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Luxury in the heart of Pattaya

GRAND SOLAIRE NOBLE: WHERE LUXURY MEETS PANORAMIC BLISS



Beyond 360°

This iconic high-rise condominium redefines luxury in the heart of Pattaya City, offering a lifestyle that transcends the ordinary. Set against the vibrant backdrop of Pattaya's 3rd Road, this architectural marvel stands tall, granting unparalleled access to the city's entertainment pulse together with the contrasting serenity of Pattaya's premium resort beaches. With 50 storeys soaring into the sky, Grand Solaire Noble offers breathtaking, panoramic vistas of Pattaya Bay, Pratumnak Hill, Jomtien Beach, and Koh Larn Island.

Explore a diverse array of living spaces tailored for every discerning investor. From stylish studio apartments to sophisticated 1 and 2 bedroom units, moving on to exclusive high floor 3 to 4 bedroom options. Elevating luxury further, our premium VIP penthouses feature private pools and gardens, offering an oasis of opulence amidst the ocean's grandeur.

Each one of Grand Solaire Noble's apartments is furnished with high grade imported fixtures and fittings. Featuring sleek European standard kitchens, luxurious marble-style tiling, electronic toilet systems, large LED mirrors and energy-efficient, premium air conditioning as standard.



With a vast development footprint of almost 8 Rai, Grand Solaire Noble's lavish amenities cater to your every desire. Enjoy unprecedented facilities such as a 9-meter-high hotel-style lobby and reception, premium Café & Bakery, bustling commercial area, private cinema room, golf simulator, innovative restaurant - including co-working spaces with high-speed internet and office facilities. Sport lovers can engage in a variety of outdoor activities on our multi-purpose sports court, perfect for basketball, tennis, or badminton. After an energizing session, cool off in our Olympic-length swimming pool, designed for both serious swimmers and leisurely laps. For a more relaxed experience, float along the Lazy River, set amidst lush, tropical surroundings, offering the ultimate escape within your own private oasis.





Unwind in our relaxing Onsen hot spa or sauna and steam rooms, entertain in the kids club and games room, or work up a sweat and get in shape at the fully equipped TechnoGym Fitness Center. For astute minds, the business lounge offers a haven for productivity.

Grand Solaire Noble – where every moment is an ode to sophistication and serenity amidst the vibrant allure of Pattaya's coastal charm. Embrace the extraordinary, and discover the noble lifestyle experience.

Key Features:

- Pattaya city center's newest high-rise luxury development.
- Featuring 50 floors and 1,750 units.
- Modern luxury development of 7.8 Rai / 12,480 square meters in land size offering comprehensive resort facilities and an unprecedented rooftop entertainment complex.
- Prime, convenient location - positioned on Pattaya's 3rd Road.
- Wide selection of units offering stunning panoramic ocean views of Pattaya Bay, Koh Larn Island, Naklua Bay or Jomtien Beach.
- Superb investment potential with early bird pre-launch pricing to provide excellent capital growth and rental potential.

Offering an abundance of facilities and amenities, to name just a few:

- Multi-function sports court
- Olympic length swimming pool with artificial beach
- Lazy River
- Pool & table tennis facilities
- TechnoGym Fitness Center
- Onsen hot spa with steam and sauna facilities
- Jacuzzis, waterfalls, and whirlpools
- Chefs table
- Multi-storey rooftop lifestyle complex
- 360 degree, 200m swimming pool encircling the entire rooftop
- AquaSky Beach Club
- SkyWalk
- Luxurious, plentiful landscaping
- 5 floors of separate covered parking with access-controlled entry and exit
- Soaring hotel-style lobbies
- Private cinema room
- Golf simulator
- Co-working space
- Commercial zone including supermarket, laundry services etc.
- VIP 'red carpet' Supercar parking

State-of-the-art interior design elements, including:

- Decadent marble-styled tiling
- Electronic toilet systems
- Marble & glass kitchens
- Customized Daikin air conditioning systems
- Jacuzzi baths in selected units
- Unique VIP units and penthouses with private pools and gardens

Sinking Fund: 500 THB per sqm

Maintenance Fee: 50 THB per sqm per month

Transfer Fee: Shared equally between Buyer and Seller

Expected completion December 2028



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This Month in Discover Pattaya

Merry Christmas Everyone,

As you can see, we're unashamedly festive this issue, and if you're still not sure where to go over the holidays, we have plenty of ideas for you in the following pages. Pattaya's best hotels are really pulling out all the stops, and there are some excellent restaurants tempting us all with delicious, culinary treats. If all that sounds like an excuse to overindulge, then turn to page 23, where you'll find a Buy One, Get One Free offer for Vitamin Detox Drips when you mention our article.

The stylish team at Tara Decor share wonderful Christmas decorating tips, and in our Easy Living section you'll find plenty of gift ideas if you need a little inspiration. I recently kicked off my own Christmas shopping with a visit to the Pattaya International Ladies' Christmas Market, and on 10th December St Andrews International School Green Valley will host their Christmas Fair—sure to be a magical event where you can pick up last-minute presents while listening to the children sing. Speaking of which, I was nearly moved to tears by an impromptu rendition of Jingle Bells performed just for me by the children of HHNT when I went to interview the indomitable Khun Toy. There really is nothing quite like seeing the excitement on young faces at this time of year.

However you're spending your December, all of us at Discover Pattaya and Pattaya Trader wish you a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Gloria x

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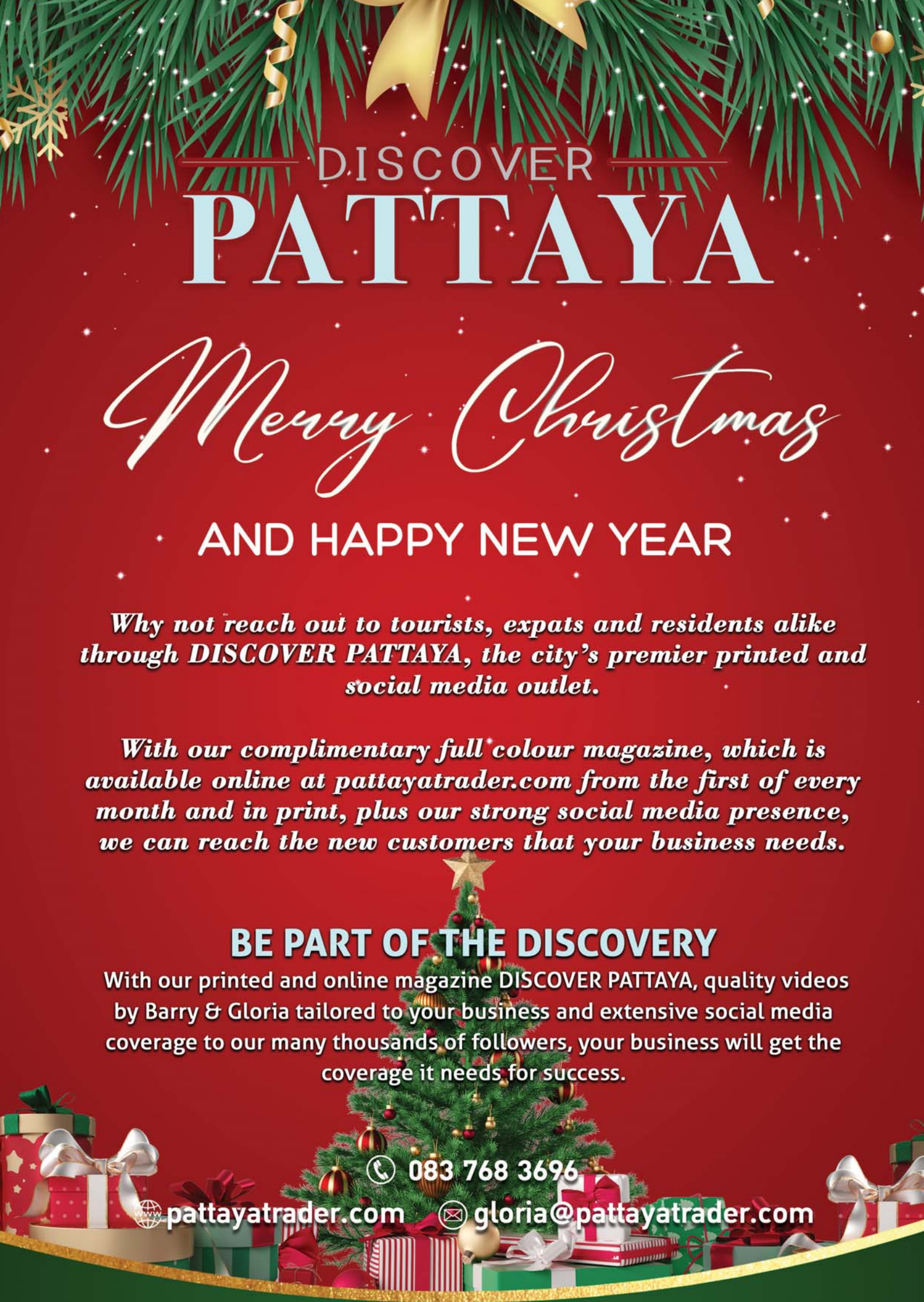
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AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Miami Glam

FESTIVE VIBES

Christmas Eve Dinner

24th December / 6.30 - 10pm

@ The Beach Club Restaurant

Adults @ THB 2,350 net inc. coffee & tea

Christmas-inspired Buffet & Fresh Seafood /
Acoustic Live Band

Kids (7-12 years) @THB 700 net

Kids under 7 years eat for free

**Add THB 1,000 net for free-flow house wine,
local beer, selected cocktails and soft drinks**

Christmas Day Brunch

25th December / 12 - 3pm

@ The Beach Club Restaurant

Adults @ THB 2,350 net inc. coffee & tea

Christmas-inspired Buffet & Fresh Seafood /
Live DJ / Kids Buffet / Supervised Kids Activities



Glam Beachfront Last Sundowner Party

31st Dec / 5.30 - 8pm @The Beach Club Bar

Party Bed @ THB 4,000 net (Max. 6)

THB 2,000 F&B Credit/
A bottle of Prosecco Wine
Live DJ & Saxophonist

Ring in the Glam New Year's Eve Dinner

31st Dec. / 6.30 - 10pm @ The Beach Club Restaurant

**Adults @ THB 2,750 net
inc. coffee & tea**

Festive-Inspired International Buffet /
Fresh & Grilled Seafood

**Add THB 1,000 net for free-flow house wine,
local beer, selected cocktails and soft drinks**

Kids (7-12 years) @ THB 900 net
Kids under 7 years eat for free

Miami Glam Night 2026 Countdown Party

31st Dec / 9pm - 1am @The Beach Club Bar

Live DJ / Live Fire Show / Fireworks

Party Bed @ THB 9,999 net (Max.4)

Party Bed / THB 3,000 F&B Credit /
A Bottle of Champagne

Beachfront VIP Party Bed

@ THB 14,999 net (Max.4)
Beachfront Party Bed / THB 5,000 F&B Credit /
A magnum Bottle of Champagne



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SHIMMERING MAGIC NIGHT

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

LIVE BAND
AT ELEMENTS
RESTAURANT

31
DEC

6.30 PM – 1.00 AM

EARLY BIRD
BY 5 DEC 2025

Adult: **THB 4,250 net** per person
(From THB 4,950 net)

Children 7-11 years old: **THB 2,125 net**
per person (From THB 2,475 net)



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Price includes free flow soft drinks and free entry to the countdown party on the beach.
The IHG One Rewards discount is not applicable to the above festive offers.



RESERVE
A TABLE



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR AT PATTAYA MARRIOTT RESORT AND SPA

Embrace the joy of the holidays with unforgettable experiences by the sea.
From lavish festive buffets to a dazzling New Year's Eve countdown, discover celebrations
that beautifully blend tropical charm and joyful moments for all ages.

24 DECEMBER 2025

Xmas Eve Dinner Buffet
06:00 PM - 10:00 PM
THB 2,588++/person
Goji Kitchen Grill & Bar

25 DECEMBER 2025

Xmas Day Brunch
12.00 – 15.30 HRS.
THB 2,888++/person
Goji Kitchen Grill & Bar

Xmas Day Dinner Buffet
18.00 – 22.00 HRS.
THB 1,988++/person
Goji Kitchen Grill & Bar

31 DECEMBER 2025

NYE Dinner Buffet
18.00 – 22.00 HRS.
THB 3,188++/person
Goji Kitchen Grill & Bar



RESERVE
A TABLE



SEAFOOD & GRILL DINNER BUFFET

Every Thursday - Saturday
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
THB 1,488++ per person (food only)



RESERVE
A TABLE



SUNDAY BRUNCH

Every Last Sunday of the Month
12:00 PM - 03:00 PM
THB 1,988++ per person including soft drinks
THB 2,988++ per person including wine & beer

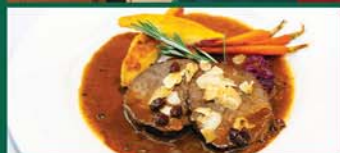
For more information and reservation,
Please contact (+66) 033-168 542.





A SPARKLING FESTIVE SEASON FULL OF EXCITING CUISINES & ENTERTAINMENT AT ROYAL CLIFF, PATTAYA

Step into a world of wonder this festive season at Royal Cliff Hotels Group, where the joy of Christmas and the excitement of New Year come alive in spectacular style. Indulge in exquisite dining, world-class entertainment, and unforgettable moments at Pattaya's iconic luxury destination.



24 December 2025

CHRISTMAS EVE SET DINNER

Experience the enchantment of Christmas Eve with a premium four-course dinner thoughtfully crafted to capture the spirit of the season. Savour festive highlights and select one main course from Traditional Roast Turkey, Roasted Australian Beef, or Honey-Glazed Ham, before ending the night with indulgent desserts including Traditional Christmas Pudding or Panettone French Toast with salted caramel ice cream. Immerse yourself in the warm and elegant atmosphere of Royal Cliff, where the soft glow of candlelight and the sound of carols create a truly magical evening. Children get ready for a surprise visit from our beloved Santa Claus.

At Royal Grill Room & Wine Cellar Restaurant, Royal Cliff Beach Hotel
6:30 - 11:00 pm

THB 2,400++ per person

(50% discount for children aged 4 - 12 years)



25 December 2025

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH BUFFET

Our Celebrate Christmas Day lunch is one of the most popular event in Pattaya that gets booked up very quickly. Enjoy a lavish buffet brimming with festive favourites and global specialities. Delight in a magnificent selection that includes roast turkey, pigs in a blanket, Christmas ham, crispy pork belly, Chinese duck pancakes, sushi and sashimi, Australian Wagyu Beef Massaman Curry, Indian Mattar Paneer, pan-fried seabass, and an array of seafood on ice served with a variety of condiments. Enjoy live cooking at the fresh pancake station and a tempting range of desserts. The joyful atmosphere is enhanced by live music and a special visit from Santa, making it a delightful celebration for all ages.

At Panorama Restaurant, Royal Cliff Beach Hotel
12:00 - 3:00 pm

THB 2,400++ per person

(50% discount for children aged 4 - 12 years)



31 December 2025

THE LOST WORLD LUXE GALA NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Welcome 2026 in grand style at The Lost World Luxe Gala, an unforgettable New Year's Eve celebration set amidst a world of prehistoric adventure. Encounter mighty T-Rexes, radiant raptors, and lush jungle-inspired décor as you dine and dance beneath the stars. Indulge in a sumptuous international grand buffet featuring premium seafood, prime cuts, pizzas and decadent desserts. Enjoy spectacular live entertainment, dazzling performances, interactive games and breathtaking sea views. As midnight approaches, raise your glass to the New Year and witness a grand fireworks display illuminating the night sky.

At Poolside, Royal Cliff Beach Hotel
7:00 pm Onwards

THB 6,500++ per person

(50% discount for children aged 4 - 12 years)

A magical holiday full of glamour, excitement and celebration awaits.

Prices are subject to 10% service charge and 7% government VAT.

For reservations or further enquiries, please contact Royal Cliff's Guest Relations Department at (+66) 38 250 421 Ext. 2037, email relax@royalcliff.com, visit www.royalcliff.com, or connect with us on LINE @Royalcliff or WhatsApp +66 84 228 9596.



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PILC Pattaya International Ladies Club

Christmas Market

Pattaya International Ladies Club not only has monthly coffee and lunch meet- ups, they also organise fantastic days out. Such as the recent Melbourne Cup - expertly hosted by Pullman Hotel and the Christmas Market at Holiday Inn Pattaya

If you would like to join Pattaya International Ladies Club get in touch with them via their Facebook Page, Instagram or by emailing pilcmembership@gmail.com







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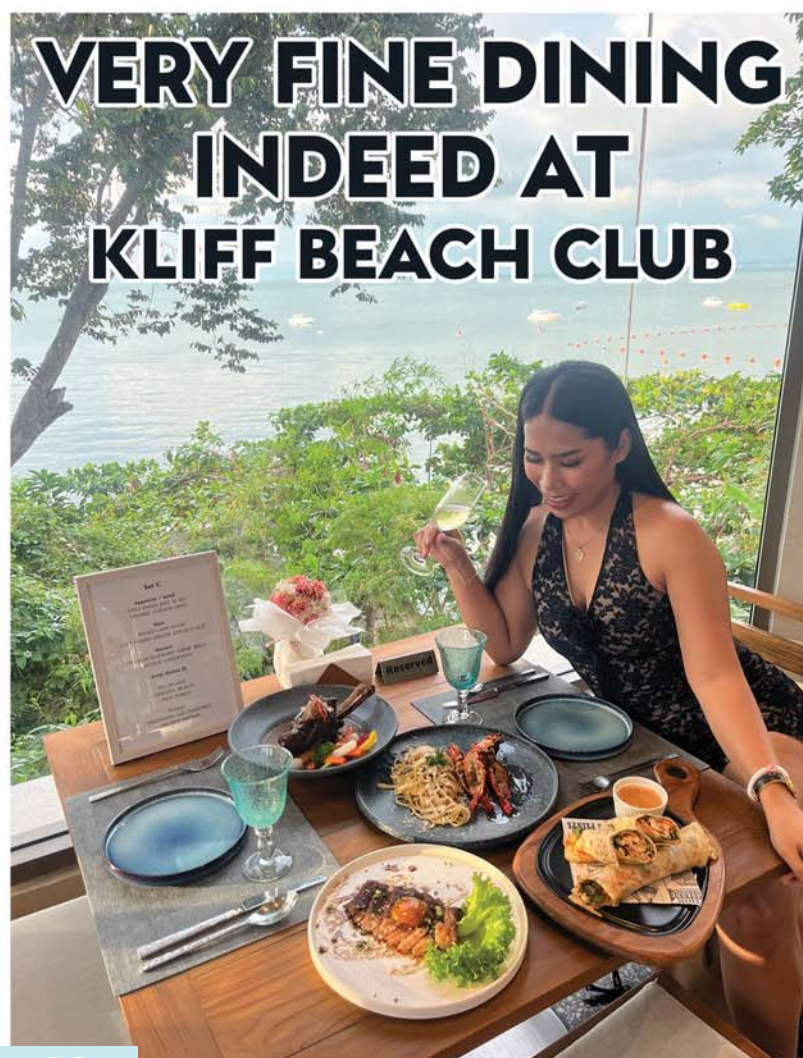
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VERY FINE DINING INDEED AT KLIFF BEACH CLUB

If you're looking for something a little more relaxed during this festive season, the Kliff Beach Club, with its stunning sea views, offers a stylish escape.

Nestled on a cliff above a secluded beach in Pratumnak, it exudes a laid-back daytime vibe that's perfect for lounging and soaking up the sea breeze. As the sun sets, the atmosphere transforms into something more vibrant, with live music and DJs performing on select evenings.

Recently, Discover Pattaya was delighted to attend a special tasting event showcasing the Kliff's new menu, featuring an inspired mix of Thai and Mediterranean cuisine.

Many of the dishes draw on the local flavours of Pattaya and its coastal surroundings, with highlights including fresh seafood, grilled tiger prawns, and delicious oysters.

Locals will know that squid is one of the region's most common ingredients—the green lights you see on the horizon after dark belong to squid fishermen luring their catch to the surface. What's less well known, however, is that the squid ink is often left unused. The Kliff's creative inclusion of Squid Ink Crispy Rice Crackers is a wonderful way to give new life to this overlooked ingredient.

For meat lovers, the menu offered an indulgent selection: Angus beef flash-fried for just 10 seconds, grilled beef cheek with spaghetti, mouthwatering barbecue, and succulent sausage. An unexpected standout was a chicken wrap—quite possibly the most delicious I've ever tasted! Teriyaki appetisers, decadent desserts, and inventive cocktails freshly mixed at the bar rounded out an impressive culinary experience.

With so much to enjoy in its chic seaside setting, the Kliff Beach Club is an ideal choice for those who want to combine quality dining with a stylish, relaxed atmosphere. And to make things even more tempting, they're currently offering a 10% discount on their menu until December 23rd—so be sure to book early to avoid disappointment.



Hours: Daily, 12:00 - 21:00 hours
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and happy new year
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and a catching sensation every time I walked**

due to boxing training and exercise. But after receiving PRP treatment at Taara Clinic, the knee pain and catching sensation have significantly improved. I'm now able to return to exercising normally. ”

Khun Yodsaenklai, a professional Muay Thai fighter.



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Christmas Eve

Benihana
Garden Cafe

Christmas Day

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New Year's Eve

Moonlight Masquerade at Avani Rooftop

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Christmas Menu

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KIDS 845 THB
(Under 12 years)

THAI 895 THB

Starters

Prawn Cocktail -OR- Cream of Tomato Soup
-OR- Chicken Liver Pate on Toast

Mains

Roast Turkey & Ham

Tradition roast Turkey & honey glazed ham with cheesy mashed potato, roast potato, green beans, glazed carrots, cranberry sauce & homemade stuffing

-OR-

Slow Roast of Wagyu Beef

A tender roast of wagyu beef served with cheesy mashed potato, roast potato, green beans, glazed carrots, horseradish sauce & homemade stuffing

Desserts

Christmas Pudding or Mince Pie
with custard or whipped cream -OR-

Strawberry Mousse -OR-
Fruit Salad and Ice-cream

Starters

Vegetable Spring Rolls -OR-
Deep Fried Prawn Cakes

Mains

(Any 2 Dishes from the choices below)

Chicken Penang Curry
Grilled Pork Neck Salad
Tom Yum Kung (prawns)
Stir Fried Beef Peppers

Desserts

Mix Fruit & Ice-Cream -OR-
Chocolate Brownie & Ice-Cream

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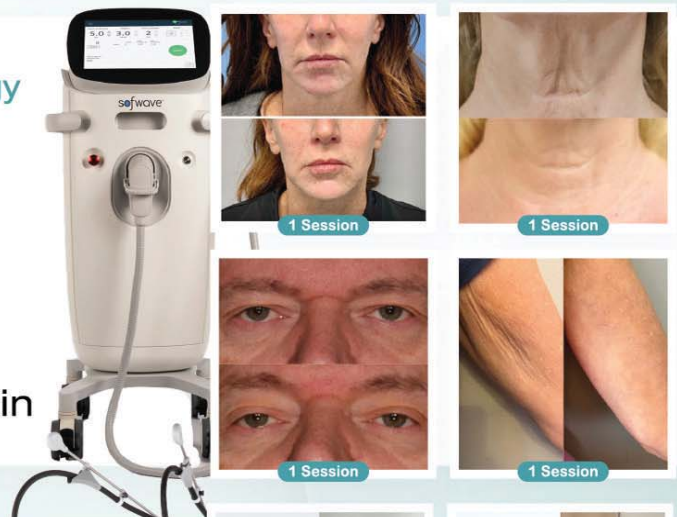
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NICHA CLINIC IV VITAMIN DRIPS

By Gloria Jones

Why go for an IV drip rather than just take vitamin supplements? I hear you ask the question and I'm going to answer it.



The reason is because IV vitamin drips deliver essential nutrients directly into the bloodstream. Unlike vitamin tablets, they bypass the digestive system which makes for faster absorption. So taking vitamins by using a drip, can enhance your energy level, replenish hydration, boost immunity, and support overall wellness far more efficiently than oral supplements. IV drips can also improve mental clarity, reduce fatigue, aid recovery from illness, stress, or intense physical activity, even promoting skin health by bringing targeted support.

Dr Nicha offers IV drips at her clinic in Pattaya and for readers of this article there is an even better reason to go there to try them. Usually 3,000 baht if you mention this article in Discover Pattaya Magazine or on our Pattaya Trader Social media, you will be able to Buy 1 Get 1 free on either Liver Detox, Immunity or Skin Brightening Drips.

Immunity Drip: There are many important vitamins, but one of the most essential is Vitamin C—it's the primary fuel for your white blood cells. These cells act as the soldiers of your body. The more white blood cells you have, the better your body can defend itself against illness.

Liver Detox Drip: The two key components in this drip are B-Complex, which helps reduce hangovers, and Glutathione, which supports and enhances your body's natural detoxification process.

Recently I saw Dr Nicha give a talk to the Pattaya City Expats Club. The meeting was packed and members praised her for the comprehensive information she gave about wellness, anti aging, longevity and the things we all care about as we get older. At her clinic in Pattaya She also looks after all her clients in a truly holistic way, she doesn't simply treat external factors but will also ask them about their lifestyle, any issues, complaints or problems they may have and their general level of fitness.

For those of us who perhaps like to drink too much at this Festive time of the year, especially wine, beer and spirits, it's important to note that alcohol can diminish the body's levels of Vitamin B which is a key vitamin to aiding the function of the liver. Therefore having a Liver Detox IV Drip, is a great idea if you know that you've partied too hard or want to prepare in advance for Christmas and New year's parties!

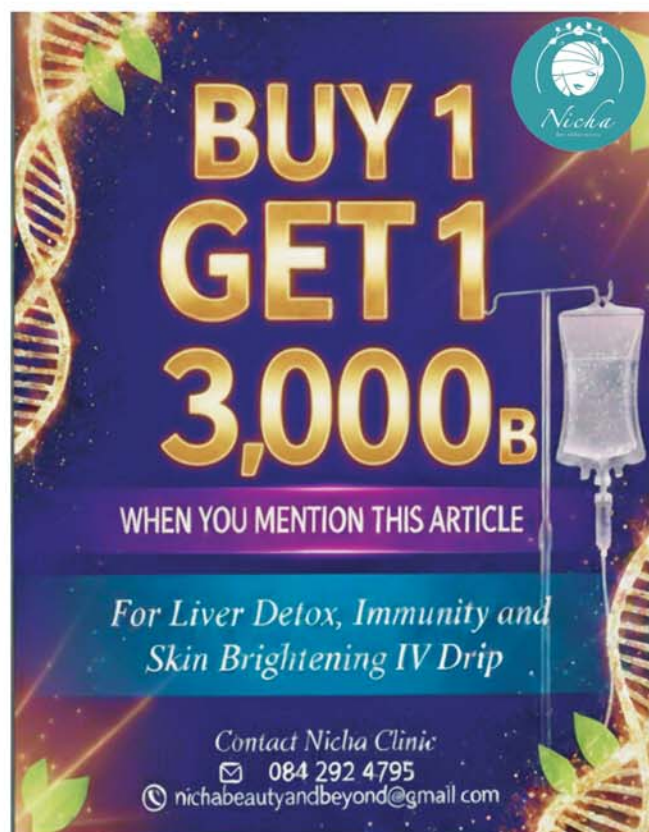
The Immunity Drip is also a great idea. Especially for those travelling. I recently tried this just before a recent visit to the UK when I can tell you many of my friends and family were suffering from colds. All around me were coughing and sneezing but I didn't catch any of their germs, and returned back to Pattaya in excellent health - so for me the extra boost of vitamins was certainly worthwhile.

IV vitamin therapy provides a convenient and effective way to optimize health and vitality so If you would like any further information or want to book an appointment to take advantage of this special.

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We schedule medical check-ups, renew our insurance, and maybe even change our phone plan or declutter our homes. It's the season of resolutions, the quiet effort to regain control over the small things that make life flow more smoothly.

But beyond the practical to-do list, there's another kind of preparation : one that speaks to peace of mind.

Lightening the mental load

We live in a decade where mental overload has become one of the biggest challenges of modern life. From managing finances to caring for children or aging parents, we often find ourselves carrying invisible responsibilities that slowly weigh us down.

As we grow older and wiser, we start craving simplicity. We want life to be organized, smooth, and secure, especially when unexpected events occur.

At AMAR International, we see this every day. Families dealing with the sudden loss of a loved one, feeling overwhelmed not only by grief but also by the maze of logistics that follows : paperwork, international procedures, ceremonies, and all the decisions that must be made under shock and pressure.

Anticipating when tomorrow happens too soon

The truth is, death can happen in a blink of an eye. And while it's never easy to think about, taking the time to prepare is not an act of fear or superstition, but an act of love.

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Thinking about a new way to gain serenity

The end of the year often inspires us to improve, protect, and refocus on what truly matters. For AMAR International, a family-run, international funeral company based in Bangkok, this is more than a service.

It's part of a broader mission : to transform crisis management into human accompaniment, guiding families from shock to serenity with professionalism, compassion, and dignity. As the company continues to expand its support network dedicated to elder care and medical coordination, one message remains constant : helping families find peace of mind in every stage of life.

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Gloria Speaks to Khun Toy

I am using the term Patriot for a series of articles to feature in the magazine. Firstly because I love the alliteration, and secondly because I wanted a word to describe some very special people who live amongst us here in Pattaya. Sometimes given a military connotation, the word patriot actually describes someone who deeply loves, supports and defends their country (or, for the purposes of this article, their city). They often demonstrate loyalty through service, sacrifice, and civic engagement. True patriotism goes beyond mere pride—it involves striving to make improvements for all, for freedom, and for progress. If you missed any of the earlier Pattaya Patriots articles you can still find them online at our website pattayatrader.com.

I personally believe that Christmas isn't Christmas in Pattaya until the children of the HHNFT (Human Help Network Foundation Thailand) sing at the Rotary Club Eastern Seaboard's annual party. Even before I met Khun Toy, I had always been impressed at how well the children sang the carols both in English and Thai. The beautiful outfits they wore and most importantly their wonderful smiles especially during "Jingle Bells". It is for that very reason that I waited until our December issue to write about Khun Toy because I have always thought of her as being a "Mother Christmas" to the hundreds of children she has helped and is still continuing to help.

This September Khun Toy (Ratchada Chomjinda) who is the Director of HHNFT, celebrated her 70th birthday! For many of these years she has worked tirelessly for charitable foundations, 18 of them at HHNFT. Her excellent English can be attributed to the secretarial work she did after leaving school. Firstly working for the Japanese embassy and then as secretary to the Finnish ambassador in Bangkok.

When she followed this by working for UNICEF she told me that the job was mainly admin based, she never got to see the children that were helped. So when she came to Pattaya to work at the orphanage here and saw first hand the good work that was being done for disabled, blind and generally disadvantaged children, she knew she had "Come to the Right Place".

In August of this year HHNFT Director Radchada Chomjinda was selected as a distinguished female role model and honored by The Senate Standing Committee on Social Development and Children, Youth, Women, the Elderly, the Disabled and the Underprivileged Affairs. She received the award at Thailand's Parliament Building (The Senate Wing) in Bangkok and in her typically modest way, Khun Toy says the best thing about receiving the award was the recognition it gave to HHNFT.





Shining a light on the multiple programs, the foundation does including: a drop-In Center, offering food, clothing, medical care, and counseling to children in crisis. A Child Protection & Development Center (CPDC), which houses abused or trafficked children cared for by nannies, teachers, and counselors. Outreach programs on the streets and in migrant communities, supporting children at risk of exploitation, and an Education Center for those whose families lack access to formal schooling such as migrant children, many from Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar who otherwise would be begging on the streets or sleeping rough on the beach

Khun Toy is keen to praise her team which includes a professional psychiatrist and associate judge, plus two who have degrees as licensed social workers. This means that each child can be properly assessed and cared for. They can also benefit from mixing with other children and learning languages, and skills to give them real tools for independence. Under Khun Toy's guidance, HHNFT runs initiatives like the Decoupage Project: where the youth learn to make decorative handicrafts, which are then sold to raise funds and buy presents (at Christmas for example).



Also the kids love working in the organic garden which teaches self-reliance through farming. Learning to cultivate pesticide-free vegetables using aquaponic systems, combining ecological awareness with practical life skills. The HGM Education Fund: In partnership with HHNFT also awards scholarships to underprivileged children so they can continue their studies right through into University. So the care goes on even beyond the 150 children I was privileged to see and hear sing to me at the Drop in Centre.

Help and donations are always needed for the excellent work the HHNFT does, especially now as recently and quite unexpectedly the foundation mourned the loss of Ewald Dietrich, a key founder and supporter, which created a huge and sudden gap both emotionally and financially. Khun Toy and her team have had to step up their fundraising efforts as a result and in fact she had just returned from a trip to Germany to do just that when I went to visit her at the centre. If you would like more information go to www.hhnft.org or to find out how to help go to the Human Help Network Foundation Thailand facebook page or email toy@hhnft.org

Due Diligence: A Must for Foreign Property Buyers in Thailand

by Anthony Justice

Thailand appeals to a wide range of nationalities with its stunning beaches, contemporary condominiums, and investment opportunities. However, many foreign buyers are unaware of the practical and legal pitfalls that lie behind the inviting prices and glossy brochures. As a consultant who frequently deals with foreigners purchasing real estate in Thailand, I have seen two kinds of clients: those who conduct due diligence and those who regret not having done their research. My goal is to help you avoid unpleasant surprises. Due diligence is not an optional step here—it's your main protection.

Recognizing the Actual Risks

The property market in Thailand doesn't work quite the same way as it does in many other countries. Yes, foreigners can legally own condominium units, but owning land is a different story with strict limitations. That's why many buyers end up exploring long-term leases, company setups, or usufruct arrangements — each of which comes with its own set of rules and fine print.

Because of all these layers, things can easily go wrong when someone jumps into a purchase too quickly. I've seen buyers rely on friendly assurances, assumptions, or a smooth-talking agent, only to discover problems later on. Some found out the title deed didn't match what was registered at the Land Office. Others learned that their building had already reached the foreign

ownership quota, that construction permits were missing, or that the property they bought was carrying someone else's debt. These situations are far more common than many people think, and they're exactly why due diligence is so important. These issues might have been avoided by carrying out appropriate due diligence prior to completing the transaction. When we do due diligence for clients, our main aim is straightforward: to make sure the property you're planning to buy is truly what it appears to be, without hidden issues. The process typically includes:

Verification of Title Deeds

We go to the Land Office to check the property's title deed. This lets us confirm that the seller genuinely owns the property and has the clear right to transfer it to you.

Check for Encumbrance and Liability

Properties in Thailand can come with mortgages, liens, leases, usufructs, or other registered rights attached to them—and these don't simply vanish when the property is sold. We make sure you're not unknowingly taking on someone else's debt or obligations when you buy.

Review of Foreign Ownership Quota (for Condos)

By law, foreigners can own only up to 49% of the total sellable area of a condominium project. Many buyers are unaware of this—and end up unable to register their purchase even after paying. We verify available quota before anything is signed.

Background Check for Developers or Sellers

We check the developer's track record, completed projects, and any financial issues or disputes. We check resale units for any legal cases, bankruptcy concerns, or irregularities involving the seller.

Zoning and Building Permits

We verify that building permits, land use approvals, and environmental requirements are met for homes, villas, or off-plan projects. This step is crucial for avoiding demolition orders or unregistrable structures.

Reviewing Contract

To make sure your rights are adequately safeguarded, we review the contract to ensure they are legally binding, transparent, and do not contain unfavorable terms that could put you at a disadvantage.

Why Due Diligence Is Even More Important for Foreign Buyers

Foreign investors often turn to agents, friends, or sellers for information. But if anything goes wrong later, the Thailand's legal system places responsibility on the buyer—not the seller.

Additionally, foreign buyers must comply with specific rules such as:

- Sending money from overseas correctly to obtain the Foreign Exchange Transaction Certificate, which is required to own a condo.
- Making sure that leases are properly registered to be enforceable.
- Avoiding unlawful nominee arrangements when buying land.

A minor error in any of these areas could result in the loss of ownership rights or prevent resale.

My Professional Recommendation

If you plan to buy property in Thailand—whether it's a condo, villa, or land lease—engage a qualified Thai lawyer or consultant before paying a deposit. A developer may tell you everything is fine, but due diligence should always be handled independently. The cost of the due diligence itself is much less than the peace of mind you get from knowing your investment is legal and safe.



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Celebrating the Festive Season in a Multicultural School Community

For many families living abroad, December brings a swirl of emotions. The festive season arrives wrapped in nostalgia, tradition and memories of home. Yet in Thailand, where international communities are wonderfully varied and schools bring together children from dozens of countries, this time of year also offers something unique: the opportunity to celebrate Christmas and other seasonal traditions in a way that is inclusive, joyful and culturally rich. International schools across Thailand work hard to create this balance every year. With students representing nationalities from every corner of the globe, the festive season becomes far more than a countdown to Christmas; it becomes a celebration of community.

A Season That Means Something Different to Everyone

The first challenge, and privilege, of being in an international school setting is recognising that December holds a different meaning for each family. For some, it is a deeply religious period. For others, it is a cultural holiday centred on food, family and gifts. And for many, it is simply a special time marked by lights, music and a general sense of goodwill.

Schools aim to honour these differences without prioritising any one tradition above another; after all, Thailand is majority Buddhist but with thriving Muslim, Hindu and Christian communities, among others. The festive season becomes an opportunity to teach students about diversity, respect and curiosity. Rather than assuming that Christmas sits at the centre of the month, educators design activities and events that acknowledge a wide spectrum of celebrations, from Christmas to New Year festivals in various cultures, and even the Thai traditions that continue as usual throughout December.

Creating an Inclusive Atmosphere

One of the simplest yet most effective ways schools embrace the festive period is through atmosphere. Children adore the sense of magic that comes with twinkling lights, themed displays and decorations lovingly assembled by teachers, staff and sometimes even parents. But the decorations in international schools tend to be intentionally varied. You may see a Christmas tree next to a display about winter celebrations around the world, or paper lanterns created by students from countries where December isn't a major holiday at all. Classrooms often have "festive corners" where students contribute their own symbols of celebration, whether that's a Christmas ornament, a traditional craft from home or a drawing of their favourite seasonal food. This kind of visual representation sends a powerful message: everyone belongs, and everyone's traditions matter.

Learning Through Celebration

Many schools use the festive season as a springboard for learning. It's a natural point in the year to explore comparative cultures, geography, storytelling and religious education, all woven into activities that feel fun and engaging.

You might see students researching how winter is celebrated in their home countries, writing reflections about their family traditions or tasting foods from around the world at a multicultural fair. Teachers often incorporate music, drama and art, allowing children to express themselves creatively while learning about the significance of celebrations elsewhere.



In Early Years and Primary settings especially, role-play and storytelling bring these moments to life. One classroom might re-enact the Nativity for cultural understanding, while next door students might explore the symbolism of light in different festivals. The aim is never to promote one belief, but to cultivate a sense of global awareness and empathy.

Events That Bring the Community Together

International schools often act as community hubs for expat families, and the festive season is one of the rare times of year when everyone gathers in the same space. From winter concerts and charity drives to relaxed family afternoons with games and market stalls, these events help families feel connected at a time when many are far from home.

What stands out most in these moments is the sense of togetherness. Parents from different countries swap stories about how they celebrated as children. Children delight in singing songs, sometimes in several languages, without feeling the need to “belong” to any one tradition. Staff greet families warmly, knowing how important it is to recreate that familiar sense of warmth that December brings. Charitable giving is also a common thread in international schools. The festive period becomes a chance to teach students about compassion and responsibility towards others, whether through donation drives, fundraising for local causes or organising visits to community organisations.



Supporting Students Who Find the Season Difficult

It's important to acknowledge that not all students experience the festive season positively. Some miss extended family; others may feel overwhelmed by the unfamiliarity of new customs. International schools therefore take care to ensure the season remains supportive as well as celebratory.

Pastoral teams and teachers are often particularly attentive at this time of year. They look out for students who need a little reassurance, encourage open conversations and make sure that no child feels excluded or pressured to participate in activities that don't align with their family's beliefs. The message is simple: everyone is welcome to join in, and everyone is equally respected if they choose not to.

Celebrating What Unites Us

In the end, what defines the festive season in Thailand's international schools is not a single event, tradition or holiday. It is the shared experience of celebrating together, of finding common ground amid differences. Whether families come from London, Seoul, Moscow, Mumbai or Bangkok, December in an international school setting offers a reminder that community is something we create, not something we inherit. For many expat families, this is what makes the festive season abroad so memorable. It becomes a celebration of many traditions, woven together in harmony, a true reflection of the multicultural world our children are growing up in.

By James Kemp Deputy Head of Mooltripakdee International School



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BEST SPORTING EVENTS OF 2025

By Steve Wade

We're coming to the end of the sporting year so let's take a look at some of the outstanding performances of the last twelve months which have made 2025 another memorable year in the world of sport around the globe.

Golf history was made in the Masters at Augusta in April when Rory McIlroy joined the elite group of players to have won the "Grand Slam", which is a victory in all four majors, the Masters, the US Open, the US PGA and the British Open over the course of a career. He joins legends of the game such as Gary Player, Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods in this exclusive club and it puts him in competition with Nick Faldo and Seve Ballesteros for the title of the greatest golfer Europe has produced.

Of course where McIlroy is involved nothing is ever straightforward and having given up a seven shot lead to runner-up Justin Rose, he was forced into a playoff with the Englishman which he won on the first extra hole. That kind of performance is typical of McIlroy and the kind of swashbuckling golf that he plays has endeared him to millions of golf fans around the world. He finished the year with four victories and has become only the second player in history, behind a certain Tiger Woods, to earn over \$100 million in a single season.



McIlroy also played a major part in the other big golfing story of the year, Europe retaining the Ryder Cup on American soil. The event was marred by some appalling behaviour from spectators and we can only hope that the outpouring of criticism from the press and some of the greats of the past will encourage the crowds to behave in a way befitting the game when the competition returns to Ireland in 2027. In the end team Europe only scrambled home after the singles matches having taken what most people thought was an unassailable 11.5 - 4.5 lead into the final day.



This lends weight to the theory that the Americans are uncomfortable in the team events over the first two days but excel in the individual matches on the last day and the team USA comeback in the singles matches was indeed remarkable. The Ryder Cup is one of the very few times that golf is played as a team game throughout the year and the format lends itself to being a great spectacle. Let's hope the fans can enjoy it in the future without recreating some of the scenes we witnessed at Bethpage Black this year.

In Formula 1 Max Verstappen managed to hold on to the drivers title for the fourth successive year but in the constructor's championship the incredible resurgence of McLaren continued with their first win since 1998.





In tennis in the men's game, something quite remarkable is happening. After the twenty year domination by Nadal, Djokovic and Federer we now have two players that are leagues ahead of the rest in the shape of the Spaniard Carlos Alvaraz and Jannik Sinner from Italy. Their supremacy is such that the only Grand Slam final not contested by the two of them playing each other was the Australian Open in January where Sinner defended his title with a comfortable three set victory.

Since then they have met each other in the French, Wimbledon and US Open finals with the Spaniard coming out on top 2-1. The recent Champion of Champions tournament, which matches the top eight players in the world against each other, saw them both reach the final without dropping a set and the world rankings, where Alvaraz is shading Sinner for the top spot by a few hundred points, sees the third best player trailing some 5000 points behind!



In football, Harry Kane continued his remarkable goal scoring record for both club and country and after his continuing heroics for Bayern Munich, he must now go down as one of the greatest players ever to come from England. His figures for the German club are quite extraordinary and he continues to find the net for England too.

Let's hope he can carry that form forward to the World Cup next year. Also scoring goals for fun is Erling Haaland, who's record since the start of the new Premier League season is quite ridiculous and he too has carried that form forward to the international scene for Norway, who have become lively outsiders for the World Cup after trouncing Italy in a recent qualifier 4-1 away from home, with Haaland claiming two of the goals

There have been plenty of other highlights in 2025, but alas we haven't space to share them here. Sports such as Cycling, Athletics and Darts have produced moments of high drama and I think we can expect more of the same in 2026, with the centrepiece being the FIFA World Cup, which is being shared this time between the USA, Canada and Mexico. With the expansion from 32 to 48 teams and the competition running for five weeks in the Summer, It's going to take some stamina to follow your country if they go all the way with the time difference being what it is. It'll be worth it though!

The success has continued in the new season with McLaren holding an unassailable lead in this year's table and both of the team's drivers, Lando Norris and Oscar Piastri battling it out with Verstappen for this season's title. To see Verstappen still in with a chance of retaining his title, however slim that may be, in a car that is clearly inferior to both of the McLarens is a testament to his outstanding ability and dogged determination to wring every point that he can from the car. With the sacking of Christian Horner after twenty years in charge and a new deal with Ford in place, alongside a new team, if Red Bull get back on track for 2026 Verstappen is going to take an awful lot of beating.



The gulf between these two and the rest is huge at the moment and unless some great new young talent comes through, with Alvaraz at only 22 and Sinner at 24 we can expect these two to dominate the game for many years to come.

Among other notable achievements in 2025 was the claiming of the undisputed best heavyweight on the planet title by Oleksandr Usyk, He has now earned himself a place in the boxing hall of fame by beating everyone that has stood in front of him, a thing that all the great heavyweights of the past have done and he's has done it by being the best in all departments, A truly remarkable fighter.



What's on The Small Screen



Ella Purnell, Aaron Moten, Walton Goggins

In the aftermath of the shocking Season 1 finale, Lucy MacLean and The Ghoul/Cooper Howard venture deep into the treacherous Mojave Wasteland, following the trail of the fugitive Hank MacLean, who has taken refuge in the legendary and lawless city of New Vegas. Their joint quest is to finally expose the shadowy truth behind Vault-Tec's original plan and determine who truly "is behind the wheel" of the apocalypse.



Stranger Things: Season 5 Part 2

Millie Bobby Brown, Finn Wolfhard, Noah Schnapp

The heroes of Hawkins, united against the escalating threat from the Upside Down. The full party must come together for one last, desperate attempt to end the nightmare.



A Thousand Blows Season

Stephen Graham, Erin Doherty, Francis Lovehall

In 1880s London's brutal East End, two Jamaican friends, Hezekiah and Alec, are thrust into the criminal underworld of bare-knuckle



The Copenhagen Test

Simu Liu, Melissa Barrera, Sinclair Daniel

A first-generation Chinese-American intelligence analyst, Alexander Hale (Simu Liu), discovers that his brain has been hacked.



The Abandons

Lena Headey, Gillian Anderson, Lucas Till

Western drama set in 1850s Oregon, following a diverse group of outcast families as they carve out a new existence on the American frontier.

What's on The Big Screen



Avatar: Fire and Ash

Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldña, Sigourney Weaver,

Picking up shortly after the events of *Avatar: The Way of Water*, Jake Sully, Neytiri, and their family continue to fight the renewed invasion of the Resources Development Administration (RDA) on Pandora. The core conflict of this chapter shifts as the Sullys encounter a new, aggressive faction of Na'vi known as the Ash People.



Sisu Road to Revenge

Jorma Tommila, Richard Brake, Stephen Lang

Finnish ex-commando Aatami Korpi (Jorma Tommila) returns to his ruined home in Soviet-occupied Karelia, where his family was killed in World War II.



Anaconda

Paul Rudd, Jack Black, Steve Zahn

The 2025 film *Anaconda* is a meta action-comedy about two friends (Jack Black and Paul Rudd) who, facing midlife crises, try to remake their favorite childhood movie.



Roofman

Channing Tatum Kirsten Dunst Ben Mendelsohn

Struggling father Jeffrey Manchester (Channing Tatum) turns to robbing McDonald's through the roof, earning the nickname "Roofman."



The Housemaid

Sydney Sweeney, Amanda Seyfried, Brandon

A young woman with a troubled past takes a job as a live-in housemaid for a wealthy, seemingly perfect family.

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The Meta Ray-Ban Display glasses are the ultimate Christmas gift for the person who loves cutting-edge tech and classic style. Unlike regular smart glasses that only capture photos and audio, this advanced model features a discreet in-lens color display and the accompanying Meta Neural Band for control. It's a gift that says you're giving the future of computing, offering the ability to privately check messages, get walking directions, and see visual Meta AI responses with simple finger gestures, all while keeping their phone in their pocket. It allows them to stay connected and capture high-quality memories with the 12MP camera while being fully present in the moment—the perfect high-value surprise for the holidays.



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The MSI Claw 8 AI+ is a next-generation handheld gaming PC designed for serious enthusiasts.¹ It's a significant upgrade from the original, featuring a larger, more immersive 8-inch, 120Hz display at a crisp ²1920 x 1200 resolution.³

Powered by the highly efficient Intel Core Ultra 7 (Lunar Lake) processor, it delivers impressive performance gains with a massive 80Whr battery—the largest in its class—to ensure marathon gaming sessions.⁴ Key features include ultra-precise Hall Effect joysticks and triggers, Wi-Fi 7, and two Thunderbolt 4 ports.⁵ The "AI+" designation highlights the integrated NPU, which offloads tasks for better power efficiency and future Copilot+ features.⁶



A Seasonal Tale of Tailgaters (a.k.a. Close-Up Enthusiasts)



There are many kinds of drivers roaming the earth—some cautious, some confused, and some who appear to be navigating via spiritual guidance alone. But among these tribes, one stands out for its sheer audacity. The driver who believes the best way to overtake you is to first perform an examination of your car's exhaust pipe. These are the Close-Up Enthusiasts. We've all come across them. You're driving along at a reasonable speed, perhaps even a generous speed, when suddenly your rearview mirror transforms from what was once a peaceful reflection of the road behind you, to now becoming an extreme close-up of a front grille, a headlight and possibly the driver's fearful face.

Some believe tailgaters are simply big fans of suspense. They want to turn the simple act of driving anywhere into an edge-of-your-seat thriller. Will he pass or won't he? Will my brake lights give him a heart attack? Tune in next second to find out! These drivers appear convinced that if they just get close enough, your car will eventually dissolve, vaporize, or politely step aside. But the truly fascinating part is what happens when you finally move over to let them pass.

They roar past you as if they're on their way to defuse a bomb, but within six seconds you see them again ... behind another car ... tailgating that poor soul with the same zeal and intimacy as they did you. It's like watching a nature documentary: "And here we see the wild tailgater in his natural habitat, pursuing his next victim with impressive determination".

Being tailgated is a universal annoyance and a reminder that while we all share the road, we do not all share the same understanding of personal space. Some drivers understand the concept of a "safe following distance." Others believe that safe distances are for the weak. So the next time you look in your mirror and see a car so close you could pass them a mint, take a deep breath. Signal calmly, move aside if it's safe and as they launch themselves past you in a burst of misplaced heroism, remember, you've just given them the greatest gift of all, the open road, where they can go tailgate someone else with all the enthusiasm their oversized ego demands. And there's something poetic about that. So much so that I've written a song about it....and, it's my new single release. **CRAZY DRIVER** (In The Rear View Mirror).

On a recent road trip to Kanchanaburi with my girlfriend, KayJay, for yet another running event, I frequently got nervous as some chancer was trying to overtake me on a narrow road. Suddenly, a tune popped into my head with the lyrics for a chorus. I'm now wondering why no-one has already written a song about this subject as it's a common serious matter.

My last single, 'She Made Me Do It', spent ten weeks in the top five of the UK's Revival Chart including two weeks at number 1. Let's hope my new single will have similar success, whilst sending out a message of awareness about driving unselfishly, especially during the coming season.



Hear my new song 'Crazy Driver' and see the accompanying video on YouTube – FAB BAZ MUSIC TV – Barry Upton – Crazy Driver.
Have a very safe Yuletide folks.

ACCOUNTING FOR SUSTAINABILITY

CHAPTER 2: THE EXISTENCE OF BUSINESS

AND THE ROLE OF ACCOUNTANTS

by Siriyothin Accounting & Law Firm

In the previous chapter, we discussed the qualities of financial reports that support effective management decision-making. In this chapter, we will further explore accounting and financial control throughout the business cycle, which can be divided into four stages:

1. Start-Up Period

The strategic focus is business survival, often depending heavily on external sources of funding.

2. Growth Period

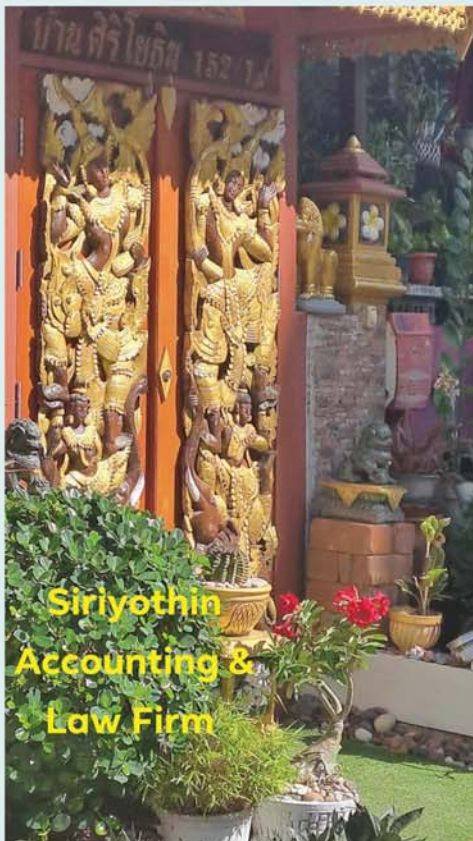
The strategic focus shifts to market expansion, increased investment, and securing additional funding.

3. Maturity (Full) Period

The strategic focus emphasizes maintaining strong liquidity and ensuring satisfactory return on investment.

4. Decline (Regression) Period

The strategic focus is on sustaining operations, which may require the disposal of non-essential assets to ensure business survival. Modern accountants should go beyond traditional bookkeeping and act as Strategic Sentinels who can identify early warning signs of operational issues and alert management so that corrective action can be taken.



According to Thai Accounting Standard (TAS) No. 1, management is responsible for assessing the business's ability to continue as a going concern. While Thai Standard on Auditing (TSA) No. 570 requires auditors to examine and search for appropriate evidence to support the management's assessment, including evaluating

A key tool for business monitoring is the Cash Flow Statement, and Projection they serve as an early-warning signal, and in the next chapter, we will provide a more detailed explanation of how to use cash flow information for business sustainability.

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When did you last have your eyes tested?



Like regular trips to the dentist having your eye tested is something we often forget to do and yet we should get them checked at least once a year.

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St. Augustine's Nights of Lights A Dazzling Christmas Display!

By Carla Marie Rupp and Jason Rupp

When dreaming of a Christmassy getaway in the USA, we recommend Florida's spectacular Saint Augustine. Founded in 1565, as a European settlement, its famous Nights of Lights celebration make this city on Florida's Historic Coast, extra special during the holidays. You feel as if you've stepped into an Old World Christmas scene with historic streets and Spanish colonial architecture colorfully lit up for visitors to enjoy..

You have to experience the free, award-winning Nights of Lights to believe it! No tickets are required. We've never seen anything like it and highly recommend a trip to St. Augustine, FL, for a festive Christmas experience. Visitors can enjoy the Plaza, sing carols, visit the big Christmas tree, and see the smiles of happy shoppers in the glowing streets.

Tours (for a fee) are offered, some by boat or trolley, to enjoy the beautiful sights. But strolling is fine, too. In fact the St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra & The Beaches Visitors and Convention Bureau stresses that this is not a drive-through event. It is best enjoyed by using the free park-and-ride shuttles and then exploring the sights and festivities on foot or with a tour.

Nights of Lights, illuminates downtown St Augustine annually from mid-November until mid-January. Millions of tiny white lights decorate the city, its buildings and the tops of the trees Those who prefer not to walk can choose from dozens of tours including Old Town Trolley's Nights of Lights Tour, Ripley's Red Train Nights of Lights Tour, Very Un-Merry Grinchmas Ride with Tasting Tours, Pinkmas Nights of Lights Tour (a Barbie-inspired Holiday Adventure), St. Augustine Eco Tours and Scenic Cruise, Florida Water Tours.



Old Town Trolley
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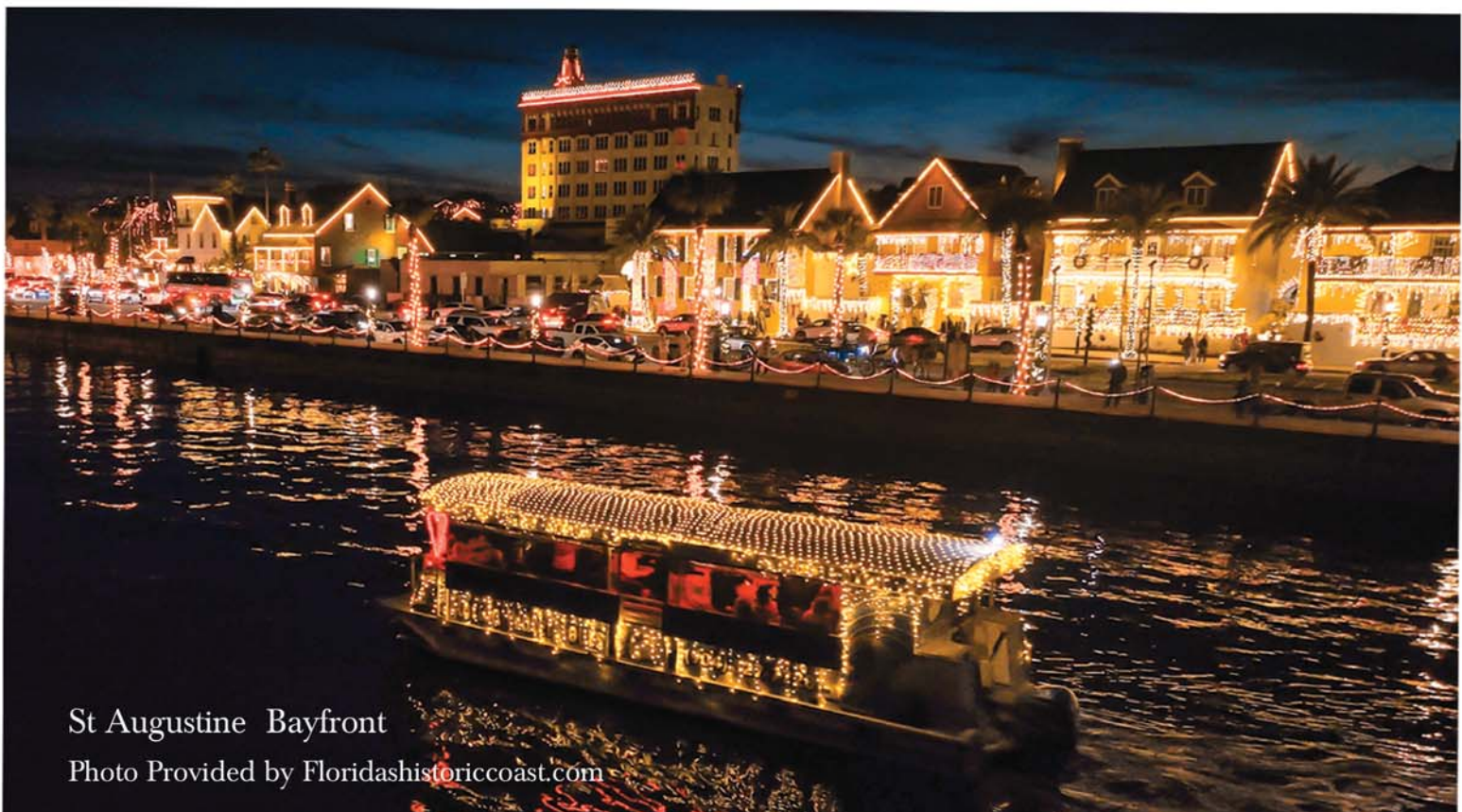


Lightner, St Augustine
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For us, being with loved ones was magical when we attended Light-Up! Night with three generations. We huddled together to take pictures of the illuminated Lightner Museum, Castillo de San Marco, Cedar House Inn and the breathtaking Bridge of Lions among the many sparkling attractions. After experiencing the memorable sights, we stopped for Mexican food at Little Sombrero, one of the many kinds of cuisines offered in the city.

A Christmas itinerary in St. Augustine can also include a Holly Jolly Shopping Spree, the Christmas Market of St. Augustine, its Christmas Parade, and the Holiday Regatta of Lights. Most people find that they can easily walk everywhere, whether downtown, uptown, or at the beach. You can sense the history. Get your picture taken with an oversized pirate figure. Take a Spanish cooking class, or stroll through the Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park. This is a tribute to the famous explorer Ponce de Leon and his legendary quest for youth. A spot where the explorer is said to have landed in 1513 while searching for a mythical "fountain of youth." Visitors can drink water from a spring amongst reenactors portraying the people of the past..



St Augustine Bayfront
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St. Augustine also has a lot of art galleries where local artists get inspiration from the Spanish colonial architecture, cobblestone street and sunsets over the fort. We also recommend stopping at Peace Pie to try the delicious ice cream sandwiches. They take two homemade cookies, put a scoop of ice cream and pie filling into the middle. With over 30 delicious flavors including peanut brownie, pecan pie, and of course key lime a local favourite at this colorful, 60s style shop. There are also tours available of the San Sebastian Winery. It has a rooftop bar, offering wine, food, and live jazz at sunset.



Nearby, the Saint Augustine Distillery also has tastings, and tours featuring the history of bourbon. For a cozy outdoor meal, we also recommend 57 Casa de Vino which offers a great atmosphere and exceptional charcuterie with cheeses, fruits, olives, nuts, and aged meats. We've been to St. Augustine a number of times. On our first visit we parked our rental car and bought our tickets from Old Town Trolley Tours of St. Augustine where you can get 1 or 2 day get on get off tickets. A highlight of our tour was the St Augustine Alligator Farm Zoological Park. We not only saw alligators, but also lemurs, sloths, and a lovely bird sanctuary. Those brave enough can even go ziplining over the alligators but you have to be brave and fit for that!

While dazzling Nights of Lights is a wonderful time to go to Saint Augustine, the city is well worth a visit at any time of year. Located between Northeast and East Central Florida, it is an easy trip from Orlando, Daytona, or Jacksonville and has been named one of the top 10 small cities in America by Conde Nast Traveler magazine.

Check out the websites: NightsofLights.com FloridasHistoricCoast.com or go to the [Facebook.com/OfficialStAugustine](https://www.facebook.com/OfficialStAugustine). for tips on what to do in this area. Carla Marie Rupp and Jason Rupp are freelance journalists and are reached at their emails of carlaruppy@gmail.com and jasonruppy@gmail.com.



The 2025 holiday season is shaping up to be all about comfort, ease, and meaningful upgrades that fit into daily life. People want gifts that feel practical yet elevated, thoughtful without being dramatic, and luxurious without slipping into excess.

The most appreciated gifts right now are the ones that quietly improve routines, elevate a space, or make someone feel pulled together. If you want to give something people will genuinely enjoy, focus on items that deliver real value instead of fleeting novelty. Many of the most wanted gifts this season share one theme. They make daily life gentler, calmer, or more intentional. People are exhausted by complicated gadgets and visual clutter. They want simplicity that feels like relief.



Luxury Home Comforts That Feel Personal

People gravitate toward gifts that subtly elevate their space without drawing too much attention. Soft throw blankets with breathable textures, supportive pillows for better sleep or posture, aromatherapy diffusers that instantly shift a room's mood, and small decorative pieces that blend with any interior all hit the right note. Comfort has become the new status symbol, and anything that turns a routine into something soothing will land well.

Practical Upgrades People Never Buy For Themselves

Everyone has items they keep meaning to replace but never do. These make ideal holiday gifts because they feel thoughtful and useful at the same time. High quality tumblers, durable bags for weekend trips and bath essentials that bring a spa feeling to the evening routine, are all smart choices. These show you pay attention to what would genuinely make someone's life easier.

Aesthetic Tech That Looks Good Anywhere

People are tired of bulky, unattractive tech cluttering their homes. This season is about slim designs, neutral colors, and items that function well without becoming eyesores. Slim LED lamps that enhance focus, small speakers that double as decor, smart notebooks that digitize handwriting, and compact chargers with minimalist shapes are all rising quietly in popularity. Tech and aesthetics finally align in a way that people actually want to display.

Scents, Self Care, and Modern Wellness

The fragrance wave is still at its peak, and people want scents that feel personal rather than generic. This applies to home fragrances and personal scents. The broader wellness category is just as strong. Skincare basics that elevate morning routines, satin pillowcases that prevent breakage, facial tools that encourage slow self care, and bath salts that create a reset moment continue to dominate because they work for everyone.

Gifts For People Who Love To Travel

Travel is fully back, and so are gifts that support smooth, enjoyable trips. Travelers want gear that is light, durable, and attractive without going overboard. Travelers appreciate items that reduce stress from packing to unpacking. Compact toiletry organizers, neck pillows with real support, foldable tote bags for unexpected stops, and multi device chargers that cover every situation are strong options. These essentials simplify the journey from start to finish. Seat organizers that reduce car clutter, supportive travel pillows, insulated bottles that maintain temperature, and interior fresheners that keep the car feeling clean all make road trips easier and more enjoyable. These gifts combine practicality with comfort.

Gifts For People Who Love Aesthetic Home Styling

Home styling continues to dominate online trends, and people want their spaces to feel calm and curated. The good news is that creating that feeling does not require a large budget. Small touches can transform a room's energy quickly and subtly. Ceramic vases with clean lines, warm accent lighting that softens a space, mini shelves for books or candles, and neutral throws that add texture are all welcome additions. These pieces work universally and enhance any room without overpowering it. Lamps that produce warm light, sculptural bookends, trays for jewelry or keys, and woven storage baskets that match modern interiors offer both beauty and purpose. People love items that keep their home organized without compromising style.



For the Fitness Fan

Fitness gifts have shifted away from heavy equipment and toward smaller essentials that integrate smoothly into daily routines. Resistance bands, practical duffel bags, smart water bottles, and comfortable performance socks all make training easier without taking up space. These gifts fit effortlessly into an active lifestyle.

For the Homebody

Some people prefer quiet evenings and slow weekends. Gifts that support relaxation always hit the mark. Cozy sleepwear sets, plush slippers, candle collections, and evening journals make home life more soothing and comforting. These gifts feel intimate in the best way.



Christmas Styling Tips from Tara Home

Create a festive home with a few simple accents that bring warmth and magic into your space.

1. Choose a Color Story

Select 2–3 colors and keep them consistent. Gold, champagne, and ivory create a refined, timeless look that instantly elevates your festive décor.

2. Layer Textures

Mix velvet, brocade, linen, and faux fur. Even small textured accents — cushions, stockings, table décor — add depth and a cozy holiday feeling.

3. Pick Statement Ornaments

Invest in standout pieces: oversized baubles, handcrafted angels, collectible figurines or nutcrackers. They set the tone and bring a designer touch to your tree.

4. Create Mini Vignettes

Group décor on consoles, shelves, or coffee tables. A festive figure paired with a candle or bowl creates a beautiful holiday “moment.”

5. Use Warm Lighting

Soft lights transform any space. Add string lights to your tree, mirrors, or lanterns to create a warm, magical glow.

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Each home includes five double bedrooms with en-suite bathrooms, a flexible sixth room for an office, gym, or guest space, and private terraces with views of the pool and countryside. There's also covered parking for four cars, storage space, and a rooftop terrace with a sky bar and entertainment area.

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