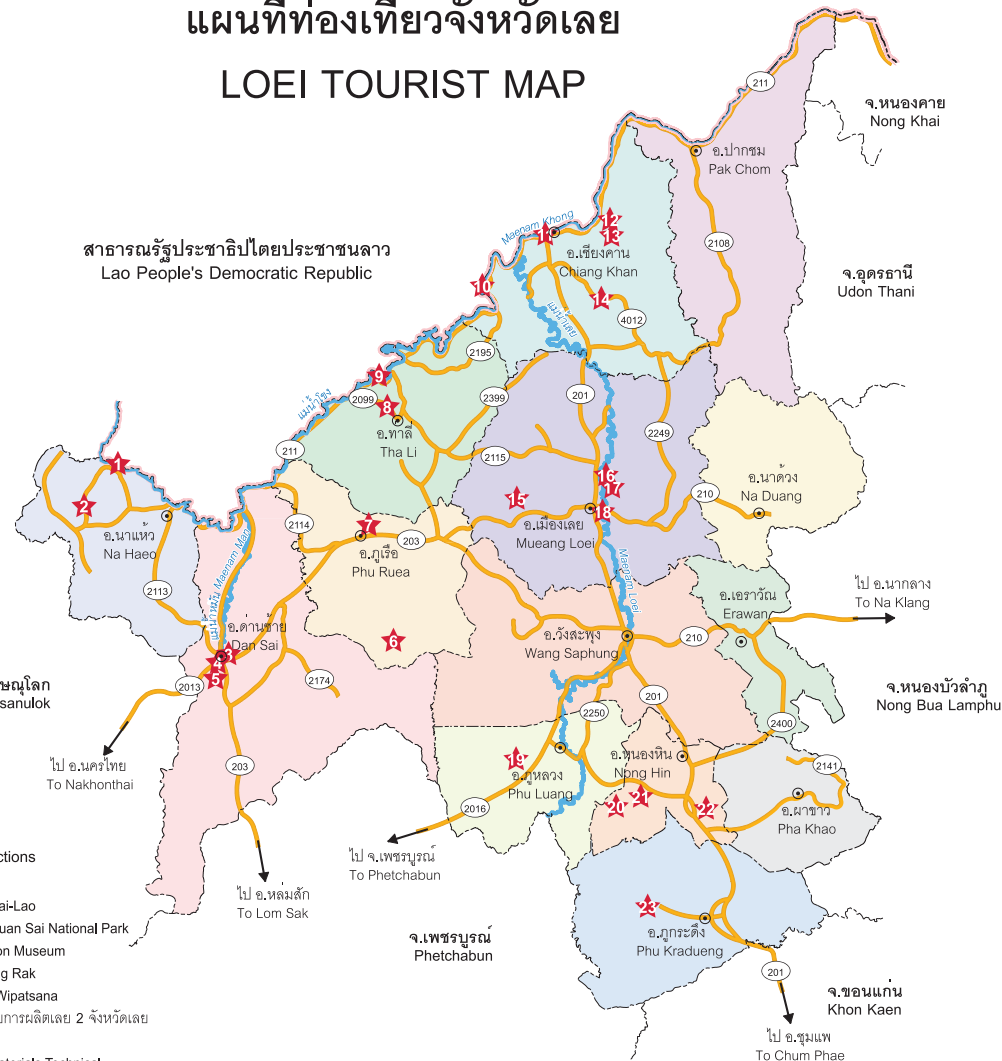




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Namtok Tat Hueang or Namtok Thai-Lao
- 2 อุทยานแห่งชาติภูสวนทราย Phu Suan Sai National Park
- 3 พิพิธภัณฑ์บ้านผไทโซ่ Phi Ta Khon Museum
- 4 พระธาตุศรีสองรัก Phrathat Si Song Rak
- 5 วัดเนรมิตวิปัสสนา Wat Neramit Wipatsana
- 6 ศูนย์บริการวิชาการด้านพืชและปัจจัยการผลิตเลย 2 จังหวัดเลย
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Loei Plant and Plant Production Materials Technical Service Centre 2, Loei Province
(Phu Ruea Highland Agricultural Experiment Station)
- 7 อุทยานแห่งชาติภูเรือ Phu Ruea National Park
- 8 พระธาตุสี่จุ๊จะ Phrathat Satcha
- 9 สะพานมิตรภาพไทย-ลาว
The Thai-Lao Friendship Bridge across the Hueang River
- 10 พระใหญ่ภูผากว๊ว Phra Yai Phu Khok Ngio
- 11 วัดศรีคุณเมือง Wat Si Khun Mueang
- 12 แก่งคุดคู้ Kaeng Khutkhu
- 13 วัดพระพุทธรูปผาควนเงิน
Wat Phra Phutthabat Phu Khwai Ngoen
- 14 หมู่บ้านวัฒนธรรมไทดำ Thai Dam Cultural Village
- 15 อ่างเก็บน้ำห้วยน้ำมานตอนบน และห้วยกระตัง
Upper Huai Nam Man and Huai Krathing Reservoir

- 16 ศูนย์วัฒนธรรมจังหวัดเลย Loei Cultural Centre
- 17 กลุ่มทอผ้าไทยเลยบ้านก้ำปลา
Ban Kang Pla Thai Loei Fabric Weaving Group
- 18 ศาลเจ้าพ่อกุดป่องและศาลหลักเมือง
Chaopho Kut Pong Shrine and the City Pillar Shrine
- 19 เขตรักษาพันธุ์สัตว์ป่าภูหลวง Phu Luang Wildlife Sanctuary
- 20 สวนหินผางามหรือสวนหินเมืองเลย
Suan Hin Pha Ngam or Thailand's Kunming
- 21 ถ้ำโพธิสัตว์ หรือถ้ำหินเมืองเลย Tham Phothisat or Thailand's Gullin
- 22 ถ้ำมโหฬาร Tham Mahoran
- 23 อุทยานแห่งชาติภูกระตัง Phu Kradueng National Park

สัญลักษณ์ Legend

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|---|-------------------|------------------------|
| ● | อำเภอ | Amphoe (District) |
| ★ | สถานที่ท่องเที่ยว | Tourist Attraction |
| — | แหล่งน้ำ, แม่น้ำ | Stream, River |
| — | ทางหลวง | Highway |
| — | เส้นขอบเขตประเทศ | International Boundary |
| — | เส้นขอบเขตจังหวัด | Province Boundary |
| — | เส้นขอบเขตอำเภอ | District Boundary |



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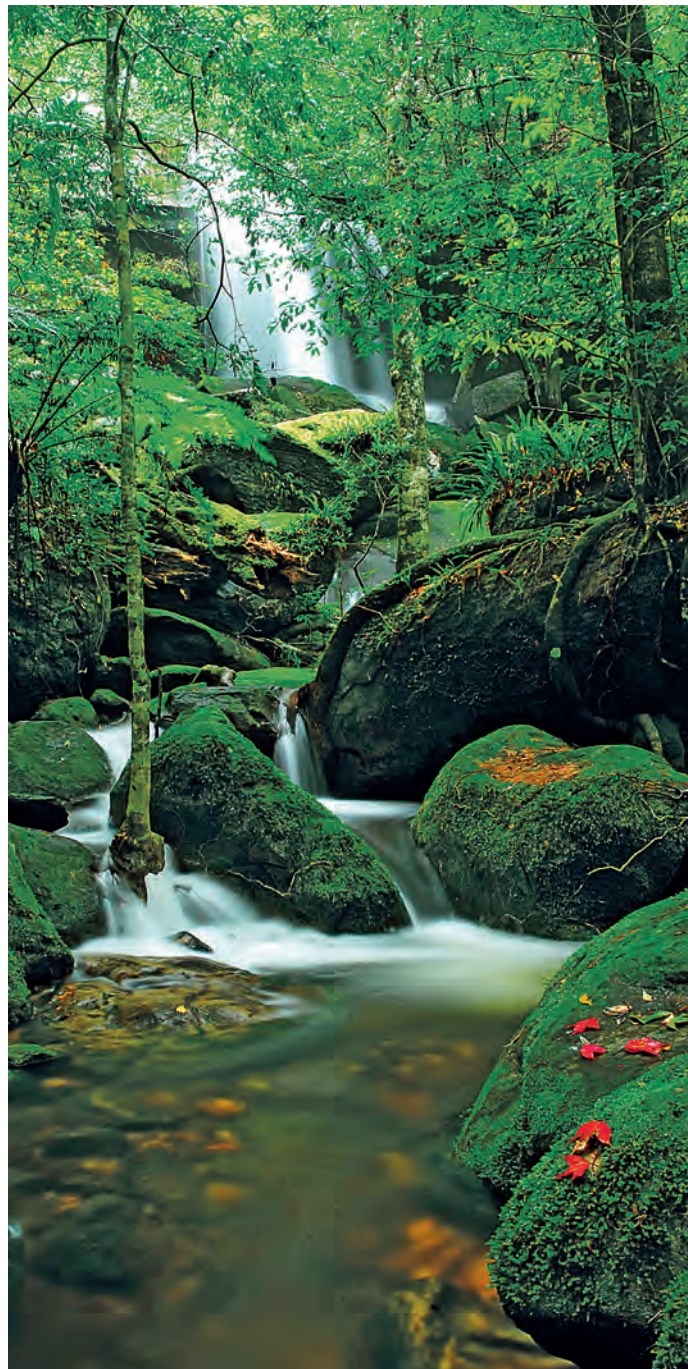
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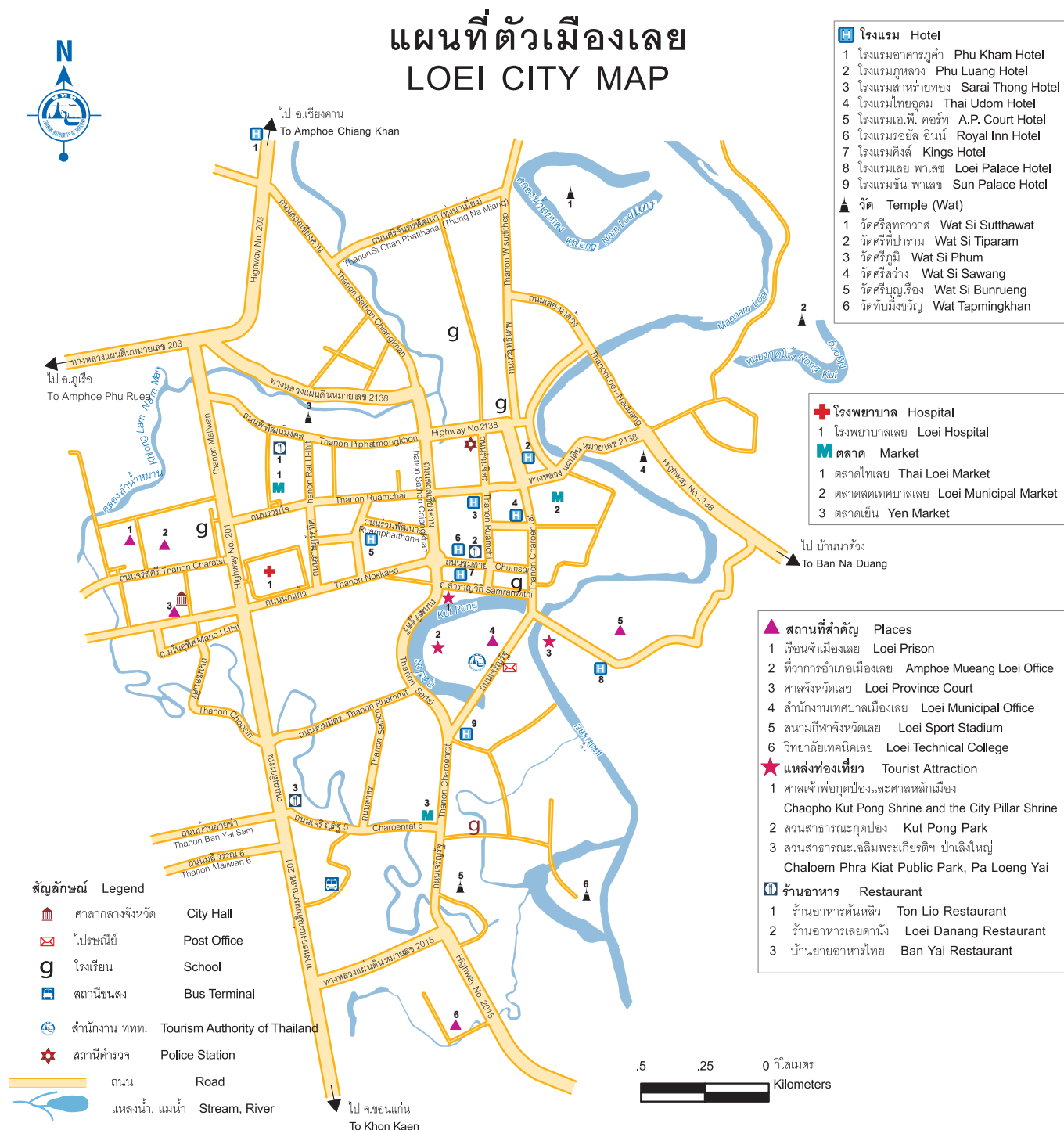
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Namtok Khunpong, Phu Kradueng National Park

LOEI

Thai Term Glossary

Amphoe	: District
Ao	: Bay
Ban	: Village
Hat	: Beach
Khao	: Mountain
Ko	: Island
Laem	: Cape
Maenam	: River
Mueang	: Town or City
Muko	: Group of Islands (Archipelago)
Namtok	: Waterfall
Phu	: Mountain
Pha	: Cliff
Tambon	: Sub-district
Tham	: Cave
Ubosot or Bot	: Ordination hall in a temple
Wihan	: Image hall in a temple
Wat	: Temple

Note : *English spelling here given tries to approximate Thai pronunciation. Posted signs may be spelled differently. When seeking help from a Thai for direction, point to the Thai spellings given after each place name.*

Loei is an ecotourism city surrounded by undulating mountain ranges whose summits are covered by foggy lines, abundant with various kinds of flora. The well-known ones are Phu Kradueng, Phu Luang and Phu Ruea. Its temperature is comfortably cool, with beautiful geographical surroundings, as well as, unique cultures and traditions; Phi Ta Khon, awaiting travellers to come and experience the miracle of this land.

Loei is 520 kilometres from Bangkok, covering an area of 11,424 square kilometres. It is a boundary province located in the upper northeastern part of Thailand, on the bank of the Mekong River along the Phetchabun mountain range. In the past, it was a small community in a prosperous empire during the same period as the Thai Kingdom of Ayutthaya. Later, the Lan Chang Empire became weaker, therefore, the community moved to be with Ayutthaya. During the reign of King Rama V of the Rattanakosin period, the community was

upgraded to be Loei province. Loei is divided into 14 districts; namely, Amphoe Mueang Loei, Amphoe Wang Saphung, Amphoe Pak Chom, Amphoe Chiang Khan, Amphoe Tha Li, Amphoe Phu Ruea, Amphoe Dan Sai, Amphoe Phu Kradueng, Amphoe Na Haeo, Amphoe Na Duang, Amphoe Phu Luang, Amphoe Pha Khao, Amphoe Erawan, and Amphoe Nong Hin.

Boundary

North	Connects to The Lao People's Democratic Republic.
South	Connects to Khon Khaen and Phetchabun.
East	Connects to Nong Khai, Nong Bua Lam Phu and Khon Kaen.
West	Connects to Phitsanulok.

HOW TO GET THERE

By Car : From Bangkok, take Highway No. 1 or Phahonyothin Road, passing Amphoe Mueang of Saraburi. Turn into Highway No. 21, passing Phetchabun. Then, take Highway No. 203, passing Amphoe Lom Sak, Lom Kao into Loei province at Amphoe Dan Sai, Amphoe Phu Ruea to Amphoe Mueang Loei. It takes approximately 7-8 hours. Otherwise, from Saraburi, take Highway No. 2, passing Nakhon Ratchasima to Khon Kaen, a total distance of 536 kilometres and turn left into Highway No. 12, passing Amphoe Chum Phae and take Highway No. 201 into Loei province through Amphoe Phu Kradueng, Amphoe Wang Saphung and Amphoe Mueang, being a total distance of 540 kilometres.

By Bus : The Transport Co., Ltd. provides daily buses between Bangkok - Loei both normal and air - conditioned ones. The trip takes approximately 10 hours. For further information, please contact the Bangkok Bus Terminal (Chutuchak), Kamphaeng Phet 2 Road, Tel. 0 2936 2852-66 or at www.transport.co.th. Moreover, there are other private bus companies such as Air Mueang Loei Co., Ltd.'s Bangkok Office at Tel. 0 2936 0142 or Loei Office at Tel. 0 4283 2042, Chumpae Tour Ltd., Part's Bangkok Office at Tel. 0 2936 3842 or Loei Office at Tel. 0 4283 2285, Phet Prasoe Co., Ltd.'s Bangkok Office at Tel. 0 2936 3230, Amphoe Phu Ruea Office at Tel. 0 4289 9386, Amphoe Dan Sai Office at Tel. 0 4289 1908.

By Train : There is no railway station in Loei. However, visitors can take a train from Bangkok Railway Station (Hua Lamphong) to Udon Thani and take a bus to Loei. For further information, please contact the State Railway of Thailand at Tel. 1690, 0 2220 4334, 0 2220 4444 or www.railway.co.th or the Udon Thani Railway Station at Tel. 0 4222 2061.

By Plane : At present, Nok Air Co., Ltd. has provided the Bangkok - Loei Route on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Contact Tel. 1318 or www.nokair.co.th. Otherwise, the Bangkok - Udon Thani route provided by Thai Airways International Public Co., Ltd. or Air Asia Co., Ltd. can be taken. Contact THAI's Udon Thani Office at Tel. 0 4224 3222, Udon Thani Airport at Tel. 0 4224 6567, www.thaiairways.com, or Air Asia Co., Ltd. at Tel. 0 2515 9999 or www.airsasia.com. Then, continue with a bus or rent a car from Udon Thani to Loei.

Distance from Amphoe Mueang Loei to other districts

Amphoe Wang Saphung	23	kilometres
Amphoe Na Duang	32	kilometres
Amphoe Tha Li	47	kilometres
Amphoe Chiang Khan	47	kilometres
Amphoe Phu Luang	49	kilometres
Amphoe Phu Ruea	50	kilometres
Amphoe Erawan	50	kilometres
Amphoe Nong Hin	50	kilometres
Amphoe Pha Khao	70	kilometres
Amphoe Phu Kradueng	73	kilometres
Amphoe Dan Sai	82	kilometres
Amphoe Pak Chom	90	kilometres
Amphoe Na Haeo	125	kilometres

Distance from Loei to other nearby provinces

Nong Bua Lam Phu	106	kilometres
Udon Thani	152	kilometres
Phetchabun	190	kilometres
Khon Kaen	206	kilometres
Phitsanulok	269	kilometres

Travelling around the province can be done by mini buses (Song Thaeo), departing from the Bus Terminal on Maliwan Road.

Travelling from the centre of the province to other districts and nearby provinces can be done by buses, departing from the Bus Terminal on Maliwan Road.

ATTRACTIONS

Amphoe Mueang Loei

Chaopho Kut Pong Shrine and the City Pillar Shrine

(ศาลเจ้าพ่ออุดป่องและศาลหลักเมือง) is located approximately 100 metres from the fountain roundabout next to the Kut Pong Public Park. It is an ancient shrine highly respected among the people. The city pillar shrine was constructed in 1982. The city pillar was made of the golden shower wood elaborately carved into a lotus shape at its top and gilded with gold leaf on black lacquer with a height of 139 centimetres.

Chaloem Phra Kiat Public Park, Pa Loeng Yai (สวน

สาธารณะเฉลิมพระเกียรติฯ ป่าเลิงใหญ่) is situated in front of Loei Municipality. It is a 2-rai public park by the Loei River. There is a decorative garden with various kinds of flowers and decorative plants. Tourists can cross the hanging bridge into the park.

Tourism Authority of Thailand, Loei Office Building

(อาคารที่ทำการการท่องเที่ยวแห่งประเทศไทย สำนักงานเลย) was previously the City Hall and Mueang Loei District Office, located within the compound of the Kut Pong Public Park, Charoen Rat Road, near Loei Municipality. Their Majesties the King and Queen stayed overnight at this building's first upper balcony when they visited the Loei people in November 1955. The Loei Provincial Council of Culture collected the King's chair at this place. The building was constructed in 1933. Nowadays, the Fine Arts Department has registered it as a national ancient monument for preservation.

Loei Museum (พิพิธภัณฑสถานเมืองเลย) is located at the old building which formerly served as the Mueang Loei District Office (on the upper floor of the TAT Loei Office). It is also a national ancient monument under the responsibility of the Loei Provincial Administration Organisation and the Loei Provincial Culture Office. History of Loei from the past to the present as well as local arts, culture, and traditions are on display at this Museum

which is divided into three parts. The first part or Room 1 displays the history of Loei. Room 2 features important culture and traditions of Loei province, with a display of everyday life utensils in the past of the Thai Loei people. Room 3, which is called “Roi Sadet” or traces of the royal visit, exhibits the royal chairs of H.M. the King and H.M. the Queen during their three visits to Loei : a visit to plant conifers on Phu Kradueng in 1955, a visit to meet their subjects in Amphoe Dan Sai in 1973, and a visit to boost the spirits of the National Defence Volunteers to protect the motherland at the forecourt of Loei Provincial Hall in 1981.

Loei Cultural Centre (ศูนย์วัฒนธรรมจังหวัดเลย) is located within the compound of the Loei Rajabhat University. It is a two-storey building, collecting and publicising various aspects of information on Loei such as religion, traditions and ways of living. The centre’s building is divided into 3 sections; namely, the First Part: is a conference room with a slide presentation on Loei province and daily life utensils of the people in the past, the Second Part: is a temporary exhibition room presenting ancient Buddha images made of wood, sandstone, terra-cotta and silver, as well as, various Phi Ta Khon masks, ancient utensils and equipment donated by the local Loei people. Besides, there is an exhibition organised in rotation every 3 months, displaying various stories of Loei’s festivals and traditions, the Third Part: is a “Boeng Thai Loei Room”, presenting a permanent exhibition, considered as the major and the most distinguished part. This grand room displays every aspect of Loei covering its geology, geography, history, traditions and ethnology. Loei Cultural Centre is open daily from 8.30 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. Please deliver a letter in advance for a group visit to the Loei Cultural Centre, Loei Rajabhat University, Loei - Chiang Khan Road, Amphoe Mueang, Loei 42000. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4283 5223-8 ext. 5128.

To get there : take Highway No. 201 (Loei-Chiang Khan) for a distance of 5 kilometres.

Wat Tham Pha Pu or Tham Phiang Din (วัดถ้ำผาปู หรือ ถ้ำเพียงดิน) houses the remains of Luangpu Khamdi Paphaso, who discovered this place. The temple is a grand cave within a stone mountain. There are Buddha images enshrined in the cave, as well as, stalagmites and stalactites. Outside the cave is a habitat of Phayre’s langurs, gibbons and monkeys.



To get there : Take the Loei-Chiang Khan route from Amphoe Mueang for 7 kilometres and turn left toward Amphoe Tha Li for 3 kilometres.

Phu Pha Lom Forest Park (วนอุทยานภูผาล้อม) is situated in Tambon Nam Suai, 24 kilometres from the city. It is comprised of steep limestone mountains with various pointed summits similar to a wall surrounding the virgin forest in the middle. There are various kinds of plants, herbs, sightseeing points, and caves such as Tham Kaeo, Tham Pha Bong, as well as, Bo Nam Sap or Nam Phut, which is a sacred seepage pond located in the middle of the forest. It is believed to be a Naga hole, a water passage of Naga leading to the Mekong River. For touring the forest, there must be a ranger leading the tour. As for tourists who wish to stay overnight, there is a camping site near the office of the forest park. Tourists should contact 1 month in advance at Phu Pha Lom Forest Park, P.O. Box 7, Loei Provincial Post Office, Loei 42000.

To get there : Take the Loei-Na Duang route on Highway No. 2138 from the city for approximately 9 kilometres and turn



Chiang Khan

left into the Loei-Ban Phia route along Highway No. 2249 for a further 9 kilometres. At Ban Phia where there is an intersection, turn right near Wat Liap into Highway No. 3117. Go straight on for 2 kilometres and turn left for 4 kilometres.

Upper Huai Nam Man and Huai Krathing Reservoir

(อ่างเก็บน้ำห้วยน้ำหมานตอนบนและห้วยกระติง) is an earth-filled dam with a capacity of 26 million cubic metres, covering an area of 1,500 rai with a crest of 800 metres long. It was constructed for irrigation purposes. There is a beautiful atmosphere of bamboo forest and surrounding mountains.

To get there : Take the Loei-Phu Ruea route, 15 kilometres from the city and turn right for a further 5 kilometres.

Amphoe Chiang Khan

Chiang Khan is a small serene district on the bank of the Mekong River with accommodation, restaurants, and cruising service provided. Famous souvenirs of the district are quilts and glacéd coconut which visitors should not miss to buy. Moreover, there are beautiful attractions, awaiting to be admired.



Wat Si Khun Mueang (วัดศรีคุณเมือง) is located on Chai Khong Soi 7 Road, to the north of Chiang Khan Market. It was constructed in 1942 with a boundary wall surrounding the Ubosot. This temple is a collection venue of Lanna and Lan Chang arts presenting at the Ubosot whose roof is in many layers reflecting the Lanna style of art. There are also many objects of art such as a carved Buddha image gilded with gold leaf on black lacquer in the forgiving posture of the Lan Chang style. The image's hair is in small pointed buttons, while its ears are quite pointed and long. It is assumed to have been cast during the 19th - 20th century. Besides, inside the temple stands a carved wooden sermon pulpit gilded with gold leaf on

*Kaeng Khutkhu*

black lacquer with a backrest whose top is similar to a spire of a castle. At the front of the Ubosot are many mural paintings. All of which were newly painted to replace the original ones depicting the ten Jataka stories.

Kaeng Khutkhu (แก่งคุดคู้) is a large cataract in the middle of the Mekong River. As it is exactly situated at the curving part of the river, the flow of the swift current passes this cataract. During the rainy season, there is a flood hiding the overall cataract. The appropriate period to visit the attraction is from February to May when it is dry and the cataract is clearly visible with a curve of a sand bar by the river. As for tourists who would like to closely experience the Mekong River and the nature

along both sides, they can rent a motor boat, for a round trip of approximately 1 hour on an agreed price. Moreover, there is various food provided such as grilled chicken, papaya salad, Lap - spicy chicken salad, and other recommended dishes such as Phla - spicy shrimp salad with lemon grass and mint, Kung Ten - live Lanchester's freshwater prawns with herbs and lime juice, and spicy fish soup from the Mekong River at reasonable prices.

To get there : Tourists can take a bus which runs around the town to Kaeng Khutkhu which is located approximately 3 kilometres from Amphoe Chiang Khan.

Phra Phutthabat Phu Khwai Ngoen (พระพุทธรูปทวดายเงิน) is located at Ban Pha Baen, Tambon Buhom. The Buddha's footprint is 120 centimetres long and 65 centimetres wide, enshrined on a whetstone and was registered as a national ancient monument in 1935. The footprint is highly revered among the locals. In the past, it was difficult to come to worship the footprint; therefore, it was believed that only those who possessed a lot of merit and fortune would be able to come and pay respect to the footprint. Those who did not have enough luck would have many obstacles, preventing them from completing their journey even though some might have high intention, while some might get lost. Every year, on the full moon day of the third lunar month, the temple will organise an annual celebration which is a significant event for the locals.

To get there : Take the Chiang Khan - Phak Chom route for a distance of 6 kilometres to Pha Baen village and turn to Umung village for 3 kilometres to the foot of the mountain. Continue further along the laterite road for 1 kilometre.

Phra Yai Phu Khok Ngio (พระใหญ่ภูคกจิว) is also called Phra Phuttha Nawaminthara Mongkhon Lila Thawinakharaphirak. It is situated at Phu Khok Ngio, Ban Tha Di Mi, Tambon Pak Tom, on the hillside at the connecting point of the Hueang and Mekong Rivers. It is a walking Buddha image in the blessing posture, cast of fibre and golden resin combined. It is 19 metres high and 7.2 metres wide at its base. It was cast by the Second Army Area Command and the people as a form of merit making for Their Majesties the King and Queen on the auspicious occasion of His Majesty the King's 6th Cycle Birthday Anniversary

in 1999, as well as, the 50th Anniversary of the Royal Coronation Ceremony in 2000. The construction was completed on 2 February, 2001. Visitors can admire the beautiful scenery of the Mekong River and the Lao People's Democratic Republic at this place.

To get there : From the centre of Loei, take Highway No. 201 (Loei - Chiang Khan) for 47 kilometres, turn left at the T-junction, go straight on to Ban Tha Di Mi, and turn right at Ban Tha Di Mi School for a further 2 kilometres.

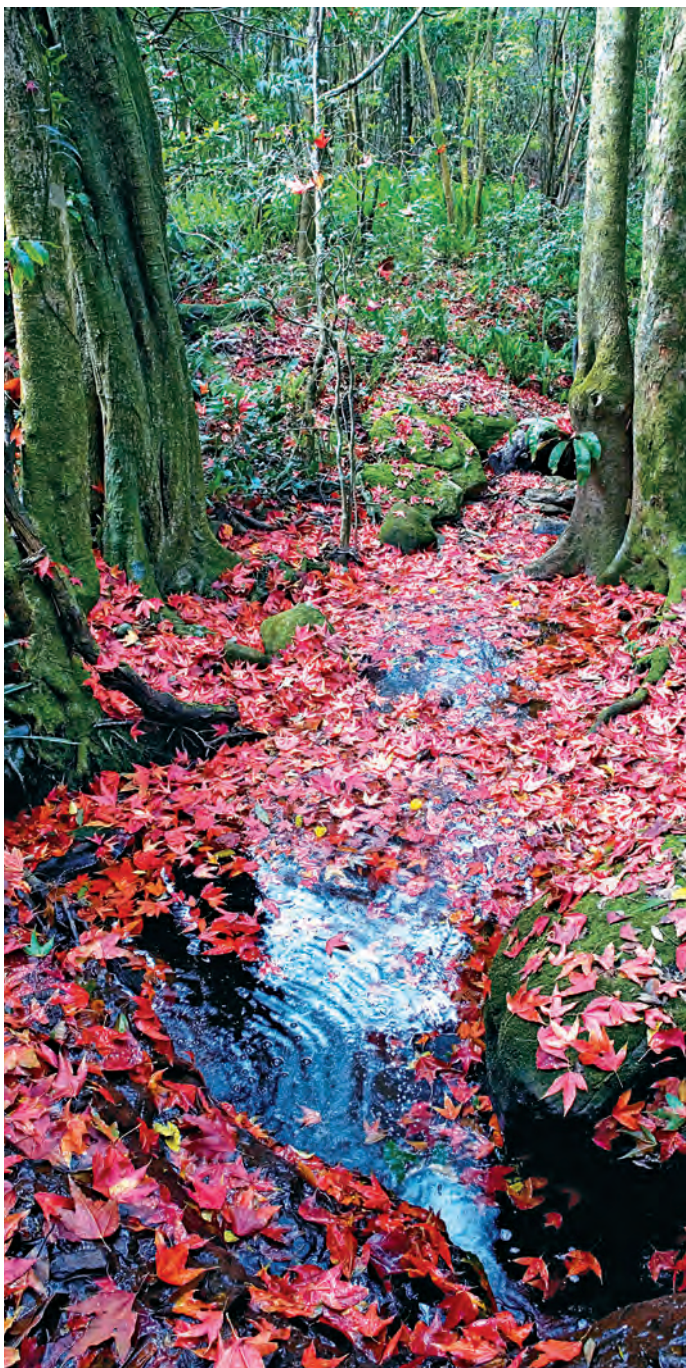
Thai Dam Cultural Village (หมู่บ้านวัฒนธรรมไทดำ) is located at Ban Na Pa Nat, Tambon Khao Kaeo. Initially, the Thai Dam people migrated from Muong Thanh or Dien Bien Fu, Sip Song Chu Thai region, Vietnam, around 1907, to settle down at Ban Na Pa Nat. Presently, there is the conservation of the Thai Dam culture, houses built in a uniquely original style of the Thai Dam people, and everyday life utensils showing the way of living in the past. Furthermore, there is a local cloth weaving group. Visitors can see the villagers' weaving and buy products as souvenirs. For those who are interested in homestay services to experience the Thai Dam way of living, contact the Association of Thai Dam Cultural Conservation one week in advance at Tel. 08 3332 2828, 08 4925 0771, email : pettabong@gmail.com. The accommodation costs 100 Baht/person/night, and food 80 Baht/person/meal.

To get there : Take the Loei - Chiang Khan route for 38 kilometres, and turn right to follow the direction sign toward Ban Na Si for another 10 kilometres before reaching Ban Na Pa Nat.

Amphoe Na Duang

Tham Pha Ya (ถ้ำผายา) is located inside Wat Tham Pha Ya at Ban Mai Santi Tham, Tambon Na Dok Kham. Inside the cave is a flock of millions of insect-eating bats. Visitors can wait and see them flying out of the cave and searching for food in a long line for nearly an hour from 5.00 to 6.00 p.m. everyday.

To get there : From Amphoe Na Duang, take Highway No. 2138 for approximately 8 kilometres. Turn into Highway No. 2249 for 9 kilometres and turn right at Ban Phia (near Wat Liap). Then, continue along the Ro Pho Cho Road (No. 3117) for 11 kilometres.



Phu Luang Wildlife Sanctuary

Amphoe Wang Saphung

Sirindhorn Art Centre (ศูนย์ศิลป์สิรินธร) is situated within the compound of Si Songkhram Witthaya School, constructed in 1993 and covering an area of approximately 6 rai. It is a venue displaying beautiful paintings of students who have gained popularity at both national and international levels. Moreover, it is a source of knowledge on arts and culture, comprising both permanent and rotating exhibition halls, an arts training building, as well as a shop selling art pieces and souvenirs. The name “Sirindhorn Art Centre” was granted by Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4284 1409-10.

Amphoe Phu Luang

Phu Luang Wildlife Sanctuary (เขตรักษาพันธุ์สัตว์ป่าภูหลวง)

Phu Luang means a large mountain or the Mountain of the King, formed by an uplift of the earth's crust and a slide of soft soil down to the lower land. Phu Luang was declared a wildlife sanctuary on 18 December, 1974. It covers an area of approximately 560, 593 rai and is generally a plateau with a cool climate throughout the year. It is situated in Amphoe Wang Saphung, Amphoe Phu Ruea, Amphoe Dan Sai and Amphoe Phu Luang.

There are overall 3 types of climate on Phu Luang, similar to a plain, with different temperatures. Summer starts from February to April with an average temperature of 20-24 °C. During this season, there are colourful blossoms such as dendrobiums, white wild orchids, white and red rhododendrons. The period suitable to come and admire the fields of white and red rhododendrons is during February-March. The rainy season is from May to October, when the temperature is equally or slightly higher than in the summer. There will be tiny wild flowers in purplish pink scattered in the savanna. On the other hand, the temperature highly drops during the winter to 0-16 °C in November-January. On some days, the temperature can decrease to -4°C. During this season, Kuam Daeng (*Acer calcaratum*) or known as maple trees will transform into red and shed their leaves. Kradum Ngoen (*Eriocaulon henryanum* Ruhle) and lady's slipper orchids

(*Paphiopedilum sukhakulii* Schoser & Senghas) comprise the undergrowth of the hill evergreen forest. On the east of Phu Luang, dinosaur's footprints on the rock, aged more than 120 million years were discovered. Besides, there are various kinds of forests such as mixed deciduous forest, dry evergreen forest, and hill evergreen forest. The most distinguished ones on Phu Luang are *Pinus merkusii* and Kesiya pine forests, savanna on plains, mounds, and stone terraces. Moreover, the wildlife sanctuary has organised the Phu Luang Nature Study Route, starting from Amphoe Phu Ruea at Khok Nok Kraba, passing Lan Suriyan, Pha Somdet, and the dinosaur's footprints. Along the route, visitors will see white and red rhododendrons and various wild orchids. The trip takes 1-2 days. Interested visitors should be accompanied by a ranger.

Travelling to Phu Luang : Visitors have to contact the Wildlife Conservation Office, National Park, Wildlife and Plant Conservation Department in Bangkok at Tel. 0 2561 0777 ext : 659, 15 days in advance, or at www.dnp.go.th. The appropriate period to visit Phu Luang is during October- May. The sanctuary is closed during the rainy season. Entrance fee is 200 Baht for an adult and 100 Baht for a child.

Accommodation : The sanctuary provides accommodation for tourists. Reserve in advance at the National Park, Wildlife and Plant Conservation Department at Tel. 0 2579 9446, 0 2561 4836 or Phu Luang Wildlife Sanctuary at Tel. 0 4280 1955.

To get there : Take Highway No. 203, the Loei-Phu Ruea route, for approximately 36 kilometres to Ban San Tom, turn left at the side of the Ban San Tom School and go along the asphalt route for 18 kilometres until reaching the Huai Thong Checkpoint. Proceed further along the laterite path for approximately 14 kilometres to the Khok Nok Kraba Ranger Station. A four-wheeled drive car should be used. In case that the car cannot be driven uphill, there is a pickup for rent provided at the Huai Thong Checkpoint.

Amphoe Erawan

Ban Lek Nai Pa Yai Project, Pha Nang-Pha Koeng

(โครงการบ้านเล็กในป่าใหญ่ ผานาง-ผาเกิ้ง) is a project under an initiative of Her Majesty Queen Sirikit. Inside the project

are productions of silk, handicrafts, bamboo and teakwood kitchenwares, as well as, mushroom farms producing Lacquered mushrooms, Shiitake mushrooms, and grey oyster mushrooms and various products on sale. Besides, there are various activities such as fishing, cycling tour, feeding many kinds of animals, and admiring the scenery around the project. Accommodation is also provided for tourists. It is open daily from 8.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4281 2290.

To get there : Take the Loei - Wang Saphung route for a distance of 20 kilometres and turn left toward Amphoe Erawan for approximately 31 kilometres to the Ban Wang Samran School. Turn left and go further for 1.5 kilometres.

Amphoe Nong Hin

Suan Hin Pha Ngam or Thailand's Kunming (สวนหินผางาม หรือคุนหมิงเมืองไทย) is located at Ban Pha Ngam, Mu 10, Tambon Puan Phu. It is a limestone garden aged around 230-280 million years, occurring from the aggradation of beach deposits. Then, an uplift of the earth's crust, together with millions of years of natural rot have made this mountain be strangely beautiful, similar to the stone garden in Kunming, the People's Republic of China. Therefore, it was named "Thailand's Kunming". Within the compound is also situated a tourist information centre. To admire the nature, interested persons can contact an officer to conduct a tour around the stone garden as a group of 10 persons, costing 100 Baht per group. This is because of the narrowness and labyrinthine path which visitors might be able to get lost. Interesting travelling routes in the stone garden are Tham Thalu, mountains in strange animal shapes, a viewpoint at the summit of Khao Pha Bong or the stone mountain with a hole in the middle of its top. Each point is called differently. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4289 4254.

To get there : From Amphoe Mueang Loei, take Highway No. 201, the Loei - Chum Phae route for approximately 43 kilometres and turn right for 19 kilometres.

Tham Mahoran (ถ้ำมหาพร) is located within the compound of Wat Tham Mahoran, Ban Nong Hin, Tambon Nong Hin. It

is a large cave whose entrance enshrines a Buddha image in subduing Mara posture. The area within the cave is quite large comprising of stalactites and stalagmites, as well as, caves in smaller sizes. A Buddha's footprint was also found on the wall of the cave. There is an inscription mentioning its construction period in 1952. It has been told that Luangpu Man Phurithatto once came to observe the Buddhist precepts in this cave.

Tham Phothisat (ถ้ำโพธิสัตว์) or **Thailand's Guilin** (ถ้ำหลินเมืองไทย) is situated within the compound of Wat Tham Phothisat. It is a complex cave. Therefore, a leader, arranged by the Puan Phu Sub-district Administration Organization, is necessary for touring the cave. For further information, please contact the Puan Phu Sub-district Administration Organization at Tel. 0 4289 4254.

To get there: Take the similar route as to Suan Hin Pha Ngam, but turn right at Ban Puan Phu intersection and go further along the Puan Phu - Phu Luang route for 3 kilometres.



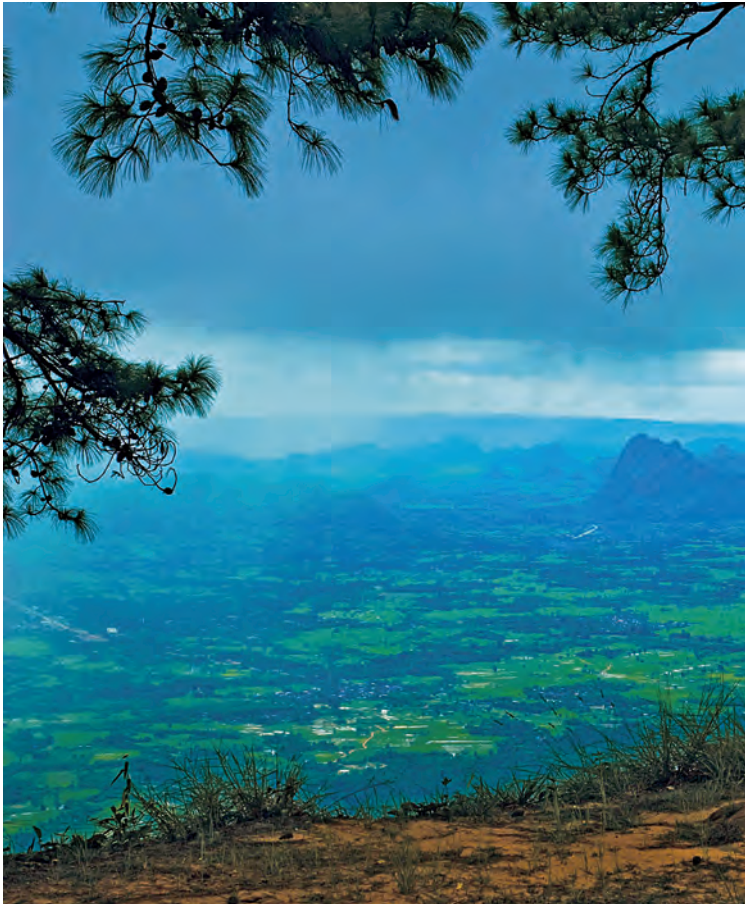
Namtok Phiang Din (น้ำตกเพียงดิน) is 4 kilometres further from Suan Hin Pha Ngam. The waterfall is at the end of the asphalt road. To admire the waterfall, visitors will have to walk from the summit to the lowest level. It is a shady atmosphere within the compound. Moreover, local food shops are provided. For further information, please contact the Puan Phu Sub-district Administration Organization at Tel. 0 4289 4254.

Amphoe Phu Kradueng

Phu Kradueng National Park (อุทยานแห่งชาติภูกระดึง) is located in Tambon Si Than, covering an area of 217,576 rai. It was proclaimed a national park on 23 November, 1962. It is a popular natural attraction of Thailand due to its abundance of natural resources, comprising various types of ecological systems and geography such as savanna, pine forest, evergreen forest, maple forest, beautiful species of flowers, rhododendrons, Ueang Kham Hin - *Eria lasiopetala*



Phu Kradueng National Park



(Willd.) Omerod, waterfalls, and viewpoints on the cliff. The distinguished characteristic of this national park is that it is a sandstone mountain with a wide plain summit, whose shape is similar to a leaf of the Elephant ear or a heart, with a height of 400-1,200 metres above sea level. Before travelling to Phu Kradueng, tourists should pass a medical check-up because they have to walk and climb up the mountains for a distance of 9 kilometres (walking uphill for 5 kilometres and another 3-4 kilometres on a flat path). The park is open from 7.00 a.m.-2.00 p.m., but it will be closed to revive the condition of the forest during June to September of every year.



Pha Nok Aen

Interesting attractions in the park are as follows :

The route to Phu Kradueng is quite steep but there are rest spots called “Sam”, meaning an area where there is an emergence of the underground water. At each point, there are food and drinks provided.

Pha Nok Aen (ผานกแอ่น) is 2 kilometres from the park. It is a small stone terrace with pine trees standing at the cliff’s edge. It is a beautiful sunrise spot overlooking the scenery of the grass field and mountain range. Along the path near the cliff lies a large grove of red and white rhododendrons usually in full bloom during March and April.

Pha Lom Sak (ผาล้อมสัก) is 8 kilometres from the office of the national park. It is a wide stone terrace with a large pine tree near an overhanging cliff. It is a place where the sunset can be the most clearly viewed attracting tourists, as well as, photographers to come and take shots as souvenirs. It is considered as the symbol of Phu Kradueng.

Namtok Tat Hong (น้ำตกตาดฮ้าง) is a waterfall located within the compound of the national park. The park also opens an adventure route called “Tam Roi Seri Thai, Thong Phrai Tat Hong”. This is because this route was once a route of the Seri Thai (Free Thai) Movement, constructed from Loei to Phetchabun during World War II as a route for Field



Marshall Plaek Pibulsongkram to take refuge from the Japanese soldiers. The waterfall is 40 metres high. When falling from the cliff to the basin, it creates a loud and resonant sound of water. Therefore, it is called “Namtok Tat Hong”. Moreover, there are many attractions along the route such as Tat Huai Wua, Hat Sai Khao, Kaeng Hin Tang, pre-historic paintings, as well as, the viewpoint at Phu Lat Muang.

Moreover, there are Pha Mak Duk, Pha Daeng, Pha Yiap Mek, Namtok Wang Kwang, Namtok Phen Phop Mai, Namtok Phon Phop, Namtok Phen Phop, Namtok Tham Yai, Namtok Than Sawan, Namtok Tham So Nuea, Namtok Tham So Tai, Sa Anodat, etc.



Namtok Tat Hong

The admission fee is 400 Baht for an adult and 200 Baht for a child. A porter service is charged at 15 Baht a kilo. Tourists can rent a tent and accommodation at the office of the park at Tel. 0 4287 1333, 0 4287 1458 or the National Park, Wildlife and Plant Conservation Department in Bangkok at Tel. 0 2562 0760 or www.dnp.go.th.

To get there : By car : From the centre of Mueang Loei, take Highway No. 201, the Loei - Phu Kradueng route, 75 kilometres from the province and turn right into Highway No. 2019 for 8 kilometres to the park office.

By bus : Tourists can travel by Bangkok - Loei bus. Get off at Pha Nok Khao which is a connecting point between Chum Phae - Phu Kradueng. From this point, there is a mini bus to Phu Kradueng National Park. Otherwise, tourists can take the Bangkok - Chum Phae bus, get off at Chum Phae Market and continue with the Chum Phae - Pha Nok Khao bus to Pha Nok Khao. There will be a minibus (Song Thaeo) provided to the national park.

Amphoe Phu Ruea

Phu Ruea National Park (อุทยานแห่งชาติภูเรือ) is located in Tambon Nong Bua, Amphoe Phu Ruea and Amphoe Tha Li. Its northern boundary connects to the Lao People's Democratic Republic where there are gigantic mountains with a large plain on their tops and complex pine trees. Its special characteristic is an overhanging cliff in the similar shape as a prow of a junk. Geographically, it is an undulating mountain range comprising sandstone and granite mountains. Fauna which can be widely seen are bear, barking deer, Asiatic wild dogs, Siamese firebacks, and Siamese big-headed turtles. Since Phu Ruea National Park is located on a high mountain, the climate at the park is cool throughout the year. It is also considered as the coolest national park of the country. It is especially cool during winter with the dewdrops at the top of the grass becoming frost. They are called in local language as "Mae Khaning". The park covers an area of approximately 75, 525 rai. The most appropriate time to travel is during October to March.

Interesting attractions in the national park are as follows:

Decho Viewpoint (จุดชมทิวทัศน์เดโช) is a viewpoint for the sunrise. On a nice-weather-day, tourists can see various mountains of Loei.

Pha Lon Noi (ผาโหล่นน้อย) is 3 kilometres from the national park's headquarters. It is a beautiful place to admire the sunrise. From this spot, Phu Luang, Phu Pha Sat, Phu Khrang and a sea of complex mountain ranges can be seen.

Pha Sapthong or Pha Kulap (ผาช้างทอง หรือผากุลลาบ) is located approximately 2.5 kilometres from the office of the national park. It is a steep cliff with seepage full of water throughout the year where there is plenty of golden yellow lichen.

Namtok Huai Phai (น้ำตกห้วยไผ่) is approximately 2 kilometres from the office of the national park. This waterfall is dropping from a steep cliff with an approximate height of 30 metres. The water from this waterfall is also utilised to produce pipe water in Amphoe Phu Ruea.



Phu Ruea National Park

Yot Phu Ruea (ยอดภูเรือ) is the highest spot in the national park which is 1,365 metres above sea level. Within its compound is a stone terrace and grass field mixed with pine forest comprising *Pinus merkusii* which is naturally grown and Kesiya pine which is planted. From this spot, tourists can see the Hueang River and the Mekong River which marks the border between Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Moreover, there are other interesting attractions such as Tham Hin Taek, Hin Khang Mo, Hin Wua Non, Hin Phan Khanmak, Hin Phra Siwa, Suan Hin Tao, Thung Hin Lek Fai. These rocks, deriving their names from their shapes, are located in the middle of the grass field. During the end of the rainy season to the beginning of the winter, there are plenty of tiny and admirable flowers scattered in this area.

Accommodation : The national park provides accommodation for tourists. For further information, please contact and reserve in advance at the office of the national park at Tel. 0 4280 1716, 0 4280 7625 or at the National Park, Wildlife and Plant Conservation Department at Tel. 0 2562 0760 or www.dnp.go.th.

To get there : From the centre of Mueang Loei, take Highway No. 203, the Loei - Phu Ruea route for approximately 54 kilometres and turn right at Km. 49-50 at the Phu Ruea District Office and go further for 4 kilometres. It can be accessible by car and continue with the 700-metre walking trail to the summit of the mountain.

Amphoe Dan Sai

Phrathat Si Song Rak (พระธาตุศรีสองรัก) is situated on the bank of the Man River, approximately 1 kilometre from Amphoe Dan Sai or 83 kilometres from the centre of the province. Its architecture is in the Lan Chang style. Phrathat, a stupa containing the Buddha's relics, is 19.19 metres high, 10.89 metres wide with a square base of 12 redented corners. The stupa is in an "angular lotus" shape similar to Phrathat Phanom, Phrathat Luang (Vientiane), Phrathat Si Khotrabong (Khammoun Province) and many others along the Mekong River. Phrathat Si Song Rak was constructed in 1560 and



Phrathat Si Song Rak



Wat Neramit Wipatsana

completed in 1563 as a memorial of the assistance between the Kingdom of Ayutthaya (during the reign of King Chakkraphat) and the Kingdom of Lan Chang (Vientiane) during the reign of King Chaiyachetthathirat. Moreover, within the compound of the temple is enshrined a Buddha image canopied by a seven-headed Naga in the Tibetan style of art. On the full moon day in the 6th lunar month, the Dan Sai people or “Luk Phueng Luk Thian” will organise a ceremony celebrating Phrathat Si Song Rak by bringing Ton Phueng, (a bamboo framework in a castle shape with a width of 60 centimetres and a height of a bit over 60 centimetres, covered with engraved banana stalk and decorated with “Dok Phueng”, flowers made of round and thin pieces of sun-heated wax, as well as, attached with the Globe Amaranth or small pieces of Turmeric to represent the colourful pollen). Moreover, Thian Wian Hua (a stick of candle rolled to be long enough to wrap around one’s head) is also presented to Phrathat. It is considered as a holy tradition taking place every year from the end of April to May.

To get there : From the centre of Amphoe Mueang Loei, take Highway No. 203, the Loei - Phu Ruea route and turn into Highway No. 2013 for a further 15 kilometres to Amphoe Dan Sai. Then, turn right into Highway No. 2113 for a further 1 kilometre.

Practices on Phrathat Si Song Rak are as follows:

- Objects and flowers in red must not be presented. Similarly, visitors should not dress in red. It is because Phrathat was built for truth and friendship, while red symbolises blood and violence.
- Fold the umbrella and take off the hat and shoes before ascending to the Phrathat.
- Children aged under 3 years old should not be taken to visit Phrathat.

(Note : Before conducting any ceremonies relating to Phrathat, please request for advice in advance from the guardian officers.)

Wat Neramit Wipatsana (วัดเนรมิตวิปัสสนา) is located on a hillside near Phrathat Si Song Rak. Both the Ubosot and Chedi are beautifully constructed of laterite. The large Ubosot is interiorly decorated in resemblance to the great temples

of Bangkok. Moreover, a replica of Phra Phutthachinnarat is enshrined as the main image. There are also splendid mural paintings around the interior. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4289 1226.

Phi Ta Khon Museum (พิพิธภัณฑ์บ้านผีตาโขน) is situated within the compound of Wat Phon Chai, 82 kilometres from Amphoe Mueang. It is an educational attraction for those interested in the Bun Luang and Phi Ta Khon Festivals. The museum's buildings are made of wood displaying the background of Dan Sai town, Phi Ta Khon exhibition, demonstration of Phi Ta



Phi Ta Khon Museum

Khon mask-making and various souvenirs. It is open daily from 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Besides, there are an Ubosot reflecting the skills of local craftsmen, as well as, a replica of Phrathat Si Song Rak where Bun Phra Wet and other merit-making festivals, including Bun Luang Festival and Phi Ta Khon are organised. For further information, please contact the Dan Sai Non-formal Education Centre at Tel. 0 4289 1094.

Amphoe Na Haeo

Wat Pho Chai Na Phueng (วัดโพธิ์ชัยนาฬิง) is situated at Ban Na Phueng, Tambon Na Phueng. The temple is assumed to have been constructed during the late period of the Ayutthaya Empire. Enshrined within the abbot's cell is the Prachao Ong Saen Buddha image, an ancient image of the town for many generations. The image is sitting cross-legged with an oval face, a flame-like spire at the top of the image's hair, and a cloth over the image's shoulder made of gold, silver, and copper alloy. It is assumed to be the Chiang Saen style of art. Besides, within the compound of the Wihan or locally called Aram are mural paintings of the Buddha's biography and local literature. The north side of the mural states that the paintings were made in 1852 during the reign of King Rama IV. At the outside of this same Ubosot are paintings which were later created in 1916. It can be considered as a very precious ancient monument and object of Loei province. The Fine Arts Department registered the temple as an important national ancient monument on 1 February, 1987.

To get there: Take the Loei - Dan Sai route for approximately 82 kilometres, turn right into Highway No. 2113 and go further along the Dan Sai- Na Haeo route for 23 kilometres.

Phu Suan Sai National Park (อุทยานแห่งชาติภูสวนทราย) covers a total area of 73,225 rai or 117.16 square kilometres. Its geography comprises of undulating mountain ranges lining up from the north to the south. Most of the forests are dry evergreen forests mixed with deciduous trees. Along the high area are hill evergreen forests which are also a natural boundary between Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic. Fauna that can be seen are Sumatran serow, Asiatic wild dogs, hawks, and Siamese big-headed turtles.



Namtok Tat Hueang or Namtok Thai-Lao

Interesting attractions within the national park are as follows:

Namtok Khing (น้ำตกคิง) is situated on the Saeng Pha - Lao Ko Highway along the Phrae River. The waterfall comprises of many rock tiers. At this spot, the government has constructed a royal residence for Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn who visited this place on 12 February, 1991.

Namtok Chang Tok (น้ำตกข้างตก) is located 500 metres higher than Namtok Khing which is also along the Phrae River. It is steeper than the lower one.

Namtok Wang Tat (น้ำตกวังตาด) is situated 1.5 kilometres above Namtok Chang Tok and located along the Phrae River as well.

Namtok Tat Hueang or Namtok Thai-Lao (น้ำตกตาดเหือง หรือน้ำตกไทย-ลาว) is along the Hueang River, comprising of 3 different tiers with a height of approximately 50 metres. There is water throughout the year. This area is abundant and suitable for relaxation. It is also a border between Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Namtok Pha Kho (น้ำตกผาค้อ) is along the Heuang River, a border between Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic. Within this area stand abundant trees, creating shady atmosphere suitable for relaxation.

Hin Si Thit (หินสี่ทิศ) is on Phu Tin Suan Sai mountain range. On its south are four rocks rising up in the middle of the tropical evergreen forest. Local people usually go up to pay respect at this place once every three years, thus it is called "Song Pi Ham, Sam Pi Khrop". The merit making is called "Bun Phu Yai or Bun Suan Miang" organised around the end of the 3rd or 4th lunar month on an unspecific day.

Hin Kuai Lo (หินกล้วยหล่อ) is located at the foot of Phu Tin Suan Sai. It is a sandstone whose shape is similar to a mushroom bud rising in the middle of the tropical evergreen forest.

Noen 1408 Viewpoint (จุดชมวิวนีน 1408) is situated on Phu Tin Suan Sai. It is the highest viewpoint and centre of the national park. Looking to the east and the southeast, Ban Bo Mueang Noi, Ban Saeng Pha, and Amphoe Na Haeo can be seen. It is also a beautiful viewpoint to see the sunrise.

Noen 1255 Viewpoint (จุดชมวิวนีน 1255) is a short-distant viewpoint where the scenery of Ban Huai Nam Phak below, as well as, Phu Soi Dao and Phu Wiang in the Lao People's Democratic Republic can be witnessed.

Besides, the park has organised 2 nature routes of 2 kilometres and 5 kilometres, respectively for tourists from the office of the national park to Phu Suan Sai. Each route will be led by a park officer.

Accommodation: The national park provides accommodation, costing 2,000 Baht / 10 - 15 tourists, 3,000 Baht/ 30 - 40 tourists, tents costing 250 Baht / 3 persons. As for those who bring their own tent, it costs 30 Baht a person for the camping area. For further information, please contact Phu Suan Sai National Park at Tel. 0 4280 7616 or the National Park, Wildlife and Plant Conservation Department Tel. 0 2562 0760 www.dnp.go.th.

To get there : From the centre of Mueang Loei, take Highway No. 203 for a distance of 68 kilometres. Turn right at Ban Khok Ngam Intersection and go along Highway No. 2031 for 12 kilometres. At Amphoe Dan Sai, turn right to Highway No. 2113 and proceed further for 32 kilometres to Amphoe Na Haeo. From Amphoe Na Haeo, go further for 4 kilometres to Ban Mueang Phrae and turn left along Highway No. 1268, passing Tambon Saeng Pha and turn right at the crossroad on Highway No. 1268 again at Km. 0. Go further for 3 kilometres, and tourists will reach the office of the national park.

Amphoe Tha Li

Phrathat Satcha (พระธาตุสี่จุ้ม) is situated within the compound of Wat Lat Pu Song Tham, Ban Tha Li, Tambon Tha Li. The pagoda is similar to Phrathat Phanom. Components of Phrathat Satcha comprise a base of blooming lotus with 3 tiers of petals with a height of approximately 1 metre around it. The pagoda is in the middle with a height of 33 metres, constructed to extend the fortune of Phrathat Phanom which collapsed in the past, as well as, to continually be a revered place of worship.

To get there : Take Highway No. 201 and turn left into Highway No. 2115, the Tha Li-Ahi route. It is located approximately 2 kilometres from the Tha Li District Office.

The Thai-Lao Friendship Bridge across the Hueang River

(สะพานมิตรภาพน้ำเหืองไทย-ลาว) is situated at Ban Na Kraseng. It is a bridge crossing the Hueang River and connecting between Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic. From this bridge, visitors can pass through Chaiya Buri to the World Heritage Town of Luang Phrabang, a distance of 363 kilometres. Otherwise, visitors can cross the bridge to travel and purchase duty-free products at the shops on the Lao PDR side.



Phrathat Satcha

To get there : Take the Loei - Tha Li route, a distance of 47 kilometres. At the centre of the district, turn right for approximately 2 kilometres to Phrathat Satcha and turn right for approximately 7 kilometres.

Crossing the Border at the Thai-Lao Friendship Bridge across the Heung River, please contact the Tha Li District Office at Tel. 0 4288 9359 and the Tha Li Immigration Checkpoint at Tel. 0 4288 9208.

Amphoe Pha Khao

Tham Pha Sawan (ถ้ำผาสวรรค์) is located in Tambon Ban Phoem. This cave has a beautiful landscape. There is a tunnel of stalactites and stalagmites inside the cave. The cave entrance goes up the natural layers of the hill. The surrounding area is still abundant in forests, which is suitable for relaxation and ecotourism.

Ban Huai Hai Rafting (ล่องแพบ้านห้วยไฮ) is located at Ban Huai Hai, Tambon Non Pa Sang. The service is offered on a large reservoir which serves as a natural tourist attraction in a beautiful atmosphere. Visitors can enjoy scenic views of mountains and rivers along the rafting route, and there are local dishes prepared by excellent cooks at reasonable prices.

Phu Pha Khao (ภูผาขาว) is located in Tambon Pha Khao. This large cave looks like a long line of connected reservoirs. Its flora and fauna; such as, bears, serows, and monkeys, have been conserved. The conservation work and ecotourism are under the supervision of the Tambon Pha Khao Administration Organisation.

Phu Sam Bok Camp (ค่ายภูซำบก) is located in the Tambon Tha Chang Khlong Municipality. It serves as a training and seminar camp for youth, boy scouts and girl guides, to study and learn about the nature of the mountains, forests, and streams, as well as do activities around the campfire. Surrounded by nature, the venue is spacious, clean, and safe, with officers on guard 24 hours.



EVENTS AND FESTIVALS

Dok Fai Ban Makham Wan Mueang Loei Red Cross

Fair (งานกาชาดดอกฝ้ายบาน มะขามหวานเมืองเลย) is held in front of the Loei City Hall during 1-9 February every year. Parades from various districts, as well as, cultural performances are highlights of the fair.

Thai-Lao Songkran Festival (งานประเพณีสงกรานต์ไทย-ลาว)

is organised in Amphoe Tha Li during 12-15 April of every year. It is uniquely different from other places due to the large number of Laotian people participating in the activities of the festival such as Songkran Beauty Contest and water splashing with Thai people.



Songkran Festival

Songkran Festival and Ton Dokmai Procession (งานประเพณีสงกรานต์และงานแห่ต้นดอกไม้อำเภอหนองบัว) are held at Wat Si Pho Chai, Ban Saeng Pha, Tambon Saeng Pha, Amphoe Na Haeo, during 13-16 April of every year. It is an ancient tradition of the villagers of Na Haeo, which has been passed down for more than 400 years from generation to generation. The villagers in each Khum or community will join hands in creating a square-shape bamboo structure and decorating it with two local flowers : red flame of the forest or Dok Hang Nok Yung and yellow golden shower or Dok Khun. This flower structure is called a tree of flowers or Ton Dokmai, which is large in size and up to 15-20 metres in height, making it prominent and distinguished from those of other localities in Loei. After decoration, the villagers of each Khum will set a procession to move their tree of flowers to Wat Si Pho Chai, the village's temple, to join others in the procession to worship the Buddhist Three Gems. This tradition is based on the belief that everyone who joins the procession of trees of flowers will bring auspiciousness to their lives, be blessed with abundant fields of rice as well as good breeding cattle, and live their lives in peace and without any illness.



Bun Bang Fai Lan Festival (งานประเพณีบุญบั้งไฟล้าน) is held within the compound of Wat Erawan Phatthanaram, Amphoe Erawan on the full moon day of the 6th lunar month or during May of every year. It is the biggest festival of Loei. There is a contest of rocket processions from various communities and various choices of famous agricultural produce for sale.

Phrathat Si Song Rak Fair (งานนมัสการพระธาตุศรีสองรัก) is an annual event organised on the full moon day of the 6th lunar month, around the end of April until early May to celebrate Phrathat Si Song Rak, a significant place of worship of the town. A holy ceremony is also conducted in the festival such as a worshipping ceremony to Phrathat by presenting Ton Phueng Yai, Ton Phueng Noi, and Phrathat bathing.

Bun Luang Festival and Phi Ta Khon (งานประเพณีบุญหลวง และการละเล่นผีตาโขน) is held annually in Amphoe Dan Sai on Saturday to Sunday after the full moon day of the 6th lunar month, and after paying respect to Phrathat Si Song Rak. Phi Ta Khon is a local activity of Amphoe Dan Sai and Amphoe Na Haeo, relating to the belief and faith in Buddhism and the spirit of ancestors. Phi Ta Khon parades are organised in the



Bun Luang Festival and Phi Ta Khon

Bun Luang Festival, an annual local merit making ceremony. Phi Ta Khon is usually participated especially by males both boys and men. The festival is organised in 2 days. On the first day, the Phra Upakhut procession proceeds from the Man River to Wat Phon Chai and on the next day, it will enter the town, while the Phi Ta Khon participants will throw their costumes and accessories away into the Man River. After that, a series of all 13 chapters of the Great Birth Sermon will be given during the event.

Chiang Khan's End of Buddhist Lent Festival (งานประเพณีออกพรรษาอำเภอเชียงคาน) is organised in front of Chiang Khan District Office on the full moon day of the 11th lunar month every year. This festival has been passed on for generations. There is the Prasat Phueng procession, long-boat races, Ruea Kap races, illuminated boat contest, Tak Bat Devo, and various local cultural shows and entertainment in the festival.

Kap Boat Races (ประเพณีการแข่งขันเรือกาบ อำเภอปากชม) is held in Amphoe Pak Chom in the merit-making festival to mark the end of Buddhist Lent between the peoples of Lao PDR. and Thailand on the banks of the Mekong River who use "Kap" boats to commute other than to go fishing. When being free from fishing, they will cooperate to organise a boat competition in order to strengthen their ties on the river in the area of the Hat Khamphi Sub-district Administration Organisation.



Chiang Khan's End of Buddhist Lent Festival

Three Seasons, Sea of Fog and Beautiful Flower Fair

(เทศกาลหมอก ดอกไม้งาม สามฤดู) is held on the ground in front of Phu Ruea District Office during the New Year Festival, around 29 December - 3 January every year. Activities in the festival comprise a temperate plant fair, floral float parade, temperate flowers and decorative plants contests, Mae Khaning evening party, dances in the winter breeze, and Phu Ruea agricultural produce for sale.

LOCAL PRODUCTS AND SOUVENIRS

Ban Kang Pla Thai Loei Fabric Weaving Group (กลุ่มทอผ้าไทเลยบ้านก้างปลา) is situated at Ban Kang Pla. Take the Loei - Chiang Khan route, Highway No. 201, for 4 kilometres from the centre of Amphoe Mueang Loei and turn right into Kang Pla Village and go further for 1 kilometre. At the village headman's house, the people usually get together to weave Thai Loei fabric, a unique product of the province. Tourists are able to witness the weaving demonstration and purchase products such as fabric, men clothes, dresses, loincloth, bags, etc. For more details call Tel. 08 9984 3704.

Ban Na Kraseng Rattan Handicraft and Local Weaving Fabric Group (กลุ่มหัตถกรรมหวายและผ้าทอพื้นเมืองบ้านนากระเซิง) is located in Ban Na Kraseng, Amphoe Tha Li. It is a group producing furniture and various utensils made of rattan, as well as, fine and delicate local fabric. Visitors can witness the production process and purchase products as souvenirs. Contact Tel. 08 9840 9317, 08 9862 5919.

To get there : Take the Loei - Tha Li route for a distance of 47 kilometres, turn right at Amphoe Mueang to Ban Ahi for approximately 9 kilometres and turn right toward Ban Na Kraseng for 5 kilometres.

LOCAL PRODUCTS AND SOUVENIR SHOPS

There are various kinds of local products of Loei such as sweet tamarind, Kunchiang (Chinese pork sausage), Mu Phaen (dried pork slices), glacéd coconut, Phi Ta Khon ceramic key chains, quilts, silk and cotton fabric. These products can be purchased at souvenir shops as follows :

Amphoe Mueang Loei

Damrong Phanit (ดำรงพาณิชย์) 2/10 Uea Ari Road. Tel. 0 4281 2504, 0 4281 2483, 0 4281 1128. (Kunchiang - Chinese pork sausage, Mu Yo - preserved minced pork and tea from mulberry leaves).

Mai Thai (ไหมไทย) 38/3 Phiphat Mongkhon Road, Amphoe Mueang. Tel. 0 4281 1814 (silk and local fabric).

Mueang Loei Pha Fai (เมืองเลยผ้าฝ้าย) 50/10 Soet Si Road. Tel. 0 4281 3524 (cotton, silk and Thai Loei fabric).

Mueang Loei OTOP (เมืองเลย OTOP) 18/15 Nok Kaeo Road. Tel. 0 4286 1440, 08 1830 4603.

Sai Pan Pha Thai (สายป่านผ้าไทย) 27 Sathon Chiang Khan Road. Tel. 0 4281 1260 (silk and local fabric).

Tawan Pha Phuen Mueang (ตะวันผ้าพื้นเมือง) Charoen Rat Road (silk and local fabric).

Amphoe Dan Sai

Kawin Thip (กวินทิพย์) 207 Kaeo Asa Road. Tel. 0 4289 1246 (Phi Ta Khon souvenirs).

Amphoe Phu Ruea

Chateau de Loei (ร้านชาโต้ เดอ เลย) Loei - Dan Sai Road. Tel. 0 4280 9521, 0 4280 9517-8 (food, souvenirs, and OTOP products).

OTOP Waranya Resort Shop (ร้านโอท็อป วรณารีสอร์ท) is located on the way up to the Phu Ruea National Park, Tel. 08 1379 2323. It sells food, souvenirs and OTOP products.

Song Phi Nong (ร้านสองพี่น้อง) 65 Mu 2, Tambon Nong Bua. Tel. 0 4289 9258. (agricultural products).

Amphoe Chiang Khan

Ban Thai Dam Woman Group of Local Cloth Weaving (กลุ่มสตรีทอผ้าพื้นเมืองบ้านไผ่ดำ) is located at 57/2 Mu 4, Ban Na Pa Nat, Tambon Khao Kaeo, Tel. 0 4207 0707, 08 6035 4738.

Buai Hiang (บัวเฮียง) 122/4 Si Chiang Khan Road (quilts).

Chiang Khan Thanakit (เชียงใหม่ธนกิจ) Si Chiang Khan Road (souvenirs).

Idea Di Di (ไอเดีย ดี ดี) The shop sells postcards and souvenirs. Tel. 08 3084 3315.

Niyomthai (นิยมไทย) Si Chiang Khan Road (souvenirs).

Rak Loei (รักเลย) The shop sells souvenir products of Chiang Khan; such as, postcards, magnets, and beautiful photos of Chiang Khan, as well as ancient pieces of furniture and other items. Tel. 08 1885 6975.

Suniphon Quilt (สุนิพรผ้านวม) The shop sells quilts and mattresses made of cotton cloth with beautifully unique patterns. Tel. 0 4282 1246.

Sweet Coconut (มะพร้าวแก้ว) by the Kaeng Khutkhu Group of Housewives, Tel. 0 4282 1938.

Sabai Di Chiang Khan (สบายดีเชียงคาน) The shop sells souvenir products and postcards. Visitors can relax and drink water here. Tel. 08 4602 8507.

Yai Sommai Fermented Pork (แทนมหมูยาสสมหมาย) is available at the Chiang Khan Fresh Market, Tel. 08 5647 0325.

Amphoe Phu Kradueng

Che Kim (เจ็กิม) 18 Mu 1, Talat Ban Pha Nok Khao. Tel. 0 4207 4249. (sweet tamarind and Kaempferia wine).



Local Woven Fabric

INTERESTING ACTIVITIES

Agrotourism Attractions

Plant and Production Materials Technical Service Centre 2, Loei Province or Phu Ruea Highland Agricultural Experiment Station (ศูนย์บริการวิชาการด้านพืชและปัจจัยการผลิตเลย 2 จังหวัดเลย หรือสถานีทดลองเกษตรที่สูงภูเรือ)

is located in Tambon Pla Ba. It serves as a research study and experiment centre of temperate flowers, fruits, and local plants suitable for the natural conditions and ecosystems. For example, there is a field of salvia, agar-wood plots, Chaloe Phra Kiat Fragrant Flower Garden, strawberry plots, and a nursery of pot plants. The research study results have been disseminated to agriculturalists and interested persons. It is open daily for a visit during 8.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. Visitors are recommended to see temperate flowers and fruits during September and April. Furthermore, there are reception houses and a campsite. For more information, contact Tel. 0 4289 1199.

Ban Nong Bong Temperate Flowers Market (ตลาดดอกไม้เมืองหนาวบ้านหนองบง) is a market place offering various kinds of temperate flowers planted by farmers. Visitors can admire the beauty of the flowers, as well as, purchase them as souvenirs home. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4289 9338.

To get there : Take Highway No. 203, the Loei - Phu Ruea route, approximately 47 kilometres from the centre of the town.

Khamnuan Nursery (ค่านวนเนิร์สเซอรี่) is 3 kilometres from Amphoe Phu Ruea. It is an agrotourism attraction where there are various temperate flowers, as well as, decorative plants especially the hanging Petunia, and Poinsettia. Visitors can admire the beauty of plants and purchase them as souvenirs home. Contact Tel. 0 4289 9275.

To get there : Take Highway No. 203 (Phu Ruea-Dan Sai), 47 kilometres from the centre of Amphoe Mueang Loei.

Sanya Farm (ไร่สันยา) or ***Phudara Resort*** (ภูดารา รีสอร์ท) is situated in Ban Kaeng Laen. This farm grows Shiitake mushrooms throughout the year and sells them to the local

and nearby areas. Tourists can visit and purchase products from the farm home. It is open from 8.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Moreover, there is accommodation provided. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4280 1138-9, 08 1739 3055.

To get there : Take Highway No. 203, Phu Ruea - Dan Sai, located 14 kilometres from Amphoe Phu Ruea.

TSA Co., Ltd. (บริษัท ที เอส เอ จำกัด) is situated at Ban Kok Pho. It produces flowers, decorative plants and various kinds of vegetables, grown by the seedling process for sale. Within the compound of the area, visitors can admire a variety of temperate flowers in the plot. For further information, please contact Tel. 0 4289 1408.

To get there : Take Highway No. 203, the Phu Ruea - Dan Sai route, 7 kilometres from the centre of Amphoe Phu Ruea and turn right for approximately 1 kilometre.

Uncle Wut Garden of Flower and Ornamental Plants

(สวนไม้ดอกไม้ประดับลุงวุฒิ) is located at Ban Nong Bong, Tambon Nong Bua, Amphoe Phu Ruea. Visitors can see and buy temperate flowers and orchids. For further details, contact Tel. 08 1907 8318.

To get there: Take Highway 203 (Phu Ruea - Loei) for 5 kilometres from the town of Phu Ruea, and turn left for another 200 metres (the entrance is diagonally opposite the Phu Ruea Mineral Water Company).

Golf Courses

Kamlang-ek Golf Course (สนามกอล์ฟกำลังเอก) Loei-Chiang Khan Road. Tel. 0 4281 1939 ext: 25067.

Par 3 Driving Range (สนามไดร์กอล์ฟ พาร์ 3) Loei-Chiang Khan Road (Soi Makham Wan). Tel. 0 4283 5351.

Mueang Loei Drive Golf (เมืองเลยไดร์กอล์ฟ) Ban Fak Na.

Pho To Tho Driving Range (สนามไดร์กอล์ฟ พ.ต.ท.) 1718 Maliwan Road (located near the airport).

EXAMPLES OF TOUR PROGRAMMES IN LOEI

Amphoe Mueang Loei-Chiang Khan-Tha Li 1 Day Trip

- 8.00 a.m. - Depart the accommodation.
- 8.30 a.m. - Visit the Loei Cultural Centre at Loei Rajabhat University.
- 9.30 a.m. - Pay respect to Luangpu Khamdi Paphaso's image at Wat Tham Pha Pu.
- 11.00 a.m. - Visit the Ubosot of Wat Si Khun Mueang.
- 12.00 a.m. - Arrive at Kaeng Khut Khu in Amphoe Chiang Khan.
 - Have lunch, admire the scenery of both sides of the Mekong River and purchase souvenirs such as glacé coconut, preserved tamarind and blankets.
- 2.00 p.m. - Pay respect to Phra Yai Phu Khok Ngio and admire the view of the connecting point of the Hueang and Mekong Rivers.
- 3.30 p.m. - Arrive at Ban Na Kaseng, Amphoe Tha Li and experience the production process of rattan furniture and products, and local weaving process.
- 4.30 p.m. - Pay respect to Phrathat Satcha at Wat Lat Pu.
- 5.00 p.m. - Return to the accommodation.

Tour Programme 3 Days 2 Nights

Route : Bangkok-Phetchabun-Loei- Amphoe Dan Sai- Amphoe Phu Ruea- Amphoe Mueang-Amphoe Nong Hin.

Day 1

- 7.00 a.m. - Depart Bangkok, passing Saraburi to Phetchabun.
- 12.00 a.m. - Have lunch in Phetchabun.
- 1.00 p.m. - Depart for Amphoe Dan Sai, Loei.
- 4.00 p.m. - Arrive at Amphoe Dan Sai, Loei.
 - Pay respect to Phrathat Si Song Rak.
 - Pay respect to the replica of Phra Phutthachinnarat at Wat Neramit Wipatsana.
- 5.30 p.m. - Check in to the accommodation in Amphoe Phu Ruea.

Day 2

- 5.30 a.m. - Depart to see the sunrise at the Phu Ruea summit.
- 7.30 a.m. - Have breakfast.
- 8.30 a.m. - Depart to Phu Ruea Highland Agricultural Experiment Station, feel the comfortable climate, experience the demonstration of how to grow temperate flowers and plants.
- 10.00 a.m. - Visit Sanya Farm and witness the complex production of mushroom spawn and fresh Shiitake mushrooms, as well as, purchase fresh mushrooms.
- 11.15 a.m. - Depart for Chateau de Loei, taste excellent wine and visit the Phu Ruea Wanothayan Vineyard, as well as, have lunch.
- 2.00 p.m. - Depart for the Phu Pha Nam Resort and witness the orchid farm and deer closely.
- 3.00 p.m. - Nong Bong Temperate Flower Market, Amphoe Phu Ruea.
- 4.00 p.m. - Depart for Huai Man Reservoir.
 - Admire the beautiful scenery of the reservoir surrounded by mountain ranges.
 - Dinner on a floating bamboo raft in the reservoir.
- 7.00 p.m. - Arrive at the accommodation in Loei.

Day 3

- 8.00 a.m. - Depart the accommodation.
- 9.00 a.m. - Have breakfast.
 - Arrive at Suan Hin Pha Ngam or Thailand's Kunming.
- 10.30 a.m. - Depart for Bangkok.
- 12.00 a.m. - Lunch at Amphoe Chum Phae.
- 1.00 p.m. - Depart for Bangkok.

LIST OF TRAVEL AGENCIES

Amphoe Mueang Loei

Green Circle Travel (บ้านฝ้าย เกสต์เฮาส์) is located at 333/1 Mu 1, Si Chiang Khan Road, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 08 6207 3731.

Khet Sophon Tour (เขตโสภณทัวร์) 228/4 Charoen Rat Road, Tel. 0 4281 5408. E-mail : khetsophontour@yahoo.com.

Loei Travel (เลย แทรเวล) Office at the Loei Palace Hotel, Charoen Rat Road, Amphoe Mueang, Tel. 0 4283 0741. E-mail : LOEITRAVEL@hotmail.com.

Amphoe Chiang Khan

Mekong Culture and Nature Tour (แม่โขงคัลเจอร์ แอนด์ เนเจอร์ ทัวร์) 407 Mu 1, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1457. E-mail : mcn-thailand@hotmail.com.



Cycling in Chiang Khan

FACILITIES IN LOEI

Accommodation

(The price is subject to change, please contact hotels prior to checking-in.)

Amphoe Mueang Loei

A.P. Court Hotel (เอ พี คอร์ท) 31/29 Ruam Chai Road, Tambon Kut Pong Tel. 0 4286 1627-30, Fax: 0 4286 1631, 76 rooms : 420-500 baht, E-mail : apcourthotel@hotmail.com.

Baan Fa Dow Family Resort (บ้านฟ้าดาว แฟมิลี รีสอร์ท) 141 Mu 8, Loei-Chiang Khan Road, Ban Nong Maphang, Tambon Na O, Tel. 08 1871 9371, 8 rooms : 500-600 baht.

Bai Bun Place (ไบบุญเพลส) 44/5 Soetsi Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3836, 77 rooms : 350-550 baht.

Ban Sabai Apartment (บ้านสบาย อพาร์ทเมนต์) 11/11 Nok Kao Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4281 1132, 35 rooms : 350 baht.

Bun Charoen Apartment (บุญเจริญ อพาร์ทเมนต์) 54/48 Soetsi Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3250, 0 4283 3230, Fax. 0 4286 1717, 49 rooms : 200-350 baht.

Flora Hill (ฟลอรา ฮิลล์) 150 Ban Ko Rai Yai, Loei-Lom Sak Road, Tambon Siao, Tel. 0 4280 1262-3, 65 bungalows : 1,200-5,000 baht.

Kings (คิงส์) 11/9-12 Chum Sai Road, Tel. 0 4281 1783, 0 4281 1225, 0 4281 1701, 0 4281 1000 Fax. 0 4281 1235 ext. 500, 50 rooms : 500-799 baht.

Loei Palace (เลย พาเลซ) 167/4 Charoen Rat Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4281 5668-73, 156 rooms : 1,200-5,500 baht, www.amari.com E-mail : loeipalace@hotmail.com.

Loei Pavilion (เลย พาวิลเลียน) 111/1 Loei – Dan Sai Road, Tambon Kut-pong, Tel. 0 4281 5552, 0 4281 5515, 08 9841 1181, 33 rooms : 490-890 baht www.loeipavilion.com

Loei Village (เลย วิลเลจ) 17/62 Nok Kao Road, Soi 3, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3599, Fax. 0 4281 4862, 46 rooms : 900-1,500 baht. www.loeivillages.com

Loei Orchid (เลย ออคิด) 1/41 Sathon Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 0 4286 1888-9, 78 rooms : 450-550 baht.

Montri Mansion (มนตรี แมนชั่น) 320 Mu 7 Ban Noi Sanambin, Tambon Mueang, Tel. 0 4283 2324, 08 1708 6150, 30 rooms : 150-250 baht.

Mongkhon Resort (มงคล รีสอร์ท) 21 Mu 8, Maliwan Road, Tel. 0 4283 3140, 08 1872 3121, 08 1974 8178, 38 rooms : 250-350 baht.

Muan Mani (ม่วนมานี) 35/59 Nok Kaeo Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 2353-4, 08 9416 7010, Fax. 0 4283 2354, 45 rooms : 590-690 baht.

Muan Thong Grand (ม่วนทองแกรนด์) 35/58 Nok Kaeo Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 2410-11, 0 4283 2494, Fax. 0 4283 2202, 48 rooms : 150-290 baht. www.muanthong.multiply.com

Mueang Loei Resort (เมืองเลย รีสอร์ท) 97/1 Maliwan Road, Tambon Na An, Tel. 0 4283 2863, 0 4283 3435, Fax. 0 4283 3382, 42 bungalows : 300-1,000 baht.

Nam Man Resort (น้ำหมาน รีสอร์ท) 80 Mu 3 Rai Muang-Pong Bia Road, Tambon Nam Man, Tel. 0 4280 1007, 0 4281 1800, 08 1975 8574, 18 rooms : 600-1,200 baht.

Nong Phakkam Resort & Garden (หนองผักก้าม รีสอร์ท แอนด์ การ์ดैन) 142 Ban Nong Phakkam, Loei Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 08 1872 2683, 8 rooms : 300-500 baht.

Prakai Phet Mansion (ประกายเพชร แมนชั่น) Sathon Chiang Kan, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4281 5334, 08 9573 4655, 30 rooms : 350 baht.

Phu Kham Building (อาคารภูคำ) 234 Mu 4 Loei Rajabhat University, Loei - Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 0 4281 3416, Fax. 0 4281 1143, 20 rooms : 350 baht.

Phu Kratae Resort (ภูกระแต รีสอร์ท) 37 Mu 7, Tambon Na An, Tel. 0 4283 3294, 0 4281 1534, 5 bungalows : 350-500 baht.

Phu Luang (ภูหลวง) 55 Charoen Rat Road, Tel. 0 4281 1532, 0 4283 0555, 0 4281 1570, 70 rooms : 330-900 baht.

Phu Tawan Mansion (ภูตะวัน แมนชั่น) 15/4 Nok Kaeo Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 2983, 08 5814 5326, Fax. 0 4283 2984, 42 rooms : 350 baht.

Rai Tam City Resort (ไร่ทามซิตี รีสอร์ท) 224 Mu 5 Ban Rai Tam, Tambon Na An, Tel. 08 1981 8691, 5 rooms : 250 baht.

Royal Inn (รอยัล อินน์) 22/16 Chum Sai Road, Tel. 0 4281 2563, 0 4283 0177, 0 4283 0873, 36 rooms : 280-750 baht.

Sarai Thong Nam Man Resort (สาทร้ายทอง น้ำหมาน รีสอร์ท)

25/5 Ruam Chit Road, Tel. 0 4281 1582, 20 rooms : 150-190 baht.

So Apartment (ส. อพาร์ทเมนต์) 43/1 Khiri Rat Road, Tambon

Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3644-5, Fax. 0 4283 3645, 39 rooms : 220-250 baht.

Sometime Resort (ซัมไทม์ รีสอร์ท) 15/1 Soi Makham Wan, Tel.

0 4281 4540, 08 4428 5780, 11 rooms : 400-800 baht.

Sugar Guesthouse (ซูการ์ เกสต์เฮาส์) 4/1 Wisutthithep Soi 4

Road, Tambon Kut Pong Tel. 0 4281 2982, Fax. 0 4281 2982, 7 rooms : 180-380 baht.

Sun Palace (ซัน พาเลซ) 191/5 Charoen Rat Road, Tambon Kut

Pong Tel. 0 4281 5717, Fax. 0 4281 5453, 42 rooms : 300-500 baht.

Thai Udom (ไทยอุดม) 122/1 Charoen Rat Road, Tambon Kut

Pong, Tel. 0 4281 1763, 0 4283 0187 Fax. 0 4281 1789, 72 rooms : 200-800 baht.

Waiwin Village Resort (ไหววิน วิลเลจ รีสอร์ท) 62 Mu 6

Ban Rai Muang, Loei-Phu Ruea Road, Tambon Nam Man, Tel. 0 4282 1080, 08 3328 1020, 8 rooms : 300-700 baht, www.waiwinvillage.com

Amphoe Chiang Khan

Ban Aun Rak (บ้านอูนรัก) 328/1 Mu 1 Chai Khong Road,

Soi 10, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 08 1739 0648, 5 rooms : 1,200-1,500 baht.

Ban Dok Fai Guesthouse (บ้านดอกฝ้าย เกสต์เฮาส์) 333/1 Si

Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 0 4282 2085, 08 4695 1949, 4 rooms : 100-150 baht.

Ban Hao Guesthouse (บ้านเฮา เกสต์เฮาส์) 101 Mu 5 Si Chiang

Khan Road, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1525, 08 9709 2768, 4 rooms : 200-450 baht.

Ban Phuppha Chan (บ้านบุปผาจันทร์) 224/1 Mu 1 Soi 7-8,

Tambon Chai Khong, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1259, 08 5181 1877, 6 rooms : 790-990 baht.

Ban Samlo Homestay (บ้านสามล้อ โฮมสเตย์) 539/1 Chiang

Khan-Pak Chom, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 08 1954 0648, 32 houses : 600-1,800 baht.

Ban Saeng Thong Guesthouse (บ้านแสงทอง เกสต์เฮาส์) 162/1 Mu 2 Chai Khong Road, Soi 12-13, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1305, 08 1544 6090, 08 1392 8390, 6 rooms : 100-350 baht.

Ban Ton Khong Guesthouse (บ้านตันโขง เกสต์เฮาส์) Chai Khong Road, Soi 3 Tel. 08 9123 4752, 8 rooms : 450-1,500 baht.

Boeng Khong Homestay (เบิ่งโขง โฮมสเตย์) 297/2 Mu 1 Chai Khong Road, 5 houses : 300-350 baht.

Chiang Khan Hill Resort (เขียงคาน ฮิลล์ รีสอร์ท) 28/2 Mu 4, Ruam Chai Naruemit Road, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1285, 0 4282 1414, Fax. 0 4282 1415, 20 rooms : 800-4,000 baht www.chiangkhanhill.com.

Chiang Khan Guesthouse (เขียงคาน เกสต์เฮาส์) 282 Mu 2, Chai Khong Road, Tel. 0 4282 1691, 08 6232 8366, 13 rooms : 250-350 baht, www.thailandunplugged.com.

Chiang Khan Grand (เขียงคาน แกรนด์) 268/10 Mu 6 Chiang Khan-Loei Road, Tambon Chiang Kan, Tel. 0 4282 2139, 08 7430 6007, 08 0754 4043, 27 rooms : 550-590 baht. www.chiangkhangrande.com

Chiang Khan Riverview Guesthouse (เขียงคาน ริเวอร์วิว เกสต์เฮาส์) 277 Chai Khong Road, Soi 19, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 08 0741 0855, 5 rooms : 350-400 baht.

Chokchai Resort (โชคชัย รีสอร์ท) 401/9 Loei-Chiang Khan Road, Soi Nong Pao/Anuson Bua Pha, Tel. 08 6239 2433, 10 rooms : 350 baht.

Euro Friendship Guesthouse (ยูโร เฟรนด์ชิพ เกสต์เฮาส์) 189 Mu 1 Chai Khong Road, Soi 5-6, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1028, 08 1263 9068, 5 houses, 5 rooms : 200-300 baht.

Fairy Tale Guesthouse (แฟรี่เทล เกสต์เฮาส์) 294/1 Chai Khong Road, Tel. 08 1544 0298, 6 rooms : 100-320 baht.

Fuji Khampai Resort (ฟูจิ คัมपाาย รีสอร์ท) 384 /39 Mu 2 Si Chiang Khan Road, Soi 22, Tel. 0 4282 1164, 08 7859 2453, 24 rooms : 200-400 baht www.chiangkhan.in.th

Huean Luang Phra Bang (เหือนหลวงพระบาง) 156 Chai Khong Road, Soi 12, 8 rooms : 300-400 baht.

Huean Nueng Roi Pi (เหือน 100 ปี) Si Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 08 1884 1377, 08 1884 1481, 08 1814 9565, 7 rooms : 600-1,200 baht.

Mekong Culture and Nature Tour (แม่โขงคัลเจอร์ แอนด์ เนเจอร์ ทัวร์) 407 Mu 1, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 2058, 08 4695 1949, 3 houses, 5 rooms : 1,200-3,500 baht. (Located by the river with kayaks and mountain bikes for rent, as well as, a camping site provided.)

Phloen Phloen Guesthouse (เฟลีน เฟลีน เกสต์เฮาส์) 185 Mu 2, behind Wat Mahathat, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 2058, 08 4695 1949, 3 rooms : 450-550 baht.

Phu Chang Noi Resort (ภูข่างน้อย รีสอร์ท) 446 Mu 1 Si Chiang Khan Road, Soi 4, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1693, 08 9350 9810, 08 9944 7098, 9 rooms : 450-600 baht.

Phunsawat (พูนสวัสดิ์) 251/2 Chai Khong Road, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1115, 0 4282 1125, 08 5597 7027, 7 rooms : 300-600 baht.

Ruean Raem Luk Mai (เรือนแรมลูกไม้) 112 Mu 1 Soi 5, Chai Khong Road, Tel. 08 6234 0011, 5 rooms : 350-400 baht.

Sam Guesthouse (แซม เกสต์เฮาส์) 289 Chai Chong Soi 20, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1041, 08 7233 3797, 8 rooms : 390-600 baht.

Seksit Garden Resort (เศกสิทธี การ์ดเดน) 487 Chiang Khan-Nong Khai, Tel. 0 4282 2125, 0 4282 1957, 08 1708 7659, 4 houses : 250-500 baht.

Si Phan Homestay (ศรีพรรณ โฮมสเตย์) 170 Mu 2 Chai Khong Road, Tel. 0 4282 1797, 08 4131 0780, 7 rooms : 150 baht.

Song Phua Mia Guesthouse (สองผัวเมีย เกสต์เฮาส์) 241 Mu 1 Chai Khong Road, Soi 8-9, Tel. 0 4282 1492, 08 5464 8008, 5 rooms : 550-1,400 baht.

Suk Sombun (สุขสมบุญ) 243/3 Chai Khong Road, Tel. 0 4282 1064, Fax. 0 4282 2482, 14 rooms : 300-1,200 baht.

Sunetta Resort (สุนัตตา รีสอร์ท) 187/1 Mu 2 Chai Khong Road, Tel. 08 5237 7878, 10 houses : 600-1,200 baht. www.suneta.net

The Old Chiang Khan Boutique Hotel (ดิโอล์ด เชียงคาน บูติก ไฮเต็ล) 195 Mu 2 Chai Khong Road, Soi 20, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 2119, 20 rooms : 1,500 baht.

The Royal Chiang Khan Boutique Hotel (เดอะ รอยแยล เชียงคาน บูติก ไฮเต็ล) 195 Mu 2, Soi 15-16, Chai Khong Road, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1788, 08 9900 9788, 14 rooms : 1,500-2,500 baht.

Wilaiwan Resort (วิลัยวรรณ รีสอร์ท) 410/2 Mu 6, Loei Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 08 9577 1262, 08 7856 5149, 15 rooms : 250-500 baht.

Waruni Resort (วารุณี รีสอร์ท) 84 Mu 2 Tambon Si Chiang Khan, Soi 14, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1896, 08 7224 1743, 6 houses : 800 baht.

Wiwat Resort (วิวัฒน์ รีสอร์ท) Tel. 08 3140 3584, 9 houses : 400 baht.

Amphoe Pak Chom

Akalin (อากาลิน) 133 Ban Thap Sa-ngao, Pak Chom-Si Chiang Mai Road, Tambon Huai Phichai, Tel. 08 9944 5431, Fax. 0 4280 6817, houses : 1,800-17,500 baht. www.agalin.com

Pak Chom Resort (ปากชม รีสอร์ท) 315 Mu 1, Pak Chom-Si Chiang Mai Road, Tel. 0 4288 1033, 08 1872 3306, 12 houses : 250-400 baht.

Resort Pak Chom (รีสอร์ท ปากชม) 999 Ban Si Phuthon, Tel. 08 1148 6928, 08 0746 9763, 9 houses : 250-350 baht.

Rim Khong Resort (ริมโขง รีสอร์ท) 288 Mu 1 Tambon Pak Chom, Tel. 0 4288 1555, 08 9841 1402, 08 9709 0950, 12 houses : 200-400 baht.

Rueanrat Resort (เรือนรัตน์ รีสอร์ท) 263/3 Mu 1, Tambon Pak Chom, Tel. 0 4288 1523, 08 9863 7098, 18 bungalows : 250-500 baht.

Amphoe Wang Saphung

Khun Phaen Resort (ขุนแผน รีสอร์ท) 404 Mu 6, Maliwan Road, Tel. 0 4284 1500, 16 houses : 250-400 baht.

Kusuma Resort (กุสุมา รีสอร์ท) 59/10 Maliwan Road, Tel. 0 4285 0619, 7 rooms : 200-300 baht.

Lilawadi Resort (ลีลาวดี รีสอร์ท) 528 Mu 11 Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 08 9623 0537, 08 6855 1615, 9 rooms : 300-400 baht.

Phon Phaibun Resort (พรไพบูรณ์ รีสอร์ท) 514 Mu 11 Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 0 4284 1620, 08 3144 7739, 5 rooms : 350-400 baht.

Rai Niyom Resort (ไร่เนียม รีสอร์ท) 65 Mu 1, Tambon Pak Buan, Km. 13, Loei-Wang Saphung Road, Tel. 0 4285 0618, 08 9711 2003, 9 houses : 200-300 baht.

Sakun Prang Resort (สกุลปราง รีสอร์ท) 236 Mu 11 Loei-Udon Road, Tambon Wang Saphung, Tel. 0 4284 1483, 13 houses : 300-350 baht.

Sensunthon Chai Resort (แสนสุนทรชัย รีสอร์ท) 140 Mu 12 Tambon Nong Ya Plong, Tel. 08 9570 1952, 8 rooms : 150-400 baht.

Wang Namphu Resort (วังน้ำพุ รีสอร์ท) 217 Mu 5, Maliwan Road, Tel. 0 4285 0416, 11 houses : 200-300 baht.

Wang Resort (วังรีสอร์ท) 136 Mu 11 Si Songkhram Road, Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 0 4284 2270-2, Branch 1, 6 rooms : 350 baht, Branch 2, 25 rooms, 2 houses : 350-2,000 baht. www.wangresort.com

99 Resort (๙๙ รีสอร์ท) 199 Maliwan Road, Tambon Pak Buan, 64 rooms : 300-350 baht.

Amphoe Phu Luang

Phu Luang Hill Resort (ภูหลวงฮิลล์ รีสอร์ท) 135 Mu 2 Ban Nam Khu, Lom Sak- Phu Luang Road, Tambon Phu Ho, Tel. 08 9986 3348, 11 rooms : 300-400 baht.

Amphoe Nong Hin

Chao Phraya Pha Ngam Resort (เจ้าพระยาผางาม รีสอร์ท) 75 Mu 10, Ban Pha Ngam, Tel. 08 1975 9383, 2 bungalows : 3,000 baht and 13 bungalows : 200 baht.

Chatkon Resort (ชาติกร รีสอร์ท) 77 Mu 10 Ban Pha Ngam, Tambon Puanphu, Tel. 08 6249 0946, 08 1959 2827, 08 4787 9843, 6 rooms : 900-1,200 baht.

Chom Phu Nut Resort (ชมพูนุช รีสอร์ท) 95 Mu 10 Tambon Puanphu, Tel. 08 7955 5192, 08 6225 2574, 4 houses : 800-2,500 baht.

Huean Ratchasi Homestay (เหือนราชสีห์ โฮมสเตย์) 76 Mu 4 Ban Suan Hom, Tambon Puanphu, Tel. 08 1047 9790, 5 rooms : 600-1,200 baht.

Kasalao Resort (กาสะเลา รีสอร์ท) behind, Suan Hin Pha Ngam

Tourist Information Service Center, Tel. 08 1289 9932, 4 houses : 750 baht.

Kong Thong Resort (กองทอง รีสอร์ท) 119 Mu 2 Maliwan Road, Tambon Nong Hin, Tel. 0 4285 2234, 08 6753 0221, 5 houses, 10 rooms : 350-500 baht.

Rai Po Pan Resort (ไร่โปปาน รีสอร์ท) 71 Mu 5 Ban Suan Hom, Tambon Puanphu, Tel. 08 1967 1400, 08 7864 4698, 3 houses : 500 baht.

Amphoe Phu Kradueng

Ban Suan Chudanan (บ้านสวนชูดานันท์) 27 Mu 11 Ban Ratchawithi, Tel. 08 3337 6340, 08 1965 1870, 10 rooms : 300 baht.

Bunnut Resort (บุญนุช รีสอร์ท) 193 Mu 8 Ban Nonsa-ad, Tambon Huai Som, Tel. 08 7955 0530, 9 rooms : 300-400 baht.

Mongkhon Chai Resort (มงคลชัย รีสอร์ท) 152 Mu 8 Tambon Phu Kradueng, Tel. 08 9618 9609, 8 rooms : 250 baht.

Phu Kradueng Guesthouse (ภูกระดัง เกสต์เฮาส์) 99 Mu 11, Tambon Phu Kradueng, Tel. 0 4287 1306, 15 houses : 250-500 baht.

Phu Kradueng Homestay (ภูกระดัง โฮมสเตย์) Tel. 0 4287 1076, 08 9274 6009, 10 houses : 300-400 baht

Phu Kradueng Resort (ภูกระดัง รีสอร์ท) 372/1 Ban Si Than, Tel. 0 4287 1076, 08 9274 6009, 20 houses : 300-700 baht.

Amphoe Phu Ruea

Ban Phak Rim Thung Phu Ruea Village (บ้านพักริมทุ่งภูเรือ วิลเลจ) 411 Mu 7 at the entrance to Phu Ruea National Park, Tambon Nong Bua, 16 rooms : 500-3,500 Baht.

Ban Phak Yot Khao (บ้านพักยอดเขา) 188 Mu 7, Ban Phu Ruea at the entrance to Phu Ruea National Park, Tel. 0 4289 9161, 08 6220 4762, 19 houses : 350- 3,000 baht.

Ban Suan Piyaporn Resort (บ้านสวนปิยะพร รีสอร์ท) 138 Mu 7 Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9156, 08 6220 6200, 3 houses, 5 rooms : 500- 1,500 baht.

Ban Thong Chai Resort (บ้านธงชัย รีสอร์ท) 410 Mu 7 Tambon

Nong Bua, at the entrance to Phu Ruea National Park, Tel. 0 4289 9116, 08 7222 4355, 10 room, 14 houses : 500-2,000 baht.

Ban Yen Chit (บ้านเย็นจิต) 129 Mu 7, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9324, 8 houses : 300-1,200 baht.

Chatchada Grand Resort (ซัชชฎา แกรนด์ รีสอร์ท) 65 Mu 2, Ban Nong Suea Khrang, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9258, 08 1841 4111, 25 houses, 12 rooms : 300-2,000 baht. www.chatchadagrandresort.com

Country Hill Resort (คันทรี ฮิลล์ รีสอร์ท) 67 Mu 3, Tambon San Tom, 6 houses : 1,000-6,000 baht.

Korn Sawan Phu Ruea Home Resort (กอร์สรวด์ ภูเรือโฮม รีสอร์ท) 229 Mu 6 Tambon Rong Chik, Tel. 08 1545 5667, 10 houses : 1,500-2,000 baht. www.kornsawan.com

Mae Khaning Resort (แม่คะนิง รีสอร์ท) 296 Mu 4 Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9463, 08 7094 2189, 8 rooms : 280-1,200 baht.

Nida Resort (นิดา รีสอร์ท) 184 Mu 4, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9097, 08 5012 5435, 10 houses : 500-2,000 baht.

Panorama Hill (พาโนรามา ฮิลล์) 34 Mu 2, Ban Nong Suea Khrang, Tel. 0 4289 9405, 600-1,000 baht.

Phimphon Resort (ฟิมพ์พร รีสอร์ท) 99 Mu 2, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9152, 7 houses : 800-1,200 baht.

Phu Dara Resort (ภูดารา รีสอร์ท) 178 Mu 10 Loei-Lom Sak, Tambon Rong Chik, Tel. 0 4280 1138-9, 0 4281 0907-8, 59 rooms : 2,000-8,000 baht. www.phudararesort.com

Phu Kawi Resort (ภูควี รีสอร์ท) 200/2 Ban Nong Suea Khrang, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9666, 28 rooms : 600-2,800 baht.

Phu Phet (ภูเพชร) 286 Mu 7 at the entrance to Phu Ruea National Park, Tel. 0 4289 9157, 08 1320 2874, 13 houses : 500-1,500 baht.

Phu Ruea Butsaba Resort & Spa (ภูเรือบุษบา รีสอร์ท แอนด์สปา) 184 Mu 2, Ban Nong Suea Khrang, Tel. 0 4289 9330, 0 4289 9299, Fax. 0 4289 9219, 33 rooms : 500-4,000 baht. www.phuruabussaba.com

Phu Ruea Chalet (ภูเรือ ชาเล่ย์) 110 Mu 4, Loei-Lom Sak Road, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9012, 0 4289 9201, 24 rooms, 9 houses : 500-1,200 baht.

Phu Ruea Country Home (ภูเรือ คันทรีโฮม) 223 Mu 4 Loei-Lom

Sak Road, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9547, 08 1935 8808,
6 rooms : 1,000-3,000 baht.

Phu Ruea Guesthouse (ภูเรือ เกสเฮ้าส์) Phu Ruea-Dan Sai
Road, Tel. 084514 5214, 6 rooms : 500 baht.

Phu Ruea Hill Resort (ภูเรือฮิลล์ รีสอร์ท) 219 Mu 2 Kaeng
Laeng-Rong Chik Road, Tambon Rong Chik, Tel. 08 6051 8889,
08 4730 0033, 6 rooms : 600-1,500 baht.

Phu Ruea Resort (ภูเรือ รีสอร์ท) 163 Mu 2, Loei-Lom Sak Road,
Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9048, 0 4289 9042, 08 1400 8597,
17 houses, 33 rooms : 500-5,000 baht. www.phuruaresort.com

Phu Rua Ruean Mai Resort (ภูเรือเรือนไม้ รีสอร์ท) 471 Mu 7,
Ban Phu Ruea, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 08 1954 2915, Fax.
0 4289 9418, 6 bungalows : 500-1,800 baht.

Rabiang Phu Resort (ระเบียงภู รีสอร์ท) 483 Mu 7 Tambon
Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9643, 08 9708 3738, Fax. 0 4289 1334,
14 rooms : 500-3,500 baht.

Rai Phakdimit Resort (ไร่ภาคิมิตร รีสอร์ท) 104 Mu 4 Ban
Nong Bong, Tambon Nong Bong, Tel. 0 4289 9118, 22 houses :
300-2,000 baht.

Rai Sarocha (ไร่สรุชา) 333 Mu 7, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0
4289 9597, 08 9943 9097, 4 houses, 20 rooms : 800-1,500 baht.

Rayong Phu Ruea Resort (ระยอง ภูเรือ รีสอร์ท) Ban Kaeng
Laeng, Tel. 08 1912 0912, 08 1982 0982, 4 houses, 30 rooms :
1,200-1,500 baht.

Ruchirin Resort (รุจิรินทร์ รีสอร์ท) Tel. 0 4289 9156, 08 6220
6200, 7 rooms : 500-1,000 baht.

Rung Napha Resort (รุ่งนภา รีสอร์ท) 185 Mu 6 Tambon Nong
Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9068, 12 rooms, 9 houses : 500-2,000 baht.

Saban-nga Resort (สับนงา รีสอร์ท) 43 Mu 8, Tambon Nong
Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9278, 08 9618 3778, 8 houses : 300-5,000 baht,
www.phuruacub.com

Thapphathan (ทับผาธาร) Loei-Lom Sak Road, Ban Nong
Bong, Km. 44, Tel. 0 4289 9243, 16 houses : 800-1,200 baht,
www.purua.com.

Thai Loei 300 Years Resort (ไทเลย 300 ปี รีสอร์ท) 77 Ban
Buam Hok, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 08 1263 1826, 0 4289 9559,
17 houses : 700-1,200 baht.

Waranya Resort (วรัญญา รีสอร์ท) 314 Mu 7 at the

entrance to Phu Ruea National Park, Tel. 0 4289 9020, 08 1379 2323, Fax. 0 4289 9166, 20 houses: 800-8,000 baht.
www.waranyaresort.com

Amphoe Dan Sai

Ban Na Thum-Ban Nam Thaeng Homestay (โฮมสเตย์ บ้านนาทุ่ม-บ้านหนามแท่ง) Tel. 0 4289 2339, 08 6862 4812, 30 houses : 150-450

Ban Sabai Di Resort (บ้านสบายดี รีสอร์ท) 489 Mu 3 Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 08 9709 7571, 08 0748 1555, 7 rooms : 400-2,000 baht.

Dan Sai Resort (ด่านซ้าย รีสอร์ท) 391 Mu 3 Ban Doen, near Soi Krung Thai Bank, Tel. 0 4289 2281, 08 1769 3944, 08 9277 1251, 28 rooms : 200-1,000 baht. www.dansairesort.com

Kaeo Chai Guesthouse 49 Mu 8 Ban Nong Fa Laep, Pak Man, Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 0 4289 1088, 6 rooms : baht.

Loei Fan Rose Garden (เลยฝัน โรส การ์เด้นท์) 162 Mu 7, Tambon Phon Sung, Tel. 0 4280 1155, 6 houses : 1,000-8,000 baht.

Phu Na Come Resort (ภูนาคำ รีสอร์ท) 461 Mu 13, Ban Doen, Dansai-Loei Road, Tel. 0 4289 2005-6, 08 8585 0406 Fax. 0 4289 2007, 22 rooms : 3,800-5,500 baht. www.phunacomeresort.com

Phupha Mok Valley (ภูผาหมอก วัลเลย์) 233 Mu 1 Phu Ruea - Dan Sai Road, Km. 68, Ban Khok Ngam, Tambon Khok Ngam, Tel. 0 4207 8077, 08 18016436, 25 houses : 1,000-4,300 baht, www.phuphamokvalley.com.

Phupha Nam Resort (ภูผาน้ำ รีสอร์ท) 252 Mu 1, Tambon Khok Ngam, Tel. 0 4207 8078-9 Fax. 0 4207 8080, Bangkok Office Tel. 0 2254 3000, 71 rooms : 3,200-15,000 baht, www.phuphanamresort.com.

Phu Phaya Loei (ภูพญาเลย) 149 Mu 7, Ban Na Hin, Tambon Phon Sung, Tel. 08 1544 0349, 6 rooms : 1,200-1,500 baht. (tents for rent are provided.)

Rung Yen Resort (วังเย็น รีสอร์ท) 92 Mu 7, Ban Na Kham Pom, Tambon Khok Ngam, Tel. 0 4280 9511-2, 08 6895 4830 Fax. 0 4280 9514, 90 rooms: 965-9,200 baht, www.rungyenresort.com.

S B Resort (เอส บี รีสอร์ท) 117 Mu 14 Tambon Dan Sai, Tel.

0 4289 1819, 18 rooms : 450-600 baht

The White Rose Cottage (เดอะไวท์ โรส คอทเทจ) 226 Mu 3
Loei-Dan Sai Road, Ban Na Chiang, Tambon Khok Ngam, Tel. 08
1845 5655, 08 6853 3568, 11 houses : 600-1,200 baht.

Trijutharat Resort (ตริจุธารรัตน์ รีสอร์ท) 123/44 Mu 4 Dan
Sai-Nakhon Thai Road, Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 0 4289 1757,
0 4289 1759, 08 1441 7798, 08 1380 5639, Fax. 0 4289 1757,
8 houses : 1,200-6,500 baht. www.trijutharatresort.com

Amphoe Na Haeo

Falkland (ฟอล์กแลนด์) 118 Mu 3 Tambon Na Haeo, Tel. 0 4289
7312, 08 1056 8362, 08 1768 1425, 6 houses : 250 baht.

Na Haeo Resort (นาแห้ว รีสอร์ท) 123 Mu 3, Tambon Na Haeo,
Ban Mueang Rae, Tel. 0 4289 7080, 08 1048 5072, 5 houses :
500-2,500 baht.

Amphoe Tha Li

Asawin (อัศวิน) Ban Phet Sophon, Tambon Nong Phue, Tel. 08
1873 4655, 8 rooms: 200-500 baht.

Ban Suan Rim Than (บ้านสวนริมธาร) Mu 4 Ban Na
Kraseng, Tambon Ahi, near the brige to The Lao People's
Democratic Republic, Tel. 08 5458 9597, 08 9274 2769, 6 rooms:
200 - 500 baht.

Rim Hueang Resort (ริมเอื้อง รีสอร์ท) 188 Mu 7 Ban Pak Huai,
Tambon Nong Phue, Tel. 08 9937 7173, 12 rooms: 200-500 baht.

Si Khat (สีขั๊ด) Ban Pak Huai, Tambon Ahi, Tel. 08 9941 7101,
8 rooms : 200-400 baht.

Tha Li Resort (ท่าลี่ รีสอร์ท) Ban Miang Resort, Tambon Nong
Phuea, Tel. 0 4288 9267, 12 rooms : 300-500 baht.

Amphoe Erawan

Kanchana (กาญจนา) 679 Loei-Udon Thani Road, Tambon Pha
Inpaeng, Tel. 0 4285 3343, 5 houses, 13 rooms : 250-600 baht.

Nimit Paradise (นิมิตพาราไดซ์) 724 Mu 3 Tambon Pha Inpaeng,
Tel. 08 7906 4924, 12 rooms : 300-1,000 baht.

Restaurants

Amphoe Mueang Loei

Ban Phon (บ้านพร) 39 Mu 9 Maliwan Road, Tambon Na An, Tel. 0 4283 2800, 08 1380 5700.

Ban Thai (บ้านไทย) Nok Kaeo Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3472.

Ban Yai (บ้านยาย) Soet Si Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3361.

Bo Tan (โบทัน) at Loei Palace Hotel, Tel. 0 4281 5668-74 ext : 810.

Che Ruai Nakhon Pathom (เจ๊ราย นครปฐม) Maliwan Road, Tel. 0 4286 1900, 08 9709 5565, 08 5852 2750.

Choi Lap Pet (จ้อยลาบเป็ด) 31/1 Khiri Rat Road, Tel. 0 4281 1618, 08 7234 8779.

Khaen Khaen (แคนแคน) 11/9 Chum Sai Road, Tel. 0 4281 5180 (A la carte food, fried dried fish maw.)

Khrua Nit (ครัวนิต) 58 Charoen Rat Road, Tel. 0 4281 3013 (Thai food, steamed spotted featherback fish curry, chicken green curry).

Khrua Maduea (ครัวมะเดื่อ) Loei-Dan Sai Road, Tambon Kut Pong Tel. 08 9940 5242.

Khrua Romyen (ครัวร่มเย็น) 589 Maliwan Road (opposite Mueang Loei Ram Hospital), Tel. 0 4281 5706, 08 9710 8731.

Khrua Thanya (ครัวธัญญา) Maliwan Road, Tel. 08 1715 9732, 08 1101 1876.

Khum Luang Ya In (คุ้มหลวง ย่าอิน) Loei-Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 08 1641 0426.

Lan Chang (ล้านช้าง) Maliwan Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 08 5465 1234.

Loei Danang (เลยดานัง) 22/58-60 Chum Sai Road, Tel. 0 4283 0413.

Makan (มะกัน) 22/48-49 Chum Sai Road, Tel. 0 4281 1379 (Coffee, toast, fried egg with topping in a small pan).

Me and Mine (มี แอนด์ มาย) 70/7 Sathon Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 0 4281 1563.

Mum Aroi (มุ่มอร้อย) Soet Si Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 3669.

Noi Tamsua (หน้อยตำซั่ว) Nok Kao Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 08 1471 5904 (open 11.00 a.m.-1 p.m.)

Phap Phiap Somtam (พับเพียบ ส้มตำ) Nok Kao Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 08 1048 9959, 08 4953 8378.

Phikun Lap Koi (พิกุลลาบก้อย) 14/25-26 Sathon Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 0 4283 0227.

Ruean Mai Hom (เรือนไม้หอม) 72/21 Loei-Na Duang Road, Tambon Kut Pong, Tel. 0 4283 0800, 08 1837 2559.

Sawita Bakery (สวิตาเบเกอรี่) 317/2 Loei-Dan Sai Road, Tel. 0 4281 1526, 08 1670 5210.

Ton Lio (ตันหลิว) Phiphat Mongkhon Road. Tel. 0 4281 1655 (A la carte food, spicy Mekong-fish soup).

Amphoe Phu Ruea

Krua Het Hom (ครัวเห็ดหอม) 228 Mu 7, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9285 (Rice porridge with Shiitake mushrooms, fried egg with Shiitake mushroom topping in a small pan.)

Nong Ao (น้องอ้อ) 10 Mu 6 Loei-Lom Sak Road, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9262, 08 4262 5801 (open 06.00 a.m.-09.00 p.m.)

Phu Ruea Bussaba Resort & Spa (ภูเรือ บุษบา รีสอร์ท แอนด์ สปา) 184 Mu 2 Ban Nong Suea Khrang, Tel. 0 4289 9330, 0 4289 9299.

Phu Ruea Chalet (ภูเรือชาเลต์) 110 Mu 4, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9012, 0 4289 9201 (Phak Kut-young fern leaf-spicy salad, Mekong fish spicy soup, mixed vegetable soup)

Phu Ruea Kai Yang (ภูเรือไก่ย่าง) 307 Mu 7, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9149, 0 4789 0684 (Grilled chicken, spicy soup, grilled Grey Mullet in the bamboo stick).

Phu Ruea Phochana (ภูเรือ โปชนา) 147 Mu 7, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9159 (Striped snake-head fish spicy salad, Shiitake in tamarind-flavoured soup).

Phu Ruea Resort (ภูเรือ รีสอร์ท) 163 Mu 4, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9048 (Phak Kut spicy salad, Mekong fish spicy soup).

Rabiang Doi (ระเบียงดอย) 116 Mu 2, Tambon Nong Bua, Tel. 0 4289 9121.

Waranya Resort (วรัญญา รีสอร์ท) 314 at the entrance to Phu Ruea National Park, Tel. 0 4289 9020, 08 1379 2323.

Amphoe Dan Sai

Ban Im Un (บ้านอิมอุ้น) 423 Mu 3, Loei-Dan Sai Road, Tel. 0 4289 1586, 08 5760 3352.

Chong Chai Borikan (จงใจบริการ) Soi Thetsaban 5, Ban Nuea, Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 0 4289 1391.

Kip Kap (กีฟกัฟ) Mu 3 Ban Doen, Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 0 4289 1847, 08 7198 5370.

Krua Dan Nam Chai (ครัวด่านน้ำใจ) opposite Wat Phrathat Si Song Rak, Dan Sai-Lom Kao, Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 0 4289 1124, 08 7999 7073.

Krua Kan Eng (ครัวกันเอง) 152 Mu 3, Tambon Dan Sai, Tel. 08 1048 8040, 08 9842 9640.

Na Kham Restaurant (นาคำ เรสเทอรองค์) 461 Mu 3, Tambon Ban Doen, Tel. 0 4289 2005-6 (open 11.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m. and 05.00 p.m.-08.00 p.m.)

Phu Pha Nam Resort (ภูผาน้ำ รีสอร์ท) 252 Mu 1, Tambon Khok Ngam, Tel. 0 4289 2055-6 (Mekong fish spicy soup, Phak Kut spicy salad).

Rung Yen Resort (รังเย็น รีสอร์ท) 92 Mu 7, Tambon Khok Ngam, Tel. 0 4280 9511-3 (Fried pork leg, spotted featherback fish green curry).

Amphoe Wang Saphung

Dan Heng Li (ด่านเฮงลิ) 81/2 Mu 2, Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 0 4284 1163 (Phak Kut spicy salad, 3-flavoured red tilapia fish).

Kai Yang Lung Piang (ไก่อ่างลุงเพียง) 118 Mu 6 Maliwan Road, Tambon Pak Phan, Tel. 08 1717 3481.

Kai Yang Wang Saphung (ไก่อ่างวังสะพุง) 82 Mu 6, Maliwan Road, Tel. 0 4285 0387, 08 6231 0647, 08 5463 1889.

Ocha (โอชา) 275 Mu 2, Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 0 4285 1441.

Suki Tamnak Wang (สุกิตำหนักวัง) 476 Mu 2, Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 0 4285 0166.

Than Tawan (ทานตะวัน) 394 Mu 3, Tambon Wang Saphung, Tel. 0 4285 0407 (Grilled striped snake-head fish and grilled Nile Tilapia).

Wang Thong (วังทอง) 142 Mu 2, Tambon Si Songkhram, Tel. 08 1759 9069.

Amphoe Chiang Khan

Bami Fueangfa (บะหมี่เฟื่องฟ้า) Si Chiang Khan Road, Soi 9-10, Tel. 0 4282 1296.

Ban Ton Khong (ตันโขง) 299/3 Mu 1, Soi 3, Chai Khong Road, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1775, 08 5854 7679.

Chamloei Rak (จำเลยรัก) 164 Mu 2 Chai Khong Road, Soi 12-13, Tambon Chiang Khan (open 06.30 a.m.-9.00 p.m.)

Huean Luang Phra Bang (เหือนหลวงพระบาง) Chai Khong Road, Tel. 0 4282 1046.

Khitthueng Fang Khong (คิดถึงผังโขง) 243 Mu 1, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1064 (Fried fish with garlic, spicy fish soup).

Khrua Liaolae (ครัวเหลียวแล) Si Chiang Khan Road, Soi 13-14, Tel. 08 6240 2350.

Khrua Nucha (ครัวนุชา) 28/2 Mu 4, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1285, 0 4282 1414 (Isan food).

Khrua Pho Thong (ครัวโพธิ์ทอง) between Soi 5-6, Chai Khong Road, Tel. 08 3361 8964

Khrua Rimnam (ครัวริมน้ำ) 341 Mu 1, Tambon That, Tel. 0 4285 4260 (A la carte food and dishes cooked with river fish).

Khrua U Khao U Nam (ครัวอุข้าว อุ่นน้ำ) Loei-Chiang Khan Road, Tel. 08 3327 2757, 08 9710 9609.

Kuk Kai Restaurant (กูกไก่ เรสเตอรอง) Chai Khong Road, Tel. 08 6854 4956.

Luk Phochana (ลูกโภชนา) Soi 9, Tel. 0 4282 1251.

Mekong Riverside (แม่โขงริเวอร์ไซด์) 328 Mu 1, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1351.

Rabiang Rim Khong (ระเบียงริมโขง) 299/4 Mu 1, Tambon Chiang Khan, Tel. 0 4282 1532 (Dishes cooked with fish from the Mekong River).

Ran Ahan Kaeng Khutkhu house's wife group (ร้านอาหาร
กลุ่มแม่บ้านแก่งคุดคุ้) Tel. 0 4282 2056.

T. Khao Tom (ต.ข้าวต้ม อาหารตามสั่ง) Tel. 08 7232 5067.

Amphoe Nong Hin

Che Noi (เจ๊น้อย) Suan Hin Pha Ngam (local food), Tel. 08 1230 7607.

Lap Pet Mueang Ubon (ลาบเปิดเมืองอุบล) Suan Hin Pha Ngam.

Amphoe Phu Kradueng

Ran Che Kim (ร้านเจ๊กิม) Pha Nok Khao, Phu Kradueng-Chum
Phae Road, Tambon Pha Nok Khao, Tel. 0 4207 4249.



Sunrise at Mekong



Pha Mak Duk in Phu Kradueng National Park



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<i>Mueang Loei District Police Station</i>	Tel. 0 4281 1254
<i>Loei Hospital</i>	Tel. 0 4281 1541
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