



Jungle To Island - r5d

Trip summary	5days / 4 nights – 1N Khao Sok National park, 1N Kuraburi, 2N Koh Surin
Getting there	Tour starts at Khao Sok National Park, end in Kuraburi
In-country support	International support staff, local guide, bilingual Thai/English translator, visitor's handbook
What's included	Transfers during the tour, accommodation, activities and meals as stated in the program
Availability	Mid October 2019 – Mid May 2020

Bask in the beauty of a 20 million year old rainforest and immerse in the nature of the Khao Sok National park area. Spend your nights in a jungle bungalow and then trip to a floating bungalow on a majestic lake. Enjoy eco adventures or relax in the tranquility of nature. Take a unique private tour of Koh Surin with the original Moken inhabitants of this tropical paradise. Bask in the natural beauty of the Surin Islands while you immerse in Moken Life and snorkel the crystal waters of the Andaman Sea.

Day 1 Jungle Resort (B,L,D)

Morning Arrive to the Khao Sok National Park area and bask in the fairy-tale scenery of the vividly colored limestone mountains that rise sharply above the untouched forests. The jungle here is over 20 million years old, and is home to a vast variety of flora and fauna species, and a perfect place for an eco adventure and relaxation in beautiful nature

Noon At 3PM join a local community group for a canoe trip down a gentle river while floating by towering limestone cliffs to take in the scenery. Stop and enjoy a hot drink from a handmade bamboo cup with your local guides. Or if you want to take it easy enjoy a one hour Thai Massage

Evening In the late afternoon, swim in the river, relax in a hammock, or enjoy the view from your wooden deck. Join us in the restaurant for an independent dinner before retiring to your room for the night.

Overnight: jungle resort in Khao Sok

Day 2 Jungle Exploration (B,L,-)

Morning Wake up to the sounds of forest birds chirping and gibbons singing in the forest. Have breakfast at 8:30am, and head out for a half day hike in Khao Sok National Park. Alternately, head to the hot springs for a relaxing bath in the heated water, and stop at a beautiful viewpoint along the way

Noon Return to the resort to check out of your room by 1pm and have an independent lunch at our river-view restaurant. Relax at the resort until you transfer 1.5 hours to the small town of Kuraburi and stop at the Andaman Discoveries Office for a briefing of your Koh Surin Program

Evening Walk the evening market with your Andaman Discoveries translator. Enjoy an independent dinner at a local restaurant

Overnight: Local Resort in Kuraburi





Day 3 Moken village visit (B,L,D)

Morning Have a traditional Thai breakfast at the local market in Kuraburi with your translator and then transfer to the Kuraburi Pier. Transfer to Koh Surin by speedboat. Check into your tent accommodations at the National Park Headquarters. Meet your local guide and take a long tail boat trip to the Moken village. A tour around the village is an insight into the intricate relationship between the Moken and their surrounding environment. Learn about the brightly colored "Spirit Poles" and Moken homes, built on wooden stilts directly on the beach

Participate in a handicraft workshop and learn the traditional art of Moken weaving. Use forest Pandanus leaves to weave a natural bracelet. Keep it as a souvenir and show off to your friends at home

Noon Forest hike - your Moken guide will highlight useful plants, including medicinal herbs, edible species, and those used in construction of traditional houseboats
Snorkeling - coral reef exploration with Moken guide. Your guide will take you to a wonderland of colorful tropical fish and allow you to witness the impressive Moken swimming techniques

End your day with your Moken guide and return to the park headquarters to relax and enjoy the sunset from the white sand beach

Evening Dinner at the park headquarters restaurant

Overnight: Koh Surin National Park, tents on the beach with bedding provided; Electricity generated from 6-10 pm



Day 4 Life of the Sea Gypsies (B,L,D)

Morning Breakfast at the park headquarters restaurant
Meet your Moken guide and take a snorkel tour to see the underwater life of the sea gypsies, how they have adapted to living in the water, and why they love it. Watch as your Moken guide spots sea turtles and sharks swimming in the waters

Noon Return to the park headquarters to have a Thai style lunch
Hop back on the long tail boat to go visit special Moken places around the islands and learn how they have lived here for generations. Back at the park headquarters enjoy free time to walk the beach, relax, and enjoy the sunset

Evening Dinner at the headquarter restaurant

Overnight: Koh Surin National Park, tents on the beach with bedding provided; electricity generated from 6-10 pm

Day 5 Mythology of the Moken (B,L,-)

Morning Breakfast at the park headquarters restaurant. Try your hand at rowing a Moken "row-boat" and re-

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enacting their method of spear fishing. Head out to another snorkel site if there is time

Noon Return to the park headquarters to have a Thai style lunch

Pack your belongings and prepare for departure from the island

Depart Koh Surin by speedboat to Kuraburi Pier

Transfer back to Kuraburi town to end your program

Moken Music Activity- Listen to beautiful songs that tell stories and the history of the

Moken people. Day of Moken music will be decided by guide.