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There is a part of you that you have yet to discover.

A journey to Thailand, Southeast Asia's emerald, offers a rare opportunity to discover another you. It is difficult to put one's finger on a single attribute that makes Thailand so alluring. Its sheer beauty and rich history have drawn visitors for as long as one can remember. At the core of Thailand are its people offering warm hospitality, age-old wisdom and centuries-old art and tradition.

Thailand's diverse landscape offers an array of learning activities for visitors with local experts eager to share their knowledge. Through experiential travel, visitors to Thailand can expect life-changing lessons that will reveal undiscovered aspects of themselves.

Learning to feed the world and how Thailand, the world's top rice grower, has passed on their farming skills for centuries is one option being served to interested visitors.

If you read the label on a bag of rice chances are it will list Thailand as the country of origin. Rice is part of the Thai essence and the country's staple food. Thai life still revolves around the rice seasons with planting in May through July, when the rains start signaling the end of the dry season and many villages celebrate by shooting homemade rockets into the skies to bring the rains. More ceremonies will then be held in October or November, when the rice will be harvested.

Thai farmers have ageless experience growing rice and caring for the land that supports them. Students will learn to live in a symbiotic manner with their surroundings, discovering that the essence of living with less can actually lead to a sense of great abundance.

The Land of Smiles offers numerous places to learn about rice farming and even work with farmers.

Tigerland Rice Farm in Chiang Rai (http://www.tigerlandricefarm.com/programs.html) has earned wide acclaim from visitors and the media as a "positive idea changing the world for the better,― reported San Francisco-based Ode magazine. The six-day eco-rice planting visits in June and July and six-day eco-rice harvesting visits in October and November introduce students to a new world while offering a life changing experience.

Like Tigerland Rice Farm, Gecko Villa in Udon Thani (http://www.geckovilla.com/activities.html) offers a great learning holiday In Thailand's northeast, known as Isaan. In addition to rice farming, Gecko Villa provides a wide range of activities that allow visitors to immerse themselves in the culture and picturesque surroundings.

Learning about rice growing is possible in many areas of the country and can be easily added to your fun-filled and learning holiday Thailand.

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Chiang Rai

Suphanburi

Udon Thani

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