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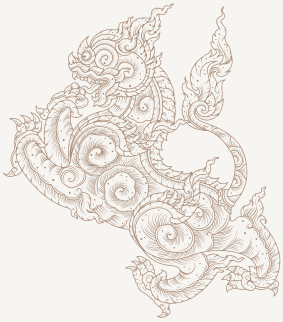
KOH YAO YAI
RESORT & VILLAS

A Mystical Himmapan

A festive season where heaven meets earth
on Koh Yao Yai, Thailand's last unspoiled island.



A festive season of immersive island experiences

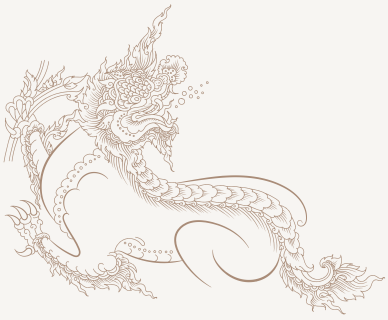
This festive season celebrates discovery, connection, and the timeless magic that binds us together. We've curated an enchanting programme that honours Thai folklore and our island's rich heritage, inviting you to experience the joy of mystical discoveries, meaningful celebrations and deep connection to the culture and natural beauty of Thailand's last unspoiled island.

Step beyond the ordinary and into a world inspired by legendary tales, where the mythical Himmapan forest comes to life on the island of Koh Yao Yai. Wander through enchanted paths where celestial beings once danced and discover the island's hidden soul through art, ritual and story. From the graceful Kinnaree to the powerful Naga, each step draws you deeper into a realm unseen.

Uncover your journey through magical realms, a celebration where myth meets nature, and heaven touches the earth.







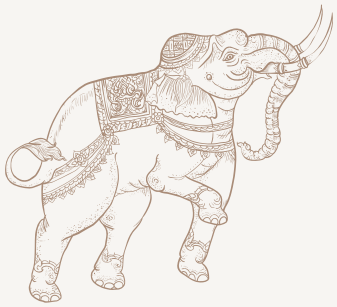
FRIDAY, 19 DECEMBER 2025

A sparkling start to the festive season

Experience the elegance of the holidays on Koh Yao Yai with our ceremonial Christmas Tree Lighting. Set beneath the island's starlit sky, the evening is graced by a charming carol performance from local school children, a heartwarming tribute to the spirit of community, celebration, and refined island living.

Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Venue: At the resort lobby





SATURDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2025

Gingerbread house decorating

Delight in the holiday spirit with a gingerbread house workshop, a charming activity for families, couples and creative souls of all ages. Decorate your own edible masterpiece with sweet treats, festive colors and a sprinkle of island magic.

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Venue: The Beach Restaurant

Whispers of the sacred Lake Anodad

A serene floating sound bath under the New Moon, inspired by the mythical stillness of Himmapan's sacred lake. Let the vibrations guide you into deep rest and renewal.

Time: 8:00 pm – 8:50 pm

Venue: The Hydropool at Anantara Spa







SUNDAY, 21 DECEMBER 2025

Mystical Himmapan face painting

Let your little ones transform into legendary creatures from the enchanted Himmapan forest with vibrant, magical face painting, a fun and creative journey into Thai mythology.

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Venue: The Kids Club

A fantasy movie night in Himmapan

Experience a magical fantasy movie night inspired by the mystical Himmapan forest, where tales of nature, adventure and legendary realms come alive.

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Venue: At the North Lawn by the beach

MONDAY, 22 DECEMBER 2025

Koh Yao maki roll cooking class

Create your favorite maki rolls with an Andaman twist, using locally sourced fish and rare Koh Yao Yai rice in this island cooking experience.

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Venue: TOMI Japanese Restaurant

Thai ancient performance

Rum Kra Tob Mai

Experience the rhythm of tradition with an interactive performance in Rum Kra Tob Mai, the fun and vibrant Thai percussion art form.

Time: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Venue: The Main Pool

TUESDAY, 23 DECEMBER 2025

Island Christmas ornament decorating

Come together to craft a timeless holiday souvenir from Thailand's last unspoiled paradise in this ornament workshop with your own magical island spin.

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Venue: The Beach Restaurant

Bonfire by the beach

The Tales of Naga

Gather around the glowing bonfire and immerse yourself in the mystical tales of the Naga, accompanied by the rich flavors of the Chumphon cacao ritual, a soulful celebration of legend, community and tradition.

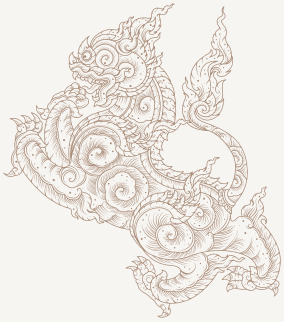
Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Venue: At the North Lawn by the beach









WEDNESDAY, 24 DECEMBER 2025

Santa's arrival

Experience the magic as Santa makes his mystical entrance to Anantara Koh Yao Yai Resort & Villas in truly enchanting style. Arriving with his elves and helpers, Santa brings festive wonder and holiday joy to Thailand's last unspoiled paradise. With gifts in hand and the spirit of ancient legends in the air, witness this heartwarming moment where Christmas magic meets Thai mysticism, creating unforgettable memories and shared smiles for all.

Time: 3:00 pm
Venue: The main pool

Wonder feasts in the forest

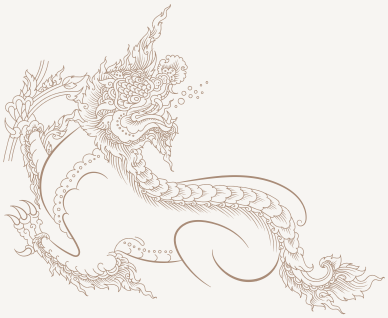
Christmas Eve buffet dinner

A divine spread from forest to flame, sea to spice. Dine beneath the stars in a night of festive enchantment, surrounded by myth, melody and culinary wonder.

Time: 6:00 pm – 9:30 pm
Venue: The Beach Restaurant







THURSDAY, 25 DECEMBER 2025

Mythical Thai brunch

A four course brunch experience

Celebrate the season with a thoughtfully crafted four-course Thai brunch, blending festive warmth with the rich flavors of tradition. A refined culinary journey where Christmas spirit meets the Southern soul.

Time: 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Venue: The Beach Restaurant

Treasures of Himmapan

Surf & turf Christmas buffet dinner

Indulge in a lavish feast inspired by the mythical Himmapan Forest, featuring the freshest catches of the sea and premium cuts from the land, a celebration of nature's finest flavors.

Time: 6:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Venue: Pakarang Restaurant



26 DECEMBER - 29 DECEMBER 2025

Mystic chakras

Forest meditation on the hills

Embrace sun salutations with sunrise yoga followed by meditation through the spirit of Himmapan.

Time: 7:00 am – 7:30 am

Venue: The Mindfulness House

Sacred touch of Thai traditional medicine

Thai therapeutic massage with Chay Yaad oil

Indulge in a bespoke Thai massage enriched with Koh Yao Yai's exclusive Chay Yaad heritage oil, a fragrant blend of local botanicals that deeply relaxes and revitalizes your body and spirit.

Time: 10:30 am onwards

Venue: Anantara Spa









26 DECEMBER - 29 DECEMBER 2025

Beach fishing with locals

Join local fisherman for a culturally rich fishing experience at our resort beach.

Immersive village tour by Songthaew, a local car

Explore rubber plantations, create eco-print batik, and craft with coconut leaves. End with a beach stroll with Phang Nga Bay views.

Ancient performance classes

Immerse yourself in the cultural rhythms of Koh Yao Yai with a unique class that showcases Thai percussion traditions, rich in energy and heritage.

Muay Ka Yong

Step into the rich cultural heritage of Koh Yao Yai with a traditional Muay Ka Yong class. An elegant form of Thai martial art that blends movement, rhythm and storytelling. This graceful practice honors local wisdom and the island's ancestral spirit.

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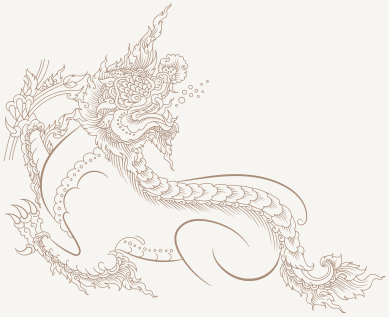


26 DECEMBER - 29 DECEMBER 2025

Kayaking and paddleboarding

A tranquil island paradise in Phang Nga Bay, known for its lush mangroves, peaceful beaches, and vibrant local culture.

Classic car experience

Cruise the resort in our classic electric car, perfect for capturing stylish photos; especially at sunrise, when the sky glows in pink and ochre tones.

Buffalo care

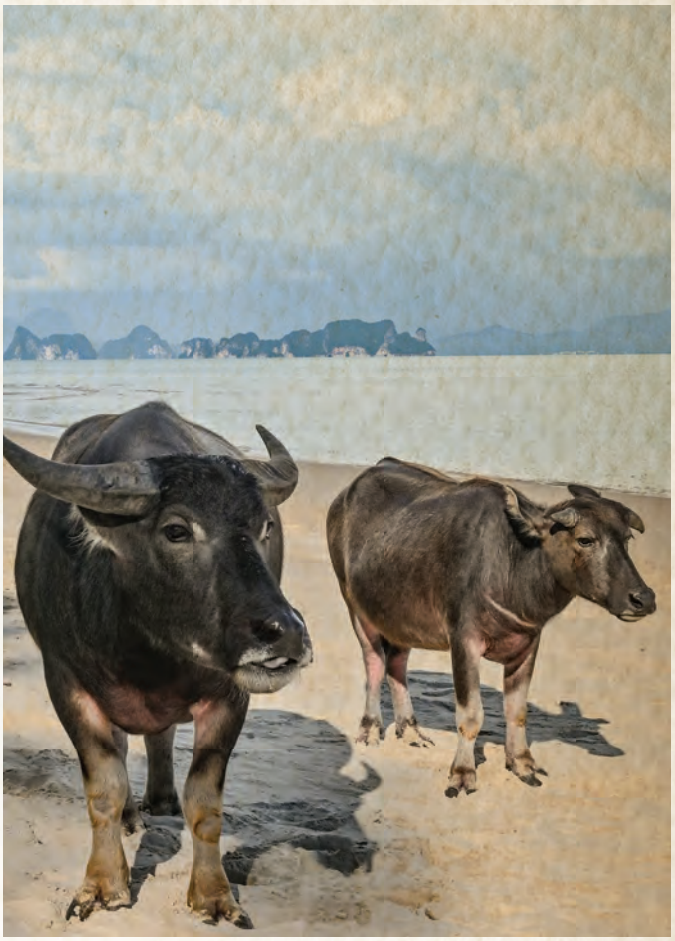
Enjoy a hands-on experience as you feed, bathe, and learn about these beloved symbols of rural Thai life.

Muay Thai classic boxing class or Muay Thai Wai Kru class

Join our all-level classes led by expert trainers for a fun, high-energy workout that boosts strength, agility and overall fitness.











TUESDAY, 30 DECEMBER 2025

Mythical Me

Himmapan creatures batik painting

Discover your celestial self through the art of batik. In this hands-on workshop, paint your own Himmapan-inspired batik masterpiece, blending Southern Thai craftsmanship with mythical tales of Thailand.

Time: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Venue: Watersport center

Thai ancient performance

Muay Ka Yong

Step into the rich cultural heritage of Koh Yao Yai with a traditional Muay Ka Yong performance. An elegant form of Thai martial art that blends movement, rhythm and storytelling. This graceful demonstration honours local wisdom and the island's ancestral spirit.

Time: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Venue: The Main Pool





WEDNESDAY, 31 DECEMBER 2025

Himmapan Journey

Sacred foot soak | Golden reign
Body & face care | Amarita Elixir
120 minutes

An immersive journey of sacred Thai wellness, beginning with a purifying foot soak, followed by golden body and facial care and completed with the nourishing Amarita Elixir, inspired by the legends of the Himmapan forest.

Time: 10:30 am onwards

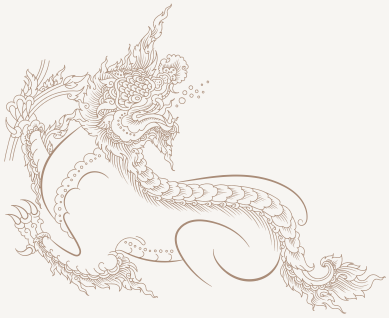
Venue: Anantara Spa











WEDNESDAY, 31 DECEMBER 2025

A Mythical Himmapan

New Year’s Eve gala dinner 2025

As the final sun sets and stars awaken the night sky, we invite you to celebrate New Year’s Eve deep within the mythical Himmapan forest.

Step into a realm where enchanted creatures roam freely, graceful Kinnarees dance in celestial harmony and golden swans glide through waters amidst ancient trees. The air sparkles with the scent of rare blossoms and the gentle hum of magic fills every breath.

Tonight, surrounded by timeless legends and nature’s wonders, we come together to welcome a new year full of light, abundance and boundless beauty.

Join us for an unforgettable celebration inspired by the heart of the Himmapan, where myth meets magic and dreams take flight.

Time: 07:00 pm till late
Venue: The Beach Restaurant



THURSDAY, 1 JANUARY 2026

An Immersive Thai Cultural Day

Morning

- Sunrise Thai ceremony at Mindfulness House
- Koh Yao Yai-style breakfast with authentic Southern Thai dishes
- Thai traditional medicine & spa rituals (therapeutic massage & Tok Sen therapy)

Midday

- Thai Cooking Class: Learn to make tom yum goong with fresh local tiger prawns
- Traditional Crafts & Local Life: Batik painting, coconut handicrafts, oil production or Muay Thai

Afternoon

- Village tour and cultural walk exploring local life

Evening

- Southern Thai dance & sunset cocktails by the beach
- Degustation dinner inspired by Southern royal cuisine

Night

- Hand-washing ritual for mindful tranquility
- Turndown ritual with Thai scented sachet