



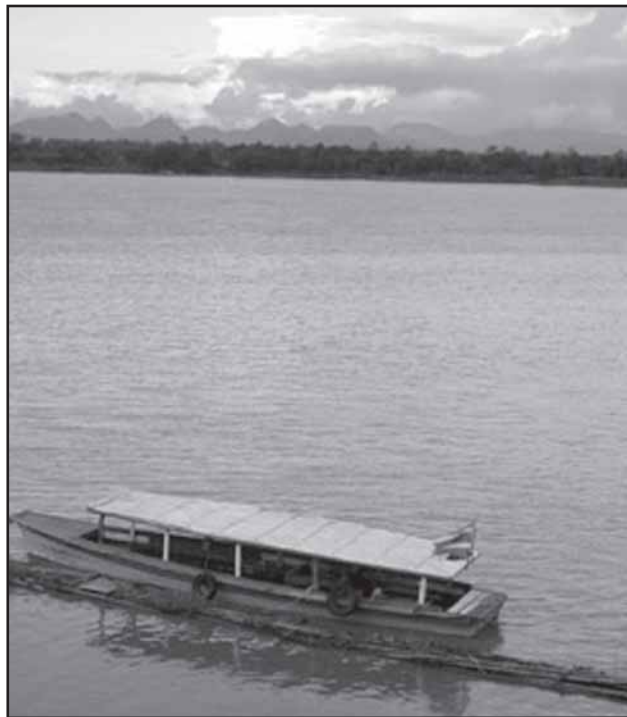
## NAKHON PHANOM

Nakhon Phanom (735 km northeast of Bangkok), once the center of the ancient Sri Kotrabun Kingdom, lies adjacent to the majestic Mekong river.

The lovely setting of the provincial capital is enhanced by the rugged beauty of the jungle and mountains which lie beyond the Laotian town of Thakaek, on the opposite bank of the river.

King Rama I selected the name Nakhon Phanom, city of mountains, because of this outstanding geographical feature.

During the centuries, Lao and other ethnic groups migrated across Mekong River and this is reflected in the local dialects, customs and cuisine of Nakhon Phanom.



There are many ancient religious monuments in Nakhon Phanom.

The most highly revered is Pra Thad Phanom in Amphoe Thad Phanom which dates back to the time of the Sri Kotrabun Kingdom.

In February, the Pra That Phanom Festival is held, which is held for a week during the period of the full moon.

It is one of the biggest and most important festivals for the people of the Northeast, both Thais and Laotians.

Many unique folk dances, such as the Sri Kotrabun dance, regarded as the symbol of Nakhon Phanom's long history and the Fon Phu Thai, Sek-Ten-Sak and So Tung Bung are performed on special occasions.

The custom of extending a generous welcome to guests can be experienced dur-

ing a Bai-Sri-Su-Kwan ceremony when a potent brew of home-made liquor is usually served.

Other Tour Highlights are, Nam Tok That Kham royal park, Renu Nakhon cultural city, border crossing between Thailand and Lao' Thakhet (ferry boat on Mekong river), etc. Nationals with visa-free privilege to Thailand can do visa runs at this border to extend their Thailand stay.



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## FARANG PLACES IN ESARN

When you go "up-country" (to another province) in Thailand it is convenient to know the places where farangs (foreigners) meet and exchange information about that area of Thailand

"Pattaya People Weekly" list here some of these places. Please do not hesitate to inform us of any other places and any changes.

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#### N&N RESTAURANT - MINIMARKET

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