

GOLF N GOLF — COURSE PAGE

Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort

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1. Hero Section

Golf Course Name

Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort

Tagline

A five-time Open Champion's British parkland design, built on a former orchard in a valley ringed by mountains.

Golf N Golf Rating

★★★★

Quick Facts Strip

Best For

Golfers who appreciate a genuine major champion's design and classic parkland golf

Travel Time from Downtown

About 40 minutes from central Chiang Mai (San Sai District)

Difficulty

Challenging

Course Condition

Good

Value for Money

★★★★

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2. Golf N Golf Quick Verdict

Yes — Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort is designed by Peter Thomson, a five-time British Open Champion, and it plays like a proper British parkland course with a few links-style touches. Built on a former fruit orchard in a valley ringed by mountains, with nearly 100 bunkers and water in play on almost every hole, this is a serious test overlooked by the Pratat

Jomkiti Temple — genuinely one of the more distinguished designer credits in the Chiang Mai area.

3. At a Glance — Quick Data Table

Designer	Peter Thomson, five-time British Open Champion
Holes / Par / Yardage	18 holes · Par 72 · Blue Tees (Championship): 6,969 yards White Tees (Standard/Men): 6,389 yards Red Tees (Ladies): 5,623 yards
Opened (Year)	February 1996
Location + Drive Time	169 Moo 5, San Sai-Phrao Road (Chiang Mai-Prao Rd), Tambon Mae Faek, San Sai District, Chiang Mai 50290 — approx. 40 minutes from central Chiang Mai (about 26–27 km)
Closed On	Open every day
Driving Range	Yes
Max Golfers / Group (Weekday/Weekend)	4 – 5
Golf Cart	Compulsory
Caddies	Caddy fee is compulsory & separate tip for caddy

4. Overview

Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort opened in February 1996, designed by Peter Thomson — a five-time British Open Champion whose design work carries genuine major-championship pedigree. Built on the site of a former fruit orchard in a valley surrounded by mountains, the course has been described as a traditional British parkland layout with some interesting links-style additions, a fitting signature from a designer whose playing career was built on links golf.

The routing is genuinely demanding: tree-lined fairways run past roughly 94 bunkers, with streams, lakes, and waterfalls coming into play on nearly every hole. Tiff Dwarf Bermuda greens and Bermuda 419/Zoysia fairways round out the conditioning. Two holes stand out — the uphill par-4 4th, the course's stroke-index 1 hole at around 440 yards, and the long par-5 7th. The whole course sits beneath the watch of Pratat Jomkiti Temple on the surrounding hillside.

Set in San Sai District, about 40 minutes from central Chiang Mai, this is a course built for golfers who want to feel a major champion's design philosophy at work, not just play another resort round.

5. Why Play This Course?

- Convenience: about 40 minutes from central Chiang Mai, a manageable half-day trip into San Sai.
- Reputation: designed by Peter Thomson, a five-time British Open Champion — one of the most distinguished designer credits in the region.
- Experience: classic British parkland golf with links-style touches, roughly 94 bunkers, and water on nearly every hole.
- Unique selling point: built on a former fruit orchard in a mountain-ringed valley, overlooked by Pratat Jomkiti Temple.

6. Course Highlights

- Championship Design: Peter Thomson's routing brings genuine major-champion design pedigree to Chiang Mai, mixing British parkland principles with links-style elements.
- Course Conditioning: Good — Tiff Dwarf Bermuda greens with Bermuda 419/Zoysia fairways.
- Greens: Demanding surfaces guarded by nearly 94 bunkers throughout the course.
- Clubhouse & Facilities: Pro shop, Driving range, Dinning room, Locker Rooms & Shower, Souna & Massage , Swimming pool, Hotel accommodation
- Caddies & Service: Available & Compulsory

7. Green Fee

Green Fee (Weekday / Weekend / High Season) [Contact us for current rates / Get a Quote](#)

8. Who Should Play This Course?

- First-time visitors to Thailand: Moderate fit — a demanding introduction; better as a second or third round of the trip.
- Luxury golf holidays: Yes — a major champion's design credential adds genuine prestige to a premium itinerary.
- Couples: Moderate fit — a long, challenging round better suited to golfers who enjoy a real test together.
- Corporate groups: Yes — the Peter Thomson design story makes a strong impression on golf-savvy groups.

- Mid-handicap golfers: Yes, with sensible course management around the extensive bunkering and water.
- Low-handicap golfers: Yes — genuinely one of the more demanding, distinguished tests in the Chiang Mai area.

9. James' Recommendation

"Peter Thomson won five British Opens, and you can feel that pedigree in how this course is routed — it's not flashy, it's just relentlessly well-designed British parkland golf with a few links touches thrown in. Ninety-something bunkers and water on nearly every hole means you can't switch off for a second. The uphill par-4 4th is the one that gets people — it's the number one stroke index hole for a reason. Come here when you want to play a genuine major champion's course, not just another resort layout." — James

10. Golf N Golf Recommendation

- Who it suits best: golfers who appreciate a major champion's design pedigree and classic parkland golf with real difficulty.
- Courses to pair with: Alpine Golf Resort Chiangmai for a contrast between championship parkland and Asian Tour-tested valley golf, or Summit Green Valley for two rounds by internationally renowned designers back-to-back.
- Suggested itinerary: Day 1 arrival and rest; Day 2 Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort; Day 3 Alpine Golf Resort Chiangmai; Day 4 a more relaxed course or a city/culture day before departure.

11. Guest Reviews

[No guest reviews yet — [คลิก เขียน Review](#) ใ้หน่อย.]

12. Frequently Asked Questions

- Q: How far is Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort from central Chiang Mai? — A: About 40 minutes by car, roughly 26–27 km, in San Sai District.
- Q: Is Royal Chiangmai suitable for beginners? — A: It's a genuine championship test with extensive bunkering and water, so it's better suited to golfers with some experience.
- Q: What's the best season to play? — A: The cooler, drier months from roughly November through February offer the most comfortable conditions, though the course is open every day of the year.
- Q: Is transport to the course included? — A: Golf N Golf arranges private transfers to and from your Chiang Mai hotel as part of every booking — just ask James when you get your quote.

- Q: What can non-golfers do while their group plays? — A: We can recommend, please contact us for get information

13. Planning Your Golf Holiday

3-Day Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Chiang Mai, settle in. Day 2: Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort — the Peter Thomson championship test, played fresh. Day 3: Alpine Golf Resort Chiangmai, then departure or extension.

5-Day Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Chiang Mai. Day 2: Royal Chiangmai Golf Resort. Day 3: Alpine Golf Resort Chiangmai. Day 4: Chiangmai Highlands. Day 5: City/culture day or departure.

Sightseeing

Pratat Jomkiti Temple overlooks the course directly and is worth a visit either side of your round.

14. SEO Package (Internal Use)

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