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(Note: if you are booking on behalf of someone else or for your partner or friends please inform them of all the details below, as I have had some issues where people may have been expecting baby cots (we don’t have any) extra beds (we don’t have any) and Twin bed rooms (we don’t have any)).

Our Rates for our various rooms are as follows:

AKWA STANDARD ROOM

High Season each year is ... Jan 11 to Apr 30 ... Rate per STD Room is THB 888++

Low Season each year is ... May 1 to June 30 ... Rate per STD Room is THB 777++

High Season each year is ... Jul 1 to Sept 14 ... Rate per STD Room is THB 888++

Low Season each year is ... Sept 15 to Dec 09 ... Rate per STD Room is THB 777++

Peak Season each year is ... Dec 10 to Jan 10 ... Rate per STD Room is THB 1650++

Rates exclude 10% service charge, exclude 1% gov. TAX, exclude 7% VAT.

The room rate excludes breakfast (Thou A'ICarte Breakfast is available all day long till we Close.)

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Guest-house & Restaurant. All of AKWA is Unique . The individual and boutique style accommodation of the AKWA Standard room provides the discerning holiday goer with an experience you will remember for years. Standard Room includes : A Great location, WiFi in the most of the Standard rooms, Quilt and Pillows, audio-visual equipment including, Satellite Cable TV, DVD stereo/movie system, TV. Open style bathroom, Spray shower with continuous hot water, Individually controlled air-conditioning, Mini Fridge Superb 5 Star Service. Maximum guests per room = 2 (No Children or Extra bed requests) Please note: The latest check in time can not exceed 11:00 PM (if you arrive after 11PM it may and could be at your own risk as our Reception / Bar may close at 11PM, Thou should you arrive after this time it is at your own risk and you may have to pay at your own cost an additionally accommodation fee for that evening/morning and that nights fee that you owe AKWA will not be refundable. Rates exclude 10% service charge, exclude 1% gov.TAX, exclude 7% VAT, exclude breakfast. WIFI also in the main Building.

AKWA DELUXE ROOM

High Season each year is ... Jan 11 to Apr 30 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 2100++

Low Season each year is ... May 1 to June 30 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 1650++

High Season each year is ... Jul 1 to Sept 14 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 2100++

Low Season each year is ... Sept 15 to Dec 09 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 1650++

Peak Season each year is ... Dec 10 to Jan 10 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 3550++

Rates exclude 10% service charge, exclude 1% gov.TAX, exclude 7% VAT.

The room rate excludes breakfast (Thou Ala Carte Breakfast is available all day long till we Close.)

The AKWA Deluxe room is located at the southern end of Chaweng Beach in the Main AKWA Building. Chaweng Beach is only a 45 second, or 15 second run (if you are in a hurry) , from the front doors the of AKWA Guest-house. The Beach is only a 45 second, or 15 second run (if you are in a hurry) , from the front doors the of AKWA Guest-house & Restaurant. All of AKWA is Unique . The individual and boutique style accommodation of the AKWA Superior Deluxe provides the discerning holiday goer with an experience you will remember for years. Superior Deluxe includes : Superb location, WiFi in the most of the Deluxe rooms Quilt and Pillows, Beach towels on request, State-of-the-art audio-visual equipment including, Satellite Cable TV, DVD, CD, MP3 stereo/movie system, 21 Inch TV with speakers. Open style bathroom, Spray shower with continuous hot water, Room Service (8.30am - Midnight), Individually controlled air-conditioning, Mini Fridge, Complimentary Drinking Water, In room Tea and Coffee Making Facilities, Electrical kettle, Windows that open, Superb 5 Star Service. Maximum guests per room = 2 (No Children or Extra bed requests) Please note: The latest check in time can not exceed 11:00 PM (if you arrive after 11PM it may and could be at your own risk as our Reception / Bar may close at 11PM, Thou should you arrive after this time it is at your own risk and you may have to pay at your own cost an additionally accommodation fee for that evening/morning and that nights fee that you owe AKWA will not be refundable. Yet we rarely close before 12am. Rates exclude 10% service charge, exclude 1% gov.TAX, exclude 7% VAT, exclude breakfast. WIFI also in the main Building.

THE AMAZING AKWA PENTHOUSE (there are 3 Penthouses)

High Season each year is ... Jan 11 to Apr 30 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 3750++

Low Season each year is ... May 1 to June 30 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 2590++

High Season each year is ... Jul 1 to Sept 14 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 3750++

Low Season each year is ... Sept 15 to Dec 09 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 2590++

Peak Season each year is ... Dec 10 to Jan 10 ... Rate per DLX Room is THB 5550++

Rates exclude 10% service charge, exclude 1% gov.TAX, exclude 7% VAT.

The room rate excludes breakfast (Thou Ala'Carte Breakfast is available all day long till we Close.)

The 3 AKWA Penthouse's are located on the top floors of the AKWA Guesthouse complexes and are all generous Pop Art Inspired Funky Studios, which includes all modern conveniences. They are all slightly different yes they all boast a Large Terrace With Dining for 4 and a Teak Sun Bed or 2. Each has a modern Bathroom with a variety of luxurious Toiletries, 2 have a private bath tub overlooking the terrace and All 3 have views to Chaweng Beach. Amenities include: 1 king bed with Egyptian cotton linens and a cozy feather duvet quilt and pillows. WiFi in the most of the Penthouse rooms Beach towels on request, Separate Lounge area, State-of-the-art audio-visual equipment including, Satellite Cable TV, DVD, CD, MP3 stereo/movie system, 21 Inch TV with speakers. Open style bathroom, Spray shower with continuous hot water, Room Service (8.30am - Midnight), Individually controlled air-conditioning, Mini Fridge, Complimentary Drinking Water, In room Tea and Coffee Making Facilities, Electrical kettle, In-room safe, Iron/ironing board, Windows that open, AM/FM clock radio, Superb 5 Star Service. (There are flights of stairs to the Penthouse - no lift) Maximum guests per room = 2 (No Children or Extra bed requests) Please note: The latest check in time can not exceed 11:00 PM (if you arrive after 11PM it may and could be at your own risk as our Reception / Bar may close at 11PM, Thou should you arrive after this time it is at your own risk and you may have to pay at your own cost an additionally accommodation fee for that evening/morning and that nights fee that you owe AKWA will not be refundable. Yet we rarely close before 12am. Rates exclude 10% service charge, exclude 1% gov.TAX, exclude 7% VAT, exclude breakfast. WIFI in main Building.

AKWA CANCELLATION POLICY:

"YOUR CONFIRMED, BOOKED DATES ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING POLICY SHOULD YOU FOR ANY CIRCUMSTANCES (TRAVEL, WEATHER, ACT OF GOD ETC) DECIDE TO CANCEL, OR CHANGE YOUR DATES OF YOUR CONFIRMED BOOKING VIA THIS WEB-SITE. CANCELLATION FEE IS: 20% OF THE ENTIRE BOOKED AND CONFIRMED DATES, AS WELL AS 50% OF ANY UN STAYED OR CANCELLED NIGHTS."

THOU AS WE ARE A SMALL BOUTIQUE GUEST-HOUSE YOU WILL NEED TO CONFIRM AND BOOK YOUR ROOM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS WE WILL FILL TO 100% OCCUPANCY FOR YOUR DESIRED DATES.

YOUR BOOKING WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED UNTIL A DEPOSIT IS PAID. AS AKWA IS SMALL YOUR ROOM REQUEST IS ONLY HELD FOR A PERIOD OF 12 HOURS - AND IF NOT PAYMENT IS MADE THEN IS RELEASED.

You will need to pay a 50% Deposit of your total room nights (including the service and taxes which you need to ad to the rates above) in THB or USD or any Currency (your can calculate from the rate charges above you amount of nights and then divide by 2 - if the calculation is not correct it can be corrected at the time of arrival.

WHEN YOU DO PAY VIA THE MEANS BELOW - COULD YOU PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE THE BOOKING DATES AND ORIGINAL NAME OF YOUR REQUEST SO I CAN FOLLOW IT THROUGH.

IF THERE IS NO DEPOSIT PAID AT ALL FOR ANY CIRCUMSTANCES YOUR BOOKING WILL BE CANCELLED WITHIN THE TIME ALOUD ABOVE. (I have to do this as people in the past have requested rooms not paid as they said they would - and they never show up)

There are many ways to pay a deposit. CREDIT CARD, SWIFT, PAY PAL or FAX.

1) Make your payment by a credit card (on a secure encrypted web-site) at the bottom of this screen if you do not have a pay pal account of USD (as stated above) go to <http://www.akwaguesthouse.com/audpayment> proceed to the bottom of the screen to pay by credit card. You then fill out the various information required for security checks and so forth.

2) You can do a wire transfer. The amount you transfer may and could attract a small fee from the processing of the Thai Bank. What ever hits the bank account will be placed on your account as the deposit. (please email me when you do this so I can trace)

Siam Commercial Bank
Chaweng 2 Sub Branch
28/7 M. 3 Bophut, Koh Samui Thailand 84320
Account: Timothy Andrew Schwan
Account no: 8362046504
Swift: SICOTHBK

3) You send a deposit via Pay Pal? You can send the deposit to schwan@akwaguesthouse.com if you have pay pal.

4) You can also fax both sides of your credit card (we only accept Visa and Master card for booking) to AKWA at Fax + 6677231985. As it is legal in Thailand the 5% merchant fees is passed onto the guest.

If and when you do confirm with your deposit could you please let me know what time you estimate arriving at AKWA Guesthouse as I would like to make sure everything will be ready for you. Your booking will not be confirmed till the deposit has been accepted. Confirmation will be made by email by myself.

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28/12 Chaweng Beach Rd.
Koh Samui, Suratthani 84320
Thailand
Phone + 66846600551
Fax + 6677231985

The AKWA reception and Restaurant opens each day at 8:00am. Check in time is 2:30pm, you can check in earlier should your room be available. Check out time is 10:30am. We close so we can have a cat nap at about 12am each day and re open at 8.00am 365 days a year. (Yet you have you own key and hotel access)

GETTING TO KOH SAMUI

Situated in the Gulf of Thailand, Koh Samui can be accessed easily via Bangkok and many other cities. Bangkok Airways flies hourly to Samui from Bangkok and also has flights from Pattaya, Hua Hin, Phuket and Singapore. You can also travel via rail or tour bus from almost any other city to the town of Suratthani from where you take a short 1.5 hour ferry ride from Don Sak ferry terminal to Koh Samui.

Domestic air-travel directly Bangkok - Koh Samui (Bangkok Airways)
Domestic air-travel to Phuket Island By Thai Int. Airways then By Bangkok Airways to Koh Samui
Airlines that can get you to Koh Samui or close are:
<http://www.bangkokair.com/>
<http://www.thaiair.com/>
<http://www.airasia.com/>

Land transfer from Samui Airport to the property is available at THB 300 per one way per person, pay direct to the property. (please advise arrival time and flight number)

Domestic air-travel to Surat Thani (Thai Int. Airways), followed by bus/ferry transfer to Koh Samui.

Night-train to Surat Thani (10 hours), followed by bus/ferry transfer to Koh Samui

Air-conditioned bus from Bangkok to Koh Samui (12 hour)

Trains and ferry information can be gathered here:

<http://www.sawadee.com/transfer/>

Again should need to call me or have a driver call me to help with directions or any thing else my cell number is 0846600551 or + 66846600551.

WHAT TO DO ON SAMUI!

For relaxation of the mind and body a myriad of activities are available for guests of Akwa Guesthouse & Restaurant. You can go for a leisurely swim in the warm waters of The Gulf of Thailand. Perhaps go windsurfing with the tropical breezes. Go sightseeing at some of the inland tropical waterfalls. There are also a myriad of Day Spas right near your front door. Or you may prefer to stay indoors and enjoy a delicious meal, a cocktail, glass of wine or a cold beer from Akwa's extensive drink list in the restaurant and bar.

NIGHTLIFE

Koh Samui is well known for its vibrant and exciting nightlife, centred on Chaweng Beach.

The open air bars, pubs, cabaret shows and discos are the most popular night stops for tourists and include great discos like Green Mango, Reggae Pub and Full Cycle (Thai Disco). They are in turn surrounded by many good smaller pubs, beer bars and dance clubs. But the most popular, most fun and a guaranteed great time is definitely The Sweet Soul Cafe. Do not forget to check to check it out!!

Walk anywhere on Chaweng Beach Road and a plethora of wonderful Thai, Asian, and Western Restaurants can be found. For great food, full-bodied imported draft beers, and Sports Bar atmosphere, try the Islander or Tropical Murphy's.

Lamai Beach is a lot smaller and more quaint, but not without hot spots for a good time. The largest and most popular disco is the Bauhaus Pub, while a new Thai Disco just opened called Super Sup. All other pubs and bars are within walking distance including the very popular Siam Bar and Grill with great food and live entertainment, Smooth Pub (live band) and Fusion Club.

Finally for a much slower pace you can frequent Fisherman's village in Bo Phut. There are some quality pubs run by Englishmen offering a relaxed fishing village atmosphere (The Crows Nest, The Frog and Gecko, Tropicana and the Pub).

SIGHTSEEING, TOURS & SPORTS

Not only does Samui have some of the best beaches in the world, but also offers many exciting, unique and enjoyable things to do and visit. These include:-

Day boat trip snorkelling and kayaking
thru Anthong National Marine Park Oriental Gallery
Sailing Safaris Health Spas
Eco Adventures-jungle trekking Thai Cooking Classes
Big Buddha and temples Bungee jump
Samui Snake Farm Tennis
Samui Butterfly Garden Squash

Majestic Naumang Waterfall Mini Golf
Grandfather & Grandmother Rock Golf Driving Range
Monkey Shows Beach Volleyball
Scuba diving and snorkelling around
Koh Tao & Koh Tan Islands Santiburi Samui Golf Course

The Big Buddha

Samui's most popular attraction, The Big Buddha sitting 15 meters tall first built in 1972. Most Visitors come to marvel at beauty of this remarkable statue at some point during their holiday.

Hin Ta - Hin Yai

These unusual formations are known as the Grandfather and Grandmother Rocks. The site is a popular attraction for locals and tourists alike because of their close resemblance to male and female genitals.

Their formation and shape have been personified into a local tale describing their existence on the island. The story goes that an old couple's boat wrecked and sunk in the bay, where their bodies washed ashore and created these strange rocks. Whatever their origin though, your pictures will no doubt make for some interesting conversation when shown to friends back home

Monkey Show

On Samui, the monkey is man's best friend. Since for centuries the people here have used monkeys to do the hardest part of the work climbing the trees to pick ripe nuts on their coconut plantations. Until the advent of tourism, coconuts represented the main industry here, so these industrious little animals were greatly prized. In the outdoor theatre, monkeys display their incredible dexterity, and not just at picking coconuts. The entertainment also includes performing elephants

We look forward to welcoming you to Koh Samui

Regards

Timothy Andrew Schwan

PS : This is what a travel guide said about us!

New York Travel Guide Thailand (gave us a Star as well!! and said: "Wow! A guesthouse where you actually feel like a guest in someone's house! In this case, Australian proprietor Timothy Schwan's. Pop-art guestrooms are decorated with giant paintings adorning the walls, chairs in the shape of giant hands, and kitschy lamps. What really creates the impression you are staying in someone's bedroom are the smaller details: a collection of books, including Thai travel guidebooks, Thai language manuals, and easy reading beach novels; a few DVD's atop the TV; colorful beach towels; and cozy beds covered with a dozen pillows and even a stuffed animal. Bathrooms are similarly accoutred. Penthouse room features a huge terrace with two teak sun beds, out door dinning, a lazy banana bed with sweeping 180 degree view and, just indoors, a private bath tub overlooking the terrace towards Chaweng Beach. Breakfasts are arguably the

best on the island, although other meals are quite decent as well, and the vibe in the lobby bar/restaurant is friendly and comfortable."

Below is our Breakfast menu:

ALL DAY/NIGHT BREAKFAST

AKWA BREAKFAST SPECIALS

Ricotta Hotcakes-Bill's Amazing Hotcakes W HoneyCombChoc Butter... 160
Blueberry or Strawberry Pancakes - W Maple Syrup ... 160
Pan-fried Mushrooms with Cheddar Cheese on Toast ... 130
French Toast with Maple Syrup ... 140
Cheese Potato Cakes W Smoked Salmon & Mustard Cream ... 195
Tim's B.L.T. (Toasted Baguette, Crunchy Bacon, Tomato, Lettuce & Mayo) ... 185
2 Chocolate Croissants W Butter ... 130
Baked Beans on Toast...120 - Ham & Cheese Toastie Sandwich ... 120
HangOver Panini (Focaccia) 2Fried Eggs, Bacon, Cheese & a Hashbrown ... 195

FULL BREAKFAST SETS

Breakfast sets are served with crunchy thick toast, freshly squeezed orange juice & Illy Coffee or Twinings Tea (one serve) ... 195
English - 2 eggs (any style), 2 bacon, 1 sausage, baked beans, tomato
European - 2 eggs (any style), 2 bacon, 1 sausage, ham, tomato
Samui - 2 eggs (any style), 2 bacon, tomato, mushroom, pineapple
Aussie - 2 eggs (any style), 2 bacon, 1 sausage, tomato, pineapple
American - 2 eggs (any style), 2 bacon, 1 sausages, hash brown
Canadian - 2 eggs (any style), 2 bacon, 1 pancake, hash brown 1 sausages
Veggie - 3 eggs (any style), 1 pancake, 2 hash browns

EGGS, EGGS AND MORE EGGS

Eggs Benedict (2 poached eggs, Bacon, Hollandaise) W Hashbrowns ... 195
AKWA Creamy Scrambled Eggs & Bacon & Thick Toast ... 150
2 Egg Fluffy Omelette & Thick Toast ... 150
2 Egg Vegetable Omelette & Thick Toast ... 160
2 Eggs – Fried or Over easy with hash browns ... 160

FROM THE BAKERY

Croissant - Baguette - Thick Toast - Wholemeal Baguette
With jam & butter ... 85 or with ham & cheese ... 95 or Chocolate croissant ... 60

CEREAL & FRUIT

Muesli W milk or yoghurt - 85, Muesli, banana & yoghurt - 85 Muesli, Fruit & yoghurt – 85