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Experience Guide

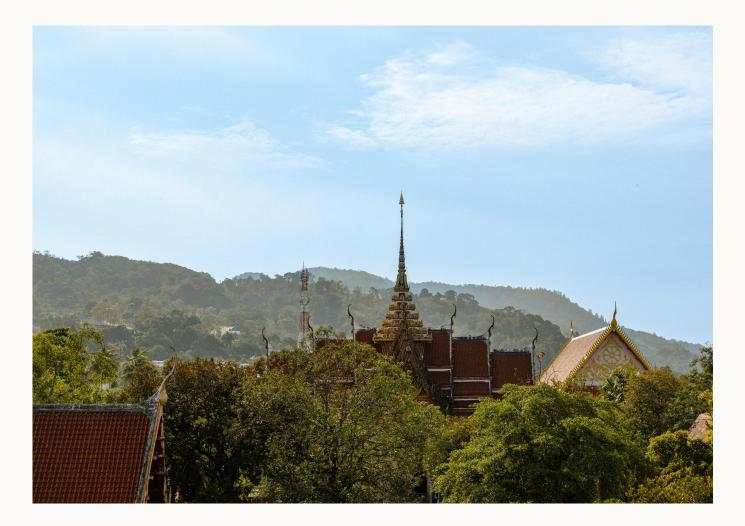
# Experiences at Amanpuri

Surrounded by the tranquil turquoise waters of the Andaman Sea, Amanpuri is a gateway to the natural wonders of Phuket. The coast offers adventures of many kinds, from gentle kayaking to the thrill of wakeboarding. Inland, the serene, white-sand beaches and lush jungle vegetation are complemented by a rich cultural history, including 30 Buddhist temples.

Guests are encouraged to explore the local culture and landscape through a wide range of experiences, from trekking in a national park and seeing apes in their natural habitat to receiving a traditional blessing at a local Buddhist temple.

To find out more about the possibilities on offer, please consult the Amanpuri Experience Team. They will be delighted to advise and to create a customised itinerary tailormade to your individual requirements. Advance booking is recommended.





# **Cultural Experience**

Receive a traditional blessing, visit Wat Chalong, or discover the 'Tree of Life' experience with a Coconut Masterclass. Amanpuri offers a variety of opportunities to immerse yourself in the local culture.

# Buddhist Blessing at Wat Manik Temple

At Wat Manik Journey time: 30 minutes each way

Depart early in the morning to visit a local Thai temple nestled in a serene rubber plantation. Traditional offerings can be prepared using ingredients purchased at the nearby morning market. These offerings can then be presented as alms to the monks, who will offer prayers and blessings in return. Visits can be arranged anytime before 11 am.

# An excursion to Wat Chalong

At Chalong Journey time: One hour each way

Wat Chalong, also known as Wat Chaiyathararam, was built in the early 19th century. It is the largest temple in Phuket. The most recent structure on the temple grounds is a 60-meter-tall chedi, which houses a relic—a splinter of bone from the Buddha. The temple's walls and ceilings are adorned with beautiful paintings depicting the life of the Buddha, along with numerous donated golden statues.

# **Coconut Masterclass**

#### At Amanpuri

Embrace Amanpuri's coconut plantation setting through a variety of sustainable workshops dedicated to the 'tree of life'. Enjoy an al-fresco breakfast by the shady fruit-bearing fronds, before learning about the coconut tree's life cycle and observing our coconut climber harvesting the fruits. For those with more of a sweet tooth, a coconut dessert-making class takes place in the afternoon.



# **Culinary Experience**

Make your favourite Thai curry, create your own cocktails, or enjoy a beachside candlelit dinner. Amanpuri plays host to an outstanding culinary experiences.

# **Thai Cooking Masterclass**

Open kitchen, Pool Terrace

Embark on a culinary journey with Bua Bok's chef. Our chef will guide you through the herbs growing in our inhouse garden, explaining their culinary and health benefits. You can also participate in picking some of the fresh ingredients for food preparation. Afterwards, walk to an open-air kitchen where you can enjoy the artistry of your favorite dishes.

# Pasta & Risotto Masterclass

Open kitchen, Pool Terrace

Gain a first-hand insight into the Italian recipes of Arva by Aman's chef, who transforms the finest flour into delicious fresh pasta through a delicate process of hand-kneading and folding the dough. Over the course of the hands-on class, develop expertise in the techniques that will help you create the flavours of Italy in your own home.

# Sushi Making Masterclass Nama Omakase Counter

An interactive dining experience, practise the art of sushi-making under the expert guidance of Nama's seasoned chefs. Amanpuri's dedicated sushi masterclass covers ingredients selection, hand rolling and fish-slicing techniques.

# Mixology Masterclass

The Sunset Terrace

Enjoy a cocktail-making class with our resident Amanpuri mixologist and discover the secrets of crafting classic and innovative pours, from choosing the best ingredients to aligning flavour combinations. Complete The experience by savouring your creation while watching the sunset over the Andaman Sea.

# **Culinary Experience**

# **Private Barbecue Dinner**

Enjoy a candle-lit evening dining on the soft sands of Pansea Beach, serenaded by the whisper of the waves. This feet-in-the-sand dining experience offers guests a choice of Italian, Thai, or Vegan menus, served at private tables. The Amanpuri team can transform any part of the resort into an intimate restaurant for two or more.

#### Thai Royal Private Dinner

This royal culinary experience will take you on a journey to the ancient Ayutthaya. Indulge in delicate Thai royal cuisine as you gaze upon the exotic Andaman sea or experience the symphony of nature in your very own secluded garden.

#### **Ocean Platform Sunset Experience**

Available from December onwards

A tiny island of one's own, the ocean platform gives Amanpuri's guests the opportunity to experience the pleasure and poetry of being adrift in the Andaman. An idyllic base for private dining and relishing the splendour of the sunset.

## Flavour of Japan

Savour the artistry of Japanese cuisine with our four-course private dining experience. As you step into a candlelit setting of unparalleled beauty on our beach, immerse yourself in the aromas and flavours of authentic Japanese dishes. Each dish is a masterpiece that reflects the culinary traditions and innovations of this remarkable culture, and our chefs are eager to share their expertise with you.



# **Outdoor Activities**

Canter along Phuket's powder-soft beaches or trek into pristine rainforest with a private guide who will tell you about the indigenous plants, fruit and small animals you encounter along the way.

## **Elephant Sanctuary**

At Paklok Journey time: 60 minutes each way

Spend a morning at the Phuket Elephant Sanctuary. You will have the opportunity to feed the elephants and enjoy a leisurely walk, observing the herd as they roam, bathe, and play in the mud or one of three lagoons.

#### **Canopy Walking Programme**

Time: 9.30am, 10am, 2pm and 2.30pm

Discover an unparalleled 90-minute adventure by embarking on our innovative 600-meter canopy walkway. Witness rescued elephants freely roaming, foraging, bathing, and socialising in their natural jungle habitat below. The tour guides are eager to introduce each elephant's unique story and share fascinating facts about these majestic creatures, the largest land mammals on earth.

# Horse Riding

At Laguna Journey time: 30 minutes each way

Trot or canter along Phuket's beautiful beaches and enjoy beautiful ocean and lagoon views. Horse riding can be arranged at any time but the views are particularly spectacular at sunset when the Andaman Sea turns gold. Horses and hacks are available for all levels, from beginners to experienced riders.

#### Phuket Tour

Visit Phuket's most famous landmarks in a chauffeured limousine. Take in Old Phuket Town for local shopping and dining, step inside the island's most picturesque temples and marvel at the Big Buddha. Finally, soak up the sunset views from Promthep Cape before driving back along the scenic west coast. Trips can be personalised to suit individual interests.

#### Tennis

Amanpuri offers four tennis courts. Two are made from sand-filled artificial grass and two are hard courts for a faster play. Our professional coaches are here to guide, instruct, or play as you wish.

#### Star Gazing

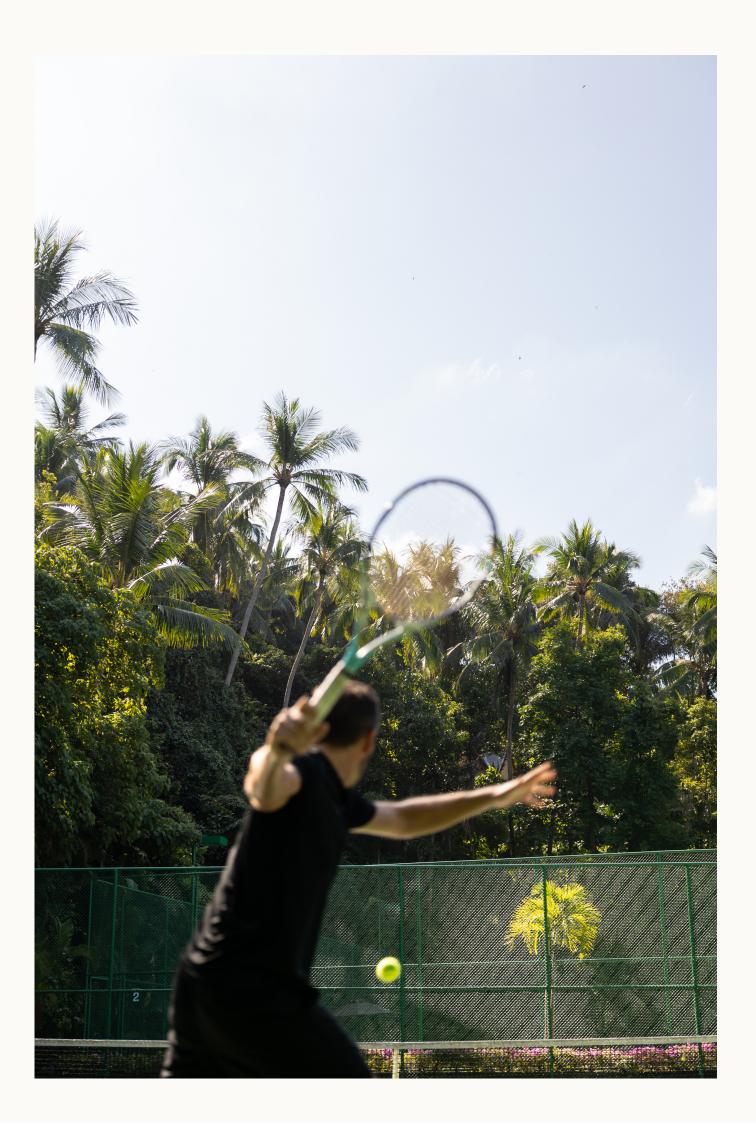
The clear, dark Amanpuri night lends itself to star gazing. This is a chance for the whole family to enjoy the wonders of planet Earth and embark on a journey of discovery across constellations, moon craters and other planets.

#### Nature Trek

Journey time: 30 minutes each way Available daily

Embark on a four-hour morning trek with a private guide through Khao Phra Thaeo National Park, spanning 22 square kilometers of pristine rainforest. Begin at Ton Sai Waterfall and ascend through the jungle, where you'll learn about the native flora and fauna along the way.

You'll have the chance to spot rare white-backed palms unique to this area, as well as colorful local birds such as the red-billed malkoha, the greater racket-tailed drongo, and the red-backed sea-eagle. The trek concludes at Bang Pae Waterfall and the Gibbon Rehabilitation Project, offering up-close encounters with these inquisitive apes. Covering approximately five kilometers, the hike is mostly uphill and moderately challenging.





# Take to the water

Amanpuri offers water sports to suit every tempo including boogie boards, stand up paddleboards, snorkelling, sailing and jet-skiing. Take to the water your way and discover the delights of the Andaman Sea.

# Stand Up Paddleboard or Kayak Tours

Stand up paddleboarding and kayaking allow you to explore Phuket's sublime coastline at a mellow pace. Paddle around the bays of Bangtao or Surin, find hidden coves, and encounter the local wildlife at sunrise or sunset. This trip will develop your balance, strength and endurance.

# Sailing Lesson

The Hobie 16 is a popular catamaran for racing and day sailing. This one-hour lesson will teach you how to read the wind, hoist the main sail, jib and set sail.

# Stand Up Jet Ski

Our Kawasaki Stand Up Jet Skis offer serious acceleration. If you have never tried jet skiing, our experienced instructors will teach you the basics and get you safely on your way.

# Lampuga / Jetboard

The inflatable electric jetboard has a unique two-part design that demonstrate great balance, stability and control. In contrast to hard bodied boards, the air inside the board's inflatable hull allows it to float when the rider's weight is added to the board, enabling riders to stand, sit or lie on the board before accelerating. By being incredibly easy to use it offers thrilling fun for all riders, regardless of experience level, age or physique .

All motorised watersports will be available starting in November.



# Fliteboard eFoil

Discover the Andaman Coast in a new eco- friendly way with the freedom to ride anywhere, anytime, without wind or waves. Wings fly below the surface while you soar above the water. The Fliteboard eFoil carves like a snowboard in fresh powder. It's fast, quiet, and emission-free. Almost anyone can learn, yet Fliteboard is engaging for even the most experienced water sports athletes.

# Seabob

The Seabob offers six speed levels from gentle cruising to extremely fast, allowing you to travel at the speed of your choice. You can also dive to three metres and discover the underwater world at leisure.

For children aged 12 years old and above

# **Flyboard**<sup>®</sup>

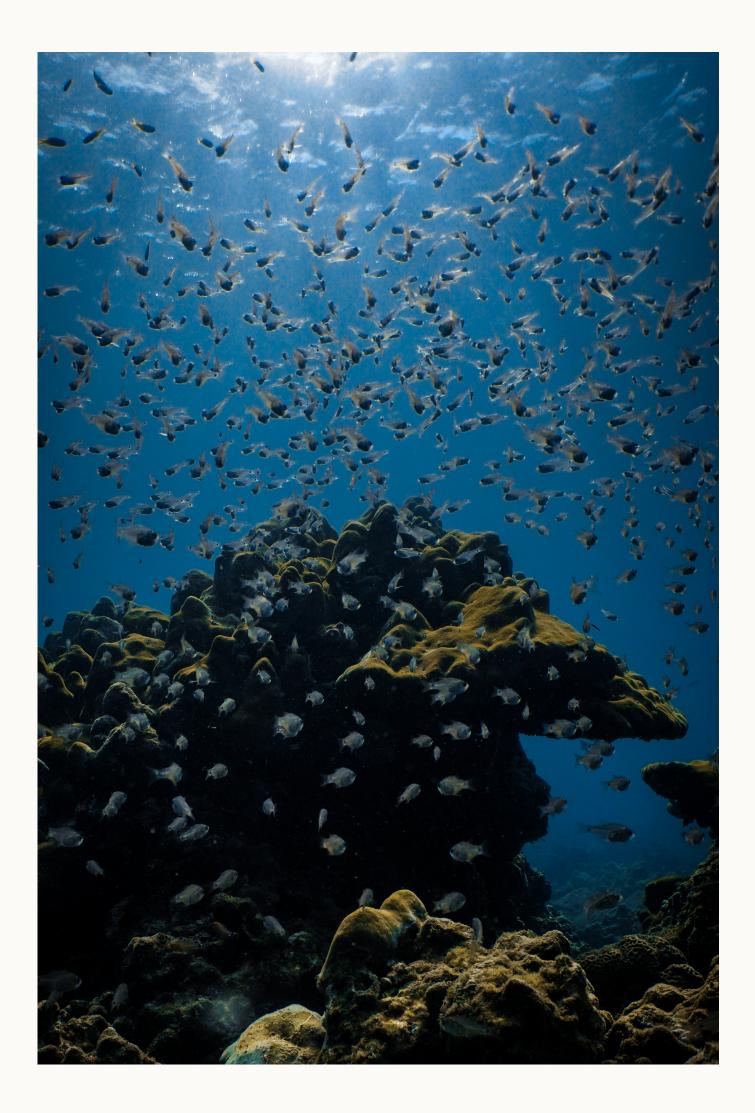
Experience the sensation of flight, challenging your agility and stability at the same time. Using powerful water jet propulsion, this balance board will see you soaring over the Andaman Sea. Flyboard® is designed for both beginners and experienced balance board users, with instructors on hand to demonstrate the basic steps.

For children aged 12 years old and above

# Water-skiing / Wakeboard

Discover the thrill of skimming across the sea on two skis or a wake board. Our Mastercraft Xstar is the original high performance boat, now redesigned for unparalleled wake. Whether you are honing your skills or starting out, we will support and challenge you.

For children aged 12 years old and above





# Scuba diving

Amanpuri is a stepping stone to a wide range of dive excursions and training courses, suitable for both experienced divers and those new to this enthralling sport. Our preferred dive operator is H2O Sportz, a PADI five-star training organisation. Their custom-built boats depart daily to the best dive sites around Phuket including Shark Point, Koh Dok Mai, Anemone Reef, and Sea King Wreck.

H2O Sportz also offer the PADI Open Water Diver, Adventure Diver, Specialty Diver, Rescue Diver, Enriched Air Diver and Bubble Maker courses as well as an introductory programme for beginners.

Minimum participant numbers are a prerequisite for all dive excursions. Departure times vary based on tidal movements, weather conditions, and other factors, typically scheduled at either 8.15am or 11.40 am

Advance booking is necessary

# PADI Discover Scuba Diving Course

This one-day introductory course starts with a pool session and ends with you exploring the coral reefs alongside your instructor. If you have always wanted to try scuba-diving but have never found the time, this is for you.

# PADI Open Water Diver Course

There are two streams to this four-day examined course: classroom sessions and in-water training. In the classroom, cover topics such as safety procedures, the marine environment and dive planning. In the pool, learn how to use scuba equipment safely, before taking to the ocean on four open water training dives.

# PADI Advanced Open Water Diver Course

Divers looking to improve their skills and experience will be best suited to this course. It can be completed within two or three days and fuses theory with practice, as five dives teach advanced skills such as navigation, night diving, and deep dives. Further options include naturalist, wreck or multi-level dives. With no formal tests, this is a fun way to become a far more proficient diver.

#### **Private Charters**

Amanpuri has a selection of vessels available for private charter. Enjoy sailing, deep-sea fishing and scubadiving. Over-night charters are available for islandhopping in Phang Nga Bay and the Andaman Sea, serviced by a full crew.

Price depending on boat

# Golf

Set in diverse landscapes, from prestine gardens and coconut plantations to coastal settings, Phuket offers both award-winning and champion golf courses. Quality equipment and attire are available for hire or purchase from course clubhouse.

# Blue Canyon Golf & Country Club

At Blue Canyon Journey time: 45 minutes each way

One of the most beautiful and challenging golfing destinations in Asia, this famous club has hosted the PGA Tournament. It boasts two award- winning championship golf courses, the Canyon Course and the Lake Course.

# **Red Mountain Golf Club**

At Kathu Journey time: 45 minutes each way

This 18-hole club winds its way through a former tin mine site in the heart of Phuket. The course has been cleverly routed to take advantage of a huge variety of landforms with dizzying elevation changes.

# Laguna Golf Club

At Laguna Journey time: 20 minutes each way

Nestling in a peaceful valley overlooked by low wooded hills, this attractive resort-style course is a par-71.

#### Mission Hills Golf Resort & Spa

At Pa Klok Journey time: 50 minutes each way

Designed by the legendary Jack Nicklaus, this is an 18hole championship course on Phuket's East Coast.

# Phuket Country Club

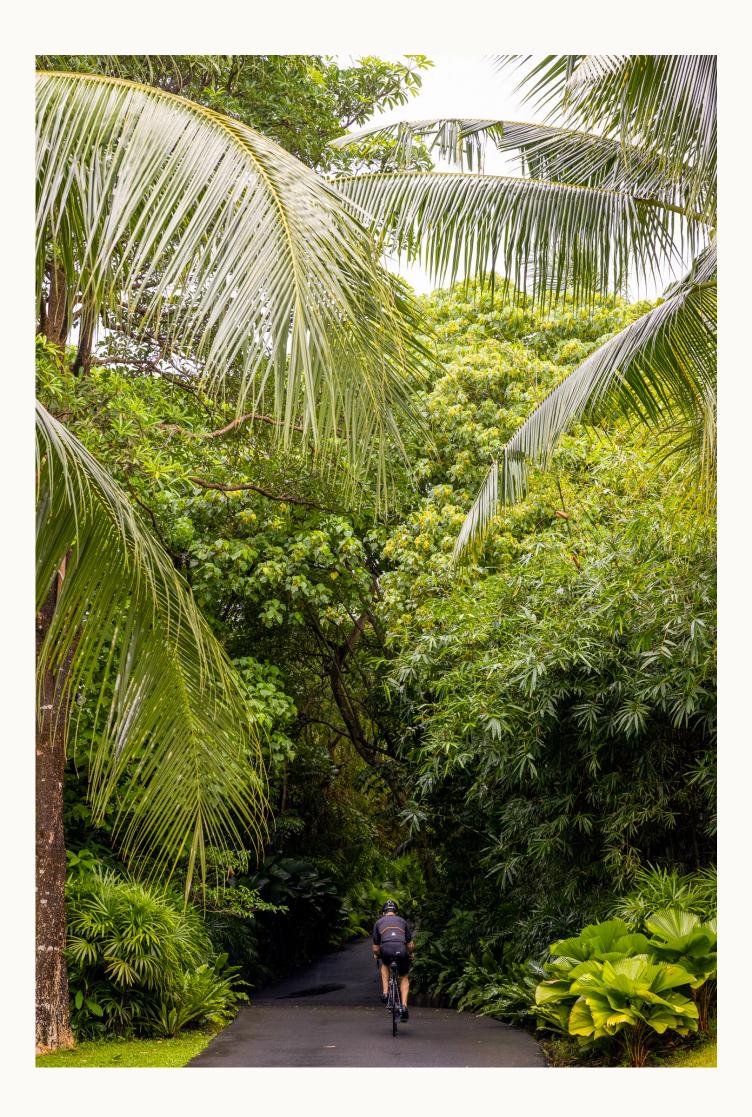
At Phuket Town Journey time: 50 minutes each way

A reclaimed tin mine turned championship venue; this was Phuket's first golf course. It now offers two courses: the challenging, 18-hole Old Course and the 9-hole Country Club Course. Both are set in picturesque garden landscapes.

# Loch Palm Golf Club

At Kathu Journey time: 45 minutes each way

These rolling fairways and greens border the shores of Crystal Lake, the largest expanse of water on any of the island's golf courses.





# Markets

Spend a morning wandering around the local markets and pick up some attractive gifts and souvenirs to take back home.

# Naka Weekend Market

At Phuket Town

Available on Saturday and Sunday from 5pm to 9.30pm Journey time: One-hour from Amanpuri

The weekend market in Phuket, locally known as Naka Market, is a treasure trove of souvenirs, from secondhand goods to Thai trinkets. Spend some time sifting through the stalls to find hidden gems or sit back and savour the atmosphere with a plate of local street food.

# Friday Market

At Boat Avenue Available on Friday from 5pm to 9.30pm Journey time: 30-minute from Amanpuri

This lively weekly market is held every Friday evening in the parking area of Villa Market. Here you can find souvenirs and sample local Thai food while listening to live music.

# Sunday Walking Street Market

At Phuket Town Available on Sunday from 5pm to 9.30pm Journey time: One-hour from Amanpuri

Set in a charming pocket of Phuket Old Town, Walking Street is well worth a visit on any day of the week, but we recommend that you time yours to coincide with the vibrant weekly night market. On Sunday evenings the old Sino-Portuguese houses lining the streetlight up with bright colours as the spaces between them fill with buskers, performers, and stalls selling local food, handicrafts, clothing and souvenirs.

# Chillva Market

At Phuket Town

Available on Monday to Saturday from 5pm to 9.30pm Journey time: One-hour from Amanpuri

Chillva Market Phuket is a cool, trendy night market with a somewhat bohemian vibe and an impressive selection of food and fashion stalls. Hard to miss by the side of Yaowarat Road, the market has a distinctive look created by the use of colourful shipping containers as shopfronts.



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