdul Samad Building and the Tugu Negara





Monument. Enjoy free time for lunch at the enormous Suria KLCC mall, located at the foot of the iconic steel and glass masterpiece, the Petronas Towers. Later, travel up to the Skybridge and Observation Deck of the Towers for wonderful views of the city. Tonight, you'll take part in a guided food tour to learn about, and sample Malay, Indian and Chinese street food. Overnight: Kuala Lumpur. (B,D)

DAY 6 Thursday 27 November, 2025 Cameron Highlands

This morning, you'll travel on an electric train north through palm oil plantations to lpoh. Disembark and see the old-world colonial charm of the Railway Station and wander the backstreets to see street art murals, try some street food and have a cup of lpoh's famous palm oil white coffee. Travel to the Cameron Highlands and see emerald tea plantations at Malaysia's largest colonial hill-station. You'll explore a local tea plantation to learn about the 'bush to cup' production, see endless rows of green shrubs in the serene rolling highlands and enjoy a cuppa. Later, enjoy High Tea and dinner at the colonial Jim Thompson Tea Room. Overnight: Cameron Highlands. (B,D)

DAY 7 Friday 28 November, 2025 Heritage steam train – Penang

This morning, you will visit the Lata Iskandar Waterfall, cactus valley, strawberry, butterfly and honeybee farms and visit a rose garden before travelling back down to Ipoh. At noon, you'll travel on a Class 56 KTM vintage locomotive from Ipoh to Penang, travelling in first class comfort in refurbished carriages to relive the glory days of heritage rail travel. Arrive in Penang, a town that delivers oldworld Asia in spades. Upon arrival, unwind in the diverse and cosmopolitan George Town at dinner. Overnight: Penang. (B,L)



DAY 8 Saturday 29 November, 2025 Penang

This morning, after breakfast you'll tour old Penang to experience the exotic kaleidoscope of cultures that still exist in Chinatown, the Muslim Quarter and in Little India. Marvel at the 19th century tumble-down shophouses, colourful street markets and hawker-filled alleyways. Visit the UNESCO listed Blue Mansion, an architectural gem built by a wealthy Chinese merchant. Enjoy free time at lunch, before travelling on world's oldest funicular railway to Penang Hill. Return to the old town where your afternoon is free. Tonight, why not try Nasi Lemak, Laksa or Char Koay Teow at dinner. Overnight: Penang. (B)

DAY 9 Sunday 30 November, 2025 Khao Sok National Park

This morning, there is free time to relax in the old town of Penang, to shop, eat or simply sleep in! Enjoy an early lunch, before transferring to the airport for your flight to Phuket. Land in the early afternoon and transfer to the jungle paradise at the Khao Sok National Park. The park is covered by the oldest evergreen rainforest in the world at 160 million years old and features towering limestone karst cliffs that jut out into the sky and the beautiful emerald waters of Cheow Lan Lake. Enjoy free time at your lodge where you can sample some of the local delicacies at dinner. Overnight: Khao Sok National Park. (B)



DAY 10 Monday 1 December, 2025 Khao Sok National Park

After breakfast this morning, you'll travel by traditional longtail boat on Cheow Lan Lake to see the many limestone pinnacles that rise over 1,000 metres from the lake. On your journey, be sure to keep your eyes peeled for wild bull elephants, gibbons and spectacled langur monkeys, hornbills and even tigers. Walk through an island cave, full of stalactites and bats, through pristine jungle to spot Rafflesia Kerri, one of the world's largest flowers. Don't forget your camera today, this place is magnificent! Enjoy lunch in a local raft house before returning to your hotel. *Overnight:* Khao Sok National Park. (B,L)

DAY 11 Tuesday 2 December, 2025 Hua Hin

After breakfast, you'll travel on the express train from Surat Thani to Hua Hin, Thailand's first beach resort and the location of a few famous American movies. Enjoy impressive coastal scenery while zipping past rural villages in airconditioned comfort. You'll enjoy a typical Thai lunch on board and arrive at the Hua Hin train station in the mid-afternoon. Built in 1928, the station is considered to be the most beautiful in Thailand due to its Victorian 'gingerbread style' buildings. Check into the 102-year-old Hua Hin Railway Hotel and enjoy dinner in its stately restaurant. Overnight: Hua Hin. (B,L,D)



DAY 12 Wednesday 3 December, 2025 Maeklong Railway Market – Kanchanaburi

This morning, we travel on the Beach Train to the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market. Arriving early, you'll stroll through the markets, take a boat along waterways filled with small vendor boats and see rustic riverside houses. Moving on, we visit the Maeklong Railways Market for a unique experience — whenever a locomotive train approaches, the awnings and shop fronts are moved back from the tracks and replaced once the train has passed! You'll also get to ride on the train, before enjoying lunch together. Later, drive to Kanchanaburi and enjoy dinner at the famous night markets. *Overnight:* Kanchanaburi. (B,L,D)

DAY 13 Thursday 4 December, 2025 Kanchanaburi – Bangkok

Today you will learn about the tragic WWII history on a guided tour. Your first stop will be the iconic Bridge Over the River Kwai, which was part of the infamous Death Railway to Burma. Travel on a local train to see the most beautiful panoramic scenes of the river, reflect at the infamous Hellfire Pass memorial and visit a plaque in memory of Sir Weary Dunlop. Enjoy an included lunch and visit the Thai-Burma Railway Centre and the Allied War Cemetery. In the midafternoon, take a local train to Bangkok, arriving three hours later. *Overnight:* Bangkok. (B,L)

DAY 14 Friday 5 December, 2025 Bangkok – Ayutthaya

Today is a very special day, Father's Day in Thailand and the birthday of HM Thai King Bhumibol Adulyadej who reigned over the country for 70 years until his death in 2016. To mark this occasion, Thai Railways charter a steam locomotive train from the World War II era on a historic journey from Bangkok to Chachoengsao to celebrate his life. You'll ride this train for an unforgettable cultural experience and enjoy the festivities, colour and merriment. Afterwards, enjoy some free time in Chachoengsao at lunch, drive to Ayutthaya and check into your hotel where your evening is free. Overnight: Ayutthaya. (B)



DAY 15 Saturday 6 December, 2025 Ayutthaya

This morning, you'll experience yet another memorable rail experience, this time by travelling on the 'Floating Train'. Late in the year, the train travels across a series of viaducts above Pasak Chonlasit Reservoir when the water is high on both sides which gives the impression that the train is floating on water! Stop at a viewpoint on the tracks for photos and continue onto Khok Salung Station where there's free time for lunch and to even visit a sunflower field. Travel via Lopburi to see their 13th century temple built by King Jayavarman VII and enjoy free time in Ayutthaya. *Overnight*: Ayutthaya. (B)

DAY 16 Sunday 7 December, 2025 Bangkok

This morning, you'll visit Ayutthaya, one of ancient capitals of Siam and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Upon arrival, explore the photogenic ruins and gilded temples and discover rows of Buddhas beheaded by the Burmese who destroyed the city in 1767. Enjoy lunch and visit an agricultural village famous for its hand-weaving and meet a local family in their home. Travel by local train to Bangkok and disembark at Hua Lamphong station, a Neo-Renaissance terminus dating back to 1916. Overnight: Bangkok. (B, L)

DAY 17 Monday 8 December, 2025 Bangkok

This morning, you will tour the famous Wat Pho temple, also known as the Temple of the Reclining Buddha and home to more than 1,000 Buddha images, the magnificent Grand Palace and Wat Arun. Enjoy lunch together and enjoy an afternoon at leisure to relax or explore more of Bangkok independently. Perhaps take a longtail boat for a river journey, take a tuk tuk, or enjoy a Thai massage or a Thai cooking class. Gather in the early evening for your farewell dinner. Overnight: Bangkok (B,L,D)

DAY 18 Tuesday 9 December, 2025 Bangkok

Our tour comes to an end this morning after breakfast and hotel check-out. (B)



Included in the tour price:

- 17 nights' accommodation in well-located first-class and moderate first-class hotels with private facilities, on a twinshare basis. Hotel taxes and service charges.
- Meals: Breakfasts daily; nine lunches, and seven dinners.
- Nine heritage train and funicular journeys and experiences.
- Entry to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for those marked 'optional' plus locally guided tours.
- Locally guided tours.
- Transport by first-class chartered coaches.
- A local tour guide throughout.
- Tour management by Travelrite.

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- · Return international flights.
- Arrival and departure transfers.
- Insurance. Travel insurance is strongly recommended.
- All items of personal nature, such as drinks, room service, laundry and phone calls.
- Meals and drinks, unless specified in itinerary. Breakfasts, lunches, dinners, that are 'included' are marked B, L, D in the itinerary.







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