



3 Day HELLFIRE PASS Anzac Day Tour

COMMEMORATE THE ANZAC'S WHO SUFFERED & DIED ON THE THAI-BURMA RAILWAY 1942-44

On this moving 3 day historical tour you will visit the POW war cemetery at Chungkai, visit the Railway War museum, walk over the famous Bridge on the River Kwai, visit the Weary Dunlop Memorial Centre followed by a train ride on the Death Railway to Nam Tok.

On 25th of April, we will go to Hellfire Pass for the Dawn Service and visit the war graves cemetery in Kanchanaburi to attend the morning Commemorative Service. See the itinerary below for more details or contact our office.

Please book this tour well in advance as there are limited spots and this tour can book out fast.

Tour Type: 3 Day Tour ex Bangkok (pre & Post extensions available)

Tour Date: 24th April to 26th April (Other Hellfire Pass Tours operate daily throughout the year)

3 Day Anzac Day Tour (Code: 3ANZAC)

Itinerary

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DAY 1 - 24 APRIL – (L,D)

7.30am to 8am Pick up From Hotel Bangkok and travel the 2 ½ hour journey to Kanchanaburi where we meet our local guides.

We take a train excursion on the “Death Railway” over the line constructed by the POW’s and other “slave” laborers to Nam Tok.

Lunch at Nam Tok Station (included)

We visit the Weary Dunlop Memorial Park, a remarkable tribute to the Australian POW surgeon Lieutenant-Colonel E.E. 'Weary' Dunlop who is revered in Australia as the iconic image of the self-sacrifice, courage and compassion manifested by Australian doctors in captivity. What makes the park unusual is that it is located in Thailand and was created by a Thai.

Then on to Hellfire Pass for a guided tour through the pass before the crowds and the services on ANZAC Day. You will view the new Interpretive Centre with its moving displays and visual presentations. then walk parts of the line – see cuttings and relics, “Hammer and Tap” along the old line in the pass, compressor etc.

Check into the Jungle Raft Hotel on the Kwai Noi River near Hellfire Pass.

Welcome Drinks and maybe time for a swim and relax with a beer or two - then dinner. **(Included)**

DAY 2 - 25 APRIL - (B,L)

Today is a full programme starting at 3:00am in the morning

Dawn Service is held in Hellfire Pass (5.30am start)

Return to our hotel for breakfast and check out before driving to

Kanchanaburi. On the way we may have time to walk along the 500m Wang Pho

wooden viaduct clinging perilously to the cliffs for support (also known as Dangerous Curve) in the Tham Krasae district north of

Kanchanaburi. You will also see a large cave accessible from the viaduct which now contains a large golden Buddha and is a place of worship.





This cave was used as a hospital and air raid shelter for POW's during construction of the railway.

In Kanchanaburi we visit the Donrak Cenotaph and attend the ceremonies at the War Graves Cemetery.

After Lunch we visit the War Museum for the Burma Thailand Railway (**Included**), view the Bridge on The River Kwai and walk over the Bridge where we catch a boat to the POW war cemetery at Chungkai, the first and major campsite during construction at the Thailand end. Check into our centrally located hotel in Kanchanaburi where you have time for an afternoon nap and relax. This evening it is only a short walk to the bars and restaurants in old Kanchanaburi. Dinner is at own your own leisure so you can enjoy the evening at leisure with other visitors and service men and women also visiting on this special day.

DAY 3 - 26 APRIL – (B)

Today we travel back to Bangkok through the old Siam capital of Ayutthaya, about 80 kilometres north of Bangkok. It was capital of the Kingdom of Siam, and a prosperous international trading port from 1350 until razed by the Burmese in 1767. The ruins of the old city now form the Ayutthaya Historical Park, an archaeological site that contains palaces, Buddhist temples, monasteries and statues. The park is on an island between 3 rivers. Ayutthaya has been stated as Thailand's Angkor Wat.

Arrival late afternoon into Bangkok at your selected hotel (not included on this package – please ask if you wish to extend your touring arrangements)

Optional Extra Tours: As an alternative to Ayutthaya we can arrange an exclusive tour to visit the world famous Tiger Safari Park Project touching the true nature of the amazing tigers and other kind of wild animals such as deer, wild fowl and wild boar.

Elephant Camp:

- Enjoy swimming, bathing and jungle river rafting and trekking with the elephants **700 Baht pp.**

- Elephant rides **500 Baht pp.**

- River Rafting **350 Baht pp.**

- (Time allowing) Visit Erwan Waterfall **600 Baht pp** entrance fee into the

National Park, feed the wild monkeys at the Kaset Buddha Cave and walk along the infamous trestle bridge which is part of the Death Railway.



Remarks:

- Distance approx. 400 Kilometre round trip from Bangkok.
- Vehicles are modern comfortable hightop vans with A/C Stereo sound TV – “all the bells and whistles”.
- Transportation van, driver, historical guide.
- Pre and post accommodation and touring in Bangkok and around Thailand can be arranged.

Warnings: Thailand is very hot at this time of year, please bring sunscreen etc. Don't forget to bring a cap, towel, sun glasses, energy drinks, medication etc.

Tour Highlights:

- Visit to POW war cemetery Chungkai
- Visit War Museum Burma Thailand Railway
- View Bridge on The River Kwai walk over the Bridge
- Train Excursion on the Death Railway to Nam Tok
- View and walk parts of the line Cuttings Hammer and Tap, Hellfire pass, Compressor.
- Dawn Service - Hell Fire Pass
- Donrak Cenotaph, Ceremonies at the war graves cemetery.



- Weary Dunlop Museum
- Visit Cave used as a POW Hospital and Air raid shelter.

Inclusions:

- Transfer round trip from your hotel in Bangkok
- Tours are full day including Breakfast Lunch and Dinner.
- English speaking guide
- Luxury Bus or Luxury Mini Van
- 3 star Hotel included

Exclusions:

- Items of a personal nature
- Tips or Gratuities to guides or drivers
- Personal expenses such as drinks, insurance, tip for driver, etc.
- Other service not mentioned on this program

Note:

Price/Person from \$570 AUD (twin share) - \$730 AUD (sole room use)



Bridge on the river Kwai



VIP Limo transport



Lone piper ANZAC



Bridge on the river Kwai



Rice paddy fields



POWs War Cemetery



Death Railway



Dawn service ANZAC



Hellfire pass railway