

TRISARA

Facts and Information

Trisara has become a landmark since it opened in November 2004.

Phuket's most exclusive, small resort is located over a private bay just 15 minutes from Phuket International Airport on the Island's quiet, undeveloped northwestern coastline. The short drive from Phuket Airport is a beautiful introduction to the "real" Phuket, winding through small villages, jungle and beaches before arriving at the resort's discreet entrance, which is hidden by towering ancient hardwoods.

The gently sloping contours of the site have been developed to allow all villas to embrace wide ocean views, sunsets and the cooling sea breezes that flow throughout the property.

The resort's 39 pool suites and villas, guest facilities and 20 residential villas sit within 40 acres of gardens that rise gently from the 1,400 meters of absolute ocean frontage, ensuring total privacy in each villa or suite. The property is well secured as there is only one protected and guarded road entrance.

To quote a recent article written by one of the world's leading travel writers.....

Effortlessly elegant, relaxed yet refined, Trisara is a gem and something of well-kept secret among the well-heeled guests (including camera-shy celebs, royalty, and heads of state,) who come for their own very private piece of paradise set in 40 lushly landscaped ACRES of gardens on a secluded bay surrounded by tropical forest, far from Phuket's madding crowds. The setting alone is enough to calm the frazzled nerves of the most stressed-out exec or fatigued yummy mummy. The resort features beautifully designed, supremely comfortable pool villas with panoramic sea views that are frequently rated among the best anywhere. Since opening in 2004, the resort has won accolades and awards--recently voted 'Best Leisure Resort Worldwide' by readers of the influential Gallivanter's Guide. Trisara cleverly blends all the best elements of a chic boutique hotel with the services and amenities you'd expect from a much bigger resort. The result is that everyone is happy.

Grownups can relax in the superb spa, do yoga on the beach, workout in the sleek gym with a personal trainer or chill out at the villa, while kids have a cool club and lots to do --the staff arrange outings to nearby islands, and there is excellent snorkeling in the aquamarine water, diving, yachting on the resort's lovely boats, fishing, golf and tennis.

The service is attentive, discreet and well-disciplined. The cuisine is mouthwatering, using the freshest local seafood, fruits and vegetables for both Thai and international cuisine.

Accommodation

39 pool villas and pool suites, all embracing wonderful views of the Andaman Sea and an unprecedented sense of privacy.

- 22 individual one bedroom Pool Villas offer 240 square meters of total space, including the private 10-meter infinity pool, teak sun decks, outdoor shower and 96 square meter bedroom. The pool villas are categorized as either oceanfront or ocean view pool villas.
- 12 Ocean View Pool Rooms are set higher above the ocean view pool villas, all enjoying expansive sea views. The Pool Room comprises a 50 square metre internal bedroom plus outdoor shower, teak pool deck and a private 4 meter plunge pool. Each Pool Room has a private entrance walkway and shares one common wall with the adjoining Pool Room. Two Pool Rooms together can be rented as one 2 bedroom unit for small families, as many of them connect, and the partition between the 2 pool decks can be removed.

- 3 private Ocean View Spa Pool Suites sit higher above the bay with wonderful sea views. The 230 square meter suites comprise the private bedroom with en-suite and outdoor shower, and a separate living room and its own spa treatment bathroom. A 9 meter infinity pool and open decks make this suite perfect for couples or families, as the living room daybeds convert to twin beds.
- 2 x Two Bedroom Oceanfront Pool Villas are situated directly above the bay, with absolute ocean-frontage, consisting of two bedrooms both with en-suite and outdoor showers and a large central dining and living space, all under one roof. This living areas leads out to the pool decks and 10 meter private pool. These are Trisara's most private villas and have the most open sea views. Perfect for small families.

Thoughtful details in all accommodation include oversized bathtubs, silent air-conditioning, outdoor showers, separate, plasma / LCD screen TVs, DVD players, surround sound stereo and complimentary WIFI / high-speed broadband.

2-5 bedroom Residences

Located on both our northern and southern headlands, 20 privately owned residences were developed and designed by Trisara, and are available for rent as an integral part of the resort.

All the residences have dedicated staff including a cook and consist of between 2 and 5 bedrooms, have large swimming pools and various living and dining pavilions. Most are located directly above the oceanfront, yet some are set higher back with magnificent views.

The residences are available for rent to Trisara guests and are perfect for families, groups of friends and even for private special events. Guests who rent the residences enjoy the resort's services and facilities, and most residences are a short walk or quick buggy ride from the main facilities of Trisara.



Residential Villa pool and deck

Reservations

Bookings at Trisara can be made via your travel planner or through the hotel's reservation office directly.

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www.trisara.com

Our favourite things to do.....some experiences we would do if we were guests, both at the property and outside Trisara;

Half or full day cruise to the famous Phang Nga Bay and other Islands nearby

This is perhaps the one activity we would do if we only left Trisara once. Phang Nga Bay (James Bond Island) is truly spectacular.

A massage at our new open-air seafront Spa Pavilion

The seafront Spa Pavilion can be reserved via the Spa or beach boys for a truly unique, very private Spa experience right on the edge of the sea. 10am-6pm daily (December to April)

An early morning or sunset Yoga class with John Dunbar, our resident Yoga Master and Trisara's Wellness Director

Our private Yoga and Meditation Sala is located near the Spa Pavilion, set on a private little headland along the garden pathway from the end of the main pool. This is THE most spectacular location at the entire resort and an hour of Yoga with John will change your life!!!

Snorkeling and fish-feeding trip to the little island directly in front of Trisara or a fast west coast cruise on our sports cruiser, "Ashoka"

It only takes a couple of minutes to speed out to the small Island in front of Trisara to snorkel or feed the beautiful tropical fish.

Ashoka, our luxurious, fast Sports Cruiser you will see in front of the resort is available for hourly, half day and full day charters up and down the Island's west coast. (December to April)

Experience the Trisara Royal 6-hand massage

Everyone should experience one of our signature spa treatments at least once.

Three of our trained therapists work in synchronized harmony to massage you to heaven for 90 minutes in the villas or at the Spa.

Private in-villa barbeque or a romantic barbeque for two at our new private seafront pavilion

Be spoiled as one of our chefs and a service staff member prepare a private barbeque on guest's pool deck. This is the Trisara signature dining experience.

Phuket Island Experiences

There are many interesting things to do on Phuket; some ideas follow;

- Elephant rides and a rainforest walk.
- Visit a local Buddhist temple.
- Take the fascinating walking tour around Phuket Town to see the old city and explore the old Sino-Portuguese architecture, shops, cute restaurants and an interesting craft factory (Underwood') which produces amazing products.
- Rent a car and drive over the bridge to Phang Nga province to see the beautiful rain-forests and limestone cliffs of Khao Sok National Park.

Facilities & Services

Buggies

Guests can move easily around the resort in our electric Buggies by simply dialing the lobby.

Trisara Kids

Our Kids activity centre is open daily from 9am until 7pm. Kids aged 4 and upward are welcome at anytime and children under 4 are also welcome when accompanied by a nanny or parent. Baby-sitters are also available.

The younger kid's area is a brightly coloured space with spongy floor tiles, games, dressing up costumes, toys, books and DVD's to keep kids busy.

The older kids' space is a space-age world of computer games, Nintendo Wii, DVD's and brain teasers to keep young minds active and engaged. A special kids menu is available at the kids club through our private dining facility.

Beach and Pool

Trisara's beach is protected from the swell and currents by a fringing reef, which thankfully keeps the noisy jet-skis and beach sales-people away from our guests. Swimming is safe at the high tides yet at the low tides the reef is exposed. Our 110 meter floating jetty and swimming pontoon (December - April) extends beyond this reef enabling guests to access the sea for swimming or water-sports at any time. The floating teak pontoon is a great place to swim out to, snorkel from or just sit and enjoy the Trisara views.

Our pool & beach area is serviced until 6pm daily.

The main salt-chlorinated beachfront swimming pool is 45 meters (148 feet) in length, with a 2.2 meter depth at the centre and 1.5 meters at each end.

Private Seafront Spa Pavilion, Yoga and Meditation Sala

John Dunbar, our resident Yoga Master holds both private and group Yoga classes at our open-air seafront Spa and Yoga Pavilion.

Trisara Spa

Our 6 x Spa suites and beauty Salon are a highlight of a stay at Trisara. We have selected and trained what we believe to be the best therapists from around the country. Most of our treatments can also be enjoyed in the privacy of the villa as we have professional portable treatment beds we bring with us to set up either indoors or by the pool.

For facial and body treatments we have partnered with '**Sodashi**' to offer an extensive range of new spa treatments. Sodashi is a world leader in totally natural products, created from essential oils and extracts of the ocean and earth.

These luxurious products are 100% natural and totally free of chemicals and preservatives.

Trisara's Spa is renowned as having the highest standards of treatments and most stunning location on Phuket.

Library / Music

Our library is located behind the bar and is open from 8am to midnight daily. A wide range of CD's, books, magazines, DVD's and games are available for you to borrow with our compliments.

Our music selection can be borrowed as either CD's or transferred to our mini iPods.

1. Simply select the CD's you like and these can be played through the stereo in the villa.

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2. Our entire music selection has been downloaded onto our computer hard-drive.

This enables you to select the albums or songs you want from the CD selection books and our librarian will "drag" or transfer this music from our computer onto our mini iPod MP3 players. Guests can then simply take the iPod back to the villa, plug it into the stereo or use the iPod with headphones by the pool or anywhere else.

WIFI Internet / Broadband

All accommodation is connected through our own high speed Wifi broadband server to the Internet. There is no charge for access and no password is necessary.

The system should simply locate our server and bring up guests internet browser.

Trisara Gallery

Located behind the lower lobby at the main water feature and open between 8am and 10pm daily, the Gallery offers a range of stunning Asian gifts, artwork, handcrafted furniture and paintings, exquisite jewelry, resort wear, bags and more.

RECREATION

Water Sports are generally available between December and April due to the sea conditions on Phuket's western coastline. Small fees apply to motorized sports and lessons.

Snorkeling – Equipment available from the recreation desk on the beach. Offshore at Trisara guests have 2 options:

1. Snorkel straight off the jetty, then past our teak pontoon towards the northern headland for nice fish and reasonable coral. (ask our beach boys for some bread to feed the fish)
2. Join us for a 5 minutes ride in our small boat out to KOH WAE, the small Island directly in front of Trisara. This is a Marine National Park where the reef and coral is protected and it is absolutely the best snorkeling on the west coast of Phuket.

We can take up to 6 guests per trip and the excursion takes a total of less than one hour.

Banana Beach

Just around the corner to the right of Trisara this beautiful little beach is our favourite place to swim and have a great local lunch. It takes 3 minutes in our boat to reach Banana Beach. Just ask the boys at the beach to take you. There is a small, simple restaurant where they serve local food and Thai food, nice fruit and a beer. We will drop guests at the beach and return to collect you with our compliments.

Yacht Cruising / Sailing

One of the great experiences here is to explore the spectacular Islands and Bays surrounding Phuket. We have a number of boats available for half day, full day or overnight excursions, which we have chosen from the very best boating operators on the Island.

We would be delighted to help guests plan a trip, either exclusively or to share with other guests from the resort.

Sailing and Windsurfing

A wide range of non-motorized water sports is available on the beach including sailing, kayaking and windsurfing and we do not charge unless guests require specific lessons.

Swimming Lessons

A number of our recreation staff is certified swimming as instructors who can assist you or your children in learning to swim or to improve your technique in the pool or ocean

Tennis

The resort has a pair of flood-lit hard-courts which are located on the top of resort, with access via our buggies. Quality racquets and balls are available to guests free of charge and our tennis hitting partners are available upon request. Our table tennis table is also located at the courts.

Coaching

Trisara is pleased to offer the services of Mr. David Bush as our consulting Coach. David is a former N.C.A.A. division 1 player, who was originally based out of the world-renowned Dennis Van Der Meers Teaching Academy, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

David is a U.S.P.T.R, U.S.P.T.A (Pro 1), R.P.T. Director and International teaching professional. In addition to his teaching David has been a hitting partner to former champions, including Boris Becker, Bjorn Borg and Martina Navratilova to name but a few.

All aspects of skills can be covered and video analysis is available, from basic strokes to match play drills and tactics.

Diving

H2O Sportz, Trisara's contracted PADI Dive Company are the most professional dive operators on Phuket Island and have been operating private and group dive excursion on Phuket for over 17 years.

H2O Sportz offers a wide range of diving and snorkeling options from an introductory dive course for non-divers to full PADI certification. They arrange daily charters to the best dive locations in the area.

Thai Boxing Lessons

Muay Thai (Thai boxing) is a Thai traditional martial art practice that is also known as kick boxing. Let our experienced staff train you in the various techniques of Muay Thai. This martial art gives an excellent workout for the entire body.

GYM

Our gym is located below to the spa with amazing views of the sea. It offers guests a full selection of high quality weights, cardio machines and exercise equipment. Dedicated personal trainers can also assist with exercise programs.

Our personal trainers can help design a program that best suits your needs. They can assist you to gain the most out of your program and focus on areas such as Abs, Chest, Arms, legs and cardio. Price 1,000 Baht per hour.

Golf

Trisara guests can play at the exclusive Blue Canyon Country Club, a world-class championship quality private course just twenty minutes away. Even if guests feel it is too hot to play in the daytime, nine holes at 4pm on the Canyon Course is a great way to enjoy a game at the coolest time of the day. Take two caddies, one for the bag and one for the umbrella. Golf in Thailand is truly unique.

Another 2 quality courses are within 20 minutes of Trisara, being Laguna and Mission Hills. About 40 minutes away is the world-class "Red Mountain" course, which is worth the drive for the serious golfer.

We have a number of new, high quality men's and ladies "Wilson" golf club sets, which we offer to guests with our compliments.

Food and Beverage

We have many dining options at Trisara and our talented kitchen team, headed by our Thai Executive Chef Khun Kla has become legendary on Phuket as offering the best food on the Island. Our Food and Beverage Manager is Khun Boyd and our Resort Manager, Marie Fluery oversees the operation.

Trisara Grill

Dining indoors in the evening gives guests the option to create an individual dining experience by choosing from the broad range of grilled seafood and meats, combined with delicious side dishes.

The Deck

Our authentic Thai dishes and modern International cuisine is served under the palm trees for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Reservations are not necessary, yet tables are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

The Bar

Open from 10am until after midnight and we specialise in wonderful tropical cocktails and sunsets at the bar are a tradition.....

Beach Barbeques

On certain nights during the peak season a limited number of romantic tables are dotted along the sand in front of the main pool, where guests can enjoy our Beach Barbeque.

Private in-Villa Barbeques

A private barbeque in the villas is a highlight of any stay at Trisara.

Important Notes:

-All indoor dining spaces are non-smoking under Thai law.

-We will not present guests with a bill after dining or drinking unless you specify that you would like to see one.

Mini-Bar

A large selection of quality still and sparkling waters, beers, snacks, quality white and red wines, Champagne and fruit juices is available to purchase in the refrigerator.

The coffee and tea are complimentary. Our teas are made by Ronnefeldt, and the Vittoria ground coffee is from Australia. Our home made chocolate truffles and cookies made in house are also offered with our compliments on a daily basis.

Water

Trisara's main water supply is trucked in from a clean lake, filtered then treated before reaching the rooms. We further treat this before washing vegetables and fruit etc. However, as a general rule we advise our guests to only drink the bottled water.

Tipping

Our staff do not expect tips. However, if guests would like to tip a staff member or a group of staff, it would be graciously received. If you would like to leave something at the end of your stay please leave it in a sealed envelope for the attention of "Anthony Lark, General Manager" and it will be distributed evenly to all of our staff on your behalf.

Phuket & Thailand General Information

Phuket, with a population of around 500,000 is Thailand's only Island province and is also the smallest of the nation 76 provinces in terms of land area. Phuket is Thailand's largest island at **550 sq. km**, roughly the same size as Singapore and is situated 8 degrees north of the equator. The Island is approximately 40km long and 8 km wide at its widest point.

Phuket lies off the west coast of southern Thailand in the Andaman Sea (Indian Ocean), approximately 890km south of Bangkok and is connected to the mainland via a road bridge. Phuket was originally inhabited by Sea Gypsies, or fishermen.

In the mid 19th Century, the Island was found to have rich and plentiful supplies of tin, and this brought with it many Chinese immigrants who came to mine the tin. When the price of tin fell, the primary commodity

became rubber and even today the Island is dominated by rubber trees, which is still a large industry. However in the 1970's, tourism became more and more popular due to the lovely beaches, great weather and the release of the James Bond movie, "The Man With The Golden Gun", filmed around Phuket and Phang Nga Bay.

Thailand

Area:	513,000 square km comprising 76 provinces
Capital:	Bangkok
Language:	Thai
Population:	65,000,000
Religion:	Buddhism (95%), Muslim (4%), Others (1%)
Head of State:	HRH King Bhumibol Adulyadej or King Rama 9th of the Chakri Dynasty has reigned for over 60 years. The Thai people have a deep traditional reverence for the Royal Family
Time Zone:	GMT + 7 hours

Geography

Thailand which lies equidistant from India and China was known by outsiders as **Siam** for centuries. Thailand shares its border with Myanmar (Burma) in the west and north, Laos in the northeast, Cambodia to the east and Malaysia in the south.

Government

Parliament is composed of 2 houses, being the House of Representatives and the Senate. A Prime Minister elected from among the representatives and leads the government. All provinces have applied governors.

Thai people

Thailand is often called the "land of smiles", and rightly so because you will see more smiling people here than anywhere else in the world. Approximately 75% of the citizenry are ethnic Thais, 14% are Chinese, and the remaining 11% are mostly Indian, Malay or Khmer.

Thai Greeting

The "Wai" is the traditional Thai greeting which is used instead of a handshake, but it can also be used as a means of saying sorry, thank you, or to pay respect. Thai person will often Wai as he approaches a temple, Buddha image, or other item of religious significance.

If you are introduced to a Thai and that person Wais to you then you should try and return the Wai. Generally the younger people will Wai first. When you receive a thank you Wai from one of our staff it is unnecessary to return the Wai yet a smile is always welcome. A number of interesting books on Thai history and culture can be found in our library.