

QUEST'S
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EDUVENTURE
SCHOOL CAMP
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PHILOSOPHY

Camp Quest seeks to provide a safe, secure and supportive environment for children to learn about the natural world around them and gain an appreciation of the importance of nature and its various ecosystems. This learning is achieved through a wide range of fun, adventure-based learning outcomes and will provide participants with a unique and memorable experience.

Quest's adventure activities are incorporated into all aspects of the camp and in between the practical eco learning sessions, camp participants will be engaged in group adventures and personal challenges.

The camp emphasises respect for the individual and individual responsibility for the group. We do not stress skill acquisition but rather teamwork, camaraderie and participation.

LEARNING OUTCOMES



1. Marine: To understand the importance of marine ecosystems and the interaction between humans and marine creatures, including endangered sea turtles.

2. Forest: To gain an appreciation of the forest environment, understand the interaction of mangrove forests and coastal ecosystems and the need for conservation.

3. Community: To assist community development, including animal welfare, and experience cross-cultural learning and social development.

LAGUNA PHUKET INTRODUCTION

Owned and operated by Laguna Excursions Limited, Camp Quest is part of the internationally-renowned and respected Laguna Phuket destination resort on the tropical island of Phuket. Set on over 1,000 acres of beachfront land, the resort is the perfect backdrop to Camp Quest and provides a convenient destination for visiting school groups with direct air access from all the major aviation hubs in Asia.

Quest, an outdoor adventure facility set on 7-acres of private land within Laguna Phuket, offers a unique environment for an adventure-driven camp and has all the facilities and amenities on hand to ensure a truly memorable experience.

This multiple day adventure experience will allow participants to study, play and live together in a friendly camp environment. Tented accommodation will be shared with up to 8 children per large tent.

FAST FACTS

- 7 acres of private, forested land
- 4,000m² of grassed activity fields
- Over 5,000m² of camping grounds
- A 200m² indoor, air-conditioned activity area
- Qualified and experienced camp leaders and counsellors
- 24-hour security
- A 24-hour medical clinic on standby
- Indoor shower and toilet facilities with hot water
- Good staff: child ratio
- Wide selection of adventure activities
- Comprehensive insurance, both on and off-site





WHAT YOUR CHILD SHOULD BRING

- 1 bottle of sunscreen
- 1 bottle of insect repellent
- Enough sport/casual clothes for the duration of the camp
- Swimming costume
- Towel x 2 and toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, hairbrush)
- Sport shoes and socks
- Beach shoes or sandals
- Sunhat
- Sunglasses
- Camera with charger and/or batteries

- Torch and spare batteries
- Spending money – suggest 200-500 Baht per child
- Any medications required, properly labeled with names and dosages – must be kept with camp staff who will administer as required

X WHAT YOUR CHILD SHOULD NOT BRING

Any valuable items such as personal video game units, mobile phones, jewellery, expensive toys, etc.

TIMES TO REMEMBER

WAKE UP	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	BEDTIME	LIGHTS OUT
0700	0800	1230	1830	2100	2130

CHILDREN WILL BE EXPECTED TO:

- Wake up on time every morning.
- Be present for all meals including breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- To keep their tent clean and tidy at all times.
- Keep the general camp area clean and tidy at all times.
- Follow all instructions given by the Quest staff.
- Not leave the camp area at any time and without prior authorization from Quest.
- Behave well at all times and show respect to their fellow campers.
- Participate fully in all workshops, practical sessions and activities.
- Be in their tent on time every evening and listen to Quest when it is time for lights out.
- Not leave their tent at night except for bathroom visits.
- Be quiet at night and to go to sleep on time.
- Fully support their friends and the Quest staff in the preparation of breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- Be responsible for their own laundry.
- Be responsible for their personal belongings.
- Always be on time.





FOOD



During Camp Quest, we will be preparing many of our own meals in our camp kitchen area. Camp participants will play a significant role during meal times and will be expected to all “pitch in” in true camping

style. Campers will be responsible for keeping the kitchen area clean and tidy at all times, assist Quest staff with food preparation and cooking, and washing up after the meal. Please inform Quest of any food allergies or religious/cultural preferences on your registration form.

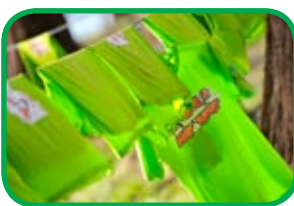
ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE



It is the responsibility of parents and/or schools to arrange international transportation to and from Camp Quest. During the camp itself, all transportation will be provided by Quest using our preferred suppliers.

On arrival, all passports and travel documents will be collected from the children and kept in a secure safe deposit box until the end of the camp. In addition, any pocket money will be kept with the staff at all times and children may request their money if necessary. Staff will keep a running balance.

LAUNDRY



Please ensure your child brings enough clothing to last for the duration of the camp (including the arrival and departure days). Although we have basic laundry facilities available (hand washing), it is recommended that children

pack enough for a clean set of clothes every day.

PACKING REMINDERS

- Please make sure your child’s clothes are all clearly labelled with both first name and surname to allow for easy identification.
- Please include 2 or 3 plastic bags for keeping dirty or wet clothing in during their departure.
- It is recommended that your child’s bag be a soft ruck-sack or hold-all type bag, not a suitcase.

BEHAVIOUR

All camp participants must behave at all times and follow all instructions given by Quest staff. We will utilise a system of 2 verbal warnings. Parents may be contacted and the child withdrawn from the camp in extreme circumstances. There will be no refund in this case. Fighting and anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated.

EXTERNAL SUPPLIERS & VENDORS



All external suppliers which may be used throughout the camp are vigorously vetted and approved as a preferred supplier. We only deal with the most reliable, safe and trustworthy suppliers.

All land and sea transportation is provided by our sister company, Laguna Tours, the premier, luxury speedboat operator in Phuket and a five-star ground transportation service provider. All vehicles are well maintained and all drivers carry the necessary licence for transporting passengers. All vans have seat belts for all seats.

INSURANCE

Laguna Excursions Limited, owner and operator of Quest, maintains comprehensive accident and public liability insurance with reputable, international insurance companies. Camp participants are fully covered both onsite and offsite. It is also required that each camp participant carries personal accident insurance through their school.

The company also holds all operational licences as required by the Thai Government.

SECURITY & MEDICAL

Quest is covered by a 24-hour security presence, provided by an international security company, to ensure that all areas of the camp are safe and secure throughout the day and night. In addition, all camp participants are accompanied at all times of the day by a dedicated Quest team. Quest staff sleep in the camping grounds alongside camp participants and follow a nighttime duty shift to ensure round-the-clock supervision. All Quest team members have passed a stringent vetting process prior to employment.

All Quest team members are fully trained to international standards in accident prevention, lifeguarding and first aid. First aid equipment is available in multiple locations onsite and each team member carries a portable first aid kit when offsite. Additionally, a professionally operated, 24-hour clinic is on standby within the Laguna Phuket resort complex and provides hospital-grade treatment and/or direct hospital links.





STAFF PROFILES

ALUN GATHERGOOD – Quest Manager

With a strong background in leadership, team building and coaching, Alun has over 10 years' experience in leading adventure groups in both Europe and Asia.

He holds a degree in Sport Science from Liverpool John Moores University, one of the World's leading sport science institutions, as well as international qualifications in sports leadership, leisure management, lifeguarding, first aid and sports coaching, and successfully works with both children and adults.

An energetic and entertaining camp leader, he is able to create a fun, dynamic and safe environment for all participants and ensures that his team are fully committed and focused on the group. Alun is an ideas man and his innovations and creativity underlie all aspects of life at Camp Quest. He is also a sponge for science information and takes delight in passing his knowledge and experience on to the children in his care in an interesting and stimulating manner.

In his spare time, Alun enjoys ultimate frisbee, camping, exploration, dragon boating and all forms of outdoor adventure.

TARIKA DANGNAK "MAM"

– Quest Operations Supervisor

Always full of bubbling energy, Khun Tarika has an impressive recreation and adventure background. Originally from Bangkok, Khun Tarika is definitely not a city girl but is an experienced tour guide, Kid's Club Manager and activity leader who is able to inspire children to reach their potential. It is likely her huge smile and sense of fun that encourage all around her to join in and 'give it a go'.

With a good understanding of group dynamics, child interaction and team support structures, Khun Tarika plays a crucial role in all Quest camps. Her interests include all sports and recreational pursuits but most of all basketball, taekwondo, tennis and rock climbing.

SURAPONG SUYA "M" – Activity Supervisor

A warm and welcoming presence, Khun Surapong hails from Northern Thailand and is a master of the outdoors.

His skills in rope work, survival and outdoor education are based on a solid training foundation and years of personal experience since he was a young boy. Khun Surapong takes delight in teaching others about the wilderness and he is a highly-tuned athlete, story teller and musician. His stories around the campfire will keep camp participants entertained for hours and the evening always ends with a guitar and sing-along.

He regularly participates in a number of high level sports including the Laguna Phuket Triathlon and his main interests are running, rock climbing and outdoor adventure.

PANYATHEP BOONYASIWA "GOLF"

– Activity Coordinator

Originally from Phuket, Khun Panyathep brings with him many years of teaching experience with children aged 5 to 12. He developed his outdoor education skills with several years as a senior scout and navy recruit. This training has given him a unique understanding of outdoor survival situations, living off the land and managing one's resources in adventure environments and it is these skills that are passed on to our camp participants.

Khun Panyathep is a keen fisherman, volleyball player and artist and always brings out the best in children.

YANNAWET TEMIYANON "BANK"

– Activity Coordinator

Despite being born under the bright lights of Bangkok, Khun Yannawet feels most at home in the big outdoors. With a B.A. in English Language, he started his career as an entrepreneur, operating his own fish farm in a rural area of Thailand and here fine-tuned the skills needed to camp successfully in the wilderness.

A keen sportsman, Khun Yannawet regularly participates in tennis, cable skiing and horse riding, and joined Quest while looking for 'his next big adventure'. This was certainly guaranteed at Quest and he brings this passion for adventure to Camp Quest.

The core Quest team is supplemented by a group of support staff who join Camp Quest on a regular basis and assist in all aspects of the camp.

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