



The five-star guide to Phuket

With its turquoise waters, white-sand beaches and Thai culture, there's little wonder why Phuket has long been a favourite for well-heeled travellers. Add an extra touch of luxury to your next trip to the Pearl of the Andaman with our ultimate guide for discerning travellers.

Less than 90 minutes' flight from Bangkok, **Phuket**, Thailand's largest island caters for every luxury traveller, whether you're seeking beach bliss along the coast, a gourmet odyssey radiating out from the culturally rich capital or jungle adventures in the lush interior. We share where to stay, where to eat and what to do for the ultimate five-star experience of this beloved holiday island.

When it comes to rejuvenation, visitors to Phuket are spoilt for spa sanctuaries. Along Mai Khao Beach in the island's north, **JW Marriott Phuket's Mandara Spa** is a haven of 32 treatment rooms spread over 1,590 square metres. Book the signature Ritual of Javanese Lulur for a floral, milk-infused treatment once experienced by Javanese royalty. Within the **Laguna Phuket** complex, **Banyan Tree Spa** adds ancient expertise to its 'Sense of Place' rituals, Chevit ('life') and Cheva ('living'). Experiencing Banyan Tree's signature rain shower Tropical Rainmist treatment is also a must. In the south, **Kata Rocks** is a white-on-white modern sanctuary with an equally chic and sleek spa. Your visit begins with an assessment and consultation for a personalised wellness journey. Day visitors can take advantage of the **Infinite Luxury Experience**, which combines access to the resort's facilities with a THB3,500 voucher per person, redeemable on food, beverage and spa treatments.

