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Nakhon Nayok Day Trip – Thursday, 30th May 2024

Itinerary & Briefing Notes

**** It's HOT ... Cold Water is available on the bus – please keep hydrated ****

08.30 – Depart BC for Wat Maneewong

(Approximately 1 hour 50 minutes journey, then 60 minutes at the Temple and Naga Palace Cave)

Wat Maneewong is a temple with over a century of history. It is renowned for its serene environment and significant cultural features. Its location and tranquil setting enhance its appeal as a peaceful retreat for reflection and spiritual activities. The temple stands out not only for its spiritual significance but also for its aesthetic and cultural significance, making it a noteworthy site in Nakhon Nayok Province.



Inside the main temple there are three main Buddha images where devotees make offerings and seek blessings. The temple complex also includes a golden chapel and a dharma center. There is an 8-meter tall Bamiyan Buddha statue. Many other deities can be viewed and asked for blessings, including images of King Naresuan and King Rama V.



Then on to one of the most notable attractions, the “Thum Payanak” Naga Cave, a man-made chasm that gives visitors the sensation of entering an underground religious palace. The cave is divided into four ‘rooms’ and showcases four families of Nagas: the Virupakkha (golden) family, the Erapatha (green) family, the Chappayaputa (rainbow) family, and the Kanhakotama (Black) family naga.

PLEASE NOTE: When you have finished visiting the Temple and the Naga Cave, please meet in the airconditioned Coffee Shop located between the Cave Exit and the front car park, where we will board the bus!

11.20 – Depart for the Khun Dan Prakarn Chon Dam

(Approximately 30 minutes journey, then 50 minutes at the Dam)



Completed in 2005, the Khun Dan Prakarn Chon Dam is the longest Dam in Thailand at 2.7km, with a height of 93 meters, with a storage capacity of 224 million cubic meters of water, and generates an average of 28 million kWh per year.

We will hire either 4- or 6-seater golf buggies and self-drive along the top of the dam, stopping in various locations to take in the views on both sides of the dam. There is a coffee shop at the far end where you can buy beverages and smoothies etc, before heading back to the base area for more viewing until it is time to board the bus.

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12.40 – Depart for the Rabbit Home Restaurant (Approximately 10 minutes journey, then 40 minutes for lunch)



We have a reservation in this well recommended restaurant. Lunch is a set menu to be shared Thai style. Drinking water and ice are included. If you would like any extras or other drinks, please pay separately.

13.30 – Depart for the Jee Tek Lim Temple (Approximately 45 minutes journey, then 45 minutes at the Temple)



Completed in 2004 the temple is a notable religious site with deep cultural significance. Heavily influenced by Chinese architecture and religious figures, the temple serves as a spiritual center for both Thai and Chinese communities. It is particularly renowned for its large jade Buddha statue, representing 'Chai Sing La' the Chinese God of Luck, which weighs around 1,000 Kg.



The temple also features a variety of impressive statues, including a 9-metres tall statue of 'Guan Yin Bodhisattva' the Goddess of Compassion. The pathways leading to and within the temple are lined with numerous statues, including 352 praying lady statues and 80 Buddha statues, creating a visually striking and serene environment for all visitors.



The temple is a popular destination for those seeking blessings for good fortune and trade, and showcases a unique blend of Thai and Chinese cultural and religious practices.

15.00 – Depart for BC (Approximately 1 hour 45 minutes journey)

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