

BH3 Outstation Run in Wang Saphung, Loei

Dates 16-18 February 2018.

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This is an Open Run. Wives, Girlfriends, Gigs and Mia Nois are all welcome.

Loei, aka City of the Sea of Mountains, Coldest Place in Siam, and Beautiful Flowers of Three Seasons. Loei is in many ways more similar to the north of Thailand than to the rest of Isan and the province shares a Mekong River border with Laos. Literally speaking, the province deserves its name “Loei” which means ‘beyond’ or ‘to the furthest extreme’ as Loei lies in the northernmost part of the Northeastern region. Most notable is that Loei is the only province in Thailand where the temperature can drop to as low as zero Celsius in winter (!!!) while it can become hotter than any province during summer. Loei has beautiful geographical surroundings.

Loei is an up-and-coming ecotourism region surrounded by undulating mountain ranges, abundant with various kinds of flora and capped with fog enshrouded summits. The most majestic mountains are Phu Kradueng, Phu Luang and Phu Ruea. There are many spectacular sights awaiting travelers to come and experience the miracle of this province.

(sawadee.com/Loei)

Do not forget to bring some warm clothing, Loei can be COLD!!!

How to get to Loei:

By Plane:

There are 4 return flights per day from Don Muang to Loei airport and back.

2 flights by Nok Air and 2 flights by AirAsia.

By Car:

Distance from Bangkok 540km. Driving time about 6.5 hrs .

Quickest route from Bangkok is via Petchabun – Pu Rua.

Where to stay:

I have reserved 10 rooms at the Loei Palace hotel in Loei City with the option to reserve more if needed. Rate is Baht 1,200 for a double room including breakfast. You can book directly at the hotel, reservation code BH3, or I can book it for you. Airport transfer is 150 Baht per person or 500 baht for a minibus. The hotel is about 25 km from the run site.

There are quite a few more hotels, some as cheap as Baht 600 and up to Baht 4,000 per night. Look at booking.com if you want more choices.



Run site is at the MT Hydroponics Farm.

N 17° 19' 56", E 101° 39' 16"

<https://goo.gl/maps/t4ZZDAPXZGu>

Loei Palace Hotel

Address: 167/4 Charoenrat Road, Amphur Muang, Loei 42000
Tel: 042 815 668

Website: www.mosaic-collection.com/loeipalace/

Program

Friday 16 February.

19:00 Welcome dinner, details tba.

Saturday 17 February.

15:00 Pick up at the Loei Palace hotel.

Transfer to the run site at the MT Hydroponics farm by Songtaew (about 30 minutes).

16:00 Run start.

B to A run with a long, a medium and a walker trail. Expect plantations, fields and jungle. Loei is one of the most sparsely populated province in Thailand and it shows.

After the run and circle the OnOnOn will be at the famous “Oet’s Restaurant”, about 2km from the run site.

Upon return to Loei it will be possible to be dropped off at the Saloon Bar, the only farang-owned bar in Loei. The bar is about a 10 minute walk from the Loei Palace hotel.

Sunday 18 February.

Pick up at the hotel 10:00 am.

20 minute transfer to Huay Krathing Reservoir.

Gentle hangover run near the reservoir followed by a lunch on a floating restaurant with food served by boat from shore. This is one of the most popular tourist spots in Loei but almost exclusively Thai. I have not yet seen any foreigners there .



To make sure we have enough T-shirts, hotel rooms, transport etc. it is important to know who will be coming. At present I have booked 10 rooms and if we need more I will have to know asap. When you confirm I will need to know your size for the shirt, if you need a room and if you need transfer to the run site or use your own car. Contact maarten@mnbrusselers.com, mobile 095 830 8767.