

### By Air

The easiest and most popular way to get to Udon Thani is by plane. There are 7 flights to Udon daily from

### By Train

The train is another popular but slower option. Trains depart Bangkok Hualampong station 3 times per d  
Udon Thani will soon be linked up to Vientiane (Laos) by rail. Train schedules will be posted here

### By Bus

The Bus is another alternative and is more regular than the train, buses depart Bangkok's northern

### By Taxi

You can also hire a taxi driver to take you to Udon, just ask the local taxi drivers for a price. Expect

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## Train Time Table

### Udon Thani To Bangkok (Hualamphong)

Train number	Depart Udon	Arrive Bangkok
76	06.00	17.10
78	18.40	05.00
70	19.20	06.25

**Udon Thani to Bangkok (Ban Sue)**

Train number	Depart Udon	Arrive Bangkok
134	20.10	08.00

**Bangkok (Hualamphong) to Udon Thani**

Train number	Depart Bangkok	Arrive Udon
75	08.20	18.10
77	18.30	04.11
69	20.00	08.25

**Bangkok (Ban Sue) to Udon Thani**

Train number	Depart Bangkok	Arrive Udon
133	18.40	06.34

**THAI-LAO INTERNATIONAL BUS SERVICE:  
FIRST BUS SERVICE BETWEEN THAILAND AND LAO PDR LAUNCHED**

The governments of Thailand and Lao PDR concluded an agreement in March 2004 to jointly inaugurate a Thai-Lao International Bus Service in April 2004 to facilitate travel between Nong Khai & Vientiane and Udon Thani & Vientiane and promote cross-border travel and tourism between Thailand and Lao PDR.

The routes will operate from the Thai province of Nong Khai to the Lao PDR capital of Vientiane , and from the Thai province of Udon Thani to Vientiane . Both will go across the Thai-Lao Friendship Bridge , the first to be opened across the Mekong River in 1994.

The Nong Khai - Vientiane route is about 30 kms and will be covered in 30 minutes. The Udon Thani - Vientiane route is about 80 kms and will be covered in a little more than an hour, excluding the time that will be spent at the border crossing.

One-way fares for the two routes are 30 baht and 80 baht respectively.

The state-owned transport companies of Thailand and Lao PDR will each operate two round-trip services a day on both routes. Thailand 's Transport Company Limited will operate 45-seat air-conditioned buses.

**CROSS-BORDER TRAVEL BY INTERNATIONAL VISITORS**

Foreign visitors holding valid visas and travel documentation will be able to travel by public transport buses back and forth across the border.

Important:

While visa-free and visa-on-arrival facilities are accorded by both Thailand and Lao PDR to citizens of various nationalities, getting the necessary visas in advance will save considerable time and effort in doing paperwork at the border checkpoint.

### APPLYING FOR A BORDER PASS: FOR TRAVELLERS AND TOURISTS OF THAI NATIONALITY

Individuals of Thai nationality will be able to apply for a 3-day/2-night Temporary Border Pass valid for a travel within Vientianne, while Thai residents of Nong Khai province will be able to apply for an Annual Border Pass.

Application forms are available from the Nong Khai Provincial Administration Centre (Sala Klang Changwat) open daily from 06.30 - 16.30 hours.

#### Application fees

Temporary Border Pass: 30 Baht

Applicants are required to submit the completed application form together with a signed copy of a valid identification card and 2 two-inch photographs.

#### Annual Border Pass : 200 Baht

Applicants applying for the Annual Border Pass are also requested to submit a signed copy of their house registration documents in addition to the above.

Applicants of Thai nationality with children between the ages of 12-15 are required to attach a signed copy of the household registration or birth certificate together with the application form.

#### Contact information:

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**UDON THANI - VIENTIANNE SERVICE**

Coach

Departure  
Time

From

To

Fare

Operator  
Transport  
Company (TC)

1

07.00

Udon Thani

Vientianne

80 baht

TC Thailand

2

07.00

Vientianne

Udon Thani

80 baht

TC Lao PDR

3

09.30

Vientianne

Udon Thani

80 baht

TC Thailand

4

09.30

Udon Thani

Vientianne

80 baht

TC Lao PDR



5

15.00

Udon Thani

Vientianne

80 baht

TC Thailand

6

15.00

Vientianne

Udon Thani

80 baht

TC Lao PDR

7

17.00

Vientianne

Udon Thani

80 baht

TC Thailand

8

17.00

Udon Thani

Vientianne

80 baht

TC Lao PDR