



A DAY AS A ROYAL CHEF

Kudeejeen Community, Bangkok

Time: 9.00 am. – 03.00 pm.

Agricultural Tourism

Ecotourism Cultural

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Tourism Community-Based

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Food Tourism



About Program

Kudeejeen is a melting pot of 3 different religions (Buddhism, Christianity and Islam) and 4 different beliefs. In the past, the first settlers in the Kudeejeen Community were the Portuguese whose traits are seen in the culture, architecture and cuisine. Besides the community's most famous 'Kanom Farang Kudeejeen' or a Portuguese cupcake, there is a Kudeejeen lady who inherits the recipe of Thai royal cuisine in the reign of King Rama V and Portuguese cuisine from her ancestors who is best at making savory Thai-Portuguese dishes and traditional Thai dessert. Here's the chance to try those extremely rare dishes and even cook them yourself!



Highlight

- Take a boat ride along the Chao Phraya River.
- Walk around the community to see the diversity of culture.
- Visit the Santa Cruz Church.
- Try 'Kanom Farang Kudeejeen' or a Portuguese cupcake at the cupcake house.
- Enjoy Thai-Portuguese dishes.





Time

Program Details

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09.00 am. Meet at MRT Sanamchai, Exit 5.

09.15 am. Take a cross-river ferry to Wat Kalayanamitr.

09.45 am. Arrive at Kuddeejeen” community. Experience the local lifestyle closely in 5 important places of the community Meet Ms. Pin a community leader who will take us around the community.

- See the beautiful wood-carved architecture of Kuan An Keng Shrine by the Chinese artists. “Kuddeejeen” probably refers to a huge shrine at Kuddeejeen canal. The shrine has fine carved woods and murals which are over 200 years old but still remain the most intact in Thonburi district. Inside enshrines a Guanyin image made from the rare sandalwood which has a pleasant smell.
- Admire the beauty of Santa Cruz Church, located in the middle of Kuddeejeen. Santa Cruz Church built by the Christians who settled in this area. The Christians and Portuguese led by a French priest Brother Jacobe Core were allocated land from King Taksin to establish a community here. They built houses and a small church called “Wat Santa Cruz” or locally known as “Wat Kuddeejeen” following the name of the community. It is the oldest Christian church and also the first Roman-Catholic church in Thonburi district.





- Try the tasty Kudeejeen bakery (or Khanom Farang Kudeejeen), the local popular cupcakes which look like Thai Egg Dessert (Khanom Khai). They are easy to bake, crispy outside and soft inside with a nice unique smell. This traditional dessert was from the influence of a Thai-Portuguese group of people who settled down in this community and combined the food cultures with the Chinese-believed ingredients. It became popular locally and the Chinese

11.30 am. Enjoy Kudeejeen royal cuisine at Baan Sakun Tong (Ms. Tan's house)

- Experience the royal Thai cuisine and Portuguese delicacies at Baan Sakul Thong. Khun Tan, the daughter-in-law of the Sakul Thong family, learned the secrets of the original recipe for Portuguese delicacies and the snacks from the royal kitchen of King Rama V. It is the art of creating the original Portuguese taste with Thai ingredients following the fine royal ways of cooking.
- Lunch at Baan Sakul Thong. Thai-Portuguese dishes.
- Then, learn how to make Thai desserts according to the royal cuisine.

01.30 pm. Explore Kudeejeen community through Baan Kudichin Museum. Own by Thai-Portuguese family and has resided in this community for a long time. The museum section is upstairs exhibiting the history of relationships between Siamese Kingdom and the Portugal and information about Thai desserts inspired by Portuguese influence. It also showcases the old appliances and pictures of the first settlers and residents of this community.

02.30 pm. Walk to Chantanaphap House. This antique traditional Thai house is over 100 years old, constructed fully from teak wood and the whole house can be dismantled and reassembled. Inside is Victorian interior design decorated and furnished with Catholic characteristics.

03.00 pm. Say goodbye to Kudeejeen and travel back.

Note

Subject is to be changed. If any problems occur, Local Alike will replace outdoor activities with indoor activities to provide everyone with the best authentic and meaningful experience.





Recommendation

- Wear comfortable clothes and shoes such as sneakers.
- Bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat and umbrella.
- Avoid bringing valuable items on the trip.
- Follow the community leader's advice during the trip.

What's included?

- Meals as listed in the itinerary
- Activities as listed in the itinerary
- Tour guide OR Local Alike staff
- Local guide
- Travel insurance
- VAT 7%





What's excluded?

- Personal expense
- Food and drink not mentioned in the itinerary

