

PHUKET THAILAND



TOP TIP

Main moorings are anchorages and tidal range of up to 3 metres – be sure to brush up on your navigational and anchoring skills to ensure a safe and sensational sailing holiday experience.

James Bond Island

Sunsail is very proud to be the current holder of Best Asia – based Charter Company title providing consistent, high quality service in the Andaman Sea from Phuket and the Gulf of Thailand from Koh Samui. See pages 78 & 79



AT A GLANCE

Summer NE season (up to 10 knots) Nov–April sunny and dry with calm seas and brisk winds. Winter SW season (15–25 knots) mild May–Oct fresh to strong breezes, some squalls, moderate to large seas. Sheltered cruising in Phang Nga Bay all year round. Scuba diving, deep sea fishing, partying and secluded hideaways. King's Cup Regatta end Nov/Dec. Average temp 29C (84F).

What is available



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The Andaman Sea is Asia's yachting playground offering superb sailing in a dream-like destination. Known as The Land of Smiles, Thailand's blissful islands and beaches, fascinating culture, philosophy, good food and peaceful people blend together into a very happy holiday experience like no other.

CRUISING AREA

From Ao Po Grand Marina at the entrance to Phang Nga Bay, visit Phuket Town's old centre and its restored Sino-Portuguese buildings from the tin-mining heyday that first put Phuket on the map. Weave your way around the plentiful shallow, safe anchorages of Phang Nga Bay, the sheltered year-round marine wonder famed for the dramatic beauty of its towering limestone columns across the emerald bay fed by three rivers. Explore the coves, creeks and caves of isolated islands with soaring cliffs fringed with jungle. At night, when the day trippers disperse you have the whole of the national park to yourself. Venture up a mangrove channel to the traditional fishing village on stilts over the water and meet the friendly fishermen selling their fresh catch of prawns and crabs.

For outstanding beaches Krabi is unbeatable. At Koh Dam Khwan (nicknamed 'Chicken Head Island' because of its shape) the sandy shape of Phra Nang beach is an unusual highlight, only revealed at mid-tide.

Hike the length of Phi Phi island on the jungle trail, breaking away from the tourist hub of over 300 hotels and guesthouses. Great for souvenir shopping, dining, traditional Thai massage or partying in lively bars and nightclubs.

Koh Lanta is an escape from the crowds with over 20 miles of beaches. Try an elephant trek to the Old Town for an insight into true Thailand or for something really different, swim through the 400m tunnel to the stunning Emerald Cave on Koh Muk or snorkel with leopard sharks and turtles in the crystal clear waters of Koh Ngai. This destination is best appreciated on a two week charter. It is also a very popular Sailing School choice, combining a fantastic location with top tuition.

SAILING

LEVEL 2

ARRIVAL DAY

FLEXIBLE

ARRIVAL AIRPORT

PHUKET

TRANSFER

30 MINUTES

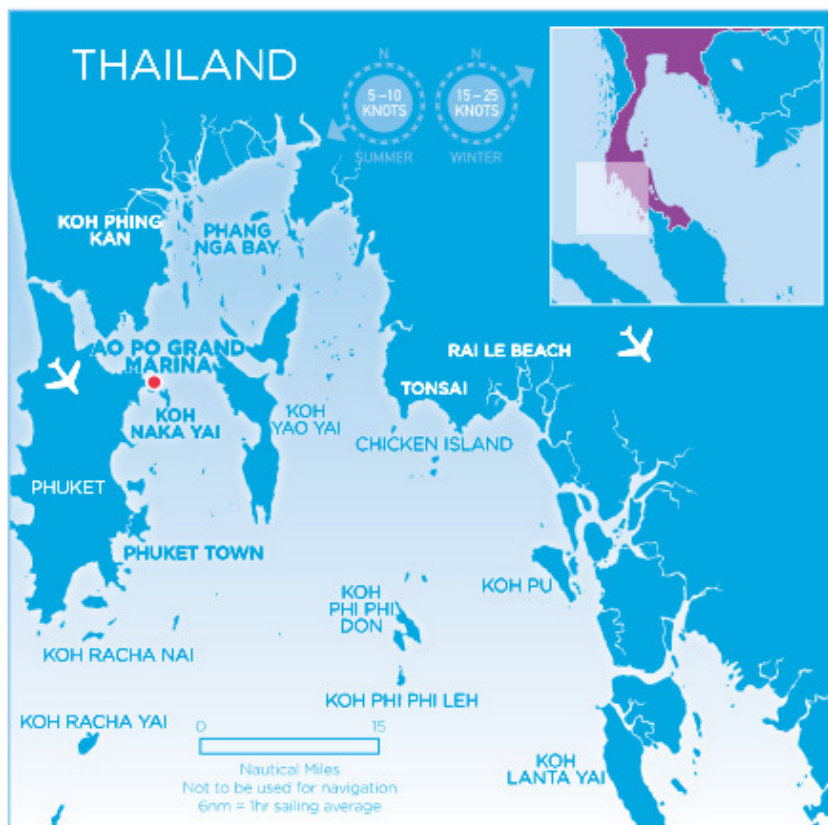
CHARTER PRICES

HIGH £3,490

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LOW £1,634

Boat only price based on Sunsail 39' or similar for 1 week on
High season 21/12/13
Mid season 22/03/14
Low season 20/09/13
Excludes YDW and fuel - see T&Cs.



KOH SAMUI THAILAND



TOP TIP

Take care not to damage the live coral reefs when anchoring in this area of outstanding natural beauty. Pay attention to the tidal range of approx. 1 –2 metres.

Sunrise, Koh Samui

AT A GLANCE

Discover action-packed adventure and activities in the Gulf of Thailand. Excellent diving, tropical rainforest, coconut trees, waterfalls. Best sailing season March to Sept in SW moderate winds (5-20 knots) with calm seas and plenty of sunshine. Average temp 29C (84F).

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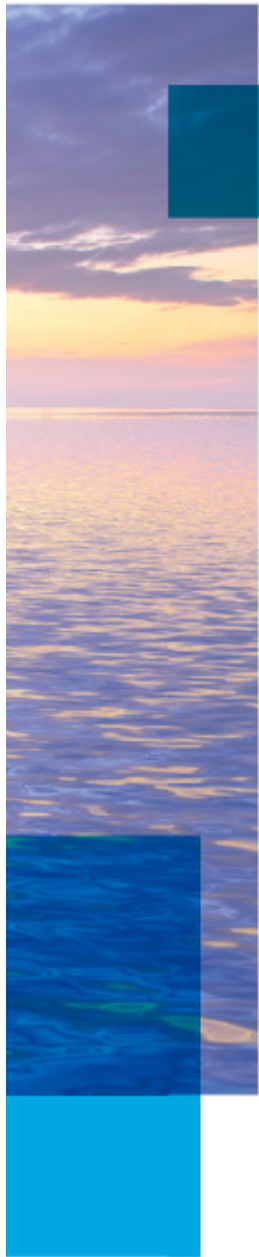
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What is available





Koh Samui National Park



Statue of Shiv

Koh Samui rapidly evolved from a hipster's hangout to a first-rate holiday destination with many bungalows, hotels and top resorts. For the sailor, it's still easy to escape the crowds in this top location and make the most of the dry season in the stunning Gulf of Thailand.

CRUISING AREA

The tropical hideaway of Koh Samui is characterised by soft powdery beaches trimmed with traditional bungalow resorts. From our base, discover the beautiful waterfalls of Hin Lat and Na Muang and visit the fisherman's village, Bo Phut. The 'Big Buddah' here provides a memorable photo opportunity as do the traditional fisherman's houses dotted between many top class restaurants with beautiful sea views.

The essential Thai experience awaits at Koh Phangan, with a massage on the beach, listening to the waves lap the shore before sampling some great Thai speciality dishes at one of the small beachside restaurants and joining the now world-famous full moon parties.

Ang Thong National Park is one of the world's best with 42 islands, caves to explore, an inland lake and tropical walks to amazing viewpoints across the whole sailing area. To the north, Koh Tao is a mecca for divers with the best snorkelling and underwater thrills the Gulf of Thailand has to offer.

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LEVEL 2

ARRIVAL DAY

FLEXIBLE

ARRIVAL AIRPORT

KOH SAMUI

TRANSFER

15 MINTUES

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