

You Won't See These Places In The Travel Brouchures

But Service Counts And They Are Reaping The Rewards

Bougainvilla Apartments

Bougainvilla is within walking distance to the north end of Patong beach. What started as four bungalows over a decade ago has grown into a complex of thirty set in a lush tropical garden.

Many of the bungalows are owned by regular visitors to the island and when they are not around can be rented from the property manager.

Self-contained apartments come with one, two or three bedrooms and all have a kitchen, air conditioning and cable TV. The staff speak German, French and English and Thai of course.

Rates vary from 550 - 1600 baht per night depending on the size of apartment and the time of year.

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Clarets Guesthouse

Catering mainly for the resident population of Phuket, Clarets has been quietly going about providing quality service for several years now. Managed by Rab and Paul, Clarets is the busiest premises in the area. The Lounge provides consistently good meals and this tends to keep the locals coming. Upstairs there are rooms also available for short or longer term rent with prices ranging from 400 - 800 baht depending on the season. Prior bookings are required.

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Rileys Guesthouse

Nestled away at the quiet end of Soi Saensabai, Rileys Guesthouse, formerly known as Sheila's, offers budget priced accommodation right in the central nightlife area of Patong. Managed by Mark and Tuk, Rileys offers tastefully appointed rooms, all with air conditioning, fridge and cable TV.

Billed as "The best value for money dining experience in Patong", the kitchen has quite a reputation and supplies meals to some of the surrounding restaurants.

Room rates are in the range of 400 - 800 baht per night, again depending on the season but you will need to book prior to arrival as the place is nearly always full.

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