

Getting to Kanlaya's

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The route map shows the following connections:
MAE HONG SON (with an airplane icon) to SOPPONG PANGMAPHA (80 KMS)
SOPPONG PANGMAPHA to PAI (50 KMS)
PAI to THUM LOD (11 KMS)
THUM LOD to KANLAYA'S (11 KMS)
THUM LOD to CAVE
PAI to CHIANG MAI (140 KMS)
CHIANG MAI (with an airplane icon)

Accompanying the map are several circular photos of people: a woman in traditional headwear, a woman holding a yellow fruit, an elderly woman in traditional clothing, and a woman holding a white flower.

Getting here is part of the adventure. Our location is remote, but we have good transport links that take you through beautiful scenery with the opportunity for stops en route

By Air. The drive from Chiang Mai takes a good four hours, five with stops, and most of a day, scenic but tiring. Alternatively fly into Mae Hong Son, 30 minutes flight from Chiang Mai then about 90 minutes from Kanlaya's via a very scenic mountain road with interesting places to visit en route.

From Chiang Mai daily with www.bangkokair.com,

AM Depart CM 9.20 arrive MHS 10.00. Return to CM 10.35

PM Depart C M 16.15 arrive MHS 16.50, Return CM 17.30

Current price single one-way 1390 Bahts. It's a quick, scenic 30-minute low level flight, quick check in, fast clearance. We can meet you Mae Hong Son airport, scenic mountain road to Kanlaya's about 90 minutes with interesting visits en route if you arrive in the morning or leave on the afternoon flight. Our transfer charge is 3500 for first two hours from Airport, plus 600 per extra hour for any optional stops en route, see Activities Guide for details

From Bangkok Don Mueang direct to Mae Hong Son with www.nokair.com 4 times weekly, check flight details

Chiang Mai to Pai, by 11-seater low level flight, 20 minutes, unreliable, good if it works

By Car

1. From Pai. This is a very scenic route, 55 Kms, exciting drive, about one hour. Beware very steep gradients and very tight turns on the road. Take Highway 1095 west from Pai. First 25 Kms are uphill to very beautiful viewpoint at the Pass, well worth a stop here to see in all directions. Highest elevation on the Mae Hong Son Loop. Then 22 Kms all downhill. As you approach Soppong/Pangmapha you will see on left side of road sign "City Limits." 200 meters after sign take small road to the right. There is a sign to Kanlaya's here. 200 more meters turn right again. Now 9 kms through forest to Tham Lod village. At junction in village, bear left. Do not turn right. After 1 more Km, at the end of the village and the road are the entrance gates to Kanlaya's are on your right. Plenty of secure parking.
2. Directions from Mae Hong Son. Take Highway 1095 East, about 85 Kms, 1.5/2 hours driving time, very scenic route. En route stops include Karen Long Neck Village via scorpion river boat 25 minutes downstream from MHS town, Rak Tha Chinese Village, Quaking (Bamboo) Bridge, Fish Cave, Forest Monastery, Susa Waterfall and viewpoints. (see Activities Guide for full details) The only town on the way is Soppong/Pangmapha. Drive through town. As you leave, pass Little Eden Guest House on your left. After 200 meters, turn off main road to your left and follow road 10 Kms to Tham Lod, our village. In village at junction bear left, do not turn right. After 1 Km see entrance gates to Kanlaya's on right at end of village.
3. Directions from Chiang Mai. Scenic mountain road, about 220 Kms known as "The Mae Hong Son Loop, road of a 1000 bends." Tough adventurous driving, tight switchback bends and steep gradients. Take Highway 107 north from City. After 40 Kms turn left on Highway 1095. Nice stop at Coffee Hill 72 Kms from Chiang Mai. Next stop is Pai Town, then follow directions above from Pai. Takes more or less all day, quicker to fly and have the day here.

By Minibus

Budget hourly air-con minibuses run the whole Chiang Mai/Pai/Soppong/Mae Hong Son route. AYA will do hotel pick up in Chiang Mai, but only goes as far as Pai. PREMACHA is the public service, hourly from Central Bus Station in Chiang Mai, stops in Pai, Soppong/Pangmapha (our nearest town 10 Kms) and Mae Hong Son. Must pre-book and pay. We can meet you at Pai (55Kms) or Soppong/Pangmapha (10Kms)

Journey times and costs by minibus

Chiang Mai to Pai	3 hours.	150 Bahts	AYA & Premacha
Pai to Soppong/Pangmapha	1 hour.	100 Bahts	Premacha
Chiang Mai/Soppong	4.5 hours.	250 Bahts	Premacha
Soppong/Mae Hong Son	1.5 hours.	150 Bahts	Premacha