

Than Ajahn Vajiro

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VENERABLE AJAHN VAJIRO, was born in 1953 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He studied in England and obtained a degree in Economics in 1974 before meeting Ajahn Chah and Ajahn Sumedho at Hampstead Vihara, Oakenholt, England in 1977. In 1979, he left for Thailand and received Upasampada (higher ordination) at Wat Nong Pah Pong in June 1980.

Than Ajahn Vajiro returned to England in 1984 and assisted in Amaravati Buddhist Monastery. From 1985 until 2010, Ven Ajahn have been staying in various monasteries in UK, New Zealand and Australia.

In 2010, Than Ajahn was formally invited to establish a monastery of the Forest Tradition in Portugal. Than Ajahn established Sumedharama Buddhist Monastery and is the current abbot of the monastery.