

FAVORITE FINDS IN BANGKOK





California-based designer **Jiun Ho,** who grew up in Asia, travels to Thailand several times a year.

STAY IN ... an executive suite at the Sukhothai, my home away from home in Bangkok. Although the hotel is in the middle of the city, it feels like a sanctuary. 011-66-2-344-8888; sukhothai .com. TASTE...roast duck curry, fried catfish and a Thai omelet from a street vendor. TAKE A COOKING CLASS AT...the Blue Elephant, a restaurant that also serves fantastic Thai dishes, 011-66-2-673-9353. RELAX AT...the spa at the Oriental, Bangkok. Try the Jet Lag Massage, a combination of head, neck and body massages. 011-66-2-4397-6134: mandarin oriental.com. EAT AT... Je Ngor (011-66-2-677-3927) for Thai food, at the Four Seasons' Biscotti (011-66-2-251-6127) for an authentic Italian lunch and at the Kuppa Café & Restaurant (011-66-2-663-0495) for cuisine that uses local ingredients. DON'T MISS...visiting the Grand Palace (011-66-2-215-0122) and taking a boat tour on the Chao Phraya River.