

Thailand

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Map of Thailand

- Capital City Bangkok
- Large Cities Nonthaburi, Pak Kret, Hat Yai, Chiang Mai
- Population 69.43 million (2018)



Key Facts

- · Located in Southeast Asia, bordering Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar and Malaysia
- Surrounded by the Gulf of Siam (South China Sea) and Andaman Sea
- Currency Thai bhat (1 THB = 0.03 EUR)
- Religions Buddhism (95%), Muslim (4.6%), Catholic (0.7%), Other (1%)
- Languages Thai is the main language, but English is also widely spoken and understood



Flag of Thailand

The red represents the land and people. The white represents the religion. The blue represents the monarchy. The flag was adopted on September 28 1917 by King Vajiravudh (Rama VI)

Famous Landmarks

- Damnoen Saduak Floating Market
- Maya Bay
- Wat Rong Khun
- Wat Prathat Doi Suthep
- Grand Palace and Wat Phra Kaew











Traditional Clothing

- · Historically Thai people wore cotton or silk wrap-around garments called chong kraben.
- In more recent decades, their national dress has been influenced by European styles. Their current national dress is relatively new and the clothes are made with colourful fabrics. The styles have been royally endorsed.





Pha nung



Chut thai



SaBai dress

Traditional Food

- Thailand has a great variety of food. Thai cooks like to mix sweet, sour, hot and salty flavours in every dish.
- Thai food has become very popular all over the world. People everywhere can enjoy it as
 there are many restaurants and takeouts that serve Thai food.







Pattaya

som tam

green curry

Interesting Facts and Major Events

- Thailand is a very popular tourist destination with beautiful beaches. Phuket, Chiang Mai and Koh Samui are among the largest attractions.
- Thailand is located in the Ring Of Fire which means it is prone to earthquakes and tsunamis.
- In 2004, there was a huge tsunami that came crashing down on Thailand's western coast. It affected many tourist resorts and resulted in 5400 deaths including 2000 tourists.
- The Songkran Festival is Thailand's New Year celebration and happens every April 13th to 15th.