PHUKET Thailand - First Information









ISU President Welcome Message

Dear Skating Friends,

On behalf of the International Skating Union, it is a great pleasure for me to invite you to the 58th Ordinary ISU Congress 2022.

Unfortunately, the Congress could not take place over the past two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite the very demanding and difficult circumstances worldwide that have a huge impact on all of us, I am delighted that the skating community will finally meet again. More than ever, your attendance and contribution to a successful gathering are highly appreciated.

The ISU Congress takes place on the beautiful island of Phuket (Thailand) in June 2022. At this inspiring location, we will discuss and decide upon new proposals to further develop and promote our beloved sport based on good governance. Moreover, the Congress includes elections which are very important for the future of the ISU and its activities.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the Figure and Speed Skating Association of Thailand for their warm hospitality and hard work. I wish everybody a wonderful and memorable stay on Phuket.

Let us have a very fruitful ISU Congress and advance all our beautiful and exciting skating disciplines together.

Jan Doleema Jan Dijkema ISU President





FSAT Welcome Remark



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March 2, 2022

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Figure and Speed Skating Association of Thailand (FSAT), it is my great pleasure to extend to you a warm invitation to the ISU Ordinary Congress to be held in 2022 in Phuket, Thailand, under the auspices of the National Olympic Committee of Thailand and Sports Authority of Thailand.

Aside from the opportunities afforded by the congress, you will also have a chance to experience the beauty of Thailand's exceptional and exotic tourist and cultural attractions. From beautiful beaches and islands, to natural wonders as diverse as forested mountains and fabulous beaches, there is plenty that will leave you with memories of the Kingdom of Thailand and its warm and welcoming hospitality and people, not to mention Thailand's world famous culinary delights.

We are looking forward to meeting you, your family, and your colleagues at ISU Ordinary Congress 2022 in Phuket. We hope that you will find the congress enjoyable, valuable and memorable. We thank you in advance for participating and contributing to the success of the event.

With best wishes.

Dr. Srihasak Arirachakaran

President of Figure and Speed Skating Association of Thailand







THAILAND WELCOMES YOU TO EXPERIENCE ITS ALLURING RANGE OF BREATHTAKING NATURE, CULTURE, CUSTOMS, CUISINE AND ITS LEGENDARY HOSPITALITY.

WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU ONE OF THAILAND'S GEM,

PHUKET







PHUKET

Located in the south of Thailand, Phuket is a province made up of many islands in the heart of the Andaman Sea. The biggest island of Phuket can be accessed through a bridge connecting to Phang Nga province. The island was voted as one of the world's top 10 islands in 2016 by TripAdvisor.

Phuket is known for its white sandy beaches, crystal clear blue water, and the exotic southern cuisine. Phuket is a dream destination for all travelers alike.

Being a big island, it is surrounded by many magnificent beaches such as Rawai, Patong, Karon, Kamala, Kata Yai, Kata Noi, and Mai Khao. Laem Phromthep Viewpoint is said to feature the most beautiful sunsets in Thailand.

It isn't all just beaches though, there is also fantastic classical architecture such as the Goom Restaurant. That and the very welcome atmosphere and the famous Phuket nightlife, you can see why the island is a hotspot for tourists in Thailand.



VISITING PHUKET

Visitors from 58 countries and Hong Kong SAR are automatically granted permission to stay for 30 days in Thailand. 19 countries can apply for a "Visa on Arrival" at the immigration office in all of Thailand's international airports and border checkpoints. For citizens of countries, visa can be obtained from the nearest Royal Thai Embassy or consulate in your country. (See next page for countries entitled for Visa Exemption.





Summary of Countries and Territories entitled for Visa Exemption and Visa on Arrival to Thailand

		Ordinar	y Passport				Diplon	Diplomatic/Official Passport		
Passport holders of the following countries/	Passport holders of the following countries/ territories m				es may enter Thailand without a visa		Passport holders of the following countries/ territories may enter Thailand without a visa Bilateral Agreement			
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Period of stay		Period of stay		Period of stay			Period of stay			
15 days		30 days		14 days	30 days	90 days	30 days	90 0	lays	
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Department of Consular Affairs, 20 Dec 2018

Remarks

- * Passport holders of Brazil, Republic of Korea and Peru are entitled for tourist visa exemption scheme. Meanwhile, Thailand also holds bilateral agreements on visa exemption for holders of diplomatic, official and ordinary passports for a visit of not exceeding 90 days with Brazil, Republic of Korea and Peru.
- ** Passport holders of Vietnam and Hong Kong are entitled for tourist visa exemption scheme. Meanwhile, Thailand also holds bilateral agreements on visa exemption for holders of diplomatic, official and ordinary passports for a visit of not exceeding 30 days with Vietnam and Hong Kong.

For more information, follow this link:

https://www.thaiembassy.sg/visa-matters-/-consular/who-requires-visa)





TRAVELING TO THAILAND

Thailand is a very hospitable country and has welcomed international visitors with open arms throughout its history. With 50 million visitors each year, Thailand recognizes the immense importance of tourism and is always working to make sure of the visitor's safety.

Thailand Tourist Police Division, Thailand Convention and Exhibition Bureau, and Tourism Authority of Thailand are working together to ensure the safety of all tourists, business visitors, as well as conference delegates traveling to Thailand.

Tourist service centers can be found in many local tourist attractions throughout the country. "Thailand Travel Shield" is a recent insurance policy for foreign tourists initiated by the Tourism Authority of Thailand. 1155 is a dedicated hotline for any enquiries related to foreign visitors to Thailand.







TRAVELING TO PHUKET



The easiest way to get to Phuket is by air. As of March 2022, there are 33 airlines that fly to Phuket (both international and domestic flights), including Thai Airways International, Etihad Airways, Finnair, Singapore Airlines, Emirates, Qatar Airways, Turkish Airlines, and Jetstar etc.

One can also fly directly to Bangkok and catch a convenient 1 hour connecting flight to Phuket. The Phuket International Airport (HKT) is located in the northern part of Phuket and is the second largest hub while Bangkok welcomes the largest number of visitors from all over the world.



For connecting flights you have to be aware that there are two main airports in Bangkok, which are Don Mueang International Airport (DMK) and Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK). Most low cost airlines (Nok Air, Air Asia etc.) operate in Don Meaung, and most international flights operate in Suvarnabhumi Airport. Therefore, make sure that your connecting flights are from the same airport to ensure a smooth travel.





ENTRY RULES FOR VACCINATED TRAVELERS

International travelers who are fully vaccinated will no longer be required to show proof of a pre-arrival negative RT-PCR test nor undergo an arrival test.

They are still required to register for a **Thailand Pass** (via https://tp.consular.go.th/) with a Certificate of COVID-19 Vaccination and an insurance policy with coverage no less than **US\$10,000**.

ENTRY RULES FOR UNVACCINATED TRAVELERS

International travelers who are unvaccinated or are not fully vaccinated will also no longer be required to show proof of a pre-arrival negative RT-PCR test nor undergo an arrival test. They are required to register for a **Thailand Pass with a 5-day hotel booking and an insurance policy with coverage no less than US\$10,000**. Once arriving in Thailand, they must proceed to undergo the quarantine for 5 days and undergo an RT-PCR test on Day 5.

<u>Exception</u> is made for unvaccinated travelers who are able to upload proof of a negative RT-PCR test within 72 hours prior to arrival in Thailand via the Thailand Pass system; they – like those fully vaccinated – will be allowed entry and are free to go anywhere in the kingdom.





LIST OF APPROVED COVID-19 VACCINES

International travelers, including returning Thais and foreign residents, who are above 18 years of age, planning to travel to Thailand under either the TEST & GO and Sandbox entry schemes must get fully vaccinated for COVID-19 with a vaccine approved by Thailand's Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) or the World Health Organization (WHO) no less than 14 days before their travel date.

Currently, the MoPH has approved the following manufacturers and vaccines:

- 1. CoronaVac by Sinovac Biotech Ltd;
- 2. AstraZeneca or Covishield by AstraZeneca and the University of Oxford, SK Bioscience (South Korea), Siam Bioscience, and Serum Institute of India (Covishield);
- 3. Pfizer-BioNTech or Comirnaty by Pfizer Inc. and BioNTech;
- 4. Janssen or Janssen/Ad26.COV2.S by Johnson & Johnson Services, Inc.;
- 5. Moderna by Moderna Inc.;
- 6. Sinopharm or COVILO by Sinopharm Co., Ltd.;
- 7. Sputnik V by the Gamaleya Research Institute of Epidemiology and Microbiology;
- 8. Covaxin by Bharat Biotech International Limited;
- 9. Medigen or MVC-COV1901 by Medigen;
- 10. Sputnik Light by Gamaleya Research Institute of Epidemiology and Microbiology.





THAILAND PASS

For travelers planning to come to Thailand, having a valid Thailand Pass is mandatory during the COVID pandemic. The Thailand Pass is a web-based system designed to support Thailand's "Ease of Travel" system and to make the documentation process of the travelers entering Thailand more efficient.

The Thailand Pass can be applied directly at the MFA website https://tp.consular.go.th/

It is advised to submit/register the Thailand Pass application at least 5 to 7 days before the scheduled departure. Travelers will not be able to enter Thailand until they have received their Thailand Pass in the form of a QR code. The application for the Thailand Pass is free of charge.

Documents Required for Thailand Pass

- 1. Passport
- 2. Thai Visa (if required)
- 3. Certificate of Vaccination or Proof of Recovery
- 4. Insurance with minimum coverage of 10,000 USD
- 5. Flight details

See the list of countries allowed to enter Thailand under the Visa Exemption Rule here: www.thaiembassy.com/thailand-visa/thai-visa-exemption-and-bilateral-agreement

Recommended Medical Insurance for Thailand Pass Registration

The insurance must expressly state that it covers up to 10,000 USD medical expenses including COVID 19 and it must cover the whole stay in Thailand. Recommended Insurance as follow:

- 1. Welcome to Thailand insured by FWD (start from 650 THB/30 days) https://tqm-app.com/static/thailandpass/detail-ta-fwdgi.html
- 2. Sawasdee Thailand insured by AXA (start from 999 THB/7 days) https://tqm-app.com/static/thailandpass/detail-ta-axa.html
- 3. Say Hi Thailand insured by MSIG (start from 1,100 THB/15 days) https://tqm-app.com/static/thailandpass/detail-ta-msig.html





GETTING AROUND PHUKET

Phuket has many choices of transportations operating around the island. Many resorts and main tourist attractions are easy to get to on foot. You can also travel around the island by tuk-tuks, taxis, buses, motorbike taxis, or you can rent your own private vehicle.

OFFICIAL HOTEL/CONGRESS VENUE

Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa is located at Karon Beach, 30 minutes from Phuket Town and 45 minutes from Phuket International Airport. Phuket is a one-hour flight from Bangkok.

Set on 75 acres of tropical garden on Karon Beach, the hotel facilities include 5 restaurants, 3 pool bars, 2 lounges, 15 Spa villas, 5 Versatile meeting spaces and 10 flexible breakout rooms, 5 outdoor swimming pools, and a fitness center.

With all the fully equipped amenities, Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa is one of Southern Thailand's most comprehensive Meeting, Incentive, Convention and Exhibition destinations.









The hotel itself has over 600 guest rooms, consisting of 8 different room types which includes:

Room Rates for single or double occupancy	Garden View
Run of House Deluxe/Deluxe Plus Garden	THB 4,700 nett
Deluxe Plus Seaview	THB 5,200 nett
Jr. Suite Garden	THB 5,500 nett
Jr. Suite Seaview	THB 6,000 nett
Hilton Suite	THB 8,500 nett
Hilton Deluxe Suite	THB 11,00 nett
Hilton Superior Deluxe Suite	THB 15,000 nett
Presidential Suite	THB 20,000 nett
Extra bed for 3rd person	THB 1,900 nett/person/night

Deposits made by the ISU Members for the Congress 2020 remain valid and have been kept in account by the hotel.

If you have already made a deposit with the hotel, it is necessary to identify the proof of payment for further process in 2022 room reservation. If you have difficulty finding your proof of payment, please kindly contact the hotel representative HKTHI_RES@hilton.com or Phuket.sales@hilton.com. Alternatively, you can also contact ISU Officer at prahin@isu.ch.

For ISU Members representing both branches (Figure Skating and Speed Skating) maximum 6 Delegates are allowed. For ISU Members representing only one branch maximum 4 Delegates are allowed. Delegates' travel, board and accommodation costs shall be at the charge of the ISU Member, supported by the authorized yearly contribution from the ISU and as part of its annual budget. All other costs related to the organization of the Congress, such as the attendance at the conferences, meeting rooms' rental, Welcome/Mid-Congress/Closing dinners, coffee breaks and equipment and other local transportation and organized activities shall be at charge of the ISU and hosting Member.









The CleanStay Guest Experience

What you can expect during your stay



PRE-ARRIVAL MESSAGING

You will receive prearrival communications with your reservation details and an explanation of the CleanStay program.



CONTACTLESS & ENHANCED CHECK-IN

Honors members can use Digital Check-In and Digital Key through the Hilton Honors app to bypass the front desk and go straight to your room. Non-Honors guests will notice enhanced cleaning and hygiene standards at the front desk.



LOBBY SEATING, SIGNAGE & ENHANCED CLEANING

As you walk through the lobby, you'll notice that seating has been arranged to accommodate social distancing. You will see our team members cleaning and disinfecting the lobby more frequently. Signage encouraging social distancing and explaining the CleanStay program will also be placed throughout the lobby.





GESTURES OF HOSPITALITY

Along the way, you may encounter team members welcoming you and demonstrating hospitality while staying respectful of social distancing.





As you approach the elevator, you will see a hand sanitizing and disinfecting station for added peace of mind. Additionally, you'll notice that elevators are being cleaned more frequently, with disinfecting wipes available for your use.



CLEANSTAY ROOM SEAL

As you approach your room, you'll see that it has been sealed by housekeeping after deep cleaning and disinfection. The seal confirms no one has accessed the room since being cleaned.



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DEEP-CLEANED ROOM

As you move through your room, you will see a clean top of bed that has been washed at high temperature after every stay (a long established Hilton standard), messaging on mirror clings that outlines extra cleaning and disinfection for "high-touch areas," a sealed TV remote control and disinfecting wipes. You will also notice that printed collateral and materials have been removed from the room.



FITNESS CENTER

When you visit the fitness center, you will notice that the equipment has been arranged to accommodate social distancing. You'll also see increased availability of disinfectant wipes with signage on proper use.



FOOD & BEVERAGE EXPERIENCE



For meals and beverages, you will experience seating arranged to accommodate social distancing, order from sanitized (or single-use) menus, and notice special attention to cleanliness and hygiene. Certain of our hotel brands will feature to-go breakfast offerings to minimize contact. If you order room service, you will experience contactless delivery, with orders and single-use serviceware placed outside your door.

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CONTACTLESS CHECK-OUT

When it's time to check-out, you can do so either directly through the Hilton Honors app or simply by calling the front desk.



HOTEL SHUTTLE

If you use the hotel shuttle, you will see disinfectant wipes and communications that outline the frequency of shuttle interior hotspot disinfection and cleaning by the driver.





CONGRESS TENTATIVE AGENDA

Date	Agenda
Sunday June 5th, 2022	Welcome Reception
Monday June 6th, 2022	• Congress
Tuesday June 7th, 2022	Congress
Wednesday June 8th, 2022	CongressSightseeing TourWelcome Dinner
Thursday June 9th, 2022	Congress
Friday June 10th, 2022	CongressClosing Banquet

^{**} The exact timetable will be included in the Congress Agenda to be published in an ISU Communication.





WHAT TO DO IN PHUKET

BEACHES & BAYS

Phuket's beaches range from white sandy beaches to the rocky headlands. The major beaches and bays are Hat Patong, Hat Mai Khao, Hat Nai Yang, Hat Pansea & Hat Surin, Hat Kamala, Hat Karon Noi, Hai Nai Harn and Hat Rawai.















PHUKET'S ATTRACTIONS

Buddhist temples, known locally as Wat, are among the most important symbols of Thai culture and Thailand. Since most Thais are buddhists, temples are part of Thai people's history and identity. There are 29 Buddhist temples in Phuket, welcoming visitors to pray and learn about Buddhism.

WAT CHALONG



WAT SUWAN KHUHA









PHUKET WALKING STREET

Phuket Walking Street is the latest attraction featured in Phuket's Old Town. The Walking Street is also known as Talat Yai (which means big market). This weekly market takes place right in the middle of the historical

Sino-Portuguese district of Phuket Town. Phuket Walking Street allows visitors to discover some typical southern Thai culinary specialities as well as local handicraft and gift sales.





ISLAND HOPPING



Phuket is the perfect base for island hopping in the Andaman sea. You'll get to discover the spectacular natural beauty of the azure sea, green-clad limestone islands and amazing dive sites; all within a day trip from where you stay on the main island.







BANANA BEACH

The Banana Beach or Banana Rock Beach is not well known...yet. That aside, it is like a hidden gem, waiting for you to discover and enjoy its natural beauty. Phuket Walking Street is the latest attraction featured in Phuket's Old Town.





HANUMAN ZIPLINE

Looking for a natural and adventure combo? Look no further, the Hanuman Zipline has 28 platforms for you to fly from tree to tree.





GOOD TO KNOW

CURRENCY

Thai currency is called Baht and it is based on the decimal system. One Baht is divided into 100 Satang (which are barely being used right now). Coins consist of 25 Satang, 50 Satang, 1 Baht, 2 Baht, 5 Baht, and 10 Baht. Notes are in 20, 50, 100, 500, and 1,000 Baht.

Inbound Passenger: is allowed to bring in an unlimited amount of foreign and Thai currencies.

Outbound Passenger: An unlimited amount of foreign currencies is permitted to be carried out of Thailand.

*Note that the amount of 50,000 Baht or more in Thai currency must be reported on departure, except those traveling to Lao PDR., Myanmar, Cambodia, Malaysia, and Vietnam are allowed to take out Thai currency not exceeding 500,000 baht.

TRAVELING FROM	ESTIMATE FLIGHT TIME
EUROPE	~ 10 - 12 hours
AFRICA	~ 12 hours
NORTH AMERICA	~ 16 - 18 hours
SOUTH AMERICA	~ 20 - 22 hours
AUSTRALIA	~ 8 - 11 hours
ASIA	~ 2 - 5 hours
SOUTHEAST ASIA	~ 1 - 2 hours





CREDIT CARDS AND CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Foreign currency notes of all major currencies can be exchanged at any commercial banks, most hotels, and airports. You can also exchange your money at authorized money exchangers. Major credit cards (VISA, Master Card, American Express, Diners Club, JCB, etc.) are accepted at all major banks, restaurants, hotels, department stores, and shops.

Every bank opens every Monday - Friday from 08:30 AM - 03:30 PM except for some bank branches, especially those in the department stores which open daily from 10:30 AM - 07:30 PM.

CURRENCY	DENOMINATION	BUYING RATE	SELLING RATE
U SD	100	31.66	31.70
United States	50	31.66	31.70
	10 - 20	31.51	31.60
	5	31.41	31.60
	1	31.06	31.40
GBP	50	41.35	41.65
United Kingdom	20- 5	41.25	41.55
© EUR	500-100	35.50	35.65
European Union	50	35.45	35.60
	20-5	35.40	35.60
CHF Switzerland	1000 - 10	31.70	31.90
CNY	100	4.66	4.70
China	50	4.66	4.70
	20 - 10	4.56	4.65
	5 - 1	4.36	4.60

^{**}Note: The Currency Exchange Rates are subject to fluctuations.







HEALTH REGULATIONS

As in most countries, visitors traveling to Thailand do not require Yellow Fever Vaccinations unless you're traveling from or passing through a designated contaminated area.

> The Ministry of Public Health has issued regulations that Thai visa applicants who have travelled from or through the countries which have been declared Yellow Fever Infected Areas must provide an International Health Certificate proving that they have received a Yellow Fever vaccination.

The International Health Certificate must be submitted together with the visa application form. The traveller will also have to present the said certificate to the Immigration Officer upon arrival at the port of entry in the Kingdom. As for those nationals of the countries listed below but who have not travelled from/through those countries, such a certificate is not required. However, they should possess concrete evidence showing that their domicile

Following are the countries which are declared Yellow Fever Infected Areas.

- I. Angola: Republic of Angola
- 2. Benin: Republic of Benin
- 3. Bolivia: Republic of Bolivia
- 4. Brazil: Federative Republic of Brazil
- 5. Burkina Faso: Burkina Faso
- 6. Burundi: Republic of Burundi
- 7. Cameroon : Federal Republic of Cameroon
- 8. Central African Republic
- 9. Chad: Republic of Chad
- 10. Colombia: Republic of Colombia
- 12. Congo Republic: Democratic Republic of the Congo, Republic of the Congo
- 13. Cote d' Ivore : Republic of Cote d' Ivoire
- 14. Ecuador: Republic of Ecuador
- 15. Equatorial Guinea: Republic of Equatorial Guinea
- 16. Ethiopia: Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
- 17. French-Guiana
- 18. Gabon: Gabonese Republic
- 19. Gambia: Republic of the Gambia
- 20. Ghana: Republic of Ghana
- 21. Guinea-Bissau: Republic of Guinea Bissau
- 22. Guinea: Republic of Guinea

- 23. Guyana: Cooperative Republic of Guyana
- 24. Kenya: Republic of Kenya
- 25. Liberia: Republic of Liberia
- 26. Mali: Republic of Mali
- 27. Mauritania: Islamic Republic of Mauritania
- 28. Niger: Republic of Niger
- 29. Nigeria: Federal Republic of Nigeria
- 30. Panama: Republic of Panama
- 31. Peru: Republic of Peru
- 32. Rwanda: Republic of Rwanda
- 33. Sao Tome & Principe: Democratic Republic of Sao Tome & Principe
- 34. Senegal: Republic of Senegal
- 35. Sierra Leone: Republic of Sierra Leone
- 36. Somalia: Somali Democratic Republic
- 37. Sudan: Republic of the Sudan
- 38. Suriname: Republic of Suriname
- 39. Tanzania: United Republic of Tanzania
- 40. Togo: Republic of Togo
- 41. Trinidad and Tobago: Republic of Trinidad and Togago
- 42. Uganda: Republic of Uganda
- 43. Venezuela: Republic of Venezuela
- 44. Argentina: Argentina Republic
- 45. Paraguay: Republic of Paraguay







CUSTOMS

Personal: Customs regulations allow visitors to bring in a reasonable amount of personal effects. Cameras, 200 cigarettes or 20 grams of cigars or smoking tobacco, and one liter of alcoholic beverage are allowed. Narcotics, counterfeit goods, and pornography are strictly prohibited. For more information:

https://www.tourismthailand.org/About-Thailand/Custom-Immigration

Professional: The import of stationery items for use during conventions is not subject to import duties, as is professional presentation equipment imported under an AYA Carner.

VAT REFUND

Visitors entering Thailand on a tourist visa are entitled to a refund of 7% V.A.T. on goods purchased at registered retails outlets displaying "VAT Refund for Tourists" sign. You can also ask the personnel at the store if VAT Refund is available.



ELECTRICITY



Electrical outlets are 220 volts, 50 cycles, and accept flat-pronged plugs. Travelers with shavers, hair dryers, IT gadgets, chargers, and appliances are advised to carry a plug adapter kit. Some large hotels may have 110-volt transformers available for guests.

MEDICAL & OTHER EMERGENCY SUPPORTS

Thailand is capable of providing highly advanced healthcare. Not only we are entrusted by our neighboring countries but also by Western medical circles.

The closest Hospital to Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa is "Siriroj International Hospital" which is less than 30 mins from the Hotel. The contact number for Siriroj International Hospital is 076361888.







To reach an English-speaking operator, call the Tourist Police or in the case of an accident, an ambulance service from one of the many international hospitals in Thailand.

Emergency Services	Telephone
Tourist Police	1155
Police (General Emergency Call)	191
Ambulance and Rescue	1554
Fire	199
National Disaster Warning Centre	1860
Crime	1195
Medical Emergency Call	1669
Private Air Ambulance (Siam Air Care)	02 586 7654

THAI SIM CARDS - INTERNET PROVIDERS

There are 3 major suppliers in Thailand: True, DTAC and AIS. All of them have pros and cons, but their signal and 3G coverage is nowadays everywhere the same. So if you are going to the major touristy spots and you are not interested in 4G internet speed then simply choose the cheapest option of one of these 3 mobile companies. You will see signs everywhere saying: 'Thailand SIM card for tourist'.



TIMEZONE

Indochina Time - Time zone in Thailand (GMT+7)





WEATHER IN PHUKET

Phuket weather has always been a hot topic, especially between June and November which are considered the rainy season. During the so-called raining seasons, normally the rain would just fall for approximately 2 hours per day. If you are traveling during that time, having an umbrella with you is a wise idea.

The Island of Phuket lies in a tropical region and is warm all year round even in the raining season. So be sure to bring along and apply sun lotion to prevent sunburns.

The weather in Phuket ranges from 'not too hot' to 'too hot,' but locals and longtime residents will consider the weather to be 'freezing' if the temperature gets close to 20°C! Anyway, no matter which month you will visit Phuket, it is always warm, and the sea still feels like entering a bath.

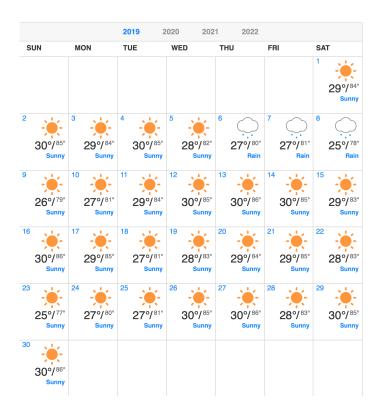


In order to give you a clearer picture of the weather you will be facing, on the next page is the recorded weather of June in the past 3 years in Phuket.

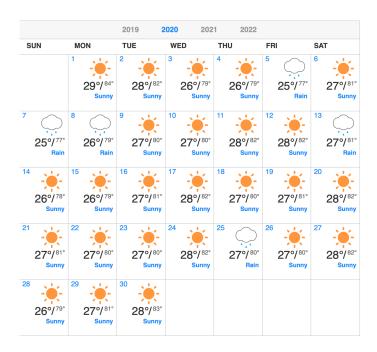




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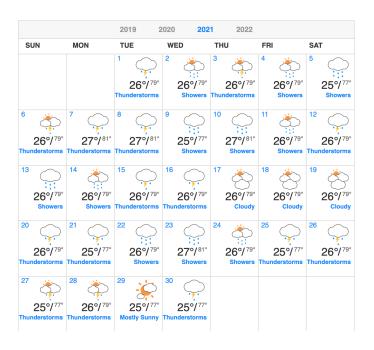
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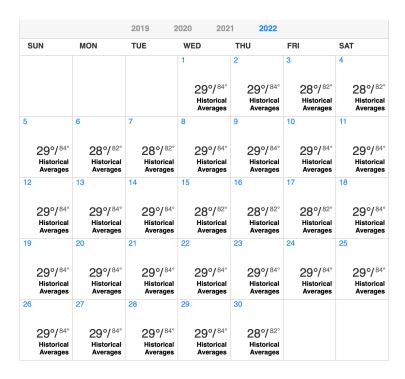




June 2021



Prediction for June 2022





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FOOD



If you love food, you will love Phuket. There are restaurants to suit every taste, serving a huge selection of western and Asian food. variety of cuisine and experiences is one of the major attractions of the island. You can eat breakfast at your hotel, lunch at a local noodle stall, and have dinner with fine wines in a sophisticated air-conditioned restaurant. While Thai food is world-renowned for its wonderful flavours and fresh ingredients, Phuket is especially famous for its seafood and, you don't have to empty your bank account to enjoy the most sumptuous of dishes.

LEARNING SOME THAI - THAI HANDY PHRASES

The first thing you need to know is that the Thai language changes a bit depending on whether the speaker is a man or a woman. The addition of the word Krub/khrup (male speaker) and Kah/kaa (female speaker) makes what is being said "polite".



Sawatdee (krub/kah)	Hello	hong naam	toilet	
Sabai dee ru	How are you?	naam keng	ice	
(krub/kah)		nit noi	small - not much - a little bit	
Sabai dee (krub/kah)	Fine	yai	large	
Khob Khun (kup/kaa)	Thank you	ā		
chai	Yes	bia	beer	
mai chai	No	soopburi	smoke (inhale cigarette smoke	e)
dai	(you/ I) can	neung	1	
mai dai	can not	song	2	
mai pen rai	never mind (handy all purpose phrase to express the Thai go-with-the-flow	sam	3	
	attitude)	see	4	
need Thei mei dei	Lean not ancak Thai	haa	5	
pood Thai mai dai	I can not speak Thai.	hok	6	
kow jai mai	do you understand? I do not understand	jet	7	
mai kow jai nee Tao Rai?	How much?	paed	8	
pang	expensive	gow	9	
pang mak	very expensive	sip	10	
lot noi dai mai	can you give a little discount	sip-et	11	
took	cheap	sip-song	12	
naam	water	yee sip	20	
chok dee	good luck	saam sip	30	
sanaam bin	Airport	roi/loi	100	
ron	hot			2





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