



Chiang Mai

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



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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 Moi, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Open 24/7

Wat Chet Yot



Surrounded by a lavish garden in the northwest of Chiang Mai you'll find the Wat Chet Yot Buddhist temple, with its 7 peaks (pagodas) on top of the structure. It is thought that it was built in the 15th century during the Lanna period, and it's definitely a must see when in Chiang Mai. Imbibe the fascinating culture and learn about the temple's interesting history.

Photo: nanthanit kunarakwong/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wat Chet Yot, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6am-6pm

Phone: +66 53 224 802

Wat Chedi Luang



This massive Buddhist temple dates back to the 14th century but was not completed until the 15th century. Enjoy the wonderful carvings and striking architecture of this temple that can be found in Chiang Mai's historic area.

Photo: apiguide/Shutterstock.com

Address: Prapokklao Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 5am-10:30pm

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

Patara Elephant Farm



Enjoy the wonderful and sacred elephants at the Patara Elephant Farm. Coming here you are in for a great experience. Here you can learn how to take care of and interact with these fascinating animals. This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

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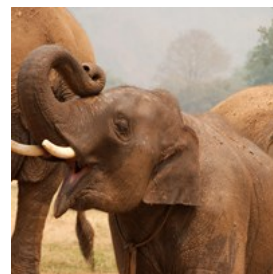
Address: 299/22 Siwalee RachapreukMaeHea, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm

Phone: +66 98 549 3644

Internet: www.pataraelephantfarm.com

Elephant Nature Park



Another great place for visiting the beautiful elephants is at the Elephant Nature Park. This place works on a unique project, focusing on providing a rescue centre and sanctuary for the endangered elephants. Enjoy your time watching elephants playing, bathing, and posing around for you.

Photo: Christian Haugen/Flickr.com (image cropped)

Address: 209/2 Sridom Chai Road, Chiang Mai

Phone: +66 53 818 754

Internet: www.elephantnaturepark.org

Chiang Mai Zoo

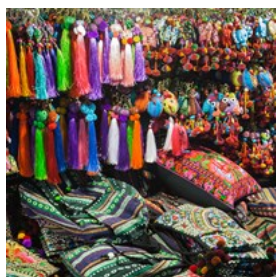


The Chiang Mai Zoo covers a large area in Chiang Mai. To cover most areas as a visitor of the zoo, it is preferable to go on one of the buses

that will take you around to the different exhibits. Here you can find interesting animals and flora all year around.

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

Chiang Mai Night Bazaar

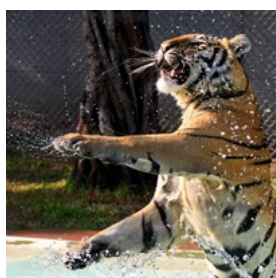


If you like shopping, the Chiang Mai Night Bazaar downtown is a must. Imbibe the Thai culture while wandering around the streets where vendors

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 on prices.

Photo: saiko3p/Shutterstock.com
Address: 104-1 Chang Klan Road, Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Daily 5pm-12am
Phone: +66 98 553 1083
Internet: www.chiangmainews.co.th

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.

Photo: ajman/Shutterstock.com

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

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

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 away from the Wat Phrathat Doi Suthep lies the Doi Pui Mhong Village, which still offers great insight into Hmong tribe life.

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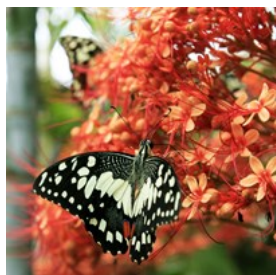
Address: Huai Kaew Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 8am-10pm

Phone: +66 53 210 244

Internet: <http://portal.dnp.go.th>

The 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 Nimmanhemini 13 Sirimungkalajana Road (opposite 3.) Huay-Kaew Road, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday–Saturday 10am–4pm, Sunday 10am–3pm

Phone: +66 53 211 891

Internet: www.thailandinsect.com

Email: insectmuseum@hotmail.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 Rd, Tambon Si Phum, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday–Sunday 8:30am–5pm

Phone: +66 53 217 793

Internet: <http://www.cmocity.com>

Songkran Festival



One festival that Chiang Mai is particularly famous for is Songkran, a Sanskrit word meaning "passing" or "approaching". This old tradition is celebrated in connection with the Buddhist New Year. Songkran usually lasts from the 13th to the 15th of April and is known for being the "wettest" festival. Take part in the massive water fight that takes place all over the town to cool off from a hot day.

Photo: OHishiapply/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chiang Mai

Opening hours: The Festival will begin in 2020

A lot of Thai: Home cooking classes



Chiang Mai is famous for its cooking classes, so seize the opportunity to learn how to cook real Thai food from the experts while you are here. There are numerous companies offering cooking classes, one of them is "A lot of Thai" established by a Thai couple in 2001.

Photo: shellygraphy/Shutterstock.com

Address: 165, Soi 9, Chiang Mai-Lampoon Rd, Nonghoi, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday–Friday 9am–5:30pm, closed on Saturday & Sunday

Phone: +66 89 9544 930

Internet: www.alotofthai.com

Email: alotofthai@gmail.com

Yi Peng Celebrations

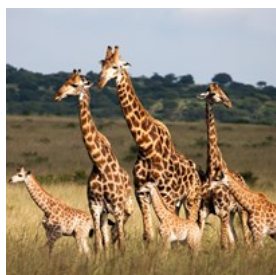


Each year the Yi Peng tradition turns the city of Chiang Mai into a sea of floating lights. Hundreds of paper lanterns are sent to the sky in order to celebrate Buddha and to bring luck and happiness to the people. You shouldn't miss out on this spectacular event which usually takes place on the full moon of the 12th month of the Thai lunar calendar (usually in November).

Photo: konmesa/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chiang Mai

Chiang Mai Night 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.

Photo: Craig Fraser/Shutterstock.com

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

San Kamphaeng Hot Springs



This famous tourist attraction is located 36km from Chiang Mai, and is a tiny paradise on earth surrounded by 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 is also available on site. A possible fun activity here is boiling eggs in the hot springs and having them for lunch later.

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Address: Ban Sa Ha Khon, Amphoe Mae On, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 7am-6pm

Phone: +66 53 037 101

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

Warorot Market



Warorot Market/Kad Long—housed in what used to be the place for the funeral ceremony of the ruler of Chiang Mai—is the oldest 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 the Thai street food and other specialities from the northern region.

Photo: SAMMYEK/Shutterstock.com

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

Opening hours: Daily 5am-11pm

Mueang Mai Market

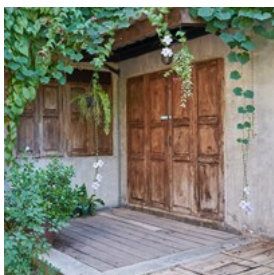


In the north of the city, just off the street, local vendors line up their stalls full of fresh fruit, vegetables, fish and meats. Flocks of tourists from the world over come here to live one day like a local and to gain insight into Thai offerings.

Photo: Nemokung/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1,1 Wichayanon Rd, Tambon Chang Moi, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Open 24/7

Baan Kang Wat Artist Village



If you're looking for a break from the trotted tourist paths and looking to discover the real Chiang Mai, the Baan Kang Wat Artist Village is the place to go. Every corner of this hidden gem oozes art and has something to offer everyone. Here you can find original handcrafted ceramics, jewellery and other goodies for your loved ones. The small village is 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: Daily 10am-6pm
More Info: The village can be reached by tuk tuks and motorbikes.

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

Giorgio Italian Restaurant



Giorgio Italian Restaurant is claimed to be one of the best Italian restaurants in Chiang Mai. The restaurant opened in 2001 and offers

various Italian dishes made with fresh ingredients.

Photo: AVS/Shutterstock.com
Address: Changklan Rd, Tambon Chang Khlan, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 11:30am-2:30pm / 6pm-10:30pm, closed on Sunday
Phone: +66 53 271 866
Internet: www.giorgiochiangmai.com
Email: giorgio_chiangmai@hotmail.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

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.

Photo: jutamas/Shutterstock.com
Address: 38/2 Moon Muang, Soi 2, Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm
Phone: +66 53 279 230
Internet: <http://dashteahouse.com>
Email: 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.

Photo: Atstock Productions/Shutterstock.com

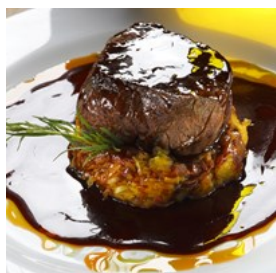
Address: 46/1 Wang Sim Khum Road A. Muang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-10:30pm

Phone: +66 53 232 356

Internet: www.paakdang.com

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

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

Email: 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

Email: sao_chiangmai@yahoo.com

Jagajee



At this fun tapas bar you can choose between various interesting dishes to tickle your taste buds. Jagajee is claimed to be a "must-eat" when you are

going out dining in Chiang Mai.

Photo: wiratho/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1, Opposite to Kasikorn Bank, 1 Nimmanahaeminda Road, Tambon Su Thep, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 6-11:30pm, closed on Sunday

Phone: +66 80 127 7477
Email: jagajecnx@yahoo.com

Street Pizza



This little pizza place is located in the perfect spot on Thapae Rd and is a safe bet for Thai food. The presence of outdoor seats makes the atmosphere even more pleasant; the view goes out onto the streets of the night Bazaar.

Photo: Kazlouski Siarhei/Shutterstock.com
Address: 86-88 Thapae Rd., Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday-Sunday
12pm-11pm
Phone: +66 85 073 5746
Internet: <http://streetpizza.restaurantwebx.com>
Email: 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
Email: thesaladconcept@gmail.com

The River Terrace

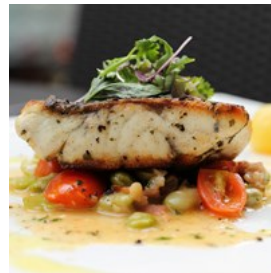


Located by the riverside, the River Terrace diner offers a unique dining experience with high quality cuisine from all around the world. They

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
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

David's Kitchen at 909



Named best restaurant in town multiple times, David's Kitchen at 909 offers an authentic dining experience whether it's Thai or pan-Mediterranean cuisine. Although a little bit far from the old city the drive there is very worth it.

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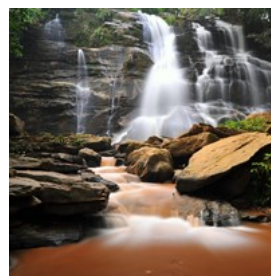
Address: 113 ถนนพหลโยธิน ตำบลวัดเกต อำเภอเมือง เชียงใหม่

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 6pm-10pm

Phone: +66 91 068 1744

Internet: <https://davidskitchen.co.th>

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 ซอย 2 Somphot Chiang Mai 700 Pi Rd ถนนพหลโยธิน

เชียงใหม่ 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

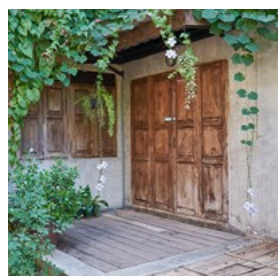
Opening hours: Daily 6pm-12am

Phone: +66 53 415 222

Internet: www.furama.com/chiangmai

Email: chiangmai@furama.com

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Address: Baan Kang Wat Artist Village, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 10am–6pm

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

CAFES



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Cafés and Chiang Mai is a match made in heaven. Everywhere you go you will find coffee shops; quirky, fun, small, large, you name it. If you like coffee, this could be your heaven on earth. 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, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday–Saturday 9:45am–9:45pm, Sunday 9:45am–3:45pm

Phone: +66 53 449 718

Internet: <http://dadakafe.restaurantwebexperts.com>

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

Email: enquiry@dharadhevi.com

Cat House



The Cat House is a café located in the city centre and has a wide range of healthy good food. This quirky, small place offers great service, good-value

dishes and refreshing drinks.

Photo: imgabsveras/Shutterstock.com

Address: 8 Chaiyapoom Soi 1 Mueang, Amphoe Mueang, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 7am-10pm

Phone: +66 53 234 569

Internet: www.cathousechiangmai.com

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

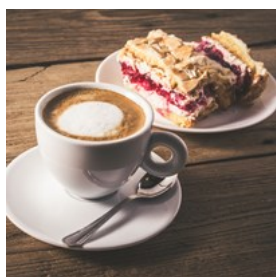
Address: 189 Changklan Rd Tambon Chang Khlan, Amphoe Mueang, Chiang Mai

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

Phone: +66 53 820 761

Internet: www.butterisbetterbakery.com

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 - Specialty coffee



Ristr8to - Specialty coffee 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,
Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Daily 7am-6pm
Phone: +66 53 215 278
Internet: www.ristr8to.com

Impresso



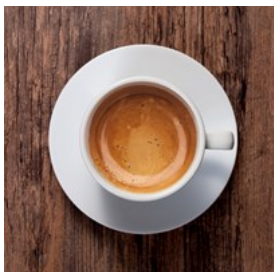
Just a stroll from the Museum of World Insects and Natural wonders, Impresso is a pilgrimage site for coffee lovers. Expect to find roasters

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

Photo: illham Triyastanto/Shutterstock.com

Address: 28/1 Soi 11 Nimmanhaemin Road. Su Thep Muang Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-8pm
Phone: +66 95 935 5465

Ponganes Coffee Roaster



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 Roaster 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: 133/5 Ratchapakhinai Rd, Tambon Si Phum,
Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday,
Thursday-Sunday 10am-4:30pm
Phone: +66 87 727 2980

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://machillespresso Chiang Mai Thailand.wordpress.com>

Jungle de Café

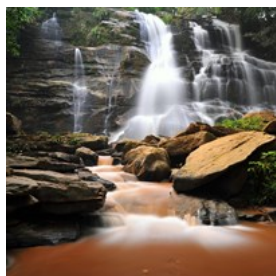


Nestled in the wild nature, Jungle de Café offers quality coffee, cakes and smoothies, and a stunning view of the giant cascading waterfall. Delight the eye and stir the heart with the breathtaking and indescribable landscapes. For the more adventurous ones, there's also a Jungle Coaster and Zipline tour.

Photo: Saranya Sonchan/Shutterstock.com

Address: 99/9 □ □ □ □ □ □ 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 ซ. 2 Sompot Chiang Mai 700 Pi Rd ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +66 65 438 8188

Baan Kang Wat Artist Village



If you're 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 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: Daily 10am-6pm

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.

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 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

Boy Blues Bar



Enjoy some live blues while having a drink at the Boy Blues Bar. This relaxed place will bring you great drinks and great music and can be found just off Changklan Road.

Photo: CHAINFOTO24/Shutterstock.com

Address: Soi 6, Changklan Rd, Kalare Night Bazaar, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 8pm-12am, closed on Sunday

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 Nimanhem rd. A.Muang, Chiang Mai

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

Phone: +66 81 472 9664

Internet: 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.

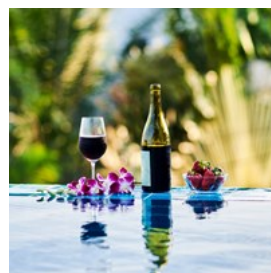
Photo: Ievgenii Meyer/Shutterstock.com

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

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-12am

Phone: +66 5324 0123

akyra Rise Bar



On the rooftop of a 5-star hotel overlooking Chiang Mai, the akyra Rise Bar offers an extensive wine list 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 3pm-1am

Phone: +66 5 321 6219

Internet:

www.theakyra.com/chiang-mai/dining/akyra-manor-rise-bar

Email: 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.

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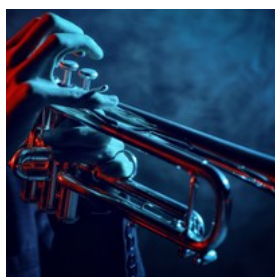
Address: 48 Chareonprathet Lane 6 Alley, Chang Khlan, Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-1am

Phone: +66 92 496 3962

Internet: www.rambarchiangmai.com

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

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

Email: chiangmai@furama.com

Chang Puak Gate Market



Chang Phuak Gate comes to life during night hours and is the perfect spot to experience traditional Thai food at very reasonable prices. It's a

good way to mingle with the locals and practice your Thai language skills too.

Photo: KateSun/Shutterstock.com

Address: 248/70 Manee Nopparat Rd, Tambon Si Phum, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-12am

Sunday Market



The Sunday Market stretches from Tha Pae Gate through Ratchadamnoen Road and offers a wide range of goods, handcrafted

artefacts by local vendors and is filled with restaurants, coffee shops and bars. Hot tip: the market comes to life in the evening, offering live entertainment until midnight.

Photo: Evgeny Ermakov/Shutterstock.com
Address: Rachadamnoen Rd, Si Phum, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Sunday 6pm-12am

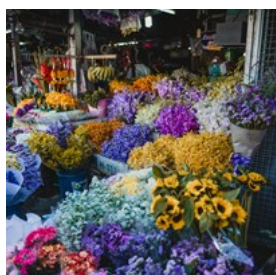
SHOPPING



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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.

Ton Lam Yai Market

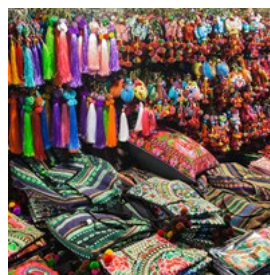


At the bustling Ton Lam Yai Market you can find bundles of flowers like roses and orchids. This large flower market is located near the river and

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

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 is hard not to buy something here.

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Address: Chang Moi, 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.

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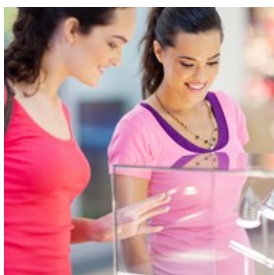
Address: 21 Huaykaew Rd, Tambon Su Thep, Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai, Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Daily 11am–9pm

Phone: +66 53 224 999

Internet: www.kadsuankaew.co.th

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

San Kamphaeng



The area around San Kamphaeng is your spot for handicrafts and quality souvenirs. Come here for wood works, 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

Warorot Market



Warorot Market/Kad Long—housed in what used to be the place for the funeral ceremony of the ruler of Chiang Mai—is the oldest market in Chiang Mai, having opened in 1910. The upper floors offer clothing and merchandise, while the food stalls are to be found on the ground. Tourists head on here above all to try the Thai street food and other specialities from the northern region.

Photo: SAMMYEK/Shutterstock.com

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

Opening hours: Daily 5am–11pm

Chang Puak Gate Market



Chang Phuak Gate comes to life during night hours and is the perfect spot to experience traditional Thai food with very reasonable prices. It's a good way to mingle with the locals and to practice your language skills too as many of the stall holders have a poor English.

Photo: KateSun/Shutterstock.com

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

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

Sunday Market



The Sunday Market stretches from Tha Pae Gate through Ratchadamnoen Road and offers a wide range of goods, handcrafted artefacts by local vendors and is filled with restaurants, coffee shops and bars. Hot tip: the market comes to life in the evening, offering live entertainment until midnight.

Photo: Evgeny Ermakov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rachadamnoen Rd, Si Phum, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai
Opening hours: Sunday 6pm-12am

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Passport/Visa



Visitors to Thailand need a valid passport and in some cases a visa to enter the country. Nationals of 57 countries are allowed to enter and remain in the country from 14 to up to 90 days without a visa. Nationals of other 21 countries including China, India and Saudi Arabia are granted a visa on arrival, while the remaining nationalities need a visa in advance. Check the website below for further information:

www.thaiembassy.com/visa/thailand-visa.php

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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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Airport



Chiang Mai Airport is located near the city. At the airport you can find restaurants, shops and currency exchange. The easiest way to reach the

city is by taxi or a tuk-tuk. These can be found right outside the airport terminal. A taxi to the city centre costs approximately 120B.

At the airport there are car and limousine rental services available as well as parking. Note that some hotels offer airport transfer.

On the upper floor you will find a transportation counter if you have any questions or need help.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Chiang Mai Airport, Chiang Mai

Internet: www.chiangmaiairportthai.com

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 (small buses) 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. It is preferable to book your bus ticket in advance.

There are regular departures to Bangkok from the train station. The train station is located 2-3 kilometres east of the city.

You can rent your own car or bicycle for discovering the area.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

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.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

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-4.30pm.

Main Post Office:

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: 406/1 Charoen Muang Rd ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Amphoe Mueang Chiang Mai Chang Wat Chiang Mai

Opening hours: Monday - Friday 8am-7pm, Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm Sunday 9am-12pm

Phone: +66 53 241 070

Internet: www.thailandpost.com

Pharmacy



There are numerous pharmacies scattered around Chiang Mai. Peera Pharmacy:

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: Rachadamnoen Road, Mueang Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai

Phone: +66 53 273 303

Telephone



Country code: +66 Area code: 53

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



The standard voltage is 220V and the frequency is 50Hz. Power plugs and sockets are type A, B, C, F and O.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

131,091 (2017)

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.

Internet

www.visitchiangmai.com.au

Newspapers

Chiang Mai Trader News
Chiangmai Mail
Citylife Chiang Mai (online)

Emergency numbers

Police, Ambulance: 191

Tourist Police: 1155

Fire Brigade: 199

Tourist information

Tourism Authority of Thailand

105/1 Chiang Mai-Lamphun Road, Tambon Wat Ket, Amphoe Mueang, Chiang Mai

Open 8.30am-4.30pm

+66 53 248604