



Travel Tips

These Travel Tips were selected to help you with any questions you may have for your forthcoming holiday.

HOLIDAY INN

Since June 1st 2001, Palm Beach Travelodge resort is officially *Holiday Inn Resort Phi Phi Island*, a member of the InterContinental Hotels Group.

TIME ZONE

Thailand is GMT+7 hours and does not practice daylight saving.

CLIMATE

The Andaman Sea region enjoys a tropical climate throughout the year. Temperatures range between 25 to 35° C, with a monthly average of approximately 30° C. Humidity ranges from approximately 75% to 95%. Whilst the weather is generally sunny all year round, the period from May to October is expected to have a higher probability of rain and stronger winds. **During this period rain is not constant and there is lots of sunshine to enjoy.** All resort facilities are open throughout the year. Water temperature is about 26° C.

LOCATION

The resort is situated at the less touristy northern tip of the larger Phi Phi Don Island. The normal area for day-trippers is to the island's Southern coast and to Maya Bay, which is located on the smaller Phi Phi Leh Island.

LAEM TONG BEACH

The 500 m beachfront of the resort is part of Laem Tong Beach, which is a great place for swimming, snorkelling and sunbathing; the coral reefs can be seen easily through the crystal clear water just off the beach.

TRANSFERS

Public ferries depart both to and from Phuket's Rasada Pier twice daily at 8:30 AM and 13:30 PM. The boat journey takes around three hours according to tidal conditions. From Phuket International Airport to the ferry you must allow a 60 minutes ride. **Staff from the resort will assist with boarding and disembarking the ferry on the island.**

If you are travelling from Krabi, it takes about 30 minutes from Krabi International Airport to Klong Jilard Pier, where there is ferry service two times a day. Ferry travelling from Krabi takes around two hours to Tonsai Bay. From there, a long-tail boat to the resort can be arranged on request and takes approximately 35 minutes.

For ferry transfers or private transfers by speedboat or seaplane, please contact the resort directly.

CHECK-IN / CHECK-OUT TIME

Check-in time is after 13:30 PM. Check-out time is before 11:30 AM. For your convenience prior or after the boat transfer, there is a changing room with showers should you require it.

ACCOMMODATION & BEDDING

Holiday Inn Resort Phi Phi Island is an intimate boutique-style resort comprising 77 bungalows built on the beachfront and throughout the tropical gardens. **All bungalows are of the same size and facilities featuring polished wooden floors, air-condition, private balcony, shower, CD player, mini-bar, tea and coffee facilities, in-room safe, bathrobes, slippers, hair dryer and a beach bag.** For families interconnecting bungalows are available.

The Beachfront bungalows are advantageously located just a few steps away from the beach. The Sea View bungalows provide partial views of the sea and the Garden Bungalows are scattered over the resort's tropical gardens.

All bungalows are equipped with a king size bed and an additional single bed. Rollaway beds and baby cots are available upon request subject to availability.

RESTAURANT & BARS

Tai Rom Prao Restaurant offers a choice of dining inside or al fresco on the outside terrace under the palms. A wide selection of fine Thai, Asian and European cuisine awaits to tempt your taste buds. Daily breakfast and dinner theme buffets with live cooking, evening seafood market along with a la carte menu are available. Traditional live performances several times a week are to entertain you during your dinner. Open daily from 6:30 to 10:00 AM and from 18:00 to 22:00 PM.

Mong Thalay Bar is situated on the beachfront overlooking the Andaman Sea and neighbouring islands. This is a perfect place at any time of the day, providing a friendly casual atmosphere to unwind with your favourite cocktail, lunch and snacks or to meet with friends while you take in the refreshing sea breeze and gentle lapping waves. Enjoy on screen and live entertainment programs. Open daily from 10:00 AM to midnight with happy hours offered 3 times every day.

Sunset Hilltop & Satay Bar, located on the hilltop lookout, with incredible sunsets over the western horizon, while you sip on a cool, tall cocktail or beer and freshly cooked BBQ mixed grilled satay. A romantic venue to watch the sunset in paradise! Open daily from 17:00 to 19:00 PM.

Average costs for meals per person are 450 Baht for breakfast, 425 Baht for lunch and 750 Baht for dinner. These rates are subject to 10 % Service Charge and 7 % Government Tax.

BEACH & SWIMMING

The resort fronts onto 500 meters of white sandy beach, qualified as maritime national park, which is suitable for swimming all year round. There is no lifeguard on duty so swimming in the sea is at your own risk. Beach shoes are especially recommended during low tide. The resort also has a fresh water free form pool with a depth of 0.6 to 1.9 meters, an adjoining children pool and Jacuzzi.

ACTIVITIES

For the energetic ones there are plenty of daily activities including boat tours, fishing, Thai cooking and cocktail classes and sports such as beach volleyball and football, badminton, tennis, basketball, snooker, darts as well as water sports. A mini-library and a CD/ VCD selection is also available at all times.

TOURS / EXCURSIONS

The nearby islands and beaches are popular for scuba diving, snorkelling, picnics and sightseeing which can be arranged through the resort. Boat excursions by long-tail boat and speedboat either individually or as part of a small group can be booked.

WATER SPORTS

The resort's Water Sports Centre provides equipments for snorkelling, kayaking and windsurfing. Fishing with a local guide either by long-tail boat or speedboat is also a great leisure activity. For divers, or those who would like to learn diving, there is a 5 star PADI Gold Palm Dive Centre. Please note the Phi Phi area is a maritime park. Therefore, water skiing, jet skis and parasailing are not encouraged, to keep in harmony with the natural environment.

SHOPPING

Gifts, handicrafts, souvenirs, reading materials, basic pharmacy items, snacks and beverages can be found at the resort's boutique. The main township of Tonsai Bay has a wide variety of small shops, bars and restaurants. It takes about 35 minutes by local long-tail boat from the resort to Tonsai.

SPA & MASSAGE THERAPIES

Spoil yourself with a relaxing and rejuvenating treatment by the beach or in the private treatment room. Bu Nga Raya Spa has an exquisite variety of treatments, massages and packages.

TELEPHONE

All bungalows are provided with telephones. To make an international call, guests can connect through the Operator or use Collect Calls service (a valid credit card is required for this service). Due to the island landscape the mobile phone networks are unstable and not available in all areas.

INTERNET

Internet equipped PCs can be used in the lobby. Wireless Internet access is obtainable in the restaurants, beach bar, pool, pool deck and the lobby.

CLOTHING

Light and free flowing clothes are recommended in tropical climates.

BANK / MONEY

Foreign currencies are exchangeable at the resort and all major credit cards are accepted. The nearest ATM / cash machines are located in Tonsai Bay.

Travellers cheques may be exchanged for Thai Baht by the front desk cashier. The rates are based upon the daily bank rate and include a small transaction fee. Please notify that personal cheques are not accepted by the resort.

AIRLINE SERVICE

The resort staff can handle confirmation of tickets or ticket purchase with prior notice.

HEALTH / MEDICAL

A registered nurse stands by at the resort 24 hours per day for any minor medical requirements. At Tonsai township is a small hospital and there are excellent international medical facilities in Phuket if required. In the event of an emergency, a speedboat may be arranged through the resort.

Being in a tropical location, sun block and insect repellent are both recommended for your comfort.

HONEYMOON

Holiday Inn Resort Phi Phi Island is the ideal place for couples to spend their honeymoon in a tropical paradise setting. For this occasion, some specials will be arranged if notified by the guests at the time of booking.

CUSTOM

Please refrain from nude or topless bathing since it is not part of Thai culture.

ELECTRICITY

Electrical supply is 220 volts. Adapters can be borrowed from the reception.

LANGUAGES

English is spoken and some staff members at the resort speak a few European languages.

TRANSPORT

As there are no roads on the island, transportation is by local long-tail boat and speedboat, which can be easily rented at the resort.

HANDICAPPED FACILITIES

Whilst the resort is easily accessible, the boat journey is challenging for those with any walking difficulties. Full assistance provided if required.

CHILDREN FACILITIES

For the little ones there is a children's pool. Baby cots or baby sitters may be arranged. A special menu for children can be found in Tai Rom Prao Restaurant and Mong Thalay Bar.

GOLF

There are no facilities for golf on the Phi Phi Islands. If you are bringing golf clubs on your trip to Thailand, you should try to leave them at your hotel in Phuket/ Krabi prior to your departure for Phi Phi.

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