

Phu Suan Sai National Park

Acquiring total area of 117.16 square kilometres, the reserved forest in Amphoe Na Haeo of Loei was upgraded to Thailand's 79th national park in 1994.

Geography

The park features rugged mountain and plateau sloping from 2-50 degrees at the elevation between 600-1,408 metres above sea level. The steep area on its west is blanketed by big forest. The slope area on the east comprises some plains by the mountain foot.



Climate

By lush forest, the park has comfortable weather all the year around.

Flora and fauna

The park is covered by dense tropical rain forest which is habitat for great deal of wildlife such as Serow, Common Muntjak, Sambar Deer, Mouse Deer, Common Wild Boar, Bear, Tiger, Dhole, Palm Civet, Malayan Flying Lemur and Squirrel.

Birds found in the park include Hawk, Common Tailorbird, Barbet, Common Koel, Red Junglefowl, Silver Pheasant, Great Hornbill, Ashy Drongo, Streak-eared Bulbul and Sooty-headed Bulbul.

Moreover tourist can spot Tao Pulu or Big-headed Turtle, Lizard, Salamander, Beautiful Lizard, Skink, Tree Monitor and Snake.

Getting there

- From Loei, takes the highway 203, 2031 and 2113 to Amphoe Na Haeo and keep going for another 4 kilometres to Ban Mueang Phrae. Turn left to the highway 1268 and turn right at kilometre 0 post. The park is another 3 kilometres.
- From Lomsak of Phetchabun, motorist can use highway 203, 2014 and 2113 for 32 kilometres just to Amphoe Na Haeo.
- From Phisanulok, use highway 1237 and turn right at kilometre 50 to highway 1268.





Attractions

◆ **Khing Waterfall.** Phrae Stream cascades through a 5 tiers. Nearby, there is a royal pavilion built to welcome HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn who paid royal visit to the park on February 12, 1991.

◆ **Chang Tok Waterfall.** Situated 500 metres upstream from Khing Waterfall.

◆ **Wang Tat Waterfall.** It is 1.5 kilometres upstream of Chang Tok Waterfall.

◆ **Tat Hueang Waterfall.** The 3 tiers waterfall is 50 metres high. The shady setting makes it a nice place to relax and enjoy the nature.

◆ **Tat Pha Waterfall.** The 60 metres high water-

fall is situated close to Ban Saeng Pha.

◆ **Hin Si Thit** or Four direction stones. Four sacred stone south of foothill of Suan Sai Mountain are worshiped as a gateway to the mountain. The sacred stones are worshiped every three years.

◆ **Hin Kuai Lo.** The amazing isolated sandstone in Phu Suan Sai looked like huge mushroom. It is 19 metres in circumference and 4 metres high. The nature also builds gullies on the rock around the amazing sandstone.

◆ **Hill 1408 Viewpoint.** The viewpoint, at the heart of the park is a nice location for sunrise view.

◆ **Hill 1205 Viewpoint.** The viewpoint offers scenery of Ban Huai Nam Phak, Phu Soi Dao and Phu Wiang of Lao, and mountain ranges at north.