

## *Cultural Tour of Bangkok*



### • **The Grand Palace (Wat Phra Kaew)**

The Grand Palace has an area of 218,400 sq. metres and is surrounded by walls built in 1782. The length of the four walls is 1,900 metres. Within these walls are situated government offices and the Chapel Royal of the Emerald Buddha besides the royal residences.

When Siam restored law and order after the fall of Ayutthaya, the monarch lived in Thonburi on the west side of the river. Rama I, on ascending the throne, moved the centre of administration to this side of the Chao Phraya; and, after erecting public monuments such as fortifications and monasteries, built a palace to serve not only as his residence but also his offices.

This palace came to be known as the Grand Palace, in which the earliest edifices contemporary with the foundation of Bangkok were the two groups of residences named the Dusit Maha Prasat and the Phra Maha Monthian.



#### **Please note that:**

**Wat Phra Kaew Dress Code:** Visitors are required to dress appropriately. Thus the following dress - code (applicable to both ladies and gentlemen) is **requested:**

1. Shorts, mini-skirts, short skirts, tight fitting trousers, as well as tights can not be worn as outer garments.
2. See-through shirts and blouses, as well as culottes or quarter length trousers cannot be worn.
3. Sleeveless shirts or vests cannot be worn as outer garments.
4. Sandals (without ankle or heel straps) cannot be worn.
5. All shirt sleeves, whether long or short, cannot be rolled up.
6. Sweat shirts and sweat pants, wind-cheaters, pajamas and fisherman trousers cannot be worn.

Source: [http://www.palaces.thai.net/day/index\\_gp.htm](http://www.palaces.thai.net/day/index_gp.htm)



#### • Thai Cultural Market Tour

A new floating market near Bangkok located at Tambon Bang Namphueng, Phra Pradaeng District. It is originated under the cooperation between the Bang Namphueng Subdistrict Administration Organization and local community in an attempt to release their superabundant crops and, as a consequence, create employment and income to the community. The charm of this floating market is the canalside lifestyle of the community whose members are mostly Thai – Mon. Local products and famous food such as fish-scale flowers, herbal joss sticks, Hoi Thot (fried mussel pancake), Khanom Khrok or mortar-toasted pastry, mango, etc. are also offered on sale. Bang Namphueng Floating Market is open only on Saturdays and Sundays during 8.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.

Source: <http://www.paknam.com/tourist-attractions/bang-nampheung-floating-market.html>



#### • Siam Niramit

It is world-class performance of Thailand's arts and cultural heritage. Set in the heart of Bangkok affording convenient access by MRT subway and major thoroughfares, this must-see spectacular is performed on the gigantic stage now listed in the Guinness World Records, featuring over 150 performers with as many as 500 costumes. On top of this, enhanced special effects with the world's most advanced technology are used to produce a stimulating, very realistic and inspiring experience. This is a **Journey to the Enchanted Kingdom of Thailand** that no one can miss.

Source: <http://www.siamniramit.com/oldweb/index.php>



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