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## 5 Days Charter Sample Itinerary

## Day 1

### Morning

After 'Welcome on Board!' drinks and our boat briefing, we'll set sail for our first destination of Wai Chaeck beach.

Koh Chang's only undeveloped beach is a 400 meters long swathe of sand in a sheltered bay with amazing views south to the outlying islands. Mountain spring river and estuary offer amazing refreshing swim. Beach is not accessible by road so most likely you will have it all for yourselves

#### Afternoon

Our next stop will be Ko Wai - a very relaxed hop of just 6 miles.

This group of islands immediately to the south of Ko Chang were designated a protected national park in 1984. Existing establishments & villages were allowed to stay - but there will be no McDonalds and Best Westerns built here

The main beach of Ko Wai is still a lively little spot, however - there are several little beach bars and those wonderfully decadent Thai beach massages! Being so close to Ko Chang, the beach attracts a fleet of daytrip boats to enjoy the white sands and snorkel around the coral reefs. Lucky us that we can be there long after they have departed.

Quiet sheltered bay with very inviting snorkeling reef belting it. We spend first night here.

## Day 2

### Morning

**Ko Mak** - recently nominated by the Sunday Times as one of the 'Top Ten Beaches in the world'! It's another easy sail of just 12 miles, with the prevailing winds perfect for a relaxed, downwind cruise. The biggest privately owned island in Thailand, Ko Mak is shaped by the history of it's owners, an extended family of Chinese origin who established extensive coconut plantations and rubber farms. They were a devoutly Buddhist family who attracted many interesting characters and artists to the island.

The island's 'Eco Trail' is a pathway which follows much of this history, including the family's Buddhist temple. The island is flat enough for a rented bicycle - or those who prefer to stay a little cooler, a scooter is a great way to explore too!

#### Afternoon

Late PM will also visit private island Koh Kham just off Koh Mak, amazing white sand beaches!

#### **Evening**

We spend night in Bay of Koh Mak and Cococape resort's bar and lounge chairs on wooden walkway offer amazing sunset views and evening chill

## Day 3

### Morning

#### Ko Kut

Even the backpackers only found this island in the past decade! Apart from these intrepid western travellers, Ko Kut has been a vacation host to more well-to-do-Thais for a while, and has some lovely, traditional resorts to cater to this market. Behind this beachfront veneer, Thai island life goes on as it has for centuries - the real 'Thailand-before-the-Tourists.'

Ko Kut is all about gorgeous white sand beaches; waterfalls and river pools swim in; rivers, temples and local villages to explore; night hikes to watch fireflies. Oh, and let's not forget some serious chilling-out in little beachbars and of course the obligatory Thai massage!

#### Afternoon

Waterfall time! Ao Klong Chao - gorgeous beach to anchor off, and for the athletically-inclined amongst us, a Waterfall Expedition! A dinghy ride up the river, followed by a 30min hike into jungle territory - and there is it, cascading fresh water and pools to cool off in. It even comes with a 'Tarzan rope' (what waterfall would be complete without one??)

## Evening

For our evening stop, we'll move on to **Ao Bang Bao** - a perfectly sheltered horseshoe bay, with just three little resorts ashore. Our favorite is a stunning spot to watch the sunset over a cocktail or two, fantastic food

## Day 4

### Morning

It's a short sail of about 7 miles down to Ao Phrao, in the south of the island. The beach is postcard-material; the resorts ashore low-key and backpacker-style. For the intrepid on board, there is a chance to explore up the river - to an area which is completely untouched by tourism. It's a real National Geographic experience of the local culture and community, including a working temple (none of the gilded finery one sees in one sees in Bangkok temples!)

#### Afternoon

Sailing back northwards, our destination for the day is Ao Check Ki - renamed by local yachties as **Captain Hook's** Bay. This is a place one could 'chill' for days without wanting to move - a stunning palm-tree lined beach; hammocks, massages and a 'sunset viewing platform'. And right there, in the middle of this traditional, tranquil 'nowhere' - an unexpected dose of western decadence; a great swimming pool, complete with swim-up bar!

If that sounds all a little too tranquil for some - don't worry, there's some good healthy hikes for you too! Another cool trek to a little waterfall nearby, to offset all that relaxing stuff...

# Day 5

## Morning

A longer sail today, back into the Marine Park islands - our destination today being **Ko Rang**. This is the top dive/snorkeling spot of the area, with an abundance of live coral and marine life.

### Afternoon

In late afternoon, we'll take off for Bang Bao - a short distance of about 10 miles.

### Evening

**Bang Bao** is a bustling little village, built precariously in stilts above the water - an entirely different experience from the previous islands. This is 'civilization' again, of sorts... There is a bank, ATMs, tour operators by the dozen, bars and shopping !! - dozens of little stalls selling everything from locally made wood carvings to brightly-colored sarongs and lots of fun costume jewelry.

You will have plenty of time to explore all these after we drop anchor at sunset

## Day 6

## Morning

Morning coffee and farewells after we help you to sort our your transfer options.