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The top things to see and do plus expert advice to make your trip even better.

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Discover Phuket with guides to areas that the locals really love.

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And of course you’ll find all the practical tips you need for a smooth trip: itineraries for short visits, how to get around, and how much to tip the guy who serves you a drink at the end of a long day’s exploration.

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Welcome to Phuket

The original island getaway, Phuket may be older, pricier and not quite as exotic these days, but it’s still got it. The white beaches, psychedelic sunsets and aquamarine sea, they’re all still here, and Phuket continues to party with the best of them. Sure, it may be too popular for its own good, but that’s what happens when you’ve got it all.