



## Northern Thailand Accommodation Chiang Mai

We have been to Northern Thailand before. This time we only visited the City of Chiang Mai and the surrounding areas. Please find below our recommendations for hotels and sightseeing trips.



**5**  
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### Narittaya Resort & Spa



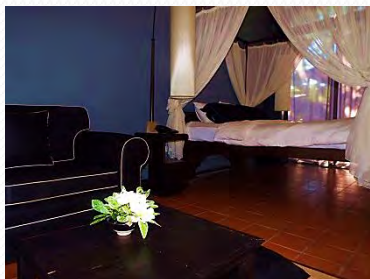
(out of 5 stars)

This is Narittaya's philosophy: At Narittaya Resort and Spa, we take our environmental and social responsibilities very seriously. Whether it's developing resorts and toiletries using sustainable materials, recycling waste materials, growing our own organic food or preserving ecosystems, we are always prepared to take the initiative. Our aim is to create unforgettable, enlightening experiences that rejuvenate each guest's love of SLOW LIFE. It's about illuminating lives whilst treading lightly on the earth.

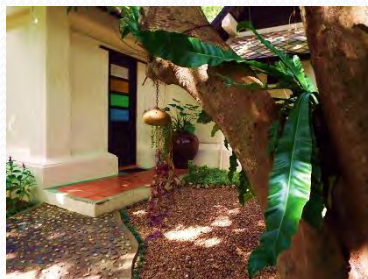
**Our verdict:** Located in a rural area outside from Chiang Mai Narittaya Resort & Spa is a unique heaven for all who would like to stay in a peaceful and quiet surrounding away from the hustle and bustle of Thailand's second biggest city. We loved the 5 star organic foods from the very skilled chef and his team. Our little villa was spacious, air-conditioned, nicely decorated and had a small pool in the covered outside area. Treatments in the Spa have been very enjoyable. Staff are very friendly and helpful. The management should concentrate on better English language skills for the waiters to avoid misunderstandings. After all a very much recommended place to stay and eat.

**Price indicator:** 120-250 USD/night/room incl. breakfast - depending on room and season

**Location: 7 room: 8 sleep quality: 9 food: 10 service: 8 cleanliness: 8 value: 8 Total: 8,2**  
scale of one to ten: 1 poor <-----> 10 perfect



Private pool villa (bedroom)



Private pool villa



small pool in the backyard



Garden restaurant



Part of the organic garden



Very tasty Thai food



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### Rachamankha



(out of 5 stars)

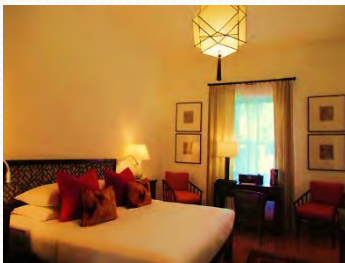
On the hotel's website it is written:

"Rachamankha, the leading luxury boutique hotel, does not reveal itself to the passerby, but excites curiosity and creates a receptive mood. Only after passing through the hotel forecourt, the Zen-like simplicity and sophistication of the colonnaded courtyards welcome guests to the world of serenity and contentment. The interior of Rachamankha was conceived according to an oriental concept of simplicity albeit with extraordinary attention to detail."

**Our verdict:** Rachamankha is more than a boutique hotel – it is an architectural master piece and a very comfortable oasis right in the middle of Chiang Mai's hustle and bustle. The rooms are nicely decorated in a very tasteful mix of antiques from different parts and time periods of the world. Everything has been done in a very comfortable way. As mentioned on the website: Attention to detail is visible all around the grounds. During our 7 night's stay at the Rachamankha we enjoyed the view to the pool from our room and considering that it is located in the middle of the city, it is very quiet during the night. The breakfast at the elegant restaurant consisted of a delicious variety of cooked dishes from the menu and a small buffet. The dinner menu offered a wide range of international and Thai dishes which tasted well but not outstanding. To avoid misunderstandings it would be perfect if the waiters would speak a little bit more English.

**Price indicator:** 250-600 USD/night/room incl. breakfast - depending on room and season

**Location: 8 room: 8 sleep quality: 9 food: 9 service: 9 cleanliness: 8 value: 9 Total: 8,6**  
scale of one to ten: 1 poor <-----> 10 perfect



Courtyard superior room



Pool area



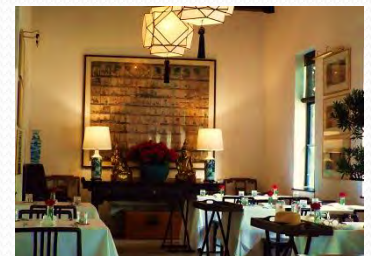
Guest lounge



Library



Courtyard







## Thailand Bangkok Accommodation

Bangkok



**Sheraton Royal Orchid** ★★★★★+ (out of 5 stars)

**From the hotel's own website:** Welcome to the Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel & Towers, an elegant 5-star hotel located in Thailand's capital Bangkok. Situated on the enchanting Chao Phraya River, all of our 726 guest rooms showcase unobstructed river views. Dine with family or friends at one of four restaurants, or catch the complimentary shuttle boat to the Bangkok sky train to discover more of the city's dynamic dining scene. Two resort-style swimming pools, a tranquil spa, tennis court, and lush meditative gardens inspire you to feel your best and ensure an unforgettable stay at our 5-star riverside Bangkok hotel.

**Our verdict:** We stayed a couple of times at the Sheraton Royal Orchid and always enjoyed the spectacular views to the Chao Phraya River below. The hotel rooms are a bit on the smaller size, but we found everything we needed. Bathrooms are also well supplied, beds are comfortable, breakfast buffet is good with plenty of selection. We love this elegant city hotel but we have to say the time has left marks on it.

**Price indicator:** 150 – 300 USD/night/room incl. Breakfast- depending on room and season

**Location:** 9 **room:** 7 **sleep quality:** 8 **food:** 9 **service:** 9 **cleanliness:** 9 **value:** 9 **Total:** 8.6

Bangkok



**Pullman King Power** ★★★★★+ (out of 5 stars)

**From the hotel's own website:** The hotel has been fully renovated. Guests will be introduced to a brand new concept in hotel lobby design named 'THE JUNCTION, THE NEW LOBBY BY PULLMAN', 354 newly designed guestrooms and suites, including 18 new Deluxe Rooms with private balcony, "Facet of Foliage", a dining concept from Cuisine Unplugged, and Glen Bar's newly-constructed mezzanine space under the theme of "VERY Thai". Step outside and experience the best of Bangkok. Quick access to the sky train puts the airport 30 min. away. The outdoor pool is one of the largest in Bangkok.

**Our verdict:** A very nice modern style city hotel in Bangkok. We loved the contemporary design of the lobby and the rooms which are around 30m<sup>2</sup> and nicely decorated and well equipped. Breakfast buffet was excellent with lot of choices. Location is perfect (close to Metro) lots of shopping areas and lovely restaurants. Pool is fantastic. Staff very helpful. We stayed here for two nights before they started major renovation work. As far as we know from other travellers it is now even more impressive and we are looking forward to be back.

**Price indicator:** 115 – 220 USD/night/room incl. Breakfast- depending on room and season

**Location:** 8 **room:** 8 **sleep quality:** 8 **food:** 8 **service:** 8 **cleanliness:** 8 **value:** 9 **Total:** 8.1