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2ND ASIA – PACIFIC RICKETTSIA CONFERENCE

The Riverie by Katathani Hotel Chiang Rai, Thailand,
November 3-6, 2019



Chiang Rai Province is located in the northernmost of Thailand. It is a mountainous region with rivers and jungles, so there is a lot of beautiful nature surrounding the area. The north of Chiang Rai borders Myanmar, the south borders Phayao Province, the east borders Laos, and the west borders Chiang Mai Province.

Chiang Rai population consists of people of various ethnic backgrounds, including those from hill tribes and Chinese lineage. This factors into Chiang Rai's unique traditions and makes the city an excellent and different location for tourists to experience.

Chiang Rai International Airport (CEI)

Mae Fah Luang – Chiang Rai International Airport is the main gateway airport in the Chiang Rai province in northern Thailand. The airport is located about 8km from Chiang Rai City Center.

All major domestic airlines in Thailand operate flight to Chiang Rai, including Thai Airways (Thai Smile), Bangkok Airways, AirAsia, Nok Air, Thai Lion Air and Thai Vietjet Air.

Flight from Bangkok to Chiang Rai

Flight from Bangkok, Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK) to Chiang Rai and vice versa

Bangkok has 2 airports, most international flights to Thailand arrives to Suvarnabhumi Airport. Some low-cost airlines arrive to Donmuang Airport.

[Flight from Bangkok, Suvarnabhumi Airport \(BKK\) to Chiang Rai and vice versa](#)

Thai Smile (WE)

Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi) -> Chiang Rai	Chiang Rai -> Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi)
WE130 BKK-CEI 09:05-10:25	WE131 CEI-BKK 10:55-12:15
WE132 BKK-CEI 11:45-13:05	WE133 CEI-BKK 13:35-14:55
WE134 BKK-CEI 15:55-17:15	WE135 CEI-BKK 17:45-19:05
WE136 BKK-CEI 18:50-20:10	WE137 CEI-BKK 20:45-22:05

Bangkok Airways (PG)

Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi) -> Chiang Rai	Chiang Rai -> Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi)
PG231 BKK-CEI 07:25-08:55	PG232 CEI-BKK 09:45-11:15
PG233 BKK-CEI 14:00-15:30	PG234 CEI-BKK 16:20-17:50
PG235 BKK-CEI 18:20-19:50	PG236 CEI-BKK 20:40-22:10

Vietjet Airline (VJ)

Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi) -> Chiang Rai	Chiang Rai -> Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi)
VJ8130 BKK-CEI 06:30-07:55	VJ8131 CEI-BKK 08:25-09:50
VJ8132 BKK-CEI 13:50-15:15	VJ8133 CEI-BKK 15:50-17:15

[Flight from Bangkok, Don Mueang Airport \(DMK\) to Chiang Rai and v.](#)

Thai Lion Air (SL)

Bangkok (Don Mueang) -> Chiang Rai	Chiang Rai -> Bangkok (Don Mueang)
SL532 DMK-CEI 08:20-09:45	SL549 CEI-DMK 06:20-07:45
SL538 DMK-CEI 12:35-14:00	SL547 CEI-DMK 07:20-08:45
SL544 DMK-CEI 17:15-18:35	SL533 CEI-DMK 10:15-11:30
SL546 DMK-CEI 18:55-20:20	SL539 CEI-DMK 14:50-15:15
SL548 DMK-CEI 19:15-20:40	SL545 CEI-DMK 19:40-21:05



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AirAsia (FD)

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FD3199 DMK-CEI 09:45-11:20	FD3202 CEI-DMK 13:50-15:15
FD3201 DMK-CEI 11:55-13:20	FD3208 CEI-DMK 15:50-17:10
FD3207 DMK-CEI 13:55-15:20	FD3200 CEI-DMK 17:50-19:20
FD3209 DMK-CEI 16:20-17:50	FD3210 CEI-DMK 18:20-19:45
FD3205 DMK-CEI 20:40-22:05	FD3206 CEI-DMK 22:35-23:55

Nok Air (DD)

Bangkok (Don Mueang) -> Chiang Rai	Chiang Rai -> Bangkok (Don Mueang)
DD8714 DMK-CEI 07:20-08:35	DD8715 CEI-DMK 09:50-10:30
DD8716 DMK-CEI 10:15-11:30	DD8717 CEI-DMK 12:55-14:20
DD8718 DMK-CEI 13:10-14:25	DD8719 CEI-DMK 14:55-16:10
DD8722 DMK-CEI 16:40-17:55	DD8723 CEI-DMK 18:25-19:40

There are direct flights to Chiang Rai from other domestic; Phuket, Hat Yai, and international airports (Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Macau, Hong Kong, multiple cities in central and southern China).

Flight schedules are subject to change. Please check online or directly with the airlines prior to travel

TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT

Metered taxis are available from the taxi stand with a ride into town costing THB 120-180. After exiting the luggage claim area, the stand is situated at the far left of the airport terminal building. Alternatively, airport limousines are available (drivers in white shirts) for a flat fee of around THB 200-300.

DRINKING WATER AND ICE

Do not drink tap water in Thailand. Bottled water is widely available at convenience stores or general shops. Most restaurants and hotels serve clean ice. You should avoid consuming ice at street café to guarantee your good health.

WEATHER

The climate in Chiang Rai in November is usually pleasant with a temperature range of 17-29 C and rainfall starting to taper off at the beginning of the cool season.

ELECTRICITY

Thailand uses 220V 50Hz AC electricity. Power outlets most commonly feature two-prong round or flat sockets.

MONEY AND PAYMENT

Thailand uses the Thai Baht (THB) with an approximate exchange rate of 1 USD to 30-32 THB. Currency exchanges are widely available including at the airport, hotels and in town. Although many shops, supermarkets and large restaurants accept payment by credit card (VISA and MasterCard) are the most widely accepted), cash remains the main mode of payment in Chiang Rai.

SIM CARD

Tourist SIM cards are widely available for purchase and usually have call and data allowances included. The easiest place to buy one is at the airport in Bangkok or in Chiang Rai. They can be purchased in town at 7-Eleven stores.