



Elysian Tea House: Bringing the elegant tea experience to Bangkok

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Elysian Tea, Tea House

Sukhumvit 49/1 Bangkok, Thailand 10110



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Nestled on Sukhumvit Soi 49/1 is a little tea house that has brought the art and sophistication of the tea drinking experience to locals and expats alike for the past year.



On a side soi off of 49 you will find Elysian Tea House. I promise you won't be able to miss it with its blue and white motif and beautiful indoor/outdoor garden area before you walk inside. Everything about this place gives a calm feeling;

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maybe it's the colors but as I walked off the busy street into the foyer I felt totally relaxed. Kim, the owner, is a Thai national but grew up in England where her love of tea began. She explained to me, upon her moving back to Bangkok she realized there was something missing; a tea house where an individual could experience different styles of tea from around the world in one place. The young entrepreneur had the desire to bring the tea drinking and tea house experience to Bangkok and she has done a magnificent job in doing so.

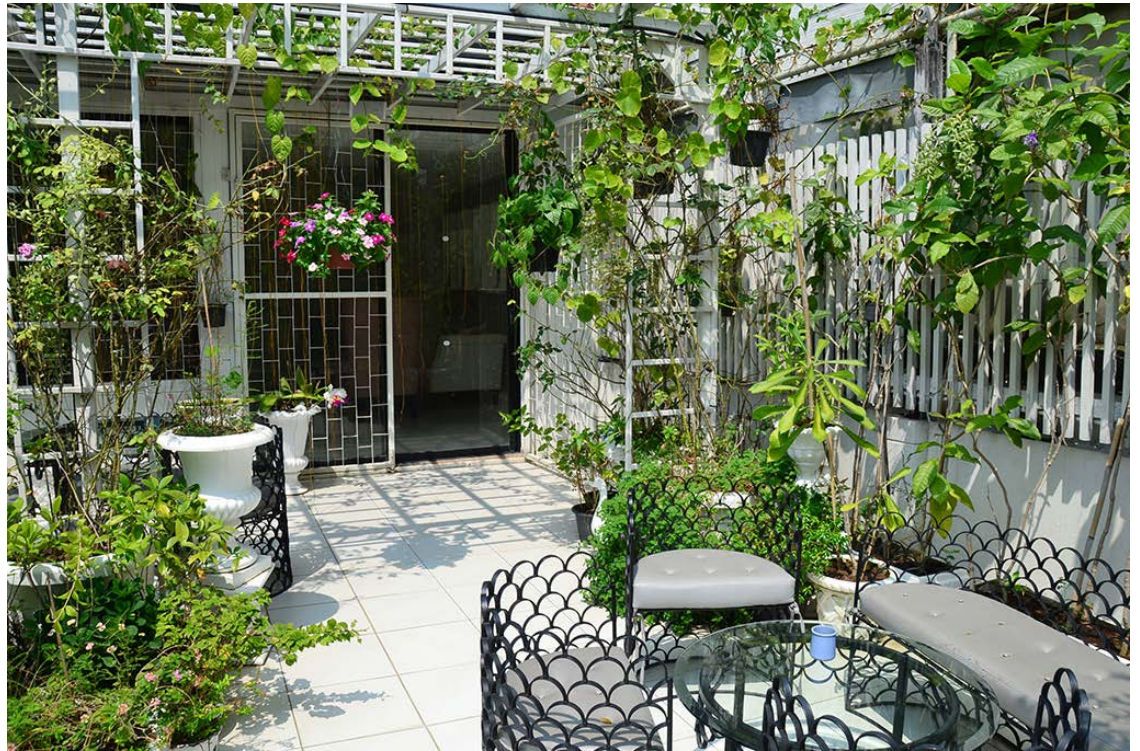
The Tea House

As you walk into the tea house, you are greeted by the smiling faces at the front counter on the first floor, which is also the tea shop where you can purchase any of the teas you will come to enjoy during your time here. Here you will also find their beautiful desserts and handmade macarons, all made with the finest local and imported ingredients, created by Chef Jonathan.

Kim has designed the tea house to have two different sitting rooms for you to enjoy your afternoon. The Dar al Rumi is located on the first floor.

This area was designed with a Mediterranean, North African feel. Inspired by Morocco, you will enjoy your afternoon tea time lounging on colorful floor pillows, among a room full of elegant dark wood tables and benches lined with comfy cushions and pillows. If you would rather have more of an English tea drinking experience make your way to the second floor to enjoy The Brereton Room. This room has a totally different design with a lot of natural light flowing in from the many windows and the glass doors, which lead outside to a sitting area and rose garden. The Brereton Room has a very girly feel with the pastel colors, white tables, and book shelves full of literary classics for you to enjoy during your high tea.

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Elysian Tea House - Outside gardening, with seating

Teas & Treats

I am an American who loves coffee. I had to confess to Kim that I am a total novice when it comes to tea. The only tea I really know is iced sweet tea from South Carolina that can at times be made with so much sugar it will make your teeth hurt or leave you feeling as if you have fallen into a diabetic coma, but I digress. She was very kind and asked me to pick my tea but I told her it was better for me to defer to her expert opinion. All of her teas are made with tea leaves harvested in Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai. Elysian Tea also prides itself on providing thirty different house blends of teas to their customers, which are completely organic. You will not find any additives or perfumes in their teas but instead you will find the aromas and flavors are from dried fruit, flowers and herbs. If you are new to the tea drinking experience, don't be shy just ask for some help. The other option is once you have picked the room where you will be relaxing for the next few hours, be it the Dar al Rumi or The Breton Room, there are baskets on the tables with little jars full of the different teas offered. So if you are really unsure as to which tea to choose just open up the different jars take a whiff and let your nose pick the right one for you. Elysian

Tea can make your favorite tea either hot or iced. The Elysian iced tea being their signature iced tea drink is made with refreshing crushed watermelon, Jasmine syrup topped with black tea; perfect for a hot Bangkok day.

I would suggest you come hungry. Chef Jonathan has created many tasty desserts which includes a lemon tart on top of a rich butter cookie, macaroons, and several other pastries you can choose from. If you are in the mood to try more than one sweet be sure to order the tea and dessert set. There are three different options; two of the sets come with different cookies, a creamy treat topped with berries and sweet moose, or the other set you can have four different macaroons; all very affordable ranging from 200-250 baht and this includes a pot of tea.



Elysian Tea House - Jars of loose leaf tea

If you come around lunch time try Chef Jonathan's savory menu of homemade quiche or a croissant sandwiches. The set lunch option of a savory sandwich on a fresh made croissant, a salad and an iced tea is a steal at 220 baht. I enjoyed the smoked salmon, cream cheese, and cucumber sandwich and it was light and refreshing with my Elysian signature iced tea. Kim and Chef Jonathan are currently working to expand the sandwich menu so be sure to pop in and try the new savory options!

Bottom line

Elysian Tea House is a perfect way to spend an afternoon with friends enjoying local organic teas and munching on decadent French style desserts, pastries, or savory treats. If you are looking for a venue for your next baby shower, wedding shower, or corporate meeting send Kim an email and she will be happy to work within your budget to help you plan your next event.

Elysian Tea House is open Tuesday through Sunday 9am until 8pm. You can find them on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/ElysianTea>) or for more information you can go to their website (<http://teahouse.elysian-tea.com/>).



Elysian Tea House - Dar al Rumi room



Elysian Tea House - The Breton Room

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