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Apr 09  
Whilst travelling in South East Asia (within the last month) I was inspired to follow your author China Williams' "favourite trip" from Kanchanaburi to 3 Pagodas Pass and Burma. On my arrival at 3 Pagodas Pass I was informed by one of the guards at Sangklaburi immigration checkpoint that the border was closed to which I responded "will it be open tomorrow?" This was greeted with a hail of laughter from the border guard who explained that in fact the border had been closed for the previous 2 years and there were no plans to re-open it.

**108**

Jan 09  
Admission to Wat Phra Kae in Bangkok is now 300 Baht to Wat Arun 50 Baht.

**110**

Feb 09  
Wat Arun entry has risen from 20B to 50B.

**111**

Feb 09  
Royal Barges Museum from 30B to 100B. The photo permit is still 100B. And there was no tourist boat leaving Tha Phra Athit to the museum only expensive boat trips. We took the ferry to the bridge and walked from there. Fortunately there are some signs even if the path is a little "strange".

**111**

Feb 09  
There were some updates on the prices of tickets in Bangkok and the latest edition (2007) still has the old prices. The changes I noticed on our trip this January were: - The National Museum from 40B to 200B! Seems like they want to recover the costs of the restoration... :-/

**132**

Feb 09  
Vimaneek Mansion Bangkok Thailand does not have traditional Thai dances any longer. They told us they haven't been doing that for 4 years. I hope you find this helpful! No problem in the 12th edition it's on page 132 to 133. It's actually under Dusit Park Palace. The Thai dancing reference is on page 132.

**148**

Jan 09  
The Bangkok Film Festival page 148 is not in January (anymore). It was held in September in 2008.

**156**

Apr 09  
The prices for Golden Palace Hotel should be updated as 1100 Baht for Standard rooms (no window) and 1350 for Deluxe rooms (windows).

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The prices for Miami Hotel should be 900 for Standard rooms and 1100 Baht for Family Rooms (bigger rooms).



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The information about May Kaidee's vegetarian restaurant in Bangkok is confusing and there's a tiny sign for the restaurant posted on a greasy spoon that's mostly meat which causes confusion. May Kaidee's is basically behind the Burger King and you have to turn left off the alley way that is to the right of the Burger King to find it. The confusing sign is on the corner of the street that branches off of the alley and it looks like the greasy spoon is May's but it's actually left down the alley and the food is amazing. Hope this is helpful!

159

Mar 09

from the 12th edition of the Thailand guide---the Ton Pho restaurant on page 159 and map on page 120 #44 I'm sad to say is no more. I'd eat there every time I was in BKK and now it's a fancy hotel and restaurant and way too pricy for the locals and me who would frequent Ton Pho.

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Apr 09

BANGKOK - We found the "prepaid" stand outside the international arrivals hall was quite misleading and whilst they gave you a voucher for your destination no money was exchanged and this was to be settled with your taxi driver. Our driver then took us on a circuitous route and refused to reset his meter despite us asking him to when we initially got in. This happened with a few drivers and we know it is common. We simply handed over what we felt was the fair price at the end of these rides and didn't encounter too much argument. Wat Arun entrance fee is now 50B. The New Siam Guesthouse we found to be good value and very efficient. Ricky's Coffeeshop was also noteworthy for good food and coffees at reasonable prices.

199

Feb 09

I would like to inform you about considerable price increases that we have encountered: Ayuthaya: for wats the entrance fee of 30B as shown in LP has gone up to 50B and they have increased the number of wats for which an entrance fee is asked

218

Jan 09

Another place with grossly inflated prices is Tiger Temple in Kanchanaburi which now costs 500B rather than 300B.

220

Apr 09

En-route to 3 Pagodas Pass I spent one night in the town of Thong Pha Phum which was also mentioned in China's account. There I stayed at one of the hotels mentioned in Lonely Planet So Boonyong Hotel. Your guidebook states "the manager speaks English" I found no one there that spoke English. Indeed I only managed to find one person in the entire town that spoke any English. The town in contrast to my experiences in the rest of Thailand appeared to be generally unfriendly and not welcoming.



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The border at Three Pagodas Pass has been closed indefinitely for some time. (A stall owner called Toorah at the adjoining market let me jump a secret fence for a quick runaround in Myanmar in exchange for buying a bottle of whiskey.)

**238**

Mar 09

I am the operator of a program you have listed under "Volunteering" in the Pattaya section of Thailand's 12th edition - the "Elephant Mahout Project". We have made a few contact changes and would like them to be in the next edition. We have changed our website from [www.ecoexplorerthailand.com](http://www.ecoexplorerthailand.com) to [www.realexperiencethailand.com](http://www.realexperiencethailand.com). Our new phone number is 038775349. If you would like to add an additional contact [info@realexperiencethailand.com](mailto:info@realexperiencethailand.com) is our email for customers. Thank you for your time and I hope these new changes will be included in the new edition of Lonely Planet Thailand.

**241**

Mar 09

The bus station at Pattaya now serves all of Bangkok's major bus terminals.

**247**

Mar 09

The cottages of Ao Cho Grand View resort are very good but the price is accordingly (3000-4000 baht per night). But as you justly say prices are negotiable on weekdays.

**259**

Jan 09

One further comment about Koh Chang: We have been at the Jungle Way: There are no Yoga lessons any more (the teacher is not there anymore) although they are looking for somebody new. But the place is still extremely nice and friendly and the food is excellent. We very enjoyed our stay there.

**264**

Apr 09

On Ko Chang (the big one) the Treehouse Lodge on Lonely Beach is still operating just as a restaurant - the food is good.

**268**

Mar 09

Ko Kham near Ko Chang now appears to be privately owned. According to a local the new owner doesn't appreciate uninvited guests (such as snorkelers).

**281**

Mar 09

Restaurant Mangsawirat Kangreuanjam: it is located on the opposite side of Th Inthawarorot than what it is on the LP map. Also the name of the restaurant wasn't anywhere or if it was I didn't notice it because I saw the huge yellow Vegetarian Food sign first!



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Changing Address I'm owner of Chiangmai Adventure Company that you have information about us in lonely planet book of thailand. Thank do much about your help for promote CMA. Now Chiangmai Adventure changed the address to 184/1 3rd floor D Town Inn Tunghotel Rd. Amphur Muang Chiang Mai 50000 THAILAND Tel. 053 304556 -7 Fax. 053 304557 Mobile. 089 9521000 E-mail : [cnxadventure@hotmail.com](mailto:cnxadventure@hotmail.com) [www.cmadventure.com](http://www.cmadventure.com) [www.chiangmaiadventure.co.th](http://www.chiangmaiadventure.co.th) So Could you pls changing our address for your next promote in Lonely Planet book or anyway. Thank you very much. Pls keep lonelyplanet going the best information for travellers. Sincerity Danai P.S.

**296**

Apr 09

I am running the All in 1 Guesthouse in Chiang Mai. This guesthouse has appeared in recent editions of the Thailand guidebook under the formerly name of Baan Manee but has changed its name since NOVEMBER 2006. so we daily receive phone calls regarding a guesthouse with rates and services totally different from the late guesthouse the e mail address which you provide on your book simply does not exist or has nothing to do with the ALL IN 1 GH. The phone number is correct (053 207 133) the correct addresses are [info@allin1gh.com](mailto:info@allin1gh.com) or [gilles@allin1gh.com](mailto:gilles@allin1gh.com) or [zinegilou@hotmail.com](mailto:zinegilou@hotmail.com) this is our website : [www.allin1gh.com](http://www.allin1gh.com)

**301**

Feb 09

In Thailand the restaurant in Chaing Mai Antique House is closed.

**303**

Feb 09

One night we wanted to eat italian food and we found out that La GONDOLA has bankrupted but Da stefano was great option after

**319**

Mar 09

Laan Pai Lin noted as an essential oil store close to the university isn't there anymore [or else I just missed it but I don't think that's the case].

**319**

Apr 09

I have just seen in your website the contact details for 'Laan Pai Lin' The aroma shop in Chiang Mai Thailand. I have their business card just in my hand and the telephone number you have published is wrong. The contact details for this shop are: Tel & Fax: 053 222 026 email: [laanpailinshop@yahoo.com](mailto:laanpailinshop@yahoo.com)

**321**

Jan 09

Bus to Mae Sariang – 191 baht 2nd class aircon (the guidebook says 1st class but there is no 1st class).



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- 330** Jan 09  
Chiang Do: Nature Home Guesthouse: I just would like to correct my guest house name and updated in lonelyplanet "Thailand" guidebook on page 330 Sleeping in Chiang Dao..pls correct my guesthouse name to "Nature Home Guesthouse" NOT "Nature Guesthouse" and please use this phone number for furture/booking contact 089 913 3911
- 333** Mar 09  
In the town of Tha Ton just north of Fang I noticed that the large Maekok River Village Resort is completely closed. It appears to be an abandoned site. It looks like it was once a very busy place.
- 348** Mar 09  
Although it's fairly easy to reach Wat Phra That Lampang by sawngthaew there are no sawngthaew waiting at the temple end. Visitors will probably need to return on a motorcycle taxi or walk the 3km back.
- 370** Mar 09  
If you cross over a land border into Thailand without a visa you now only get 15 days rather than the 30 days that you used to get. This change took place in December 2008. When I went back into Mae Sai (Thailand) from the Burmese side in Tachileik I first noticed this change. It did not affect my plans but it could have if I was off by only a day or two. Apparently if you fly into Thailand without a visa they still give you the 30 days. I got 30 days when I flew into Bangkok.
- 372** Mar 09  
Chiang Saen's major temple site the Pa Sak Temple costs 50 baht to get in.
- 398** Jan 09  
Night market – starts well after 5pm. We were there at 5.30pm and it was only just being set up then.
- 403** Jan 09  
Entrance fees for Sukhothai historical par are as follows: Each Zone (central northern western southern eastern) is 100 Baht the ticket for al of them is 350 (does not include the museum which is another 150 Baht nor any other Historical park) That is a rise of 400% (for the museum that is) and i guess it would be appropriate to say some more words on wheahter it is worth looking at some stuff or not. Seems that al the prices for historical parks have gone up considerably around october this year (Kamphaeng Phet is 150 for two zones and 100 each)



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Since the start of December 2008 lots of entrance fees have soared in price. One such example can be found at Sukhothai Historical Park. The 30-day 150B ticket for all sites museums and Si Satchanalai has gone. Instead \*all\* tickets are now only good for a day and the 150B ticket has not only risen to 350B but no longer includes the museums or Si Satchanalai. Ramkhamhaeng National Museum is now 150B and each individual site is 100B.

**403**

Feb 09

Sukhothai: the price of a combined ticket for the temples in the historical park has been increased from 150B to 350B. Moreover the ticket is no longer good for repeated visits over 30 days it is valid for 1 day only. This is outrageous.

**403**

Apr 09

SUKHOTHAI HISTORICAL PARK - Now charges a whopping 100B per person per sector (as of 1 Dec '08).

**408**

Jan 09

Shared Songthaew – new city to historic park Sukhothai – 30 baht.

**411**

Jan 09

The Kampheng Phet Historical park is divided into two zones (the central one within the walls and the forested area north of the city (Aranyik) Each zone is 100 Baht admission both together are 150 Baht.

**433**

Jan 09

Khun Yuam: very noisy: every village has a 'leader' and when they are chosen they get a set of powerful loudspeakers as a gift. I was in Thailand in 1988-89 and in 1998-99 and had never seen this then so this is apparently a rather new development and it's spreading rapidly these speakers can be heard in many villages and towns now. I lived in San Klang for a while a village just east of Chiang Mai just outside the first ring road and these speakers came nearer and nearer and just as I left they were hanging speakers just around the corner from my house. You get some music some public announcements maybe a couple of commercial messages as well but that usually doesn't last longer than half an hour to one hour. Khun Yuam was different though: the noise started at around 4 PM and lasted until 9 PM and it was deafening and it started again at 6 AM the next morning. Very nice. Not.



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Thailand We just wanted to send you some corrections to our listing in Lonely Planet Thailand. Our accommodation is Soppong River Inn in Soppong Mae Hong Son Thailand. We have some corrected information about our listing at our website, and this is the copy below. You can also visit our website at [www.soppong.com](http://www.soppong.com) if you like and we keep update information about Soppong there that you are certainly free to use. Our property is described as "basic huts or stylish rooms in a river-facing two storey house". Actually a "two storey house" is not part of our accommodations at all and we do not have any rooms located inside a two storey house. Two of our cottages (Leelawadi and River Rim Cottages) are located over the river and two (Rice Hut and The Baan) are located at opposite corners at the top of our property. Our three rooms are located adjacent to our river deck. Our "huts" may or may not be considered "basic" but they do have teak furnishings modern en-suite bathrooms with glass bricked gas hot water showers queen-size beds with 100% cotton sheets refrigerators and

**444**

Mar 09

The private pick-up trucks from the Soppong bus stop to Tham Lot were nowhere to be seen when I visited. Even when I asked people with pick-ups if they would be willing to take me they turned me down without even naming a price. Motorcycle taxis are practically the only option.

**467**

Mar 09

Visitors to Ko Mak can take speedboats straight to Trat for 450B rather than having to take a boat to Ko Chang and then on to Trat.

**470**

Jan 09

The entrance fee for the Prasat Meuang Sing Historical Park is 100 Baht

**493**

Jan 09

NONG KHAI - Sala Kaew Sculpture Park – entry 20 baht for foreigners.

**551**

Mar 09

Please check where the Phetchaburi map locates Khao Banda-It. Either it is slightly off or the tuk-tuk driver took me there via the scenic route (which is possible).

**557**

Apr 09

Hua Hin / Shopping Bookazine is no longer at the given location but moved to "Market Village" a new mall south of the city centre.

**563**

Mar 09

The bus station in Hua Hin has moved south.

**594**

Jan 09

Koh Samui. your accommodation section lists "Eden" as one of your preferred choices in the 600-800 baht range but infact they are charging 1990 baht at this time.



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Boat to Had Thian now costs 150 baht and you have to have or wait until there's at least 2 people for the ride.

**650**

Feb 09

Mountain Resort on Aow Khow Kwai (Ao Khao Fai). I noticed that you refer to their old phone number in the guide so I thought it'd be best for everybody to send you the new one: 080-1447208. It's a mobile and usually Kannun the owner would answer it.

**651**

Jan 09

The slow boat to Ko Phayam is now 150 Baht and there's also a speedboat for 300.

**667**

Feb 09

The tourist office was difficult to find because it is in the wrong place on your map - it's actually in the road behind that on the map.

**668**

Apr 09

Mae Porn restaurant has moved out of Phuket Town so should disappear from the next edition.

**669**

Jan 09

O'Malleys has been close for a year now.

**669**

Feb 09

Phuket Also the restaurant Ka Jok See (in book) is difficult to find because it has no name (just the coloured glass) but it is right next door to Khana Sutra which is easy to find.

**672**

Apr 09

paragraph starting with "Along the dirt road..." is misleading because it immediately follows the JW Marriott review so lets readers think Marriott is on Nai Yang and close to these restaurants whereas Marriott is in Mai Khao in a remote place. This led us to booking the Marriott thinking we'd have plenty of nice seafood restaurants on the beach...

**703**

Feb 09

Krabi province: The prices you mentioned for Hat Ton Sai in Krabi province went double. Internet cost s 3 baht per minute there.

**761**

Jan 09

I have just returned from Thailand and crossed into Myanmar at the Mae Sai border crossing The Thai immigration office will now only issue a 15 day visa on re-entry rather than the 30 day as stated in the latest issue. This didn't cause us any problem but could be an issue for others on longer stays or if they are using this to renew their visa.