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Thailand's Biggest Water Fight - Songkran, 13-15 April



Did you know that Thailand celebrates New Year, or 'Songkran' in April? In true Thai fashion, this traditional festival has now become a party for foreigners and is an additional reason for many to visit. Songkran takes place from 13 – 15 April, at the end of the dry season. This is the hottest time of the year in Thailand, and revelers observe it by splashing each other with water, which often results in a big water fight!

One of the best places to catch this spectacle and join in on the fun is on the Khao San Road, a backpacker area internationally known as a centre of dancing, partying and general mischief. One Thai writer has described Khao San as 'a short road that has the longest dream in the world', and with its energetic spirit and the fact that it is the gateway for many travellers to the mountainous north and the idyllic islands in the south, this poetic sentiment rings true.

Encounters Travel (www.encounterstravel.com / 0800 088 6002) offers an exciting six-night [Thai Spice](#) tour of Thailand, that fits perfectly with this very special celebration. Incorporating two nights at the start and two nights at the end of the tour in Bangkok, the trip also visits the historical cities of Kanchanaburi and Ayutthaya and the beautiful Erawan Falls National Park. Available for departure on 14 April from **£499 per person**, the price includes airport transfers from/to Bangkok, varied accommodation in hotels and home-stays on a mixed-board basis, all entrance fees as well as a local tour guide during sightseeing and activities. International flights excluded.

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