

# BANGKOK & NHA TRANG

**A fam trip with The Anand Collection to the lively Thai capital and Nha Trang, the rising star in the Vietnamese resort market, was a truly blissful experience.**

OUR VISIT to Nha Trang via Bangkok starts with an Eva Air Premium Economy flight from London Heathrow to the Thai capital, a lovely way to start the fam trip.

David Clegg, aviation executive with Destinology, shares his thoughts: "After experiencing Eva Air Premium Economy, I would recommend to all our clients to pay the upgrade to receive their superior service. An amenities bag with slippers is a great touch which complements their



The stunning Mia Resort by night.

overall service; and always with a smile."

Before we bliss out at Mia

Resort in Nha Trang, we spend a couple of nights at the Pathumwan Princess

Hotel in the heart of Bangkok's shops, restaurants and night markets. The hotel is in a great location for a Thai massage and retail therapy. Stefan Heintze, the general manager said: "The Pathumwan Princess Hotel enjoys a fine reputation for its prime location and five-star facilities. We are delighted to announce a programme of enhancement and refurbishment for a number of our guestrooms in May and September this year."

## GET TO NHA TRANG

BANGKOK AIRWAYS flies from Bangkok to Nha Trang four times a week. The flight takes 90 minutes and the airline has free lounges with snacks, soft drinks and WiFi. Mia Resort Hotel is a 20-minute transfer from Cam Ranh International airport.

Varong Israsena, VP sales, Bangkok Airways, said: "The Vietnamese government has put this city on the map with free 15-day visas for tourists from UK, France, Spain, Italy and Germany."

## MIA RESORT: FIRST IMPRESSIONS

AT THE check-in desk at the Mia, the tone is set for the rest of our stay. From reception, we can enjoy a view of what is best described as "paradise", complete with a bar and a friendly welcome from the team. One of the specialties of the resort is weddings and honeymoons.

Martin Knight from Travel Nation enthused: "Real barefoot luxury – a fabulous beachfront property where nothing is too much trouble. I can't think of a property with a better management team or staff, with friendly staff who go out of their way to make you feel as if you are their only guest. Intimate experience in a luxury setting."



## ROOMS & FACILITIES

THE MIA Resort has just over 80 rooms ranging from twin rooms to pool villas and stunning five-bedroom villas, all finished to the highest level. Little touches like Bluetooth speakers make the Mia special. There is a free kids' club, snorkelling lessons in the pool, cupcake-making classes and family games.

We enjoyed a relaxing massage at the Xianh Spa. There are treatments for teenagers and adults.

Active holidaymakers might like to take a three-hour kayaking and snorkelling trip from just US\$26.



## A FOOD LOVER'S PARADISE

THERE ARE two poolside restaurants which serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. The fam trip foodies took a Vietnamese cooking class, with a lesson in how to make the perfect Mojito. A shuttle bus lets guests explore the local food and culture with a range of excursions offered by the hotel. Jo Peacock of Premier Travel said: "We never wanted for anything. The restaurants were top quality and the food was outstanding."