5 Greatest Places to See in Bangkok



When travelling to such a big city as Bangkok it is always difficult to choose a place to spend your time. Bangkok is highly populated capital city of Thailand which is most famous for its port. Every year this city develops in the field of economy due to the export services that Bangkok offers to countries all over the world and becomes more popular and attractive to the tourists. Whether you visit the capital because of your job or you are just looking for something new -- you will be really impressed by "the city of angels" that never sleeps and shines with lights. Though life in Bangkok seem to be too bustling, this city is the centre where the whole Thailand history is kept.

Despite the construction of modern buildings, the capital of the Asian country has managed to preserve many monuments of historical and cultural heritage. The city has more than 400 traditional Buddhist temples with peaked roofs that indicates importance of religion in the daily live of Thais.

We prepared for you some wonderful places of Bangkok that really worth seeing.

#1 Wat Traimit (Golden Buddha)



The main relic of the Wat Traimit, that attracts everyone is the statue of sitting Buddha which is made of pure gold. Sitting Buddha was build 7 centuries before when monks used to cover top of the statue with a thick layer of gypsum so as not to attract the attention of the invaders. Now it is available to everyone, so there is a flow of countless tourists that want to see peaceful Buddha sitting in traditional pose of Bhumisparsha Mudra. The most thing that people like about the Wat Traimit besides the statue is amazing architecture.

#2 Wat Pho



Wat Po is the oldest temple in Bangkok, also known as the "Temple of the Reclining Buddha". The statue of Buddha is enormous - its length is 46 meters and height - 15 meters. In this temple you can see displayed cultural development of Thailand. Murals and sculptures shows the origins of the famous Thai massage, meditation culture, the development of military affairs in Siam and development of archeology and geology of the country. Besides the reclining Buddha there are many golden Buddhas and stupas in the palace complex. That would be good experience for everyone, especially for those who want to get nice massage.

#3 Bangkok National Museum



This museum is the largest in Southeast Asia, where you can see a great number of antiquities including prehistoric art. Buildings that are placed on the territory of the museum have a beautiful Thai design. Inside each of the ancient room there are such collections of art and historical treasures as: jewelry, household items, weapons and tools, musical instruments. You can be sure thayou will find everything about the history of Thailand and Bangkok in there. The museum has free guided tours on Wednesdays and Thursdays and provides fascinating exhibitions every week.

#4 Temple of the Great Relic (Wat Mahathat)



The Temple of Great Relic is an ancient Buddhist temple, which is a famous for the head of Buddha made of stone, entangled in the roots of a tree. Many buildings placed on the territory of the temple complex are in a dilapidated condition. Common characteristic feature of the Great Relic Temple is the presence of many burial mounds and a large statue of a sitting Buddha. Nowadays, the temple is an important Buddhist center in Thailand for the Study of Vipassana meditation.

#5 Grand Palace



The Grand Palace is considered as the highlight of Thailand. Although the King of Thailand no longer uses the Grand Palace as a royal residence, important ceremonies such as coronation, royal weddings and banquets are still held here. At the present time, as well as other ancient palaces, it is mainly tourist attraction and it is opened to visitors. The Palace has incredibly beautiful temple on its territory called Wat Phra Kaew. The most famous attraction of this place is special Buddha statue, so do not pass it by while walking around the Grand Palace.

With places suggested above it will be much easier for you to know where to go if you have no idea, but do not forget that Bangkok is a city with rich history, filled with plenty of spectacular landscapes, wonderful spots and amazing places to visit. It is opened for you so do not lay aside your opportunity to explore such a magnificent city!

