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Insights into the world of Asia's barefoot luxury pioneer

CURATED WELLNESS Finding Balance, Finding Yourself



With our packed schedules and minds that are constantly racing, taking time to recalibrate and rejuvenate your mind and A WEDDING DAY TO body is important. The quiet luxury of simply pausing and letting your holiday be an opportunity for you to step off the productivity treadmill to recharge and reset helps you return to a state of balance and connection.

Curating your wellness, whether with one of our signature retreats or enjoying the beauty of slow travel and a do-nothing holiday, is at the heart of each of the Aleenta resorts. We help you escape routine and to find the space and the environment to relax, breathe, think and simply be.

CHOOSE YOUR WELLNESS



We see wellness as being deeply personal, to us individual needs help to shape and guide the design of the retreat experience. An Aleenta wellness retreat begins before you arrive, as we take time to gain valuable insight for our in-house team of experts to perfectly curate each stay.

"No two people are the same, so their health and wellbeing needs are different which is why we design our retreats around individual wellness goals. With every retreat we tailor elements to deliver the greatest benefits not just during your stay but to also offer a seamless integration into everyday life. From our retreat masters and practitioners to the fitness experts and chefs, we work as a complete team dedicated to improving our guests physical and mental health at a very personal level." Anchalika Kijkanakorn, Founder AKARYN Hotel Group.

Through this more considered approach our Ayurah Wellness Centers combine inner health, mental and physical wellness with the inspiration and the influence of each individual location. We give you the time and expertise to experience the beauty and the benefits of true personal

Discover more about our curated wellness and retreat experiences by visiting www.aleenta.com/ayurah-wellness.

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Whichever of our hotels you choose, you will experience a sanctuary of luxury and authenticity, a place to feel at home yet far away from the ordinary. Each one reflects our founding vision to capture the spirit, soul and unique character of Thailand in a way that is distinctive and personal.

REMEMBER



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TO OUR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS

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Anchalika Kijkanakorn

Founder and Managing Director, Akaryn Hotel Group Board of Directors, Small Luxury Hotels of the World

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• • WELCOME TO THE LATEST EDITION OF LIFE & TIMES At Aleenta, we believe in creating spaces where guests can reconnect with themselves and the world around them. Whether through our thoughtfully designed retreats, immersive travel experiences, or our dedication to sustainability, we strive to offer more than just a getaway - we offer a journey towards balance and wellbeing.

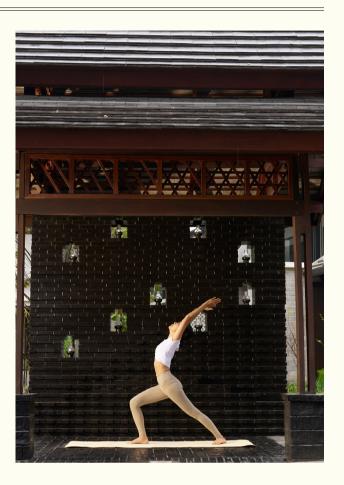
I am so proud that last year all of our resorts received the One Key MICHELIN designation, this accolade is given to hotels that offer a very special stay and it is a great honour for the whole Aleenta team across all three properties to be acknowledged by this prestigious guide.

We have also been recognized for our commitment to sustainability with certification from Travelife for Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga and Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai, this reaffirms our pledge to responsible hospitality. Our passion for giving back extends beyond our walls with initiatives like the Pure Blue Foundation, supporting marine conservation, coral restoration and local education.

Inside the resorts we have been renovating some select rooms and this year we are delighted to introduce newly refreshed accommodations at Aleenta Phuket-Phang and Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi, that stay true to our eco-conscious ethos while enhancing the guest experience.

We invite you to experience Aleenta not just as a destination, but as a place of renewal, reflection and meaningful connection.

Welcome to a new season of mindful luxury.



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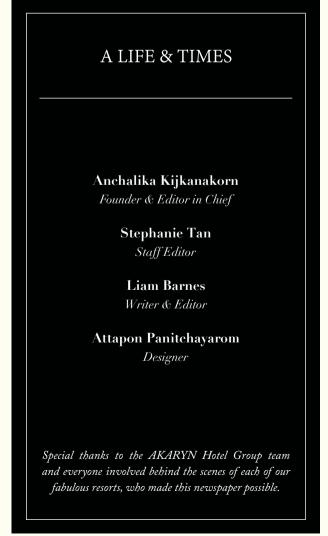
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"I absolutely cherish the notion that each of my hotels possesses its own distinct character, how they encapsulate the essence of their location, enhancing what makes it truly special."

Anchalika Kijkanakorn, Founder AKARYN Hotel Group.

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It all began in Hua Hin-Pranburi, with founder Anchalika Kijkanakorn's family home being transformed into the first Aleenta. Next came Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga and in 2023 Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mail was opened. Their style invites you to explore different experiences, to celebrate the individuality of the destination and to enjoy unforgettable journeys of discovery and rejuvenation. In creating them, Anchalika Kijkanakorn looked to the locations for her inspiration.

"Nestled along one of the world's most pristine and secluded beaches, Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga is a sanctuary of serenity. Here, the hotel serves as a mere canvas against the breathtaking backdrop of the sea and sky. Our flagship Ayurah Wellness Centre embodies our commitment to promoting the Sustainable Path to Happiness and Longevity, drawing inspiration from the Sanskrit word "Ayurah" meaning long life.





Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi, on the other hand, exudes a bohemian and laid-back vibe, akin to a village within a village. It's eclectic, relevant, and carefree, with surprises awaiting discovery at every turn. Guests can embark on leisurely bicycle rides through the village, uncovering hidden gems scattered throughout the property. It's an invitation to embrace spontaneity and

Meanwhile, Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai sits at the base of the hill leading to the secretive northern mountain, neighbouring the internationally revered Meditation Center and Buddhist Temple of Wat Umong. Here, we invite guests to embark on a journey of retreat, relaxation, and wildlife exploration. Our award-winning spa, recognized by National Geographic, stands as a destination in itself, offering unparalleled rejuvenation amidst the tranquil surroundings."

This remarkable diversity and cultural richness makes Thailand an exciting and rewarding destination to visit, a place we are proud to call home and to share with all our guests.



To discover your personal journey click ...

akyra Bangkok 11

Opening January 2026



In January 2026, AKARYN Hotel Group will open the doors to akyra Bangkok 11, a vibrant new addition to the akyra collection. Set in the heart of Sukhumvit Soi 11, one of the city's liveliest districts, *akyra Bangkok 11* brings the brand's signature personality—bold, youthful, and adventurous—into an exciting urban playground.

Designed for today's independent traveler, the hotel features 100 chic rooms created with both style and wellbeing in mind. Guests will appreciate the fresh, *hypoallergenic comfort* of the spaces, thoughtfully designed for clean living without sacrificing intimacy or personality. Every detail reflects akyra's boutique spirit: discreet, personal service, contemporary design, and a social buzz that connects guests with the rhythm of Bangkok.

At the heart of the hotel, a lively all-day dining restaurant will serve as both a gathering place and a culinary stage, blending global flavors with local flair. Just steps away, guests will find the energy of Bangkok nightlife, eclectic dining, and cultural landmarks. And with Bumrungrad International Hospital only a short stroll away, the hotel is perfectly positioned for those who combine travel with wellness, lifestyle, or medical journeys.

With akyra Bangkok 11, AKARYN Hotel Group continues to redefine boutique luxury in the city—stylish, conscious, and full of life.

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Meaningful Celebrations

Travel is one of the most memorable ways to celebrate, being able to share experiences with friends and family is the perfect way to create lifetime memories. At Aleenta we believe every stay is personal so when it comes to helping our guests mark their special celebrations, whether commemorating a milestone or designing a wedding, we love to make these occasions extra special.

A Wedding Day to Remember



• If you have ever dreamed of exchanging your vows on a pristine beach or being surrounded by natural beauty, the breathtaking settings of our resorts provide stunning venues for a wedding.

With their beachside locations and relaxed romance, Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga and Aleenta Hua-Hin Pranburi are dream destinations for those looking for the romance of getting married by the sea. If drawn to a more intimate garden style, Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai's enveloping lush greenery and traditional Lanna-style décor, infused with local artistry and heritage, create a very special ambience. The rich natural beauty of each resort is enhanced by our signature personal touches and the unique character created by the individuality of each location that come together to make a wedding day to remember.

Our expert wedding planners are on hand to bring your vision to life and create unforgettable wedding experiences that blend bespoke service and seamless luxury. From artfully designed menus and curated experiences to styling the picture perfect setting, we pay attention to all the details to create a personal celebration filled with love and

You can discover more about our wedding packages via our QR code or by visiting www.aleenta.com



Being Conscious Makes A Difference

• At Aleenta, we believe luxury should leave a lasting impact, not just on our guests but on the world around us. Through sustainable hospitality, community engagement, preserving local heritage and conservation efforts, we integrate responsibility into every aspect of our operations across Hua Hin-Pranburi, Chiang Mai and Phuket-Phang Nga.

With our Sustainability at the Heart of Hospitality Aleenta sets a benchmark standard for eco-conscious boutique resorts, a commitment that is recognised with certifications from Travellife, Leading Hotels of the World (LHW) Sustainability Leaders and Small Luxury Hotels (SLH) Considerate Collection. Through renewable energy use, waste reduction initiatives, and a dedication to farm-to-table cuisine we continue to lead in responsible tourism. Initiatives include:



Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga

- In 2018 became first Thailand hotel to go single-use
- 30% renewable energy use
- Sponsorship of turtle sanctuaries and marine conservation
- Supporting local schools and vocational training for at-risk



Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi

- 25-acre organic farm promoting farm-to-table dining
- · Long-term commitment to local schools and tree-planting initiatives



Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai

· Wildlife conservation and artisan partnerships to support local crafts



To learn how you can get involved scan the QR code.

We also work closely with the Pure Blue Foundation, funding vitally important coral restoration, marine conservation and local education projects. Guests can take part in hands-on experiences like coral planting and eco-tours, making their stay even more meaningful.

What's Happening?

In & Around Aleenta Thailand



MICHELIN 2024

•• AWARDED FOR EXCELLENCE — We are so proud that each of our resorts has been awarded the prestigious One Key distinction by the renowned MICHELIN Guide. Only 58 hotels throughout Thailand were judged worthy of this recognition of excellence and we are delighted that we are three of that number.







•• THE ANDAMAN AWAITS — Island Hopping Adventures take guests on unforgettable journeys through the Andaman Sea, where hidden islands, crystal-clear waters, and pristine beaches await. There is no better way to explore untouched landscapes and experience the magic of these renowned waters.



• ELEPHANT ENCOUNTERS — The Elephant Sanctuary Visit at Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi provides a meaningful and memorable way to support ethical elephant tourism. Our guests can observe these magnificent animals in a natural habitat while learning about the important and much needed conservation efforts that protect them.

• A NEW ERA OF LUXURY — At Aleenta we always look for ways to enhance our properties to create an even more luxurious and relaxing stay. At Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga all the rooms have been fully renovated and we have also introduced a stunning new 2-Bedroom Signature Pool Villa that comes with a private pool, garden terrace and sun deck. With Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi we have completed the renovation of the rooms and lobby in the main wing, while the refurbishment of the pool and rooms in the Frangipani Wing will be completed by end of July.



A GOLFER'S PARADISE AT AQUELLA GOLF — With the Andaman Sea as your backdrop, Aquella Golf is one of Thailand's most stunning courses and easily accessible from Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga. Ideal for all skill levels, Aquella's championship 18-hole course covers over 7,000 yards of undulating terrain and comes with breathtaking vistas.





 A CULTURAL ESCAPE IN CHIANG MAI — Acclaimed for its vibrant arts and crafts scene Chiang Mai is a city that boasts a wealth of artisans and one of the best places to visit is Baan Kang Wat. This creative village offers workshops, galleries and a chance to engage with craftspeople preserving the rich cultural heritage of Northern Thailand.





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SEASONS

A Fresh Culinary Chapter at Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga



At Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga, SEASONS has long stood as a pioneer in plant-based fine dining, setting new standards for sustainability, creativity, and mindful living. Now, following an exciting renovation, SEASONS is entering a bold new chapter - reopening on October 1st, 2025 with a concept that celebrates both innovation and provenance.

LOCALLY SOURCED SMALL PLATES & SEASONAL BITES

The new SEASONS reimagines fine dining through locally inspired small plates designed for sharing and sampling. Guests can curate their own dining journey by selecting from seasonal dishes that highlight the best of Phang Nga's land and sea - from vibrant plant-based creations to sustainably sourced seafood and meats supplied by local farmers and fishermen.

LATE-NIGHT DINING, EVERY NIGHT

With extended opening hours until 2am, SEASONS invites guests to linger late into the evening. Whether for dinner, post-dinner indulgence, or a final nightcap, the restaurant is now a lively culinary destination seven

THE CHEF'S TABLE EXPERIENCE

On Thursday evenings, SEASONS introduces an exclusive 11-course Chef's Table by Executive Chef Steen Nielsen. This reservation-only dining experience is built on surprise and creativity, with menus changing weekly to showcase storytelling through food, extraordinary seasonal ingredients, and thoughtful wine or craft beverage pairings.

SUSTAINABILITY MEETS CREATIVITY

Sustainability remains at the heart of SEASONS. Preservation techniques such as fermentation, pickling, and curing ensure nothing goes to waste, while close relationships with nearby farmers and growers allow each dish to express the richness of Phang Nga's terroir.

A TASTE OF PLACE

As Chef Steen describes it: "Our vision for the new SEASONS is to bring people together over food that reflects the bounty of our land and sea. We're keeping the artistry and quality that define us - but giving it new life with bold, surprising flavors rooted in Thai terroir."

SEASONS is more than a restaurant - it's a celebration of community, sustainability, and the flavors of Thailand's natural abundance.



To discover more about Chef Steen read his recent interview with The Luxury Editor



What our Guests Says

Hans-Dieter Straub

*****5/5

Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga Resort & Spa

My stay at Aleenta was nothing short of transformational. The resort's detox and self-love program** was meticulously designed, blending nourishing cuisine, healing treatments, and mindful practices. Every detail felt intentional—from the alkaline-rich meals to the guided emotional wellness sessions. I left feeling renewed, balanced, and deeply connected to myself.

Aleenta isn't just a resort; it's a haven for deep healing and self-discovery. Whether you're seeking detox, relaxation, or a reboot, this team will hold space for your transformation with grace and expertise.

Sasiwimon Rabbit

******5/5**

Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai

I had a wonderful stay at Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai! The atmosphere is calm and peaceful, making it the perfect place to relax and recharge. The food was absolutely delicious, with a great variety of flavors to enjoy. My room was very comfortable and beautifully designed, adding to the overall serene experience.

What stood out the most was the staff — they were all incredibly friendly, attentive, and went above and beyond to make my stay special.

If you're looking for a peaceful getaway with great food, lovely rooms, and excellent service, I highly recommend Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai!

Daocharad Burana

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Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi Resort & Spa

I've been coming to this hotel every year, and it never disappoints. Pranburi itself is a peaceful town with a beautiful ocean view—perfect for a relaxing hideaway.

Room: The bed is extremely comfortable, and the room is spotless, quiet, and tastefully decorated for a restful holiday. The shower is great, with lovely locallymade shampoo and soap. They provide plenty of drinking water, and I especially enjoy the Bluetooth speaker for playing calm music to enhance the relaxing

Staff: A special thank you to all the staff—always welcoming, friendly, and attentive. Their warm hospitality makes me feel completely at home.

Breakfast: There's a good variety of both Western and Thai dishes, all delicious. The bread, croissants, and Viennoiseries are definite highlights!

Facilities: For those who enjoy staying active, the road along the beach is perfect for an early morning run. The hotel also offers weekend morning yoga classes and a compact gym with dumbbells, a rowing machine, and a treadmill to help you keep your routine.

Thanks to Aleenta team!





TRADITION & TRANSFORMATION

True mental and physical wellbeing begins when we take time to rest, restore and rejuvenate. It's is why we design our Wellness Retreats to provide an escape from the noise of daily life, to immerse in transformative experiences and to have the personal space to build inner and outer strength.

Based on the Ayurah philosophy of longevity, which encompasses cuisine, physical movement, mindfulness practices, meaningful connections, and restorative rest and recovery; our signature Wellness Retreats are pathways to self-discovery and self-care that can seamlessly integrate into everyday life.



Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai - Wellness Retreat



Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi -A Secluded Sanctuary by the Sea



- Rest & Rejuvenation Retreat unwind in a tranquil beachfront setting with restorative yoga, holistic spa therapies, and organic farm-to-table cuisine designed to nourish body and mind.
- Nature Immersion Escape reconnect with the natural world through mindful walks, open-air meditation, and eco-conscious wellness experiences surrounded by Hua Hin's



pristine coastal beauty.



Discover more about our specially designed retreats by scanning the QR code or visiting www.aleenta.com/ayurah-wellness.

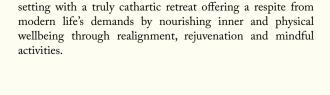


Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga - Beyond the Ordinary Wellness

- Mind Balance & Self-Love Retreat a journey of selfdiscovery through guided meditation, emotional healing, and personalised wellness therapies designed to enhance inner peace and confidence.
- Endurance Sports Training perfect for athletes and fitness enthusiasts, this retreat focuses on strength, stamina, and recovery with expert-led training, nutritional guidance, and tailored recovery treatments.



- Muay Thai Retreat discover the ancient art of Muay Thai, learn from expert masters the traditions and techniques of this globally respected martial art with a 7-day immersive experience that rejuvenates the body and spirit.
- Deep Reset Retreat designed to restore balance, clarity and vitality this 5 or 7-day retreat combines our signature Floatation Therapy, to support mental and physical recovery, with wellness cuisine, meditation and healing treatments.



• Vipassana Meditation Retreat - experience the profound

benefits of Vipassana meditation, available in both a gentle

introduction format and an immersive monk-level experience

• Ancient Wellness Pathway - a holistic journey through

traditional Lanna healing therapies, herbal remedies, and

time-honoured wellness practices passed through generations. • Nature's Cleanse - captures the extraordinary sanctuary of its

Aleenta Retreat Chiang Mai - Wellness Retreat

for deep spiritual awakening.