

# Thailand's coronation of King Vajiralongkorn

An elaborate three-day ceremony is planned for the official coronation of Thailand's King Maha Vajiralongkorn, who ascended the throne after the 2016 death of his revered father, King Bhumibol Adulyadej



House of Chakri emblem

■ **May 4, 10:09:** Royal purification and anointment ceremonies inside **Grand Palace**, using water collected from more than 100 sources across Thailand and blessed by Buddhist monks

**Crowning and investiture**  
King moves to **Bhadrapitha Throne** and sits under nine-tiered umbrella to receive diamond-encrusted Great Crown of Victory and issue first royal command

■ **14:00:** Audience granted to royal family, privy counsellors and cabinet

■ **16:00:** King moves to **Temple of Emerald Buddha** to proclaim himself royal defender of Buddhism

■ **13:19-20:30:** Ceremony of Assumption of Royal Residence – symbolic palace housewarming

■ **May 5, 09:00**  
Bestowal of royal name, **King Rama X**

■ **16:30:** King borne by palanquin through central Bangkok to greet public. Procession will cover 7km and visit three Buddhist temples

■ **May 6, 16:30**  
King grants audience to public on balcony of Grand Palace

■ **17:30:** Audience with ambassadors and dignitaries

All times local

