



BC TOURS PRESENTS BANGKOK, THAILAND AND DUBAI
OCT 8 – 15, 2023

ITINERARY

Total cost: \$3695.00 per person based on double occupancy
\$4,295.00 per person based on single occupancy

Optional:

Travel Insurance 129.00 – 399.00 per person (this is based on the cost of the trip and DOB).

DEPOSIT: 600.00 per person January 27, 2023, non-refundable – non-transferable.

FINAL PAYMENT: August 4, 2023

LEAVING FROM KENNEDY AIRPORT

OCT 7

JFK	11:20 AM	DXB	7:50 AM	OCT 8
DXB	8:50 AM	BKK	6:20 PM	

LEAVING FROM DULLES AIRPORT

OCT 7

IAD	10:55 AM	DXB	8:05 AM	OCT 8
DXB	9:40 am	BKK	7:20 PM	

OCT 8, 23: ARRIVE IN BANGKOK

Meet and greet on arrival
Transfer to the hotel

HOTEL: Novotel Bangkok Silom Road, Superior Room (3 nights)

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OCT 9, 23: HALF DAY TOUR OF BANGKOK (B)

After breakfast, we depart with our guide and driver for a full day tour of Bangkok. Our first stop is the Grand Palace. From there, the tour continues to nearby **Wat Pho** - Bangkok's oldest temple and arguably the most impressive. Home to the magnificent 45-meter-long **reclining Buddha**, Wat Pho is also a place of learning, having served as Thailand's first school of traditional medicine and Thai massage. Our next stop is Wat Trimitr, which houses the world's largest solid gold Buddha. At the end of the tour, transfer back to the hotel.

OCT 10, 23: THE FLOATING MARKET (B)

You will be picked up at 07:00. Travel away from Bangkok's city centre for a visit to local markets and countryside neighbourhoods. Take a one-hour drive, leaving the high-rises behind and entering a land of lush landscapes and traditional wooden houses.

Stop at a local railway station where a bustling country market has sprouted up along the tracks. As a train pulls into the station, witness the vendors quickly clearing their stalls off the railway. Then, after the train departs, watch them set up shop and resume business as usual.

From here, continue to the famous Damnoen Saduak Floating Market. Although these days the stalls are mostly selling items for tourists, the Damnoen Saduak remains the best example of a traditional floating market. Take a stroll around and admire the floating shops, many of which are selling fresh fruits and typical Thai snacks. For visits falling on a Saturday or Sunday, there is an option to visit the less touristy floating market Tha Kha.

Leave the main market area and take a relaxing paddle boat ride. Pass by an old section of the floating market and enter a labyrinth of quiet canals. See houses built alongside the waterways and catch glimpses of local life in this rural Thai province.

Following this insightful exploration of the countryside, travel back to your hotel.

Time: 07:00 - 13:00

Note:

- Some (site - attraction - operating times) may still be slightly affected by Covid measures
- Our guide will adjust the visits when and where needed if visits can't be made as planned.
- The market(s) visited see fewer merchants and local life than normal and are not yet busy as usual due to Covid.

OCT 11, 23: DEPART BANGKOK, ARRIVE IN DUBAI (B, D)

OCT 11

BKK 2:00 AM DXB 6:00 AM

On arrival, we meet our guide and transfer to the hotel.

HOTEL: Aloft Dubai Creek (Standard Room), 4 nights

EVENING YACHT DINNER CRUISE

At 6:00pm, we depart the hotel with English speaking assistant and proceed to Dubai Marina for **Evening Yacht Dinner Cruise** on sharing basis.

Enjoy an incomparable dinner experience while cruising through the waters of JBR Beach & The Palm Jumeriah aboard one of the largest & most luxurious commercial mega yachts in Dubai.

Inclusions:

International Buffet (Live Cooking, BBQ, Canapés, Asian & Western, Salads & Deserts)*

Wide selection of Standard Drinks (Ala-Carte / Open Bar Package)

Multiple Decks - Rooftop Terrace, Dining Deck, Sun Deck

Sailing to Bluewaters Island, Dubai Marina, JBR, Atlantis The Palm (Atlantis subject to weather condition)

Boarding starts at 6:30 pm

Sailing 7:30 pm sharp to 10:30 pm (Please don't be late)

Operates from Sunday to Friday except Saturday (8pm till 11pm)

OCT 12, 23: ABU DHABI DAY EXCURSION (B)

After a leisurely breakfast, we meet our guide and driver for a full day tour of Abu Dhabi.

Our first stop is the Qasr Al Watan Presidential Palace, an incredible, new and unique landmark in the United Arab Emirates. You will also gain a deeper appreciation of the innovations that will drive the country's future (The tour guide is not permitted to provide guiding inside the Qasr Al Watan Palace).

Following a stop at the Dates Market, we drive to Yas Island for a photo stop from the outside of the Formula 1 circuit and the famous Ferrari World and free time for lunch in Yas Mall.

Next, we explore the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, the most architectural treasure of contemporary UAE society - and one of the largest in the world.

Dress Code for the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque visit: (Closed on Fridays till 4:00 PM)

There is a Mandatory Dress code to be followed for the entry to the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, Abu Dhabi. Long trousers or long skirts & long sleeves to ankle/wrist. No shorts for men, no tight & transparent clothing. Women must cover their head with a scarf hence we suggest to bring it along. No visible tattoos.

After the visit we drive back to hotel in Dubai.

OCT 13, 23: AFTERNOON DESERT SAFARI (B, D)

Morning free at leisure.

At 3:30 pm we board to a 4x4 land cruiser (6pax per jeep on sharing basis) and head out towards the desert.

At the entrance of the desert your driver deflates the wheels of the 4X4 and then the fun starts. Dune bashing has become known as a fun experience – you will feel the thrill of desert driving as your professional driver takes you up and down on golden dunes. A beautiful desert sunset stop is also included and then drives to the Bedouin Camp and you are greeted with a traditional cup of Arabic

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coffee and have the opportunity to try riding a camel before it is time to settle down for your buffet dinner. Later on in the evening enjoy the Tanura dance and a belly dancer.

At the end of the dinner, we drive back to hotel

OCT 14, 23: HALF DAY DUBAI CITY TOUR (B)

This morning, we drive back to downtown area and arrive at the Dubai Mall for a visit to the top of Burj Khalifa with ticket @ 124th floor (will advise time availability) with some free time for shopping tour. At the end of the tour, we will travel back to the hotel.

Check out of the hotel and transfer to the airport for the flight home.

OCT 15, 23: DEPART DUBAI

DXB	8:30 AM	JFK	2:25 PM
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OCT 15

DXB	2:20 AM	IAD	8:40 AM
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Inclusions in above prices:

- First class hotel accommodation as per itinerary based on twin share.
- All transfers and transportation are by either private, air-conditioned coach or public transportation system as specified. (Any individuals travelling outside the group arrangements will require additional transfers, cost not included, or must organize own transportation)
- Local English-speaking guide in each city
- Arrival Meet & Greet guide assistance, Departure guide assistance.
- Sightseeing and admissions as per the itinerary
- Meals as indicated on itinerary (B-full breakfast, L-lunch, D-dinner)
- Government/local taxes at existing rates
- E-documents

Exclusions in above prices:

- Personal items
- Optional Tours
- Meals unless listed in itinerary
- Tips & Gratuities
- Early check-in & late check out of rooms (standard check-in time is 2pm and check out 10am)
- Travel Insurance
- Changes in Government/local taxes
- Any future fuel surcharges on land arrangements or additional costs due to COVID rules
- Visa/passport handling fees
- Paper documents and travel bag: US\$ 125.00