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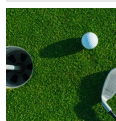
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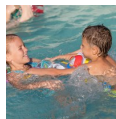
Phuket shimmers between jungle-draped cliffs and crystal-clear seas, where palm-fringed beaches meet bustling markets and neon-lit streets. From quiet Old Town lanes to the pulse of Patong nightlife, the island buzzes with life and warmth. It's a place for sunsets that stop you in your tracks, flavours that linger, and moments that make you fall in love with Thailand's tropical heart.

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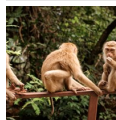
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THE ISLAND



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Sitting off Thailand's west coast in the Andaman Sea, Phuket has been shaped by centuries of trade, fishing, and tin mining, leaving a mix of cultural influences visible in its towns, temples, and architecture. Phuket Town grew as the island's centre, a bustling hub of markets, colonial-era streets, and local life.

Beyond the town, the coastline unfolds into a variety of beaches and bays. From the quiet sands of Surin and Nai Harn to the lively shores of Patong, each stretch of coast has its own rhythm. Inland, hills, forests, and small villages hint at a slower pace, contrasting with the more tourist-focused areas along the west coast.

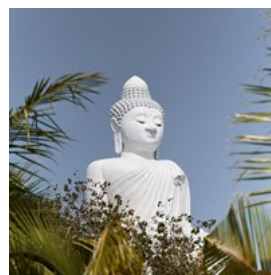
DO & SEE



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Phuket blends culture and nature in ways that will suit any kind of traveller. You can hop between islands, take in views of limestone cliffs and turquoise water, or dive into local life with a Thai cooking class. Temples like Wat Chalong show a calmer, spiritual side of the island, while kayaks and surfboards let you explore the coast at your own pace. Wildlife sanctuaries let you see rescued elephants up close and learn about conservation, and of course, the beaches are perfect for sun, sea, or just watching the world go by.

Phuket City Tour: Karon View Point, Big Buddha & Wat Chalong



Phuket is known for its breathtaking white-sand beaches, but this Thai island is also bursting with culture and history. Join this Phuket City Tour

for a chance to experience the island's natural beauty and culture. See top attractions like the gigantic Big Buddha statue and the sacred Wat Chalong temple. Then, visit a cashew nut factory and stop for photos at Karon Viewpoint.

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Old Town



As you wander through the streets of Phuket's Old Town, you'll come across rows of pastel-hued shophouses and ornate

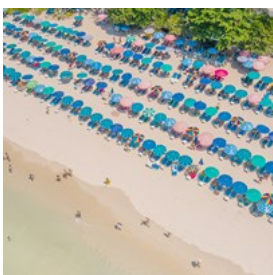
Sino-Portuguese facades that still hint at the island's trading past. Some are family homes, others have been converted into cafés, guesthouses, or small museums. It's the kind of place where you can spend a few hours just walking, peering at tiled walls, old shop signs, and shrines tucked into corners.

There's everyday life mixed with the tourist scene: morning markets with fruit and noodles, long-standing noodle shops, and new coffee spots side by side. On Sundays, Thalang Road turns into the Lard Yai market from late afternoon, with food stalls, music, and crafts filling the street.

Photo: set.sj/Unsplash

Address: Thalang Road, Phuket

Phuket's Beaches



Phuket and beaches go hand in hand; whether it's surfing, people-watching, or just sinking into quiet sand, there's a stretch of

coastline for every mood.

Freedom Beach stays quiet for a reason: it's tucked behind the jungle and can be reached either by longtail boat or by a steep trail for those willing to hike. The effort pays off with soft sand, clear water, and almost no facilities. Kata Beach has more going on, with surf lessons,

cafés, and plenty of space, while Kata Noi, just around the corner, is calmer and more relaxed.

Patong Beach is the opposite end of the spectrum: long, busy, and lined with bars, shops, and nightlife. Somewhere in between, Karon, Nai Harn, and Surin offer long stretches of sand without the chaos, still with enough restaurants and sunbeds if needed.

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Phi Phi Islands Adventure Day Trip



Explore the heavenly Phi Phi archipelago, including Maya Bay from the Leonardo DiCaprio film 'The Beach', on this memorable speedboat

trip from Phuket. Once at the archipelago, swim over the coral reefs of Pileh Lagoon, snorkel at Bamboo Island, see the monkeys at Monkey Beach, and then visit the breathtaking Maya Bay.

Photo: Lucas Hemingway/Unsplash

Phang Nga Bay Sea Cave Canoeing & James Bond Island



Experience the highlights of Phang Nga Bay on a thrilling full-day cruise from Phuket. Paddle around the stunning Panak and Hong islands

on a canoe, marvel at the iconic James Bond Island, and enjoy a refreshing swim at the serene Lawa Island. This action-packed adventure combines natural beauty with exciting activities, making it an unforgettable day of exploration in one of Thailand's most picturesque regions.

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Elephant Sanctuary



Spend a unique and fun morning in good company at the Lake Phuket Elephant Nursery, a serene forest sanctuary for elephants in northern Phuket. Once there, you'll get a chance to take an Elephant Care Class, stroll through the forest alongside these gentle giants, and take part in a Thai cooking class followed by a delicious lunch.

Photo: Trinity Trefft/Unsplash

Thai Cooking Class



Experience the flavours of Thailand firsthand with a small-group cooking class in Phuket, where you'll learn to prepare authentic Thai dishes just like a local. This immersive culinary adventure offers hands-on instruction, allowing you to master traditional recipes and techniques. Perfect for food enthusiasts, this class not only teaches you how to cook but also provides insights into Thai culture and cuisine.

Photo: Yoav Aziz/Unsplash

Monkey Hill Viewpoint



Perched atop a forested hill, Monkey Hill Viewpoint, as the name implies, is home to roaming monkeys and also features an observation platform offering panoramic views. Visitors should exercise caution around the wild monkeys. Officials advise against feeding them, as it can provoke aggressive behaviour.

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Address: Ratsada, Phuket

Phuket FantaSea



Phuket FantaSea is a vibrant theme park spanning 60 acres, featuring a fascinating Thai culture theatrical show. The cultural extravaganza combines magic, acrobatics, ballet, and special effects. Visitors can indulge in a grand buffet at the theme restaurant and explore the bustling shopping street.

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Address: 99, Kamala, Kathu District, Phuket

Phone: +66 76 385 000

Internet: www.phuketfantasea.fun/eng

Splash Jungle Water Park



Splash Jungle Water Park is the ultimate destination for a fun-filled day for both kids and adults. With a variety of attractions including exhilarating water slides, a wave pool, and a water play area, there's something for everyone.

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Address: 65, 179 Soi Mai Khao 4, Mai Khao, Thalang District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am-6pm

Phone: +66 76 372 111

Internet: <https://splashjungle.com>

Email: info@splashjungle.com

Golf



Phuket boasts a selection of golf courses, each offering panoramic views and beautiful surroundings. Whether you're a seasoned golfer or a beginner, these courses provide a perfect blend of challenge and tranquillity.

Photo: Sergii Molchenko/Shutterstock
Internet: www.phuketgolfcourse.com

Phuket Aquarium



This small aquarium in Phuket provides an educational and entertaining outing for all ages, highlighting the beauty and complexity of

Thailand's aquatic ecosystems. See coral reef displays, walk through an underwater tunnel, and engage with marine creatures at a touch pool.

Photo: NIPATHORN/Shutterstock
Address: 51 Sakdidet Road, Wichit, Phuket
Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-4:30pm
Phone: +66 76 391 126
Internet: <https://phuketaquarium.org/en>

DINING



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Thai cuisine is one of the country's greatest exports, but nothing beats tasting it in Thailand itself. Dig into a steaming bowl of Tom Yum (spicy prawn soup), try the iconic Pad Thai, or savour Gaeng Phed Ped Yang (roast duck in red curry) if you're after something rich and aromatic. The offerings in Phuket are endless.

Bangla Night Market



Bangla Night Market, in Patong, is a bustling open-air market with tents and food stalls offering a wide array of Thai street food. Dining

at Bangla Night Market is casual and interactive; patrons order directly from the stalls and then find a spot at communal tables to enjoy their meals, a must-visit destination for food lovers exploring Phuket.

Photo: echiechi/Pixabay
Address: DTambon Patong, Kathu District, Phuket
Opening hours: Daily 6pm-2am

Naughty Nuri's Phuket



Naughty Nuri's is all about Balinese and Asian-fusion fare. But the real star is its 1995 Signature BBQ Spare Ribs — smoky,

fall-off-the-bone, and marinated in a rich Balinese-style sauce before being grilled over open flames. Throw some live music and cocktails into the mix, and you've got yourself the perfect spot for an unhurried evening with friends.

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Address: 122 Thanon Rat Uthit, Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily noon-midnight

Phone: +66 61 173 0011

Internet: <https://naughtynuristhailand.com>

One Chun Cafe & Restaurant



Set in a 19th-century Sino-Portuguese building in Phuket Old Town, One Chun blends history, family recipes, and Southern Thai flavours.

Its interior is full of character, with vintage radios, old TVs, and retro clocks decorating the walls, giving the space a quirky, nostalgic charm. The menu highlights include Moo Hong (slow-braised pork belly), crab curry with coconut milk served over rice vermicelli, and spicy boiled shrimp with shrimp paste.

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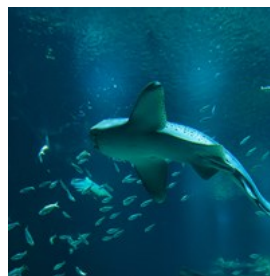
Address: 48, 1 Thap Krasattri Rd, Talat Yai, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +66 76 355 909

Internet: www.openlink.co/onechunphuket

Su Va Na



At Su Va Na, diners are treated to a truly unique underwater experience. Surrounded by a 138-seat tank showcasing over 25,000 sea creatures

across 300 species, the restaurant is currently the largest underwater dining venue in the world. The menu combines contemporary European techniques with the finest global ingredients and local Thai produce, crafting an exquisite culinary experience as unforgettable as the setting.

Photo: Cocotier Tours/Shutterstock

Address: No. 199, B01, B Floor, Central Phuket Floresta, Wichit, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Thu-Tue 7pm-11pm, Wed closed

Phone: +66 63 308 8262

Internet: <https://suvanaphuket.com>

More Info: Reservations are essential.

Silk Restaurant & Bar



At Silk, inspired by the historic Silk Route, you'll discover a remarkable fusion of East and West in every dish. The menu features grilled Thai

specialities, fresh seafood platters, and an extensive selection of vegetarian and vegan options, all crafted with Phuket's finest local ingredients. Dine al fresco on the terrace overlooking Kamala Bay, and as the sun sets, sip signature cocktails from the Silk Bar, from the tropical 'Pink Goong Sarong' to the zesty 'Crazy Monkey's Favourite Tom Yum'.

Photo: Andrey Bayda/Shutterstock

Address: 15 Moo 6, Layi Naka Lay Road, Kamala sub-district, Kathu, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 7am-10pm

Phone: +66 76 338 777

Internet: www.andaraphuket.com/dining/silk-restaurant

Pomodoro Pizza Restaurant



If you're after authentic Italian fare in Kata, Pomodoro delivers. The pizzas are baked in a wood-fired oven, with more than 30 varieties on the menu, from classic Margherita to seafood-topped pies. The pasta dishes are just as satisfying, with generous portions of house-made sauces and fresh ingredients.

Photo: [gowithstock/Shutterstock](#)

Address: 32 Koktanod Road, Karon, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily noon-10pm

Phone: +66 76 330 539

Internet: www.pomodorokataphuket.com

Email: info@pomodorokataphuket.com

Royal Kitchen



Right in the heart of Patong, Royal Kitchen is a go-to spot for anyone craving Halal Indian, Arabic, or Thai-style food. Renowned for its rich

flavours and generous portions, this restaurant excels in dishes like Butter Chicken, Lamb Biryani, alongside a variety of vegetarian fare.

Photo: [amirali mirhashemian/Unsplash](#)

Address: 142/1, Thanon Thawewong, Tambon Patong Amphore Kathu, Chang Wat, Pa Tong, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am-3am

Phone: +66 76 341 336

Internet: <https://royalkitchenpatong.com>

Kan Eang 2



Kan Eang is one of Phuket's more relaxed seafood spots, a great spot for families or anyone looking to enjoy fresh Thai-seafood by the water without the fancy fuss. The restaurant is mostly open-air, with wooden and thatch huts, big trees for shade, and views across Chalong Bay. The menu features reasonably-priced prawns, crab, fish cooked Thai style, plus classic dishes like tom yum seafood soup and fish grilled over coconut husks.

Photo: [Chaikom/Shutterstock](#)

Address: 9, 3 E Chaofah Road, Chalong, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10:30pm

Phone: +66 76 381 323

CAFÉS



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Phuket's café scene is as diverse as the island itself. You'll find everything from laid-back beachside spots serving iced coffees and fresh smoothies to quirky Old Town hangouts tucked inside Sino-Portuguese shophouses filled with books, art, and vintage décor. Barista-style espresso drinks are easy to come by, but you'll also come across Thai twists, like sweet iced coffee, Thai milk tea, or refreshing fruit blends.

Rose Espresso Cafe



Rose Espresso Café on Krabi Road in Old Phuket Town feels a bit like stepping into grandma's living room, with floral wallpaper, mismatched china, and little knick-knacks everywhere. The menu strikes the perfect balance between breakfast and lunch, best enjoyed with a good cup of coffee, an iced drink, or a slice of homemade cake.

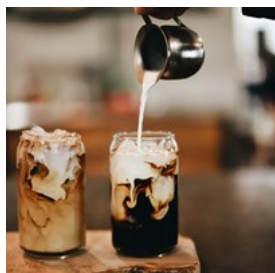
Photo: PosiNote/Shutterstock

Address: 13 Krabi, Tambon Talat Nuea, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm

Phone: +66 89 774 5321

The Coffee Club - Beach Point Phuket



For early risers or those craving a familiar bite, The Coffee Club Beach Point is a reliable stop right on Patong's main Beach Road. The menu covers hearty all-day breakfasts, sandwiches, salads, Thai dishes, and plenty of vegetarian and vegan choices. The coffee is also consistently good, and the space is bright and modern, with indoor and street-side seating perfect for watching the bustle of Patong go by.

Photo: tabitha turner/Unsplash

Address: 162/4 Thawewong Road, Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 6:30am-10pm

Phone: +66 61 419 2254

Internet: www.thecoffeeclub.co.th

Samero's Icecream Paradise



If you're looking to cool down after a day in the sun, Samero's Icecream Paradise is a Patong favourite. This old-style gelato parlour serves a variety of flavours, all made fresh daily with natural ingredients and no artificial flavourings or preservatives. Grab a cone or a sundae, settle into the air-conditioned space with its comfy seating, and enjoy a sweet break from the Phuket heat.

Photo: Leszek Glasner/Shutterstock

Address: Sainamyen Road, Pa Tong, Amphoe Kathu, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 9am-midnight

Phone: +66 76 342 505

Internet: www.sameros.com

Email: info@sameros.com

The Neighbors Cafe



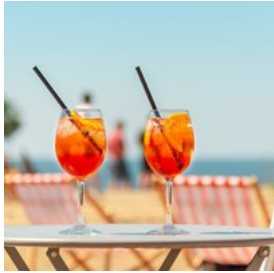
Tucked away on a colorful street in Phuket's Old Town, The Neighbors is a quaint café that's perfect for a leisurely brunch. Inside, the space combines colonial charm with Chinese-inspired décor, bright tiles, and vintage furniture, all set to soft jazz in the background. The menu covers all-day breakfast favourites, from full English breakfasts and eggs Benedict to French toast, avocado toast, and fluffy pancakes, all of which go well with their wide range of coffees, teas, and cocktails. The cherry on top is the warm, attentive service, which makes this café feel like a local secret worth discovering.

Photo: Minoru K/Shutterstock

Address: 93 Phangnga Road, Tambon Talat Yai, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Phone: +66 88 760 4677

Cafe Phuket Viewpoint



The view at Cafe Phuket Viewpoint is hard to beat, with sweeping sea vistas, dramatic cliffs, and sunset light that makes the whole place glow.

Most visitors come here for the photo ops, the swings, or simply to unwind with a drink. With that said, the food and service don't always match the visuals. There's also a two-items-per-person minimum, so plan ahead, go early to avoid the rush, and treat the views as the real highlight.

Photo: ARVD73/Shutterstock

Address: 255 Phrabaramree Road, Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10:30am-7:30pm

Phone: +66 94 663 4124

Internet: www.instagram.com/cafephuket_viewpoint

Bookhemian



Tucked into a narrow, two-storey Sino-Portuguese shophouse in Old Phuket Town, Bookhemian combines coffee, books,

and creativity in one quirky package. At the ground floor, the café serves carefully crafted coffees, iced Thai tea lattes, and pastries, while towering bookshelves, vintage movie posters, and exposed brick walls nod to its origins as a secondhand bookstore. Upstairs is a quieter space where you can read, work, or just escape the heat for a while.

Photo: PeopleImages/Shutterstock

Address: 61 Thalang Road, Tambon Talat Yai, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am-8pm

Internet: www.instagram.com/bookhemian

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Vaskar Sam/Unsplash

Patong is the heart of Phuket's nightlife, with hundreds of bars clustered around Bangla Road and Bangla Square. By evening, the main road is closed to traffic, making it easy to wander from one spot to the next. Off the main drag, side streets, or 'Sois', like Soi Eric, Soi Coyote, Soi Gonzo, and Soi Easy, are packed with even more bars, each with its own vibe. In Phuket, there's something for every night owl, whether you're after cocktails, live music, or dancing until dawn.

Patong Beach Nightlife



If you're not set on a specific venue, Bangla Road is the perfect place to wander and discover your ideal night out. The street is lined with an

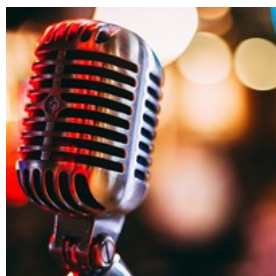
endless array of bars, clubs, and live music venues, each offering its own unique vibe.

Whether you're looking for a laid-back pub, a lively club, or something in between, you'll find it here.

Photo: Michael Discenza/Unsplash

Address: Bangla Road, Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

New York - Live Music Bar



In the heart of Bangla Road, New York stands out as one of the most sought-after party spots on the island's bustling nightlife scene. Bands play every night, covering rock, pop, and chart hits, and you can even request a song or join the band onstage for a spontaneous jamming session. With a drink menu boasting ice-cold beers and an array of mixed drinks, New York delivers an unforgettable experience for revellers seeking the epitome of Phuket's nightlife charm.

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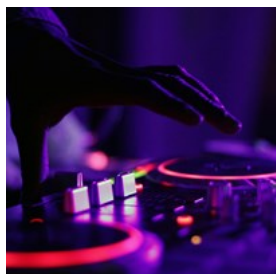
Address: 68 Bangla Road, Pa Tong, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 6:30pm-4am

Phone: +66 89 217 7799

Internet: <https://newyorklivemusic.club>

Illuzion Phuket



Illuzion Phuket is one of Patong's biggest nightlife draws. Right on bustling Bangla Road, the club can accommodate up to 5,000 people across three distinct areas, featuring international DJs, live performances, and aerial acts. Music ranges from EDM to hip-hop, and the impressive sound and light setup make it a full-on sensory experience for anyone looking to dive into Phuket's party scene.

Photo: Marcela Laskoski/Unsplash

Address: 31 Bangla Road, Pa Tong, Amphoe Kathu, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 9pm-4am

Phone: +66 64 454 4985

Internet: www.illuzionphuket.com

Email: info@illuzionphuket.com

Thai Boxing



Catching a Muay Thai fight is a must while in Thailand. In Patong, stadiums like Bangla Boxing Stadium and Patong Boxing Stadium host nightly bouts where the music, chants, and energy hit you the moment you walk in. These venues put you close to the action, letting you feel the adrenaline and tradition of this ancient martial art firsthand.

Photo: ffg/Shutterstock

Address: Bangla Boxing Stadium - 74/21 Soi Banzan, Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

Opening hours: Tue & Wed, Fri-Sun 8pm-11pm, Thu & Mon closed

Phone: +66 82 416 4651

Soi Paradise (Paradise Complex)



Phuket has a strong gay nightlife scene, which is centred in a compact area of Patong called the Paradise Complex, just opposite the Royal Paradise Hotel and off Thanon Rat-U-Thit Songroipi Road. The pedestrianised streets are lined with bars, cafés, clubs, restaurants, and other LGBTQ-friendly businesses. Many visitors spend the day at Patong Beach, then head here for drinks and socialising, often wrapping up the evening at ZAG Club or other late-night venues.

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The Fool Speakeasy



Located in the heart of Phuket's Old Town, The Fool Speakeasy is a hidden gem that redefines the cocktail experience. This intimate bar weaves the mystique of tarot cards into its drink offerings, inviting patrons to let fate guide their choices. Upon arrival, simply request the deck, and let the skilled mixologists interpret the drawn card's symbolism into a unique and memorable concoction.

Photo: Viva Luna Studios/Unsplash

Address: 29 Chanacharoen Road, Tambon Talat Yai, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-midnight

Phone: +66 83 491 4645

Internet: www.thefoolspeakeasy.com

The Library Phuket



At first glance, The Library Phuket resembles a quaint, old-fashioned library, but a step through the back door reveals a vibrant haven of mixology and music. Here, you can enjoy expertly crafted cocktails while dancing the night away to the energetic beats spun by the resident DJ.

Photo: Antoine J./Unsplash

Address: 11 Ratsada Road, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 7:30pm-2am

Phone: +66 96 062 7752

Internet: www.thelibrary.bar

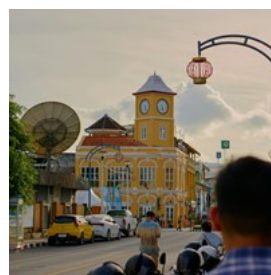
SHOPPING



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From bustling night markets to stylish boutiques, you'll find everything from luxurious Thai silk and lustrous pearls to colourful sarongs and handcrafted souvenirs. Whether you're navigating the lively streets of Patong or exploring the quieter corners of Old Phuket Town, shopping on the island is an experience full of discovery and local charm.

Phuket's Old Town



Phuket's Old Town is another place with fantastic shopping opportunities. Here, visitors can explore an array of local souvenirs, stylish boutiques, and one-of-a-kind antiques amidst the picturesque Sino-Portuguese architecture. The area is also perfect for picking up gourmet treats and artisanal products from local markets and street vendors.

Photo: set.sj/Unsplash

Address: Phuket Old Town, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Jungceylon



Diagonally opposite Bangla Road, the Jungceylon Shopping Complex, has radically changed the face of shopping in Patong. The sprawling mall combines modern architecture with a touch of local charm, creating a dynamic environment where shoppers can explore a wide range of international and Thai brands, savour delicious cuisine from around the globe, catch the latest blockbuster at its state-of-the-art cinema, or unleash your inner child at the trampoline park.

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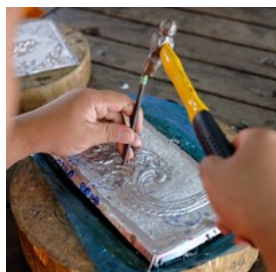
Address: Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +66 76 600 111

Internet: www.jungceylon.com

Jewellery



When in Phuket, consider picking up some exquisite jewellery for yourself or a loved one back home since the region is renowned for its locally-produced cultured pearls from Naka Noi island. For a unique experience, why not take a tour of Naka Noi Island? These daily excursions provide an insightful look into the art of pearl-making, complete with a pearl demonstration and the chance to buy pearls at discounted prices.

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Address: Ko Nakha Noi, Pa Klok, Thalang District, Phuket

Naka Weekend Market



Open every Saturday and Sunday, Phuket's Naka Weekend Market is a bustling spot for street food, souvenirs, and local crafts. Stalls spill over with handmade goods, fashion, and batik sarongs, while noodle and satay cafés keep hungry visitors fuelled as they explore the sprawling market.

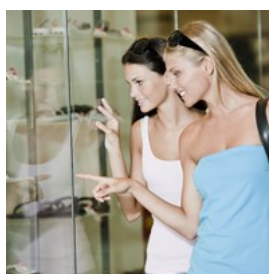
Photo: zenobresson/Pixabay

Address: Wirat Hong Yok Road, Wichit, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Sat & Sun 4pm-10pm

Internet: www.phuketnakamarket.com

Central Phuket



Central Phuket is a modern, air-conditioned shopping mall located just outside Phuket Town. This three-story retail complex offers a wide range of shopping options, from popular international brands to local boutiques. Visitors can enjoy a diverse selection of dining experiences, ranging from casual eateries to upscale restaurants, and catch the latest films at the state-of-the-art cinema.

Photo: stefanolunardi/Shutterstock

Address: 74/75 Wichit Road, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +66 76 603 333

Internet: www.centralphuket.com/home

Chillva Market



Chillva Market is an informal night market open six days a week, which hosts stalls brimming with an array of tantalising street food alongside handmade crafts, clothes, and souvenirs.

Photo: Norbert Braun/Unsplash

Address: Ratsada, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 5pm-11pm, Sun closed

Phone: +66 99 152 1919

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Best Time to Visit



Phuket is a year-round destination, but the experience changes with the seasons. The dry season, from November to March, brings cooler temperatures, lower humidity, and plenty of sunshine — perfect for beaches, island hopping, and festivals.

The monsoon season, from May to October, sees heavier rain and higher humidity. It's quieter and often cheaper, and the island's landscapes

are at their greenest. Seas are good for surfing, though some tours and activities may be limited by the weather.

Festivals & Events worth planning around:

- Songkran (Thai New Year) – April: Water fights, parades, and cultural ceremonies.

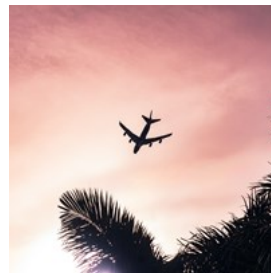
- Vegetarian Festival – Late September to Early October: Ritual processions and a vegetarian diet are observed by locals.

- Phuket King's Cup Regatta – December: Asia's largest sailing event, drawing enthusiasts worldwide.

- Phuket Bike Week – April: Motorcycle parades, exhibitions, and live entertainment.

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Phuket International Airport (HKT)



Phuket International Airport serves as the gateway to the island's stunning beaches and vibrant nightlife, and there are several

convenient ways to reach your destination from the airport. Taxis and Grab cars are the quickest and most reliable option, while shared minibuses offer a cheaper, hotel-drop alternative. Budget travellers can hop on the airport bus to Phuket Town or the Phuket Smart Bus, which runs along the west coast to Patong, Karon, and Kata.

Photo: Eduardo Velazco Guart/Unsplash

Address: Phuket International Airport

Phone: +66 76 351 122

Internet: <https://phuket.airportthai.co.th>

Passport/Visa



Visitors to Thailand typically need a passport with at least six months' validity, a visa depending on their nationality, and a

completed Thailand Digital Arrival Card (TDAC), which must be submitted within three days before arrival.

Citizens of over 90 countries can enter visa-free for 30–60 days, while others may apply online for an e-Visa or obtain a Visa on Arrival for shorter stays.

As requirements can change, always confirm the latest rules with the Royal Thai Embassy or Consulate before travelling.

Photo: ConvertKit/Unsplash

Internet:

www.thaiembassy.com/thailand-visa/thailand-visa-services

Taxi



Getting around Phuket is fairly straightforward, especially in the main tourist areas. Taxis are easy to find, but not all of them use meters, so it's

best to agree on a fare before you set off. Grab, the ride-sharing app, is widely available and usually a more reliable and sometimes cheaper option than regular taxis.

For shorter trips, tuk-tuks offer a fun, local experience, though fares should also be agreed on in advance. Songthaews, the shared minibuses running on set routes, are a cheap and practical way to hop between towns and beaches if you don't mind a bit of local-style travel. For more flexibility, renting a motorbike

is popular — it lets you explore quieter beaches and inland spots, but traffic can get tricky, so take care and wear a helmet.

Photo: Gustavo/Unsplash

Pharmacy



In Phuket, there are several pharmacy chains where you can purchase a wide range of medications and health-related products.

Some of the most well-known are Boots and Watsons. These pharmacies are typically located in shopping malls, busy streets, and tourist areas, making them easily accessible for visitors.

Photo: Diana Polekhina/Unsplash

Address: Boots Central Patong - 70/3 Bangla Road, Pa Tong, Kathu District, Phuket

Opening hours: Daily 10am–10pm

Post



Phuket's post offices are easy to spot with their red-and-white colour scheme and the Thailand Post logo. Most are open

8:30 am to 4:30 pm on weekdays and 9 am to 12 pm on Saturdays, closing on Sundays and public holidays. Some central branches stay open a little later during the week.

Services cover everything you'd expect: domestic and international mail, Express Mail Service (EMS), registered mail, bill payments, postal savings, and money transfers.

Photo: Ali Bakhtiari/Unsplash

Address: 12 16 Montri Road, Tambon Talat Yai, Mueang Phuket District, Phuket

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-7pm, Sat & Sun
8:30am-4:30pm
Phone: +66 76 211 010

Telephone



Country code: +66 Area
code: 76

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Electricity



Thailand runs on 230
volts at 50 Hz. Plugs can
vary: you'll see Type C
(two round pins like in
Europe), Type A and B
(flat pins, like in the

U.S.), and Type O (three round pins in a
triangular layout).

Photo: Mike Winkler/Unsplash

Population

460,810 (2025)

Currency

Thai Baht (THB)

Newspapers

The Phuket Express: <https://thephuketexpress.com>

The Phuket News: www.thephuketnews.com

Emergency numbers

Police: 191

Fire Brigade: 199

Emergency Medical Services: 1669

Tourist Police: 1155

Ambulance and Rescue: 1554

National Disaster Warning Center: 1860



Bang Yai Road	B3 B4 C4	Phuket Road	B2 C2 C3 C4	Soi Surin 1	D2
Bangkok Road	A3 B2	Phunpol Road	B3	Soi Surin 2	D2
Chana Charoen Road	C3	Ranong Road	A2 B2	Soi Surin 3	D2
Chao Fa Road	A3	Rasada Road	B2	Soi Talling Chan	B3 C3
Chumphon Road	B1	Rattanakosin Road	B3 B4 C4	Soi Tha Ton	B4 C4
Damrong Road	C1	Sakdidet Road	A4	Sri Sena Road	D2
Deebuk Road	B2 C2	Sarawaj Road	D1	Surin Road	D1 D2
Gamnan Road	D1	Satun Road	A1 B1	Suthat Road	C1 C2
Kaew Simbi Road	A1	Shonkiri Road	C1	Takua Pa Road	B2
Kra Road	B3 C3	Soi 1	B3	Takua Thung	C3
Krabi Road	A2 B2	Soi 11	B3	Thalang Road	B2 C2
Luang Po Road	C2	Soi 3	B3	Thepkrasattri Road	B1 B2
Mae Luang Road	A1	Soi 5	B3	Thesa Road	C1
Montri Road	C2	Soi 7	B3	Thung Ka Road	B1
Narisorn Road	C1 D1	Soi 9	B3	Tilok Uthit 1 Road	C3
Ong Sim Phai Road	C3 D2 D3	Soi Chan Atsawasuk	C4	Tilok Uthit 2 Road	C2
Padiphat Road	A2	Soi Go Phai	C4	Toh Sae Road	D1
Phang Nga Road	B2 C2 D2	Soi Phu Thon	A2	Vichit Songkhram Road	A2
Phattana Road	A2	Soi Saphan Hin	C4	Yaowaraj Road	B1 B2
Pho Road	C4				