ChiangMai: The Venue

ChiangMai is one of the most beautiful and culture-rich cities of the north. On the bank of the Ping river, ChiangMai is about 700 kms north of Bangkok. It was a part of Lanna Kingdom in 14th century and became an important religious and cultural center. There are over 300 temples, a number of which exhibit Burmese architecture. ChiangMai is a large commercial and trading center for the areas in particular weaving, pottery, handicrafts and agriculture including colder climate fruit and vegetables. Besides holding an international airport, ChiangMai provides an excellent base to visit hill tribe villages. Nearby attractive provinces are Lampun, Chiang Rai, and Mae Hong Son. There are also connected flights to Lao PDR and China.