

## Details of our whale shark package are as follows:

Accommodation for six nights. The best available accommodation will be provided based on two people sharing. Guaranteed beach front and/or single room supplements are available on request. All meals are provided.

Boat transfer to and from Kuraburi pier (1.5 hour boat ride) to the resort and, six dives (including equipment, air, dive master supervision and transfers) operated by an independent dive operator. All program elements detailed below.

Six percent of the package price is donated to Ecocean to assist in their research. The cost excludes flights and the cost of transport to Kuraburi pier. Private car transport to Kuraburi or travel by seaplane can be arranged on request.

The full cost per person sharing is between \$940 and \$1080 (depending on the number in each group).

Contact US for more information

Itinerary

March through April only

Day 1 - Arrival at Golden Buddha Beach Resort.

6.00 p.m. Welcome drinks at the Sea Breeze Bar

6.30 p.m. Introduction and outline the itinerary to the guests

6.40 p.m. Whale shark DVD screening and demonstration of the spot

recognition techniques that have been developed by Brad Norman

7.15 p.m. Q&A and camera equipment familiarisation.

Day 2 - Dive at Richelieu Rock / Surin / Tachai

8.00 a.m. Dive briefing :

Destination details

Dive schedule and safety overview

Camera techniques and equipment refresher

9.00 a.m. Depart for diving

5.00 p.m. Return to the resort

7.00 p.m. Discuss the days dive and any issues that might have arisen  
Whale shark photograph submission  
Slide show of participants photograph

Day 3 - Dive at Richelieu Rock / Surin.

Day 4 - Dive at Richelieu Rock / Surin.

Day 5 - Rest day at the resort ;

7.00 p.m. Review of everyones underwater photographs with a prize (to be selected from our spa menu) for the lucky winner.

Guests receive a CD-ROM of their underwater photographs

Brief for snorkel trip the following day

Day 6 - Andaman Sea Islands

Two hour long-tail boat snorkel trip to Ko Ra - Ko Phra Thong channel mouth and surrounding sea grass verges to hunt for both whale sharks and dugongs in areas where they have been commonly spotted in the past by local fisherman. (Note: this will be timed to coincide with a falling tide when the water is likely to be nutrient rich)

Time allowing, take the long-tail boat back to Tapayoi, have lunch or a drink at the local restaurant and speak to local fisherman about whale shark sightings in the past.

Day 7 - Depart (extra nights available on request)