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## Singburi



Thailand

You will be located in the outskirts of Singburi, an interesting town 142 km north of Bangkok. Singburi was founded under the reign of King Rama V through the consolidation of 3 small towns located on the bank of The Chao Phraya River. The three small towns, Sing Buri, In Buri and Phrom Buri, were then established as a single town on the west of the Chao Phraya River in 1895.

Your new home is set close to the village of Tha Kham, an extremely rural area that will give you the chance to experience the Thailand that very few get to see.

	Singburi- Standard Room			Singburi- Private Room			Singburi- Comfort Room		
 All meals included	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>
 Free beverages	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>	Yes <sup>(2)</sup>
 Persons per room	4	1-4	1-2	1-4	1-4	1-2	1-2	1-2	1-2
 Wifi in public areas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Laundry facilities	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>	Yes <sup>(3)</sup>
 Safety box	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>	Yes <sup>(4)</sup>
 Lockable rooms	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Hot shower	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Private bathroom	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Western toilet	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Bed linen	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Towels	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
 Mosquito protection	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Fan	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
 Air conditioning	Yes <sup>(5)</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

(1) On weekends brunch instead of breakfast and lunch

(2) Water, coffee, tea at the accommodation

(3) At an extra cost in local laundrettes

(4) Bring a padlock

(5) Air con will be available from 20:00-08:00



# Accommodation & Food

## About the Accommodation

Your new home will be one of our 3 'Eco Houses' near Singburi, central Thailand: Lemon House, Twin House and Brown House. They are all located riverside (River Noi – Little River) in the village of Tha Kham and depending on which house you are staying at, is about 8-15 km from Singburi (10-15 minutes by car). The 3 houses sleep from 30 to 72 people.

All houses have a communal area where you can eat, relax, meet fellow participants or use the free Wifi.

Although not directly on site, there are laundry facilities offered by locals which many of our participants take advantage of (this will probably cost you 5฿ per item, otherwise you can easily wash your clothes by hand.)

For participants desiring more comfort and/or privacy, families, couples, and more mature participants, we recommend upgrading to a comfort room. These rooms have more amenities and may be in a different location than the standard rooms, which means that it may be noticeably quieter.

**Important: A security cash deposit of 500THB is required for the key to your room. It is payable upon arrival in cash and will be returned when the key is given back at the end of your stay.**

**No alcohol is permitted in any of our accommodations, but we are located within walking distance of a local shop and there is even a makeshift bar provided by the friendly locals in front of the accommodation.**

## Food Arrangements

Food will be provided with simple homestyle meals prepared by locals, which are typical to the region, based on whatever fresh fruits and vegetables are in season at the time. You can expect lots of rice and noodles, vegetables, and occasionally some meat will be provided as well.

While we do our best to accommodate you, what we provide for most meals is local cuisine. If you are a picky eater, have dietary restrictions, or if you think that you will not be satisfied with the local dishes provided, you might want to consider supplementing our menu with your own western type foods and snacks that are more to your liking. Weekly trips to the supermarket in Singburi are provided from our accommodation and you can use our bikes to ride to a few convenience stores on other days.

Please keep in mind that refrigerator space is limited and to prevent insect infestation open food items are not allowed in the rooms.

## Facilities

There are ATMs and shops in the local village which, depending on the accommodation you will be staying at, is located between 5 minutes by bicycle to 20 minutes by foot.

There are restaurants and small local stores within walking distance of each of the accommodations.

Equally, Singburi has plenty to offer and there will be trips throughout the week into this city where you can find shopping malls, markets, restaurants and even a swimming pool!

## Mandatory Orientation Day

On the Monday of your first week at this location, you will join our orientation day, to familiarize you with the surroundings as well as local culture. Your program will continue as usual from Tuesday onward throughout the rest of the week.

## Schedule

- Introduction meeting, House rules, Setting Expectations, Health and Safety Advice and handling of documents.
- Tour around the compound and local area/village of Thachang; where to find local shops, and arrange a sim-card if necessary.
- Visit Wat Phikun Thong
- Thai Do's and Don'ts, Thai Culture Lessons and Thai Language Lessons.
- Head to the centre of Singburi town for some essential shopping.
- Participate in a Welcome dance performance

## Activities & Events

### Tuesday Evening

Visit the night market in Tha Kham. Taste all types of Thai food, stock up on inexpensive clothing or just soak in the atmosphere of this small town!

### Wednesday Afternoon

This is free time for most participants and we offer a trip into Singburi. You can choose to use the swimming pool, go for a Thai massage or take advantage of a trip to a shopping centre.

### Wednesday Evening

You will have the option to attend a self-service BBQ for dinner (Thai style, of course!). This is a fantastic opportunity to socialise with all the other participants, eat great food and enjoy some music.

### Thursday Evening

There is a trip to a shopping mall, where you can buy any essentials, snacks, western food (pizza shops, KFC, ice cream parlour, coffee shops etc)

## Sights & Surroundings

Locally, Singburi itself has plenty to offer in terms of sites and attractions, ranging from its many Buddhist temples. There is also a swimming pool, two shopping centres and many markets.

You can also choose to travel to Bangkok during weekends. It takes 2.5 - 3 hours either by minivan or bus from Singburi . We provide detailed information about this each week.