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# Chiang Mai



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Nestled within the mountains of the northern Thai countryside, Chiang Mai is a vibrant and modern city that holds close to its spiritual and natural roots. With its spectacular landscapes, delightful food, and hundreds of elaborate Buddhist temples, Chiang Mai has nothing to envy of its sibling Bangkok.



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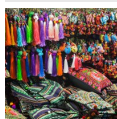
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## THE CITY



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'The Rose of the North' is a friendly city located about 700 kilometres north of Bangkok that offers a relaxing atmosphere, great shopping and fun activities. This city is a popular holiday destination and many come here regularly from Bangkok.

Chiang Mai actually means 'new city' and was founded in 1296 as the capital of the Lanna Kingdom. At the time, the entire city was walled and surrounded by moats. The same area today is called the Old Town - an attraction in itself. Slowly, the new city developed around its walls, growing to become the place where past and present coexist together in perfect harmony.

## DO & SEE



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Rich in both history and culture, Chiang Mai is a city full of things to do and to see. Here you can find over 300 Buddhist temples, great shopping, an abundance of markets, tasty Thai food and numerous outings. Chiang Mai truly has something to offer for everyone!

### Tha Phae Gate



Part of the eastern wall, Tha Phae Gate is a 700 year old red brick wall. It is recommended to take a walk around this magnificent wall, that used to be the only entrance to the city. Today, it is the site of many community activities, like the Chiang Mai Flower Festival in February, the Thai New Year of Songkran in April and the market stalls on Sundays which attracts flocks of tourists.

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Address: Thapae Rd., Chiang Mai, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Open 24/7



### Doi Inthanon National Park



Ascend to the crown jewel of Chiang Mai's natural wonders at Doi Inthanon National Park, where mist-shrouded peaks and lush forests beckon adventurers and nature enthusiasts alike. Home to Thailand's highest mountain, the park offers a breathtaking panorama of cascading waterfalls, vibrant floral displays, and rare wildlife species thriving in their pristine habitats. Cross winding trails that lead to hidden treasures, from the ethereal beauty of the Siriphum Waterfall to the sacred pagodas of the summit, where panoramic vistas stretch to the horizon.

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Address: 119 Ban Luang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm

Phone: +66 53 286 729

### Wat Chedi Luang



In the heart of Chiang Mai lies Wat Chedi Luang, a massive, ancient Buddhist temple, dating back to the 14th century. It boasts a towering chedi (stupa) that once soared to greater heights before succumbing to an earthquake in 1545.

Despite its partial collapse, the grandeur of Wat Chedi Luang continues to mesmerise travellers, who flock to marvel at its intricate architecture and serene ambiance. As the sun casts golden hues upon its weathered stones, visitors are transported to a bygone era, where whispers of history and spirituality intertwine, leaving an indelible impression on all who wander its sacred grounds.

Photo: nuwatphoto/Shutterstock

Address: Prapokklao Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 5am-10pm

### Thai Cooking Class at Organic Farm



Chiang Mai is famous for its cooking classes, so seize the opportunity to learn how to cook real Thai food while you are here. Visit an organic farm, where you will delve into the art of Thai cuisine from field to plate. Engage in hands-on learning as you cultivate herbs and vegetables, gaining invaluable insights into sustainable farming practices. Then, under the guidance of expert chefs, immerse yourself in a cooking class where you will master the intricacies of crafting traditional dishes like curry paste, stir-fry, soup, and spring rolls.

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### Chiang Rai's Most Impressive Temples



Embark on a spellbinding journey through Chiang Rai's artistic wonders, where architectural marvels abound in vibrant hues. Begin your exploration at the ethereal White Temple (Wat Rong Khun), a contemporary masterpiece that gleams like a vision from another realm, its intricate details and symbolic motifs inviting contemplation and awe.

Next, delve into the mystical aura of the Blue Temple (Wat Rong Suea Ten), where shades of cerulean dance across ornate surfaces, evoking a sense of serenity and wonder. Finish your day at the enigmatic (and a tad bizarre) Black House (Baan Dam Museum), a surreal assemblage of

darkened structures and curious artefacts, where shadows and light intertwine to provoke introspection and intrigue.

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### Wat Phra Doi Suthep



On the mountain of Doi Suthep, about 30 minutes from the city, you can find the spiritual temple Wat Phra Doi Suthep.

This place is sacred to many people, hence very popular with both Thai people and tourists. Beware of the large amount of steps to get to the top of the temple, but once up, you can enjoy amazing views of the city.

Photo: Minto.ong/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, Chiang Mai

Phone: +66 53 295 003

### Elephant Nature Park



Discover Elephant Nature Park, an extraordinary sanctuary dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating endangered elephants. Through their

innovative project, they offer a haven for these majestic creatures while providing visitors with the opportunity to witness their natural behaviours, from playful antics to tranquil bathing sessions. Immerse yourself in the beauty of the jungle surroundings, with volunteer opportunities, guided tours, and exhilarating rafting adventures, promising an unforgettable experience for all who venture into this remarkable refuge.

Photo: makkara/Shutterstock

Address: 289 Kuet Chang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-5pm

Phone: +66 53 272 855

Internet: [www.elephantnaturepark.org](http://www.elephantnaturepark.org)

### Warorot Market (Kad Luang)



Housed in what used to be the place for the funeral ceremony of the ruler of Chiang Mai, Warorot Market is the oldest and largest market

in Chiang Mai, having opened in 1910. The upper floors offer clothing and merchandise, while the food stalls are located on the ground floor.

Tourists head here above all to try Thai street food and other specialities from the northern region.

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Address: Wichayanon Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 4am-6pm

### Yi Peng Celebrations



Each year the Yi Peng tradition turns the city of Chiang Mai into a sea of floating lights. Hundreds of paper lanterns are sent to the sky in order to

celebrate Buddha and to bring luck and happiness to the people. You shouldn't miss out on this spectacular event which usually takes place on the full moon of the 12th month of the Thai lunar calendar (usually in November).

Photo: konmesa/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chiang Mai

### Chiang Mai Night Bazaar



If you like shopping, the Chiang Mai Night Bazaar downtown is a must. Imbibe the Thai culture while wandering around the streets where vendors sell everything from shoes to statues. This is definitely the place to go for souvenir shopping as you can find real bargains here. Do not forget to negotiate prices.

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Address: Changklan Road, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 5pm-midnight  
Phone: +66 98 553 1083

### Wat Ched Yot



Surrounded by a lavish garden in the northwest of Chiang Mai you will find the Wat Chet Yot Buddhist temple, with its 7 peaks (pagodas) on top of the structure. It is thought to have been built in the 15th century during the Lanna period, and it is a centre of pilgrimage for those born in the year of the Snake. Imbibe the fascinating culture and learn about the temple's interesting history.

Photo: nanthanit kunarakwong/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Wat Jed Yot, Phra Aram Luang, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 6am-9pm  
Phone: +66 89 553 8491

### Chiang Mai Zoo



The Chiang Mai Zoo covers a large area in Chiang Mai. To cover most areas as a visitor of the zoo, it is preferable to go on one of the buses that will take you around to the different

exhibits. Here you can find interesting animals and flora all year round.

Photo: Anan Kaewkhammul/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 100 Huay Kaew Road, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-5pm  
Phone: +66 53 210 374  
Internet: [www.chiangmaizoo.com](http://www.chiangmaizoo.com)

### Ton Lam Yai Market



At the bustling Ton Lam Yai Market, you can find bundles of flowers like roses and orchids, along with produce and household goods. This large market is located near the river and you can come here every day around the clock. It is always open.

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Address: 88/1 Wichayanon Road, Chiang Mai  
Phone: +66 53 234 701

### Patara Elephant Farm



Patara Elephant Farm is a revered elephant breeding facility where visitors can engage with these majestic creatures firsthand. Delve into the intricacies of elephant care and interaction, immersing yourself in a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

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Address: Ban Pong, Hang Dong District, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm  
Phone: +66 98 549 3644  
Internet: [www.pataraelephantfarm.com](http://www.pataraelephantfarm.com)  
Email: [pataraelephantfarm@hotmail.com](mailto:pataraelephantfarm@hotmail.com)



### Doi Suthep - Pui National Park



The Doi Suthep-Pui National Park is located on the mountain of Doi Suthep above Chiang Mai. This park is characterised by

beautiful nature, wilderness and plenty of things to do. This is also the place to find the spiritual Wat Phra That Doi Suthep temple. Only 4km from Wat Phrathat Doi Suthep lies the Doi Pui Mhong Village, which still offers great insight into Hmong tribe life.

Photo: kawing921/Shutterstock

Address: Huai Kaew Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-10pm

Phone: +66 53 210 244

### Tiger Kingdom



Being close to a real tiger is a real once-in-a-lifetime experience that could come true at Tiger Kingdom. Here you can pet the big cats, under

supervision, of course.

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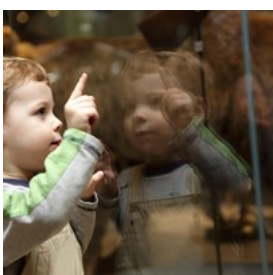
Address: 51/1 Mae Raem, Rim Tai, Amphoe Mae Rim, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm

Phone: +66 53 860 704

Internet: [www.tigerkingdom.com](http://www.tigerkingdom.com)

### Chiang Mai City Arts & Cultural Centre



The Chiang Mai Art & Cultural Centre is located in a building from 1924. At this museum, you can find several exhibits including cultural

activities. You can also visit the museum shop if

you want to bring home one or two souvenirs or pop into the café for a well-deserved coffee break.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com

Address: Prapokkloa Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Wed-Sun 8:30am-4:30pm

Phone: +66 53 217 793

Internet: [www.cmocity.com](http://www.cmocity.com)

### Songkran Festival



Dive into the exhilarating waters of tradition and celebration during Chiang Mai's Songkran Festival, a vibrant extravaganza marking the

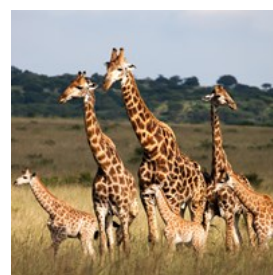
Thai New Year. Amidst the scorching April heat, the city transforms into a playful water wonderland, where locals and visitors alike partake in spirited water fights and joyful festivities.

From the ancient rituals of cleansing Buddha statues to the lively parades and cultural performances that fill the streets, Songkran epitomises the essence of renewal, unity, and boundless merriment, offering a thrilling immersion into Thailand's rich heritage and warm hospitality.

Photo: OHishiapply/Shutterstock.com

More Info: Songkran usually lasts from the 13th to the 15th of April

### Chiang Mai Night Safari



The Night Safari is split into two main areas: the Savanna Night Safari zone, inhabited by herbivores and prey animals (giraffes, zebras, antelopes, lamas and many more species), and

the Predator Prowl zone, home to 200 different species including tigers, lions, wolves and some rare prey animals such as goats and wallabies. Pay a visit to the 2nd nocturnal safari of the world and experience the wildlife habitats.

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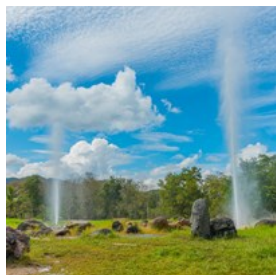
Address: 33 Moo 12 Nong Kwai, Hang Dong District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +66 53 999 000

Internet: [www.chiangmainightsafari.com](http://www.chiangmainightsafari.com)

### San Kamphaeng Hot Springs



Located 36km from Chiang Mai, San Kamphaeng is an open-air spa with hot springs and pools set amidst mountains and beautiful

trees and flowers. This is the ideal spot for unwinding and soaking your feet in the hot water. Thai massage and foot massage are also available on-site.

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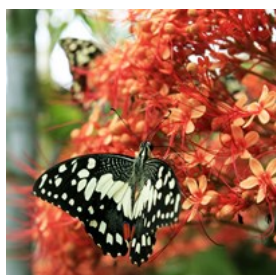
Address: 1 Ban Sa Ha Khon, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 7am-6pm

Phone: +66 87 659 1791

More Info: Avoid Saturday and Sunday if you're planning to have a relaxing day away from the hustle and bustle of the city.

### Museum of World Insects and Natural Wonders



The popular Museum of World Insects and Natural Wonders has several exhibitions including oddities, insects and a lot of interesting

facts. This is the perfect place to bring the children for exploring and learning.

Photo: Mr.Theerasak/Shutterstock.com

Address: 72 Siri Mangkalajarn Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 10am-3pm

Phone: +66 53 211 891

Internet: [www.museumthailand.com/en/museum/Museum-of-World-Insects-and-Natural-Wonders-2](http://www.museumthailand.com/en/museum/Museum-of-World-Insects-and-Natural-Wonders-2)

### Mueang Mai Market



In the north of the city, just off the street, local vendors line up their stalls full of fresh fruit, vegetables, fish and meats. Flocks of tourists

from the world over come here to live one day like a local and to gain insight into Thai offerings.

Photo: Nemokung/Shutterstock.com

Address: 98, 9 Chiang Mai Soi 3, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Open 24/7

### DINING



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You will find hundreds of dining options in Chiang Mai. Walking down the streets you will come across great street food, chic bars, and traditional restaurants.

Chiang Mai is especially known for having great vegetarian restaurants, and one would need a lot of time to try them all. The sheer variety of vegetarian food is hardly matched elsewhere in the world.

When in Chiang Mai, you will probably see a lot of options for attending short-term "cooking schools". Do not miss this opportunity if you like cooking. The cooking schools are very popular and involve teaching foreigners how to cook great, simple Thai food. One class normally goes on for a half or a full day, sometimes even longer.

### Butter is Better Diner & Bakery



If you fancy a genuine, traditional treat you should visit Butter is Better. This place serves pastries, soups, bread and much more to all guests delight. You can come here for both a tasty breakfast or lunch.

Photo: Linda Hughes Photography/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 189 Changklan Rd Tambon Chang Khlan, Amphoe Mueang, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 8am-8pm, Sunday 8am-3pm  
Phone: +66 53 820 761  
Internet: [www.butterisbetterbakery.com](http://www.butterisbetterbakery.com)

### Anchan Vegetarian Restaurant



At Anchan Vegetarian Restaurant you can enjoy various types of vegetarian meals. This is a very popular place and well worth a visit even if you aren't vegetarian. The eatery was selected by Happy Cow as one of the best vegetarian and vegan eateries in Chiang Mai in 2018. The eclectic menu includes a large choice of homemade vegan cakes.

Photo: homelesscuisine/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Hillside 2 Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 11:30am-8:15pm, closed on Sunday

Phone: +66 83 581 1689

Internet: <https://anchanvegetarian.com>

Email: [naphatnatalang@gmail.com](mailto:naphatnatalang@gmail.com)

### Dash! Restaurant and Bar



This gourmet Thai style restaurant is claimed to be a great find. Dash! Restaurant and Bar offers a wide range of Thai dishes with a dash of

Western cuisine in a cosy atmosphere. If you're interested, this place also offers cooking classes.

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Address: 38/2 Moon Muang, Soi 2, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm  
Phone: +66 53 279 230  
Internet: <http://dashteakhouse.com>  
Email: [noitevis@comcast.net](mailto:noitevis@comcast.net)

### The Mexican Grill



The Mexican Grill is a great place if you feel like having some genuine Mexican food. Choose between scrumptious nachos, tacos, fajitas, burritos and much more. If you feel like a drink, the frozen Margaritas are especially recommended.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 93/4 Moo.10 □ Canal Rd. Baan Umong Suthep Muang Chiang Mai, Muang Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm  
Phone: +66 53 020 161



### Paak Dang



Run by two Singaporean siblings, Paak Dang is a small, romantic restaurant near the river. Here you can savour authentic Thai food

served by the friendly staff. Vegan options are also available and cooked from scratch. Take a seat and enjoy your dish while listening to some live music.

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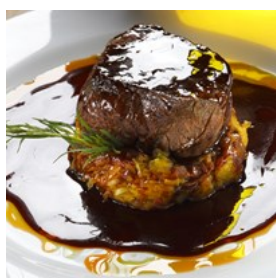
Address: 46/1 Wang Sim Khum Road A. Muang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-10:30pm

Phone: +66 53 232 356

Internet: [www.paakdang.com](http://www.paakdang.com)

### La Fourchette



In the middle of Chiang Mai you can find a little piece of France. This French restaurant is very popular among its guests and offers fine cuisine

accompanied by an extensive wine list.

Photo: rocharibeiro/Shutterstock.com

Address: 162/2 Thanon Phrapoklao, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 6pm-11pm, closed on Sunday

Phone: +66 53 277 482

Internet: [www.restaurant-la-fourchette.com](http://www.restaurant-la-fourchette.com)

### La Terrasse French Bistro



Slap bang in one of the busiest streets in Chiang Mai, La Terrasse is a French bistro restaurant run by a French family. Everything tastes fresh

here, whether it's traditional French dishes like duck breast in foie gras sauce or Mediterranean

offerings like pastas or tapas. The must of this place is the terrace, hence the name La Terrasse.

Photo: gresei/Shutterstock.com

Address: 69 Kotchasarn Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 8:30am-10:30pm, closed on Sunday

Phone: +66 83 762 6065

Internet: [www.laterrasse-chiangmai.com](http://www.laterrasse-chiangmai.com)

Email: [laterrassechiangmai@gmail.com](mailto:laterrassechiangmai@gmail.com)

### Huan Soontaree Vechanont



The popular Huan Soontaree in Chiang Mai combines all the elements necessary to be called one of the best offering a unique Thai dining

experience, from the décor in Lanna-style to live folk music. Carefully prepared by chef Salunu Muangwon, the cuisine at Huan Soontaree Vechanont is genuine and tantalising.

Photo: Ancha Chiangmai/Shutterstock.com

Address: 208 Patan Road T. Patan A. Muang Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 4pm-12am

Phone: +66 83 860 8196

Internet: [www.huansoontaree.com](http://www.huansoontaree.com)

Email: [sao\\_chiangmai@yahoo.com](mailto:sao_chiangmai@yahoo.com)

### Street Pizza & The Wine House



Small and lowkey pizza restaurant on Tha Pae Rd serving besides pizza, chicken wings, spaghetti bolognese, and as the name implies, a great

selection of wines. It has a high ceiling so the temperature is not too hot indoors but the presence of balcony seats is what makes the atmosphere even more pleasant-the view goes out onto the streets of the night market.

Photo: Kazlouski Siarhei/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7, 15 Tha Phae Road, Tambon Chang Moi, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 12pm-10pm  
Phone: +66 85 073 5746  
Internet: <https://restaurantwebx.com/StreetPizza/>  
Email: [streetpizza@live.com](mailto:streetpizza@live.com)

### The Salad Concept



If you like salads and healthier alternatives when it comes to dining out you should head to The Salad Concept. This restaurant is run by two sisters who believe in the power of healthy food.

Photo: Oksana Mizina/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Nimmarnhem Road Soi 13, Su Thep, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-10pm  
Phone: +66 53 894 455  
Internet: [www.thesaladconcept.com](http://www.thesaladconcept.com)  
Email: [thesaladconcept@gmail.com](mailto:thesaladconcept@gmail.com)

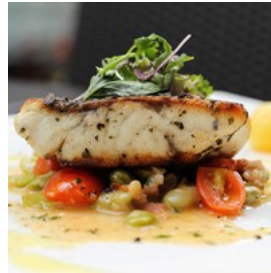
### The River Terrace



Located by the riverside, the River Terrace diner offers a unique dining experience with high quality cuisine from all around the world. They are also open for breakfast and lunch.

Photo: TMON/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 549 Chiang Mai-Lam Phun Rd, Tambon Wat Ket, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Open 24/7  
Phone: +66 53 275 300  
More Info: Located at Holiday Inn Hotel

### Favola



Inside the Le Meridien Hotel you can find the Italian restaurant Favola, a stylish place with modern décor. Here you can choose from a wide range of wines and tasty Italian dishes.

Photo: Somkiat Insawa/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 108 Chang Klan Road, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 5pm-11pm  
Phone: +66 53 253 666  
Internet: [www.lemeridien.com](http://www.lemeridien.com)  
More Info: Located at Le Meridien Hotels

### The Hideout



The Hideout is a small, cosy spot perfect for breakfast or a light lunch. The menu includes everything, from salads to coffee to smoothies, but the crown jewel are the bagel sandwiches.

Photo: foodio/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 95/10 Sithiwongse Rd, Mueang, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday-Sunday 8am-5pm  
Phone: +66 81 960 3889  
Internet: <http://thehideoutcm.com>

### Thanin Market



Located 1km north from the old city, this market is where locals go to do daily shopping of fresh fruits, vegetables, fish, chicken, eggs and many more organic products. There is a wide array of prepared and cooked food ready to be eaten or taken away.



Photo: Chasmac/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chotana Road, Chiang Mai, Thailand

Opening hours: Daily 6am-8pm

### Anchan Noodle



Anchan Noodle is an acclaimed restaurant in Chiang Mai that's known for its signature blue noodles. Naturally coloured by dark blue butterfly pea blossoms, the tasty noodles are a fun way to dine while in Thailand. Pair them with the blue-hued latte and you'll have the perfect combo.

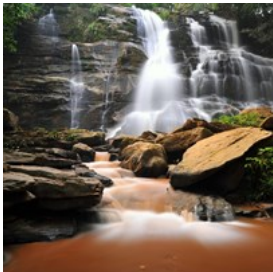
Photo: Inhwa/Shutterstock.com

Address: Soi 9 Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-4pm

Phone: +66 84 949 2828

### Chom Cafe & Restaurant



Chom Cafe & Restaurant located a short drive from the city centre (15-20min) is a must visit spot when in Chiang Mai. In addition to the Thai, Western and seafood delights, it's known among tourists and locals for its scenic, picturesque, and utterly dreamy garden - inspired by Peter Pan's Whimsical Mermaid Lagoon.

Photo: Sayanjo65/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2/13 ซ. 2 Somphot Chiang Mai 700 Pi Rd ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +66 65 438 8188

### Xanadu Pub & Restaurant



The breathtaking views of Nimman and Doi Suthep from Furama's 17th floor perch alone is a good reason to book a table at Xanadu Pub &

Restaurant. This upscale bar-restaurant-club-venue hybrid offers live entertainment Monday through Sunday, traditional Thai food, and drinks in a pleasant and serene atmosphere.

Photo: Suwin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 54 Furama Huaykaew Rd, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-12am

Phone: +66 53 415 222

Internet: [www.furama.com/chiangmai](http://www.furama.com/chiangmai)

Email: [chiangmai@furama.com](mailto:chiangmai@furama.com)

### CAFÉS



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Cafés and Chiang Mai are a match made in heaven. Everywhere you go, you will find coffee shops; quirky, fun, small, large, you name it. In most cafés, you can use free WiFi, great for getting in touch with everyone at home while sipping on a good cup of coffee.

### Dada Kafe



The friendly staff will give you a warm welcome at this popular café located on Ratmakka Road. Dada Kafe offers healthy, well-priced food as well as sinful desserts like a peanut butter smoothie or German cheesecake.

Photo: PatiHarn/Shutterstock.com

Address: 20, 1 Ratchamanka Rd, Phra Sing, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9:30am-9:30pm

Phone: +66 53 449 718

Internet: <https://restaurantwebexperts.com/clients/dadakafe/>

### Dhara Dhevi Cake Shop



Dhara Dhevi Cake Shop is a Victorian style tea-salon located in the fascinating Dhara Devi Chaing Mai Resort. This is the perfect place to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea accompanied by a delicious macaroon or one of the other tasty sweets from the menu.

Photo: Magdanatka/Shutterstock.com

Address: 51/4 Chiang Mai - Sankampaeng Road Moo 1 T. Tasala A. Muang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 10am-8pm

Phone: +66 53 888 888

Internet: [www.dharadhevi.com](http://www.dharadhevi.com)

Email: [enquiry@dharadhevi.com](mailto:enquiry@dharadhevi.com)

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tasty breakfast or lunch.

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Address: 189 Changklan Rd Tambon Chang Khlan, Amphoe Mueang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 8am-8pm, Sunday 8am-3pm

Phone: +66 53 820 761

Internet: [www.butterisbetterbakery.com](http://www.butterisbetterbakery.com)

### Love at First Bite



This cute tiny café is located in a garden just off the street. Sit down in the lush garden and enjoy a good piece of cheesecake, a scrumptious quiche or tasty pies.

Photo: MarekPX/Shutterstock.com

Address: 28 Charoen Muang Rd, Wat Ket, Amphoe Mueang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday-Sunday 8:30am-6pm

Phone: +66 53 242 731

### The Hideout



The Hideout is a small, cosy spot perfect for a breakfast or a light lunch. The menu includes everything, from salads to coffees to smoothies, but the crown jewel are the sandwiches.

Photo: foodio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 95/10 Sithiwongse Rd, Mueang, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday-Sunday 8am-5pm

Phone: +66 81 960 3889

Internet: <http://thehideoutcm.com>



### The Old Chiang Mai Café Espresso Bar



The Old Chiang Mai Café Espresso Bar with its open-air space is the perfect place to unwind while having an espresso and watching the world go by. In addition to the good coffee, their homemade cakes are also a must-try.

Photo: Juli112/Shutterstock.com

Address: 127/4 Ratchapakinai Rd., Sri Phum Chiangmai

Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday-Sunday  
10am-6pm

Phone: +66 86 924 4424

Email: theoldchiangmaicafe@hotmail.com

### Ristr8to



Ristr8to is famous for three things: its premium coffee, its queue, and as a favourite coffeehouse amongst Chiang Mai's well-known excellent

cafés. Their one-of-a-kind coffee creations are as unique as the strong taste of the coffee itself.

Photo: Nisal ahid/Shutterstock.com

Address: 15/3 Nimmanahaeminda Road, Tambon Su Thep, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 7am-5pm

Phone: +66 53 215 278

### Impresso



Just a stroll from the Museum of World Insects and Natural wonders, Impresso is a pilgrimage site for coffee lovers. Expect to find roasters

rarely found in Chiang Mai, including the Ethiopian cold blend.

Photo: illham Triyastanto/Shutterstock.com

Address: 36 Sanambin Kao 4 Alley, Tambon Su Thep, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-8pm

Phone: +66 95 935 5465

### Ponganes Coffee Roasters



The aroma of freshly roasted coffee welcomes visitors to this cosy and teeny tiny coffeehouse in the heart of the old town. An urban gem on the

local coffee scene, Ponganes Coffee Roasters boasts an amazing selection of coffee from around the world, including the Ethiopian blend. A nice place to stop by and grab a coffee before or after exploring Chiang Mai.

Photo: joesayhello/Shutterstock.com

Address: 11/2 Soi 1 Inthawaroros rd. Si Phum Sub-district, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Wed-Sun 10am-4pm

Phone: +66 87 727 2980

Internet: <https://ponganes.com/site/>

Email: ponganes@gmail.com

### Ma-Chill Coffee



Coffee seekers will love this local independent café in the heart of the old town. Ma-Chill Coffee has been committed to giving customers only the

finest Thai coffee: Single Origin and House Blend. Come by their charming coffeehouse and don't leave without trying one of their rare coffee creations.

Photo: Ekaterina Markelova/Shutterstock.com

Address: 11/11 Sridonchai Rd, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday-Sunday  
8am-4pm

Phone: +66 86 615 7689

Internet:

<https://machillespressochiangmaithailand.wordpress.com>

### Jungle de Café



Nestled in the wild nature, Jungle de Café offers quality coffee, cakes and smoothies, and a stunning view of the giant cascading waterfall.

Delight the eye and stir the heart with the breathtaking and indescribable landscapes. For the more adventurous ones, there's also a Jungle Coaster and Zipline tour.

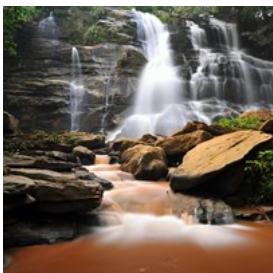
Photo: Saranya Sonchan/Shutterstock.com

Address: 99/9 หมู่ 9 ถนนสาย 101 2 Tambon Pong Yaeng, Amphoe Mae Rim, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 9am-6pm

Phone: +66 81 603 2180

### Chom Cafe & Restaurant



Chom Cafe & Restaurant located a short drive from the city centre (15-20min) is a must visit spot whilst in Chiang Mai. In addition to the Thai, Western and seafood delights, it's known among tourists and locals for its spectacular, picturesque, and utterly dreamy garden - inspired by Peter Pan's Whimsical Mermaid Lagoon.

Photo: Sayanjo65/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2/13 หมู่ 2 Somphot Chiang Mai 700 Pi Rd หมู่ 2 ตำบลศรีภูมิ อำเภอเมืองเชียงใหม่

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +66 65 438 8188

### Baan Kang Wat Artist Village



If you are looking for a break from the famous tourist paths and trying to discover the real Chiang Mai, then the Baan Kang Wat Artist

Village is the place to go. Every corner of this hidden gem oozes art and has something to offer for everyone. Here you can find original handcrafted ceramics, jewellery, and other goodies for your loved ones. The small village is also filled with cafés and restaurants offering the best quality at affordable prices.

Photo: Akaranan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Baan Kang Wat Artist Village, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-6pm, Mon closed

More Info: The village can be reached by tuk tuks and motorbikes.

### BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Chiang Mai is not, at all, as rowdy as Bangkok or some of the islands when it comes to partying. Here you will experience more of a laid-back atmosphere when going out. The riverside is especially great for having drinks while listening to live music.

The city is full of students and tourists, so if you do want to hit the town, there are several great places for a good night out. Note that clubs close



early because of city law. Many of the hotel bars offer great places for kicking back while having drinks.

### Chang Phuak Gate Night Market



The Chang Phuak Gate Market is a daily open-air night market where you can try some local delicacies for very reasonable prices.

Claimed to be one of the best street food markets in Chiang Mai, this is the perfect spot to experience traditional Thai food and mingle with the locals.

Photo: KateSun/Shutterstock.com

Address: 248/70 Manee Nopparat Rd, Tambon Si Phum, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 5pm-12am

### Zoe in Yellow



Zoe in Yellow is one of the trendiest clubs in town and a good place to chill out with friends. You can start your evening here with a tasty meal in the restaurant or bar. Later during the evening this place turns into a lively party scene. This is definitely the place for a great night out, from beginning to end.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ratvithi Rd, Tambon Si Phum, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 5pm-12am  
Phone: +66 83 989 4925  
Internet: <https://zoe-in-yellow-bar-night-club.business.site>

### The Mellowship



This ultra-popular venue dispenses dinner service, cocktails and live jazz played by the best musicians in town. Not only jazz, dance enthusiasts can swing on the floor with Latin music, every Tuesday night.

Photo: Roman Voloshyn/Shutterstock.com

Address: 231/12 1004, Tambon Chang Phueak, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Daily 6pm-11:45pm  
Phone: +66 53 908 888

### Sunday Night Market



Chiang Mai's Sunday Night Market stretches from the Tha Phae Gate all the way through Ratchadamnoen Road and offers a wide range of goods and handcrafted artefacts by local vendors. It is also filled with restaurants, coffee shops, and bars.

Hot tip: the market comes to life in the evening, offering live entertainment until around midnight.

Photo: Evgeny Ermakov/Shutterstock.com

Address: 141 Rachadamnoen Road, Chiang Mai  
Opening hours: Sunday 6pm-11pm

### The Playhouse Bar



If you are looking for a place to play beer pong, have a nice cocktail and listen to music you should come to The Playhouse Bar. This popular place is located just outside the old city and is famous for

its fun activities.

Photo: astarot/Shutterstock.com

Address: 66/2 Loi Kroh Rd, Tambon Chang Khlan, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 2pm-1am

Phone: +66 64 845 4976

### Mix Restaurant & Bar



At Mix Restaurant & Bar you can choose various dishes from a bold menu consisting of food from all over the world. Sit in the cosy garden, have a drink and imbibe the romantic atmosphere.

Photo: Michelangelo Gratton/Shutterstock.com

Address: Soi 1 Nimanhemin rd. A.Muang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-2pm / 5pm-12am

Phone: +66 81 472 9664

Internet: [www.mixrestaurantandbar.com](http://www.mixrestaurantandbar.com)

### 7 Pounds



This low-key bar, tucked away in a street not far from Maya Mall, offers a wide range of drinks, live performances and an outdoor space to enjoy the night like locals do.

Photo: Bright097/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tambon Chang Phueak, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

### Tha Chang Café



A youthful and boisterous vibe is what you can expect from Tha Chang Café, where live music reigns and takes control of your hips. At Tha Chang Café you will find an extensive drink

menu alongside a smaller food menu. Soak up the atmosphere of Tha Chang Café and live a night out among locals.

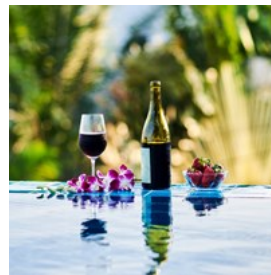
Photo: levgenii Meyer/Shutterstock.com

Address: 11/9 Rattanakosin Rd Si Phum, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-12am

Phone: +66 5324 0123

### Rise Rooftop Bar



On the rooftop of the akyra Manor Chiang Maia, a 5-star hotel overlooking Chiang Mai, the Rise Rooftop Bar offers an extensive wine

and champagne list along with one-of-a-kind and classic cocktails. Relax on the panoramic terrace on comfortable chairs or by the pool and enjoy the stunning view of Doi Suthep.

Photo: ESstock/Shutterstock.com

Address: 22/2 Nimmana Haeminda Road Soi 9, Su Thep, Muang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-12am

Phone: +66 5 321 6219

Internet:

[www.theakyra.com/chiang-mai/dining/akyra-manor-rise-bar](http://www.theakyra.com/chiang-mai/dining/akyra-manor-rise-bar)

Email: [fb.akmc@theakyra.com](mailto:fb.akmc@theakyra.com)

More Info: Located at akyra Manor Chiang Mai

### Ram Bar



If you're looking for some fun far from the hustle and bustle of the city the Ram Bar is the perfect place to head to. The venue offers live

performances and is packed with talented dancers who light up the night for the guests. The venue is a straight-friendly gay establishment.

Photo: Elena Efimova/Shutterstock.com

Address: 48 Chareonprathet Lane 6 Alley, Chang Khlan,  
Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-1am

Phone: +66 92 496 3962

Internet: [www.rambarchiangmai.com](http://www.rambarchiangmai.com)

### Xanadu Pub & Restaurant



The breathtaking views of Nimman and Doi Suthep from Furama's 17th floor perch alone is a good reason to book a table at Xanadu Pub &

Restaurant. This up-scale bar-restaurant-club-venue hybrid offers live entertainment Monday through Sunday, traditional Thai food, and drinks in a pleasurable and serene atmosphere.

Photo: Suwin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 54 Furama Huaykaew Rd, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-12am

Phone: +66 53 415 222

Internet: [www.furama.com/chiangmai](http://www.furama.com/chiangmai)

Email: [chiangmai@furama.com](mailto:chiangmai@furama.com)

## SHOPPING



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Shopping in Chiang Mai is a true delight. If you like a bargain you must visit one of the many markets found around town selling handicrafts and art. Chiang Mai is also full of technology and

computers, hence a great town for both the technology geek and the art freak.

### Chiang Mai Night Bazaar



The Chiang Mai Night Bazaar is the most famous market that stretches along the Ping River downtown. Here you will find many vendors selling just about everything. This place is great for people-watching and for doing your souvenir shopping. It will be hard not to buy something here.

Photo: saiko3p/Shutterstock.com

Address: Changklan Road, Chiang Mai

### Chiang Mai Market Areas



A famous market is the crowded Sunday Walking Street starting at The Phae Gate running down the Ratchadamnoen Road. Vendors line up to sell a great variety of products like ethnic accessories. A selection of other markets includes the Kalare Night Bazaar, the charming Anusarn market and the Warorot Market.

Photo: The Nomadic Pear/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chiang Mai

### Central Kad Suan Kaew



One of the largest shopping centres is the Kad Suan Kaew on Huay Kaew Road. The old and charming mall is located near the airport and offers everything from chemists to clothes and shoes. On the weekends you can come here for a



popular night market.

Photo: structuresxx/Shutterstock.com

Address: 21 Huaykaew Rd, Tambon Su Thep, Amphoe

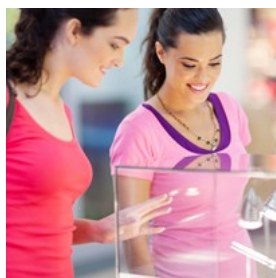
Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm

Phone: +66 53 224 999

Internet: [www.kadsuankaew.co.th](http://www.kadsuankaew.co.th)

### Central Airport Plaza



Central Airport Plaza is located at the airport and is a modern 5-floor shopping centre offering modern shops, handicrafts, cinemas and entertainment.

Photo: michaeljung/Shutterstock.com

Address: 252-252/1 Mahidol Rd, Tambon Pa Daet, Chiang

Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm

Phone: +66 53 999 199

Internet: [www.centralplaza.co.th](http://www.centralplaza.co.th)

### San Kamphaeng



The area around San Kamphaeng is your spot for handicrafts and quality souvenirs. Come here for woodwork, furniture, fine silk scarves and clothing or take home a hand-crafted piece of ceramic.

Photo: Orapin Joyphuem/Shutterstock.com

Address: San Kamphaeng, Chiang Mai

### Thanin Market



Located 1-km north from the old city, this market is where locals go to do daily shopping of fresh fruits, vegetables, fish, chicken, eggs and much

more organic products. There is a wide array of prepared and cooked food ready-to-eat or take away.

Photo: Chasmac/Shutterstock.com

Address: 169 Ratchapakhinai Rd, Tambon Chang Phueak,

Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6am-8pm

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Address: 141 Rachadamnoen Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Sunday 6pm-11pm

### Ton Lam Yai Market



At the bustling Ton Lam Yai Market you can find bundles of flowers like roses and orchids. This large flower market is located near the river and you can come here every day around-the-clock. It is always open.

Photo: RachenArt/Shutterstock.com

Address: 88/1 Wichayanon Rd, Tambon Chang Moi, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 4am-6pm

Phone: +66 53 234 701

### Mueang Mai Market



On the north of the city, just off the street, local vendors line up their stalls full of fresh fruit, vegetables, fish and meats. Flock of tourists from the world over come here to live one day like a local and to have an insight into the Thai lifestyle.

Photo: Nemokung/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1,1 Wichayanon Rd, Tambon Chang Moi, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Open 24/7

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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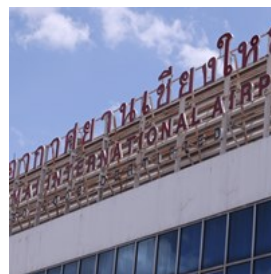
### Best Time to Visit



Chiang Mai has three seasons: the dry and cool season (from October to April), the rainy season (from July to October), and the dry and warm season (from April to June). That means the best period to explore Chiang Mai is definitely the dry and cool season; the temperature is pleasant enough to enjoy a long day of sightseeing. However, despite the high temperatures, reaching almost 40°C, many tourists decide to come during the middle of April to experience the Songkran festival, which celebrates the Thai New Year.

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### Chiang Mai International Airport (CNX)



These can be found right outside the airport terminal. On the upper floor, you will find a

Chiang Mai International Airport is located less than 10 min by taxi from the city centre. The easiest way to reach the city is by taxi or a tuk-tuk.

transportation counter if you have any questions or need help.

Photo: 2534.Anny.2534/Shutterstock

Address: Chiang Mai International Airport

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

## Passport/Visa



Visitors to Thailand typically need a valid passport with at least six months of validity remaining, a visa (depending on their nationality), and a completed arrival/departure card, which is usually provided on the aeroplane or at the port of entry. Additionally, there may be specific entry requirements related to health, such as vaccinations or medical certificates, so be sure to check the latest visa requirements and entry regulations from the Royal Thai Embassy or Consulate in your country through official government channels before planning your trip to Thailand.

Photo: ConvertKit/Unsplash

Internet:

[www.thaiembassy.com/thailand-visa/thailand-visa-services](http://www.thaiembassy.com/thailand-visa/thailand-visa-services)

## Public Transport



Chiang Mai is a small city, hence very easy to walk around. The main means of transportation around the city are the tuk-tuks (motorbikes), songthaews (pick-up trucks) and trishaws (bicycles). The main bus station is located approximately 15 minutes from the Old Town. Here you will find an information desk if you need help.

Photo: Khetsophon Thong-in/Shutterstock

## Taxi



The main means of transportation around the city are the tuk-tuks (motorbikes), songthaews (small buses) and trishaws (bicycles) which

all function as taxis. You will come across regular taxis in busy places like the airport.

Alternatively, you can order a ride through apps like Grab and Bolt, which work in a similar way to Uber.

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## Post



Look for the red post boxes to send a letter. The post offices around town offer many different services and are generally open from 8am to 4:30pm.

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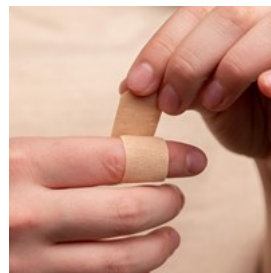
Address: Chiang Mai Post Office - 406/1 Charoen Muang Road, Tambon Wat Ket, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-7pm

Phone: +66 53 241 070

Internet: [www.thailandpost.co.th/en/index](http://www.thailandpost.co.th/en/index)

## Pharmacy



Some of the main pharmacy chains in Chiang Mai include Watsons, Boots, and Fascino. These chains have multiple locations

throughout the city and offer a wide range of pharmaceutical products, over-the-counter medications, beauty, as well as personal care



items.

Photo: Diana Polekhina/Unsplash

Address: Boots Pharmacy - 410 Thapae Road Soi 4, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 10am-7pm

Phone: +66 53 234 577

### Telephone



Country code: +66 Area  
code: 53

Photo: Wesley Hilario/Unsplash

### Electricity



In Thailand, the most common types of power sockets are Type A and B, which feature flat parallel pins and are familiar to those from the US and

Canada, and Type C, which has two round pins and is widely used across Europe. Unique to the country is the Type O socket, boasting two round pins and a grounding pin, distinguished by its slightly thicker and wider pins.

The standard voltage in Thailand is 220V with a frequency of 50Hz.

Photo: Mike Winkler/Unsplash

### Population

127,240

### Currency

Thai Baht (THB) 1 = 100 Satang

### Opening hours

From Mondays to Saturdays shops are open between 08.00-21.00. Shopping malls are generally open from 10.00-21.00. Banking hours are from 09.30-17.00 and from 10.00-19.00, seven days a week, in the larger shopping

malls.

### Newspapers

Chiang Mai Citylife: [www.chiangmaicitylife.com/citynews](http://www.chiangmaicitylife.com/citynews)

### Emergency numbers

Police, Ambulance: 191

Tourist Police: 1155

Fire Brigade: 199

### Tourist information

Tourism Authority of Thailand

105/1 Chiang Mai-Lamphun Road, Chiang Mai

+66 53 248 604

Opening hours: 8:30am-4:30pm, Sat & Sun closed