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## The Thailand Cruise

Island Hopping in the Andaman Sea 2019-20

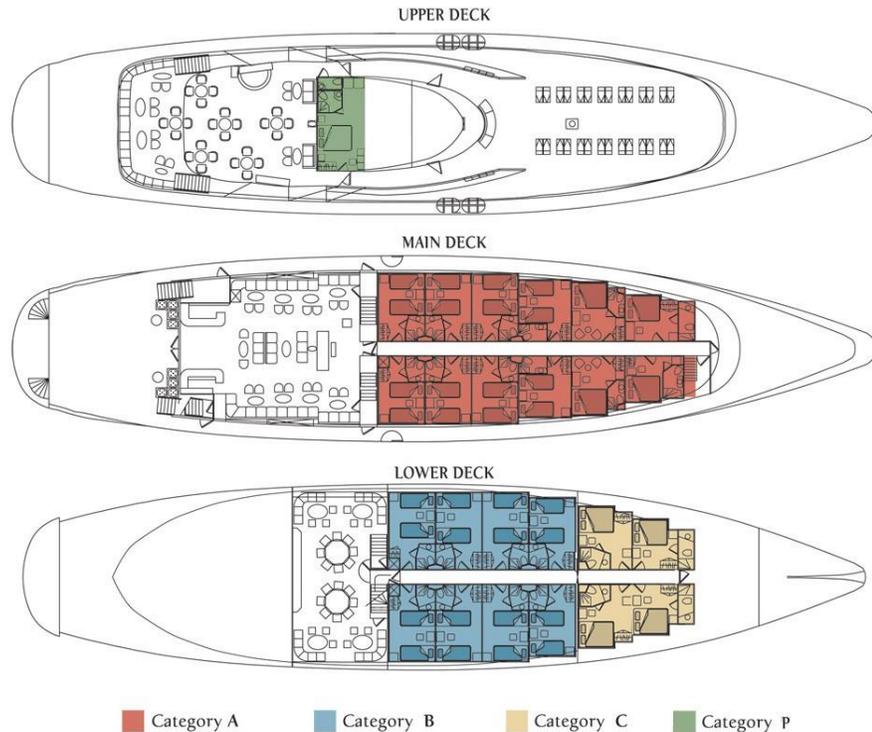
Phuket to Phuket on board M/S PANORAMA II

Saturdays | February - March 2020 | 8-day cruises

An island-hopping cruise voyage unraveling the wonders of Thailand.



## Deck Plan M/S PANORAMA II



## M/S PANORAMA II MOTOR SAILER

The Panorama II is a 164 ft Motor Sailer which complies with the latest SOLAS regulations for International Voyages. Her state of the art twin masts with 600 m<sup>3</sup> of sails allow safe and comfortable sailing.

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

Length: 50 m (164 ft)  
 Launch Year: 2004  
 Cabins: 25  
 Capacity: 49 passengers  
 Crew: 18

The two masted M/S Panorama II was launched in 2004 and carries just 49 passengers. This state of the art Motorsailer has performed several Atlantic Ocean crossings, has sailed from the Seychelles to Monte Carlo and from the Black Sea to Tunis and offers a high standard of accommodation, comfort and safety. The public areas include a main bar and lounge which was renovated in 2015 to feature wood flooring and new furniture and comfortable sofas with soft fabrics in warm coral tones.

Service on board is provided by your Captain, the Cruise Coordinator and your experienced Marine and Hotel crew members.

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## The motor sailer PANORAMA II

### CABIN SPECIFICATIONS:

The M/S Panorama II outside cabins are located at the Upper, Main and Lower decks and are handsomely designed, finished with lustrous wood trims and warm fabrics. They all have marble-appointed en suite bathrooms with showers and are equipped with windows (Upper & Main deck cabins) and portholes (Lower deck cabins). All cabins have individually controlled A/C and fitted with Flat screen TV, telephone (for internal use), hairdryers, mini-fridge, central music, public address system and safe boxes. 4 Main Deck cabins are convertible into 2 suites. 4 Lower deck cabins can be offered as Triple cabins.

### LIFE ON BOARD

During the day, life on board centers around the indoor Lounge area, and the indoor dining room, as well as the open and inviting deck areas, natural gathering places, perfect for enjoying your meals al fresco, settling into a chair with a good book, or gather with your fellow passengers and enjoy the views of the places you visit. The swimming platform on PANORAMA II's stern enables you to swim off the yacht when weather and anchorage conditions permit.

### MAIN DECK

The main lounge, with comfortable sofas, has a full-service bar and a plasma screen, and is the hub of social activities, such as the daily briefings on the destinations visited, and other gatherings. This area is ideal for enjoying the company of your fellow travelers or simply for reading a good book from the library. The area was beautifully renovated in 2015 to feature wood flooring and new furniture and comfortable sofas with soft fabrics in warm coral tones.

### INDOOR AND OUTDOOR DINING ROOMS

Located on the Lower deck, the indoor dining room seat all passengers in a single, unassigned seating and offer generous buffet space. The aft area at the Upper Deck provides generous semi-covered area where guests can enjoy meals al fresco in a single unassigned seating, with wonderful views, weather permitting. Food is served at the table or displayed on the state of the art hot & cold buffets, also including an "a la minute cooking" section. The menu is international, with a focus on local specialties.

### SUN DECK

The bow area at the Upper deck provides generous space and comfortable sun loungers are available to sunbathe in total comfort.

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### 7 night / 8 day itinerary | Phuket – Phuket

Day	Port	Program / Excursions
DAY 1 Saturday	Phuket	<b>Phuket – Thailand – Embarkation 2.30 to 4 pm.</b> Welcome cocktails and dinner – Thai dancers show. Late evening sailing to Phang Nga Bay – <b>Overnight at sea.</b>
DAY 2 Sunday	Phang Nga Bay - Hong Island	Phang Nga Bay – Morning arrival at port. <b>Morning optional excursion to the 3 Buddhist Temples of Phang Nga province.</b> Rieng Temple is set high upon a mountain; it is the largest Temple pagoda in Phang Nga and affords breath-taking views across the province. The Dragon Cave Temple is the site of stunning stalagmite and stalactite caves. Finally, Temple Suwan Khuha, one of the most historic of Phang Nga’s Temples, is set in a giant cave and houses a 15 meter long reclining Buddha. We return to the ship for a late lunch while we sail to Hong Island for a later afternoon swim stop.
DAY 3 Monday	Hat Chao Mai - Ko Rok Nok or Ko Kradan Island	This morning we disembark for a <b>morning optional exploration of the Hat Chao Mai National Park and of the Khuan Khaeng Hot Spring.</b> In the afternoon we sail to nearby Ko Rok Nok or Ko Kradan Island for an afternoon of swimming, snorkeling and sea activities - Late evening sailing to the Similan Island. Overnight at sea to Haa Tanwa Beach or Khao Lak.
DAY 4 Tuesday	Haa Tanwa or Khao Lak	Today we disembark for your <b>optional Raft Expedition &amp; Sea Turtle Conservation Center excursion.</b> Hop on a bamboo raft and float along the waters, relax and enjoy the stunningly beautiful rainforest around you as your raft is pulled by local boatmen. Visit a sea turtle conservation center where small turtles are brought at young age and nursed until being released into the sea. Finish the tour with a trip to Ton Pling Waterfall, the most popular waterfall in the area. Experience the lovely atmosphere and marvel at the amazing environment surrounding you. Swim in the small ponds at the waterfall. Overnight at anchor.
DAY 5 Wednesday	Ko Surin Tai	Morning sailing to Ko Surin Tai. <b>Today we offer an optional walking tour to the Moken Village,</b> home of the Moken people. Also called Sea Gypsies for the fact that they roamed the area all the way North to Myanmar and have no citizenship, they are skilled and experienced fishermen. Notice their colorful “labong” poles to honor their ancestors. Afternoon at leisure on the beach. Overnight at anchor.
DAY 6 Thursday	Ko Surin Tai	We spend the day enjoying this little paradise on earth, part of the Mu Koh Surin National Park. Enjoy a deck BBQ lunch, make use of the kayaks and Paddle boards the Panorama II has to offer, and enjoy the warm waters of the Andaman Sea, swim and snorkel to one of the most famous marine life viewing sites in the world. Manta ray, whale shark, pick handle barracuda are only few of many exciting species sighted. Overnight at anchor.
DAY 7 Friday	Captain’s Island choice	Your last day will be at your Captain’s choice. We will stop at some island for a day of sea activities including a deck BBQ. After our Captain’s dinner we will sail for Phuket.
DAY 8 Saturday	Phuket	<b>Early morning arrival in Phuket. Disembarkation between 7 and 9.30 am</b>

*Itineraries can be changed at the discretion of Variety Cruises and of the Vessel's Captain in case of adverse weather conditions - winds of 6/7 beaufort or more depending on the vessel- on port authorities not allowing a vessel to leave port or in case of other extraordinary conditions. Such itinerary changes do not entitle automatically passengers to any refunds but Variety Cruises guarantees that passengers are disembarked at the advertised port of disembarkation on time for their flights.*

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## THAILAND ISLAND-HOPPING SAILING DATES, CRUISE FARES & CONDITIONS

<b>Saturdays FROM PHUKET, THAILAND</b>	<b>29 February, 2020 07, 14 March, 2020</b>
<b>CABIN CATEGORIES</b>	<b>Official Gross EURO Rates per person in DBL/TWIN</b>
<b>Cat C</b> Lower Deck, Double bedded cabins	€ 1750
<b>Cat B</b> Lower Deck, Twin bedded cabins	€ 1950
<b>Cat A</b> Main Deck Double or Twin bedded cabins	€ 2500
<b>Cat P</b> Upper Deck Double bedded cabin	€ 2900
Single Supplement	50%
3rd Person reduction in Cat B	30%
Children 7-10 years old reduction in triple cabin w/2 adults in Cat B	50%
Children 11-16 years old reduction in triple cabin w/2 adults in Cat B	35%
Port Charges & Conservation Fees Per Person – Non commissionable	€ 420

**INTRODUCTORY SAVINGS OFFER:  
10% DISCOUNT ON CRUISE FARES, FOR ALL BOOKINGS MADE UNTIL  
DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2019.**

### **INTRODUCTORY OFFER Conditions & Restrictions**

- Bookings must be secured by paying upon confirmation 35% deposit on cruise fares per passenger.
- Balance - max 30 days before departure.
- All reservations are on request and on first-come-first-served basis.
- THEY DO NOT APPLY FOR ANY EXISTING BOOKINGS!!
- The offers for group bookings.
- Port charges are excluded from these discounts.
- Please mention "INTRODUCTORY SAVINGS OFFER - THAILAND" at the moment of your booking. Otherwise, Full Rates will apply.
- Offers cannot be combined with any existing or future offers.
- Offer is subject to occupancy levels and maybe withdrawn at any time.
- The Introductory Offer -10% is valid for all reservations made **until December 15, 2019.**

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### **A/ Cruise fares are per person and week and include**

- Accommodation in double or twin cabins with private SH/WC & air conditioning.
- Full-board: Buffet breakfast and two meals daily, including a Welcome Cocktail, a local Theme Evening, fun BBQ (weather permitting) and Captain's Dinner.
- Regular (filter) coffee, tea and drinking water free all day.
- Use of fishing and snorkelling equipment (subject to availability).
- English-Speaking Cruise Escort.

### **Not included:**

- Beverages (except those mentioned above).
- Shore excursions on the islands or other land arrangements.
- Crew tips.
- Passenger personal expenses
- Wi-Fi (available at charge)

### **B/ Conditions and restrictions**

#### **PROOFREADING**

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#### **PAYMENT**

25% deposit is required 7 days from confirmation.

75% Balance of payment no less than 60 days prior to day of embarkation.

#### **CANCELLATIONS**

240 days to 120 days from embarkation: €120 / US\$140 Administration fee (per booking)\*

119 to 90 days from embarkation 15% of the cruise fare

89 to 60 days from embarkation 25% of the cruise fare

59 to 30 days from embarkation 50% of the cruise fare

29 to 00 days from embarkation 100% of the cruise fare

Cancellations must be confirmed by **VARIETY CRUISES** in writing in all cases.

**\*In case of cancellation the administration fee per booking will be converted to a future cruise credit redeemable on bookings made up to 12 months after cancellation, valid for any cruise and date of cruise.**

#### **CHILD REDUCTION**

Children between the ages of 7-10 sharing a cabin with two paying adults receive a 50% discount. Children between the ages of 11-16 sharing a cabin with two paying adults receive a 35% discount. Port taxes are not discounted.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

There may be a charge for amendments of cruise date or decreasing pax number received less than 60 days prior to sailing. Amendments must be confirmed by **VARIETY CRUISES** in writing.

#### **NOT INCLUDED IN CRUISE FARE**

Such personal expenses as drinks (other than included in the rate), laundry, spa-where applicable-, boutique items and gratuities, (gratuities are optional but as a rule, satisfied clients are expected to give to the captain, at the end of the cruise, approximately €13-15 per person per day for distribution among all crew members) medical expenses, port taxes, shore excursions (shore excursions are proposed and arranged on board by the tour leaders), use of the on board Wi-Fi (available at a charge), expenditures incurred ashore, and anything not mentioned in cruise program.

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