





## Day by Day Itinerary

### Day 1 - Arrive Chiang Mai, khantoke dinner

Arrive in Chiang Mai where your guide will meet you at the airport, then shuttle to your hotel in the heart of Chiang Mai. Enjoy some free time to wander the neighborhood or relax poolside, before gathering for tour orientation and a welcome dinner featuring traditional northern cuisine served on a khantoke (small round serving table). Enjoy traditional dance and music while you eat. Relax: Free to explore until dinner Eat: Dinner Sleep Classic: Aksara Heritage Sleep Première: 137 Pillars

### Day 2 - Historic Wiang Kun Kam, Baan Tawai craftshops

After breakfast your guides will shuttle you to the Visitor's Center at Wiang Khum Kam, the original location of Chiang Mai. We will cycle through the longan plantations (fruit trees) visiting ruins that date back 700+ years from the original Lanna Kingdom. From here the route turns south, as we ride down to Baan Tawai, a handicraft village renowned for its wood working, with everything from small household decor to large wooden meeting tables. If the group feels ambitious we can ride back or catch a lift in the support van. Dinner on the banks of the Mae Ping (Ping River) tonight. Ride: 45 km, Land: flat Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Sleep Classic: Aksara Heritage Sleep Première: 137 Pillars

### Day 3 - Thai cooking class

Try your hand at making Thai cuisine, with a cooking class. Learn about the ingredients and flavors employed, then sit down to enjoy the fruits of your labor with your fellow classmates. The rest of the day is at your leisure and dinner (if you still have room) is on your own. Relax: Morning cooking class, afternoon free Eat: Breakfast Sleep Classic: Aksara Heritage Sleep Première: 137 Pillars



### Day 4 - Rural cycling to floating hotel

After breakfast we depart to enjoy a couple of days of rural cycling through the surrounds of Chiang Mai. You will cycling past emerald rice paddies and through fruit orchards, passing small villages and colorful wats. Explore the fresh market in Mae Malai and the ornate Wat Ban Den before reaching Sri Lanna National Park where we spend the night on the waters of Mae Ngat in a floating resort surrounded by forested mountains.

Ride: 65 km, Land: flat Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Sleep Classic or Première: Mountain Float

### Day 5 - Rural cycling, street food discovery

Returning to shore we shuttle to Sticky Falls, with its unique limestone cascades. Remounting our bikes, you will follow Khlong Liat, an irrigation canal that supplies farms in the region. The flat ride takes you to a panoramic overlook of Chiang Mai Province, several hisitoric temples and more fresh markets. Upon reaching our hotel back in the city, we will wander out to check out traditional Thai street food at Chang Puek Gate area.

Ride: 45 km, Land: flat Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Sleep Classic: Aksara Heritage Sleep Première: 137 Pillars

### Day 6 - White water rafting

Giving the bikes the another day off, we switch modes to white water rafting. It is not as wild as the big water rivers in the Rockies, but the scenery along the riverside is quite different and the rock gardens along the way make an enjoyable casual white water trip. The late afternoon and evening are free to shop, dine or explore the city as you please.

Rafting: Class 2 & 3 Whitewater Eat: Breakfast, Lunch Sleep Classic: Aksara Heritage Sleep Première: 137 Pillars

### Day 7 - Departure day

Shuttle back to the airport, where we bid fond farewells. Travel: Shuttle to airport Eat: Breakfast



## **Scheduled Dates You Can Join:**

You can find the most up to date information on available departures and book your spots on the tour's webpage linked below. Lets Travel!

## **Private Dates For Your Gang:**

Any Pedalers tour can be made private at your request. If you don't see the date you want, we'll create one for you. A tip from our local experts, this tour is best enjoyed October thru February with warm temperatures and little rain.



## Why Pedalers?

### Experience the Heart and Soul of Each Country with Our Local Expert Team

Our passionate and diverse team of local experts will guide you through their homeland, sharing intimate knowledge and hidden wonders. They are not just guides but also skilled bike mechanics, ensuring a comfortable and enjoyable ride. Unlike other tour companies, Pedalers' local crew brings an insider's perspective to the table. You'll be pampered by a friendly team, equipped with the skills to fix anything. A sweep rider and sag wagon provide support, and your baggage travels comfortably with you. Pedalers treats you like family, making your journey unforgettable.

### Indulge in Mouthwatering Local Delights on a Culinary Adventure

Unlock the essence of culture through food as we take you on a culinary extravaganza. Bond with fellow riders over scrumptious dishes at local restaurants specializing in regional cuisine. Family-style dining lets you sample outstanding dishes, carefully chosen by our expert guides. Lunch is satisfying but not overwhelming, and breakfast offers comforting Western delights. Pedalers knows the importance of good food for cyclists, creating a mouthwatering experience that combines riding and dining.

### Immerse Yourself in Authentic Accommodations, Where Culture Meets Comfort

Discover the charm of our handpicked accommodations. Pedalers takes a unique approach to accommodations, ensuring an authentic and immersive experience. Choose between Classic and Première Classe tours, each offering carefully selected lodging options. Classic tours feature mid-priced boutique inns that blend comfort with local character, while Première Classe tours add a touch of luxury to your adventure with upscale lodges and inns. Regardless of your choice, Pedalers' accommodations reflect the local culture, providing a delightful and comfortable stay that complements your journey.



## What's Included:

- 6 nights Accommodation in the area's better hotels (double occupancy)
- Most meals from Dinner on Day 1 until Breakfast on Day 7
- Water, sodas or beer included at dinner
- Rental bike
- Service of bilingual Team Pedalers Guide(s)
- Full Van Support
- Sightseeing and cultural activities
- Airport pick up & drop off

## **Meeting & Flights:**

Your Chiang Mai Expert will meet any flight during the day on your arrival day.

Fly into Chiang Mai (CNX) before 4 pm on Day 1 Fly out of Chiang Mai (CNX) after 10 am on Day 7

NOTE: Due to the late night arrival from and early morning departure of flights to North America, most guests will need to overnight in Bangkok going both directions.

## **Domestic Flights:**

We suggest booking your flight between Bangkok & Chiang Mai separately from your international flight, as it will usually work out much more economical. For ease of connecting with international flights at Bangkok's Suvarnabhumi Airport, we suggest using either Thai Airways or Bangkok Airways. The budget airlines, such as Air Asia, Nok Air, etc fly out of the older Don Muang Airport in Bangkok.

For assistance with flights contact our friends at Exito Travel: <u>help.pedalers.travel/flights.htm</u>



## **Passport, Visa and Travel Documents:**

Passports are required for all guests unless you are a citizen of or currently residing in Thailand. US and Canadian citizens can enter Thailand without a visa for up to 30 days (longer stays require a visa). Travelers entering without a visa may be required to show proof of their flight leaving Thailand before the 30 days are expired and may be asked to show proof of financial ability in the form of 20,000 Thai Baht or equivalent in western currency. Citizens of more than 50 other countries also qualify for the same visa free entry, guests should check with the Royal Thai Embassy in their country for entry requirements applicable to your trip. We strongly recommend looking into this well in advance of your tour, so as to be prepared and not left standing at the gate. You can find the closest Royal Thai Embassy here: https://www.thaiembassy.org/

Pedalers does not provide any visa processing services for tour guests.