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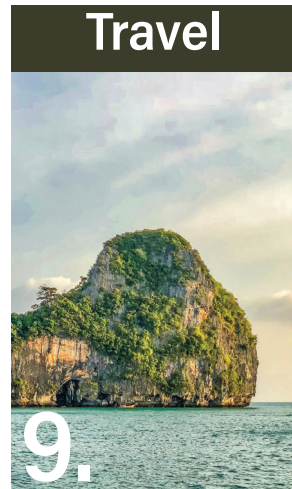
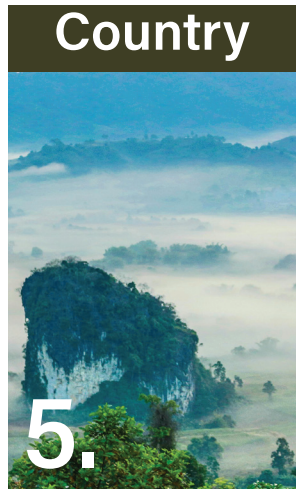
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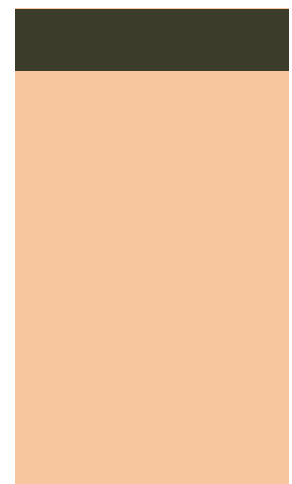
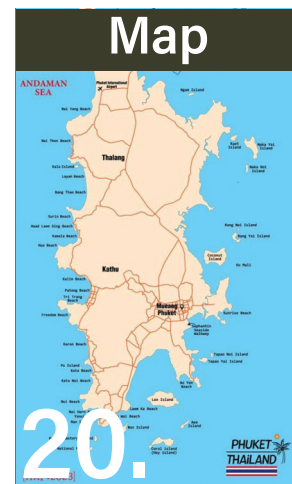
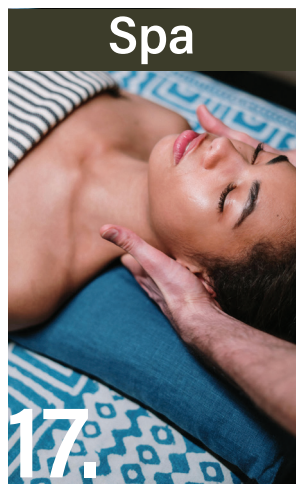


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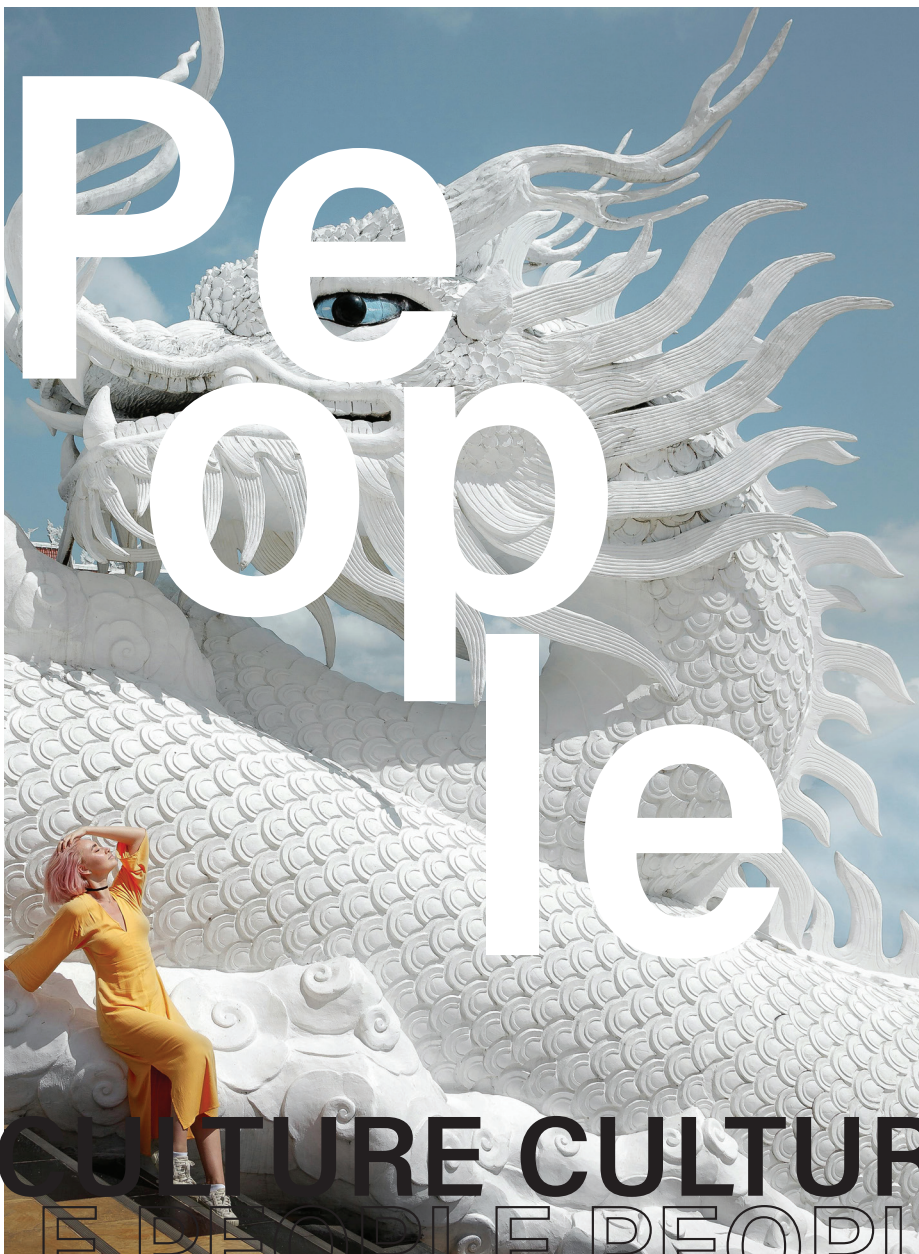
Phuket

Thailand

There's more to Phuket than white sands and turquoise waters: it also has vintage streets, colonial mansions, Buddhist shrines, and more. This 4-hour tour takes you into Phuket Old Town, to discover bustling lanes, 19th-century architecture, and quaint shop-houses as you hear about the town's history. Plus, visit the Wat Chalong Buddhist temple, and relax at a hillside viewpoint overlooking Phuket's coastline. Soda, plus hotel or central location pickup and drop-off included.

Country





Siamese Central Tai

Identification. The name "Thailand" is associated with the dominant ethnic group, Thai. Thailand was never under European colonial rule. It was an absolute monarchy until 1932, when it became a constitutional monarchy. In 1939 the country's name was changed from Siam to Thailand. Military dictators ruled the nation until the early 1970s; the military remained a powerful force in national politics into the early 1990s. Since that time, its role has diminished, and a new constitution was adopted in 1997. The military governments after World War II promoted rapid economic development and attempted to assimilate ethnic minorities. Rapid

economic growth continued until the late 1990s, when the economic boom of the early part of the decade came to an abrupt end. As part of a trend toward devolution of authority, the democratic governments of the



1990s adopted more liberal policies with regard to ethnic minorities. However, members of ethnic minorities continue to face many problems in regard to political rights and economic security.

There are communities of Korean and Urdu-speaking peoples in Bangkok, and there is

a small population of Mon in central Thailand. Various peoples, commonly designated as hill tribes, inhabit the northern mountain areas. The total hill tribe population is about 500,000, with the Karen being the largest group (about 350,000). There are several settlements of Palaung (about 5,000 people) near the Burmese border and several communities of Khmu, Phai, Mal, and Mlabri (about 75,000 in Thailand total) near the border with Laos. Several small ethnic groups in the northeast speak Mon-Khmer languages; the largest of these groups is the Kuy (about 235,000).

These groups have been largely assimilated into the Tai-speaking populations. In the south, there are small groups of so-called sea gypsies and aboriginal Malays (about 6,000 people). In the isolated inland areas of the south, there are about 1,000 forest-dwelling peoples referred to as Orang Asli in Malay.

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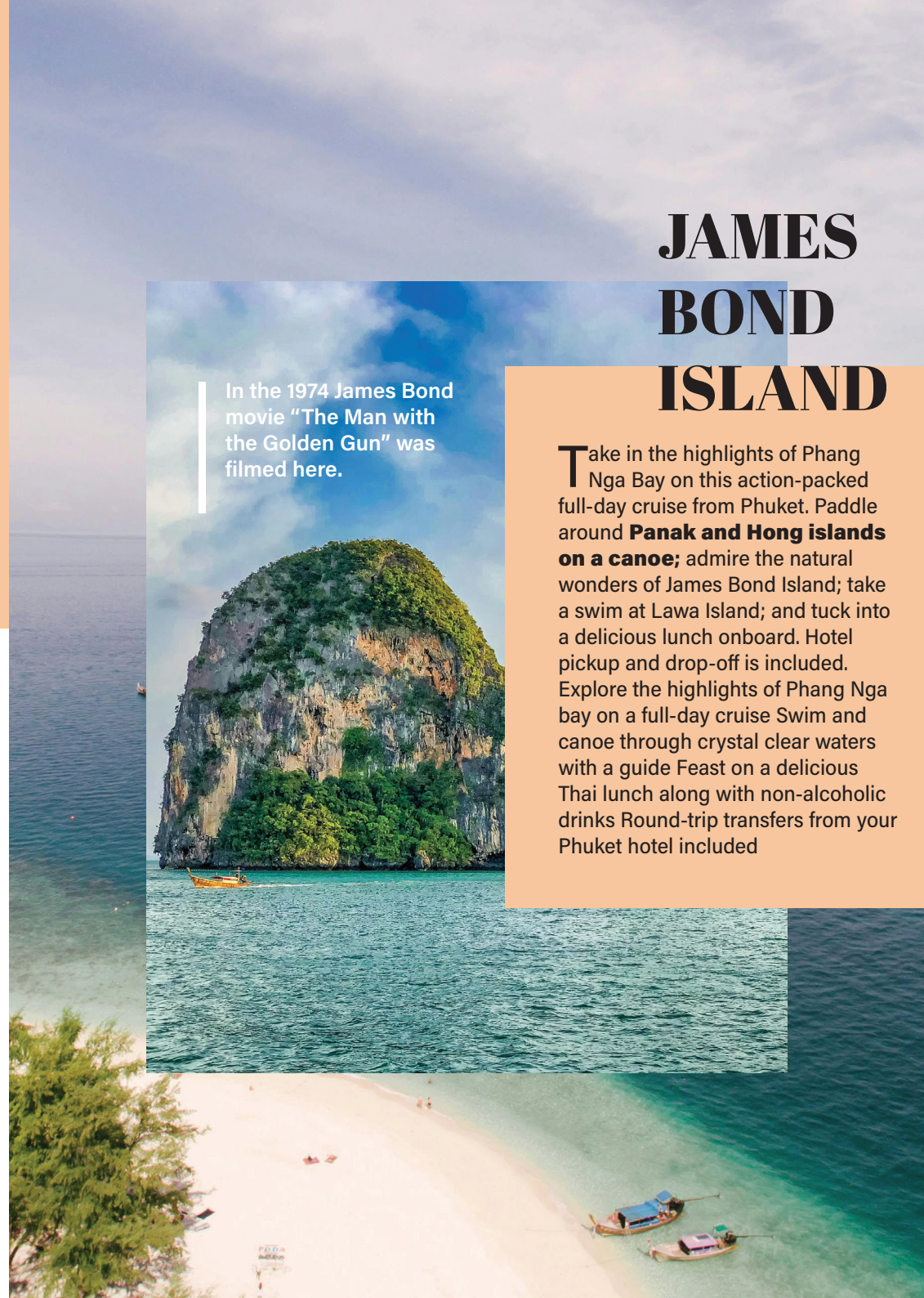
Travel

JAMES BOND ISLAND

In the 1974 James Bond movie "The Man with the Golden Gun" was filmed here.

Take in the highlights of Phang Nga Bay on this action-packed full-day cruise from Phuket. Paddle around **Panak and Hong islands on a canoe**; admire the natural wonders of James Bond Island; take a swim at Lawa Island; and tuck into a delicious lunch onboard. Hotel pickup and drop-off is included. Explore the highlights of Phang Nga bay on a full-day cruise Swim and canoe through crystal clear waters with a guide Feast on a delicious Thai lunch along with non-alcoholic drinks Round-trip transfers from your Phuket hotel included

The Phi Phi archipelago is a must-visit while in Phuket, and this speedboat trip whisks you around the islands in one day. Swim over the coral reefs of Pileh Lagoon, have lunch at Phi Phi Leh, snorkel at Bamboo Island, and visit Monkey Beach and Maya Bay, immortalized in "The Beach." Boat transfers, snacks, buffet lunch, snorkeling equipment, and Phuket hotel pickup and drop-off all included. Visit the islands by speedboat to relax, swim, and snorkel Sightsee Maya Bay, popularized by the **famous movie, "The Beach" starring Leonardo DiCaprio** See the monkeys at Monkey Beach Snorkel masks and lifejackets provided.



Adventure

OF A LIFETIME

Skip the unethical elephant encounters in Phuket and visit a sanctuary where the animals are allowed to live their final years roaming freely without being harmed by tourists. Located on 30 acres of lush, tropical land bordering the **Khao Phra Thaeo National Park in North East Phuket**, visiting the Phuket Elephant Sanctuary helps support their mission of compassionate and ethical elephant tourism. Ethical elephant experience in Phuket Learn how harmful elephant tourism can be Watch elephants roam freely and have the chance to feed them Your visit helps to support the mission of the elephant sanctuary.

Elephant Rides



"Ephant encounters in Thailand can be a thrilling and once in a lifetime experience"



Despite their charm, tuk tuks can be a bit of an adventure. The open-air design means riders are exposed to the elements, and drivers are known for their daring maneuvers through traffic.

Tuk Tuk

During your journey through Southeast Asia you can be sure you'll move in a thousand and one ways, including the train and bus. The more daring will also opt to rent a motorcycle, to move quickly and comfortably interurban. However, the means of transport par excellence, especially in cities, is undoubtedly the Tuk-Tuk. Of all Thai cities Bangkok is the most tuk-tuks concentrated, so during your visit the country's capital we encourage you to travel in tuk-tuk at least a couple of times.

Transport

Cooking classes

Food and Drinks

Learn how to cook authentic Thai dishes just like a local during this small-group cooking class in Phuket. The menu is adapted to your preferences and dietary needs. If you take the morning class, you also visit a traditional market. Includes ingredients and light refreshments.



Don't just eat **Thai specialities**, learn to cook the recipes yourself during a cookery class in Phuket, which provides the perfect introduction to Thai cuisine for first-time visitors. As you prepare local delicacies from scratch at your own personal cooking station, your guide shares insider tips guaranteed to improve your cookery skills. Plus, convenient hotel pickup and drop-off are included, so you won't waste any time looking for a meeting point. **Thai cookery class** ideal for food lovers. Take home insider tips and Thai recipes. Choose from a morning or afternoon class. Convenient hotel pickup and drop-off are included.

Wellness & Spa



Phuket is famous for its breathtaking beaches, vibrant nightlife, and world-class spas



Are you seeking the ultimate relaxation experience in Phuket, where serene beauty and tranquility meet unparalleled spa treatments.

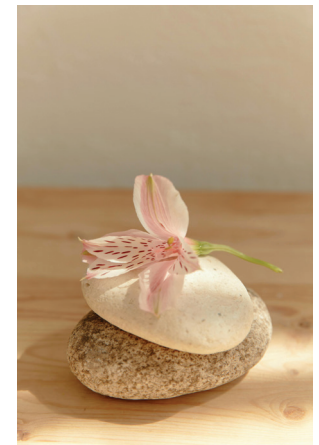
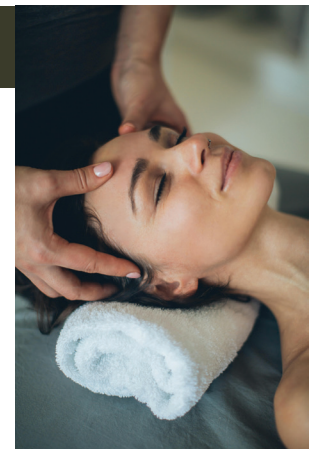
These havens of relaxation offer diverse services, from traditional Thai massages to innovative wellness treatments, each promising a unique path to tranquility

Phuket's spas are celebrated for their comprehensive range of services, including traditional Thai massages, modern wellness treatments, and specialized packages for detoxification and relaxation, ensuring an unforgettable experience of tranquility and rejuvenation.

The Santosa Detox and Wellness Center is recognized for its expansive detox services and serene setting, offering a comprehensive wellness escape. Banyan Tree Spa pioneers the luxurious garden spa concept, blending traditional and innovative treatments.

Infinite Luxury Spa in the Kata Rocks resort stands out for its award-winning services and breathtaking ocean views. It provides a top-tier rejuvenation experience.

Many digital nomad-friendly spas, including **Oasis Turquoise Cove Spa**, offer additional conveniences like free transportation, emphasizing customer comfort and accessibility and further enhancing the spa experience.



Wellness



Stay

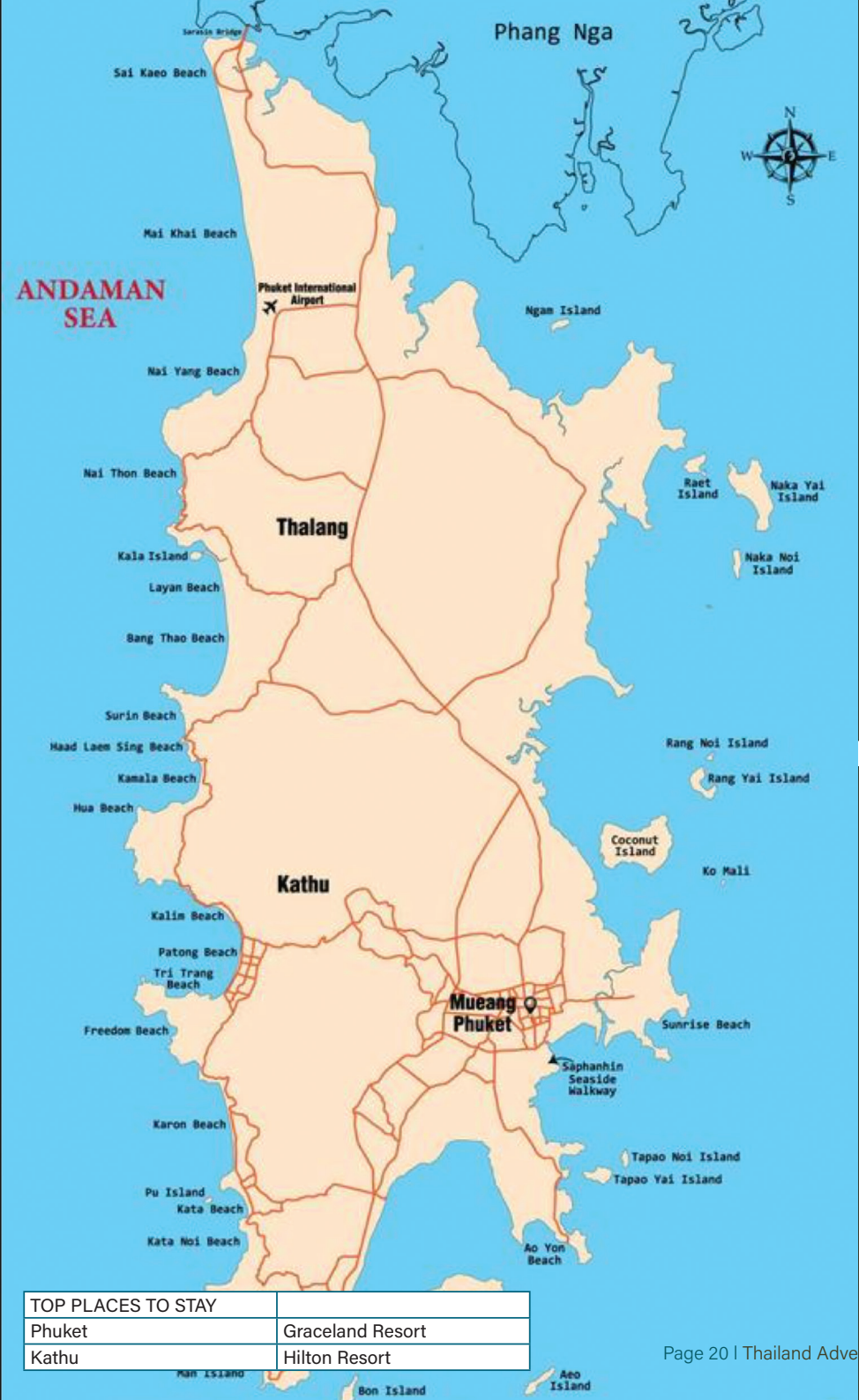
Experience Phuket Graceland Resort & Spa

Phuket Graceland Resort and Spa is located along Patong Beach, overlooking the Andaman Sea. Boasting 2 outdoor pools and 4 dining options, it also has a spa and bowling alley.

Rooms at Phuket Graceland feature wooden flooring and modern Thai décor. Each room has a TV, fridge with minibar, and tea/coffee making facilities. The private bathroom is fitted with a bathtub and shower.

Guests can enjoy a dip in the outdoor spa pool, or a workout in the gym. The tour desk caters to travel needs, while the library is great for quiet reading. Services include car rental, laundry, and luggage storage.

Buffet breakfast is served daily. All-day dining is available at Bua Luang Restaurant, which serves Thai and International dishes, and Parakang Coffee Shop. Drinks are available at the pool bar and the lobby lounge.



TOP PLACES TO STAY	
Phuket	Graceland Resort
Kathu	Hilton Resort

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