

Is This the Best Neighborhood in Thailand?

Digging Pratumnak Hill's Cosmopolitan Beach Vibe

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Synopsis: This article will explore **Pratumnak Hill**, an affordable neighborhood on Thailand's Eastern Seaboard that is the perfect blend of city and beach.

Location

Pratumnak Hill is located on the headland that juts out into the Gulf of Thailand between Pattaya City and Jomtien Beach. The elevation is over 300 feet above sea level and affords 360 degree views of Pattaya Bay and Koh Larn Island just off the Eastern Seaboard.

The Hill enjoys easy access to the bright lights and big city of Pattaya as well as the less commercial and laid back feel of Jomtien Beach, but emanates a cool metro-seaside vibe all its own.

Two Neighborhoods in one

The northern half of Pratumnak Hill includes the aptly named "Cozy Beach", the famous "Royal Cliff Resort", and the very popular "Sky Gallery", a posh indoor/outdoor cliff hanging eatery with breathtaking sunset views. The southern half of the neighborhood is home to Wat Phra Yai (Big Buddha Temple), a lush jungle walking park, a long stretch of golden sand and sea at **Dongtan Beach**, and a fantastic blend of international restaurants, intimate pubs, and lively music lounges.

Accommodations

Housing on The Hill is an eclectic blend of modern high rises, comfortable low rises, guesthouses, pool villas, and some impressive mansions. I'll review prices for the most relevant types for rental and sale.

Food & Entertainment

Hill dwellers are spoiled for choice for food and entertainment. From five-star to food cart, I'll give some examples of eating, drinking, and having fun on The Hill. The night market, (aka Russian Market) offers an overwhelming display of culinary delights at wallet friendly prices. You can see a jazz trio in a wine bar or an open mic jam session in a funky blues club. One resident I spoke to called it "The least boring place I've ever lived".

Prospective Interviews:

Mike Delgado—New resident on The Hill from San Francisco.

Craig Hutchins-Long time resident and business owner on The Hill from California