



# BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER KWAI SHORT STAY

Short Stay | 3 Days | Physical Level 1  
Bangkok - Kanchanaburi (2N) - Bangkok

Over three unforgettable days, journey from Bangkok to Kanchanaburi and discover the powerful legacy of World War II. Walk across the iconic Bridge over the River Kwai, explore the moving exhibits at the War Museum and Allied Cemetery, then head to Hellfire Pass to learn about the stories of those who built the line.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS:

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- Accommodation
- Meals as stated
- Daily tours and entrance fees
- Transportation and transfers as stated
- English speaking guide

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## ITINERARY

**Day 1: Bangkok to Kanchanaburi**

Meals: L

Early this morning you will be met at your Bangkok hotel and transferred to Bangkok railway station to board the local train to Kanchanaburi.

Your train ride journeys along the infamous 'Death Railway'. This is a local train without air conditioning and consists of wooden seats that are not pre allocated. There are no dining facilities on board however there is a bathroom on board, although the facilities are simple.



After your train ride, you will stop at the 'Bridge over River Kwai'. Close by to the bridge you will visit the Allied Cemetery, where you will find thousands of graves of British, Dutch and Australian prisoners who died while building this bridge.

You will then continue on to the War Museum, which displays many artifacts, photos and stories of the prisoners of World War II.

This afternoon, check into your hotel for some time at leisure.

**Destination Information**

**Kanchanaburi** - One of Thailand's largest provinces, Kanchanaburi is rich in history and boasts undeniable scenic beauty. It is here you can visit the Bridge over the River Kwai and WWII memorials.

**'Death Railway'** - The Death Railway was constructed during World War II by Allied prisoners of war and Asian laborers under Japanese control. Today, visitors can travel along surviving sections of the line, including the iconic Bridge over the River Kwai, reflecting on its tragic history while taking in the dramatic scenery of Kanchanaburi.

**Bridge over River Kwai** - The Bridge over the River Kwai is one of Thailand's most iconic landmarks, forever etched in history and popular culture through the Oscar-winning film of the same name. Built during World War II by Allied prisoners of war and Asian laborers under Japanese command, the bridge forms part of the infamous Death Railway.

**Day 2: Discover Kanchanaburi**

Meals: B, L

This morning you will visit the Hellfire Pass, which was also constructed for the Burma to Thailand railway by Prisoners of War.

Begin with a visit to the museum located here, which is dedicated to the victims of the 'Death Railway'.

After the museum, you can trek down the Hellfire Pass. The full trek to the end of the walking trail and back to the pickup point is 5.5km and can take approximately 3 - 3.5 hours. You must have a good level of fitness to complete the hike in this time, if this is too strenuous, you may walk part of the way and return to the entrance, or meet your guide at the pickup point, located 2.5 km along the track. This will take approximately 1.5 - 2 hours.

*Please be aware that the trek is on uneven surfaces with narrow paths, some stairs and is in humid conditions.*

After your trek you will visit the nearby Saiyoke Noi Waterfall, where you will have the opportunity to have a swim.

*Please note: Due to lack of water in dry season, you may not have the chance to swim at Saiyoke Noi Waterfall.*

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**Hellfire Pass** – The Hellfire Pass also constructed for the Burma to Thailand railway by Prisoners of War. This part of the railway was particularly hard to build due to its remoteness and the scale of rock-cutting required. It took only six weeks to build this section, as the prisoners were forced to work 16-18 hour days and throughout the night. The name is derived from the eerie glow produced by the torches at night, reflecting off the gaunt faces of the prisoners.

**Day 3: Kanchanaburi to Bangkok**

Meals: B

After check-out this morning, you will be transferred by private car to your Bangkok hotel, where your arrangements end.



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