

## 6-Nights / 7-Days Phuket to Kawthuang





Leave the island of Phuket and it's glitzy marinas and tourist hotpots behind and embark on this journey joining Schooner Dallinghoo for the cruise through three Nnational Park's visiting island paradises away from the tourists and the bright lights. This week long trip will cumulate in Myanmar's bustling border town of Kawthuang where you can spend the day to take in the sights and atmosphere.

This cruise will take in the Similan Islands in the world top 10 dive spots in the world and then Koh Surin and Laem Son National parks.

Relax and enjoy this cruise through parts of Thailand seldom seen and which can only be seen with a cruise on a private yacht.





Day 1: Ban Thap lamu

From Phuket's International Airport you will be met and transferred the 1 hours' drive north to Ban Thap Lamu, a small port on the mouth of a river which is one of the embarkation points to the Similan Islands. Here you will be met by the captain and after a refreshing welcome drink; familiarization and safety briefing Dallinghoo will set sail for the Similan Islands, some of the top ten diving and snorkeling locations in the world. With numerous dive spots you will be spoiled for choice and overwhelmed by the wealth of underwater life, coral and colours. You will arrive in midafternoon and time for a swim before dinner and your first Indian Ocean sunset.

## Day 2: Similan Islands

A leisurely start for the day and after breakfast and a swimming in the crystal clear waters Dallinghoo will go for a short sail and then find the perfect mooring spot for the day. The remainder of the day will be spent enjoying this marine national park, swimming, diving or snorkelling. You will be able to sail yourself in our own classic sailing dinghy ELSA in the true 'Swallows and Amazon' style around these stunning islands with their granite boulders and crystal clear water.





Day 3: Koh Phra Thang & Koh Ra

An early start today and after breakfast set sail North East back to the mainland and onto the island of Koh Phra Thang and it's sister island Koh Ra. These islands offer long stretches of secluded beaches which the main tourist trails have yet to discover, beautiful location and a reminder as to how the southern islands and beaches were like 40 years ago before the tourist boom. Dallinghoo will anchor here for the afternoon and night.





Day 4: Koh Surin

Another sail of shore today and onto the island of Koh Surin, here you will find water and anchorages as stunning as the Similans but with far less people, Koh Surin is far enough away as to not attract the day tripping boats from Khao Lak on the mainland. The snorkelling and diving here is equally as good as its neighbours to the south, Dallinghoo will be a anchored here for the afternoon and night.







Day 5: Koh Laem Son

Today after breakfast and a swim Dallinghoo heads back towards the mainland and to the island group of the Laem Son National Park, comprising of about 20 islands this national park offers great white sandy beaches and low key 'eco' tourist resorts on some of the islands. Koh Kum Yai (also spelt Kam) and Kum Noi, which joins Koh Yipun and the larger Koh Khang Khao all offer great anchorages and with good coral and marine life found nearby. You will spend the afternoon and evening here and with the chance to walk on the beaches or trek through the forest.





Day 6: Koh Phayam

A sail today northwards to the island of Koh Phayam, still part of the Laem Son National Park. This island has a few more resorts and restaurants on it than the other islands and is promoted as 'Thailand's secret getaway' the secret is now out and travellers are now heading there to experience what Koh Samui or Koh Phi Phi were like in the 70's and 80's before they became too over crowded – hopefully Koh Phayam does not go the same way.







## Day 7: Kawthuang

After breakfast, Dallinghoo sail from Koh Phayam and cross into Myanmar and the town of Kawthaung. You will be able to have a few hours in this bustling border town to explore the unique culture and when completed, the crew will assist you with disembarking and transferring either to the airport in Kawthaung for your flight onwards to Yangon or back to Ranong for your onward flight from Thailand.

