

CYCLING ADVENTURES

BANGKOK THAILAND

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES



WWW.SMILINGALBINO.COM



CYCLING ADVENTURES IN AND AROUND BANGKOK

WE HAVE TRIAL AND TESTED A GREAT MANY CYCLING ROUTES IN AND AROUND BANGKOK. CYCLING BANGKOK ALLOWS YOU TO SEE THE CITY FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE.

CYCLING BANGKOK'S RIVERSIDE COMMUNITIES

A full-day city adventure covering a lot of ground utilizing a maze of small streets and hidden pathways. We'll make our way upriver through the European heritage neighborhood and old markets to Rattanakosin Island, skirting the Grand Palace and Wat Pho as we go. Hop on a cross-river ferry and return downriver through the small alleys on the Thonburi side of the city, which was the former capital of Siam.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Talad Noi (European Heritage Sites), Kudi Chin (Historic Portuguese community) Baan Bu Community
- Flower and Spice Market
- Wat Arun, Temple of Dawn
- Lhong 1919

Time: Full-day (approx. 09:00 - 17:00)

Explored by: Biking, walking

Inclusion: English speaking host, van support, plenty of snacks, soft drinks and drinking water

Meals: Lunch at a local restaurant

Note: Bicycles are well-maintained, high-performance bikes with front suspension, helmets, gloves and water bottle. We will cycle 20 kilometers including many sightseeing stops.





CYCLING BANGKOK'S RIVERSIDE

This half-day city cycling adventure explores the maze of small streets and hidden alleyways to avoid much of the hustle and bustle of the modern city of Bangkok. We'll make our way upriver through the European heritage neighborhood and old markets to Rattanakosin Island, skirting the Grand Palace and Wat Pho as we go.

We'll hop on a cross-river ferry and visit an historic community on the Thonburi side of the city, which was the capital of Siam prior to Bangkok, and explore an old artisan community and a less visited royal temple with fabulous murals before dropping you off back at your hotel before lunch.

Time: Half-day, Morning (approx. 08:00 - 12:00)

Explored by: Biking, walking

Inclusion: English speaking host, van support, plenty of snacks, soft drinks and drinking water

Meals: None

Note: Bicycles are well-maintained, high-performance bikes with front suspension, helmets, gloves and water bottle. We will cycle 20 kilometers including many sightseeing stops.



Insider Tip: At the final stop at Wat Suwan, you should have the temple to yourselves, close the doors once inside to get a better view of the stunning murals.

CYCLING THONBURI'S RIVERSIDE

This half-day city cycling adventure explores the less-visited Thonburi side of Bangkok's Chao Phraya River. Once the capital of Siam, Thonburi is home to many important historical sites, scattered along the riverside, that predate Bangkok and are best visited by bicycle. We'll navigate the quieter streets, alleys and pathways to find the back entrance of these incredible sites. By day's end, you will have seen more of historical Siam than most residents have!

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Wat Hong Rattanaram, Wat Arun, Temple of Dawn
- Baan Bu Community and Kudi Chin, a historic Portuguese community
- Bangkok's Oldest Mosque, Oldest Chinese Shrine and Oldest Roman Catholic Church
- Princess Mother's Memorial Park
- Lhong 1919

Time: Half-day, 08:00 - 12:00 Explored by: Biking, walking

Inclusion: English speaking host, van support, plenty of snacks, soft drinks and drinking water

Meals: None

Note: Bicycles are well-maintained, high-performance mountain bikes with front suspension, helmets, gloves and water bottles.





CYCLING BANGKOK'S GREEN LUNG

Explore the hidden jungles of Bangkok on a cycling adventure into the inner-city oasis of Bang Krachao. Reached by boat or bridge, this island is often referred to as the "green lung" of Bangkok. Picturesque, with no buildings taller than a coconut palm tree allowed on the island, development has yet to take over this lush Bangkok island.

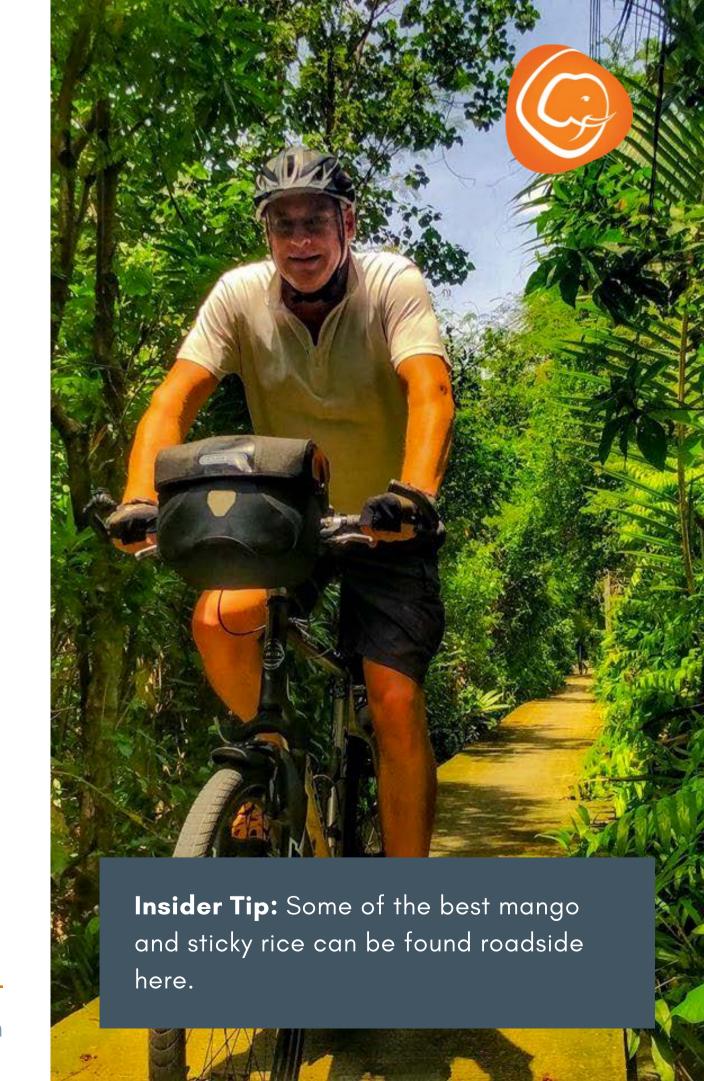
We'll explore the nature, villages, temples and markets of this laid-back Bang Krachao at a leisurely pace, stopping occasionally to try new tastes, discover artisanal endeavors or if we're lucky, to catch a glimpse of a kingfisher perched in the trees. The cycling is flat along small paved roads and raised concrete pathways through the cool, green mangroves. This is a perfect day for those who want some light activity and are in search of the hidden secrets of Thailand's biggest city.

Time: Half-day, 10:00 - 15:00 Explored by: Biking, walking

Inclusion: English speaking host, van support, plenty of snacks, soft drinks and drinking water

Meals: Lunch at a local restaurant or market on weekends

Note: Bicycles are well-maintained, high-performance bikes with front suspension, helmets, gloves and water bottles. Cycling can cover 15 - 30 kilometers (flexible and up to your preference).



FLOATING MARKET CYCLING EXCURSION

This full-day experience begins with an early morning visit to Thailand's biggest and most colorful floating market, Damnoen Saduak. It's jam-packed with small wooden boats, noisy, and totally touristy but great fun. From there, we will charter a longtail boat and cruise through the surrounding maze of canals, passing quaint local villages and endless greenery.

After getting the lay of the land from our canal cruise, we will saddle up and spend the rest of the day exploring the area by bicycle. Riding leisurely along backcountry trails, we will take our time and vist cool temples, coconut plantations, and fruit orchards. After enjoying a hearty lunch at a riverside restaurant we will bike back to Damnoen Saduak where a well-deserved air-conditioned drive back to bustling Bangkok awaits.

Time: Full-day, 07:00 - 16:00 (an early start is necessary due two hour/way transfer time)

Explored by: Private van, longtail boat, bicycles and walking

Inclusion: English speaking host, transportation, plenty of snacks, soft drinks and drinking water

Meals: Lunch at a local restaurant

Note: Bicycles are well-maintained, high-performance bikes with front suspension, helmets, gloves and water bottles. The trip covers around 30 kilometers of paved roads.

