



6 DAYS 5NIGHTS EXPLORE SARAWAK BORNEO

Validity: End of Sept'19

DAY 01: Arrival Kuching

Meet and greet upon arrival at Kuching International Airport by flight (TBA) and transfer to hotel for check in and rest.

DAY 02: Heritage Walking Tour / Evening Cruise

[Breakfast, Light Refreshment]

- 0830hrs, start our tour by foot to visit Tua Pek Kong Chinese Temple
- Strolling to Carpenter Street (Various local food stalls, temple shrines, local carpenters, goldsmiths, Chinese herbal drug stores and various other local shops.
- India Street (Textile shops of various products)
- Gambier Street (Spice shops & textiles
- Picture stop at the Jamek State Mosque
- Brooke Dockyard (our first dockyard during the Brooke era where many of our early engineers obtained their training.) River transport was the main mode of transportation during the Brooke reign.
- Opportunity for sampling our local food.
- Visit Sarawak Museum / Urang Sarawak Museum
- Pick up from Museum then transfer to hotel

In the late afternoon this amazing day will continue with a boat ride into the mangroves in search for the rare Proboscis monkeys. Explore the Riverine Mangrove Forest on a slow drive through the narrow passages. Borneo is the only place in the world where this rare primate lives. It lives in mangrove forest of the coastal area and riverine forest on the lower reaches of major rivers. Once a group of Proboscis monkeys is sighted take your time to watch these animals in their natural habitat.

This slow boat ride through the Mangrove forest will offer a rare opportunity to see the wild crocodiles of the River. Use torch lights to find the reflection of crocodile eyes in the water and on land. Enjoy the sound of the Mangroves in the night and search for Fireflies. Fireflies are soft bodied beetles which sizes range from 5 to 25 millimetres in length. On the underside of the abdomen it has special light organs that glows in luminous flashes. These amazing animals can be found along the trees of the Riverine Mangrove forest and will light some trees up like a Christmas tree.

Seafood dinner will be serve at a local restaurant before return to the hotel for overnight.

(Note: This tour is closed during monsoon season November - February)

DAY 03: Semenggoh Orang Utan / Aiman Batang Ai Resort 2D1N

[Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner]

Breakfast at the hotel

08:00hrs pick-up from hotel's lobby and start your journey to **Semenggoh Orang Utan Wildlife Centre** situated about ½ hour drive from Kuching, here, the orang utans are being nurtured to readapt themselves to the jungle life. You will have the chance to observe the Semi-Wild Orang Utans coming out of the forest for the feeding time. Before arriving at the feeding platform, you will have a brief experience walking through the amazing untouched rainforest. After which proceed for 2D/1N Aiman Batang Ai Resort Tour, start your journey to Batang Ai, along the Pan Borneo Highway, passing through the beautiful sceneries of rural villages, towns and gardens of pepper, rubber and rice fields. You will travel 275 km by road, with a few stops along the way: the first stop is in Serian town, where you will stop for refreshments.

You may wish to make some last minutes shopping for insect repellent or for gifts for the Ibans at Serian. You can also visit a fascinating native fruit and vegetable market. The last stop will be at "Lachau", a small upcountry Chinese village, where you will stop for lunch. (Here barter trade still exists between the natives of Kalimantan, the Chinese shop owners and the natives of Sarawak). After lunch, proceed to the final stage of the journey and arrive at the beautiful Batang Ai Lake. At the jetty, you will take a ferry across the lake to reach the Aiman Batang Ai Resort & Retreat, the ferry ride will take approximately 15-20 mins. After checking in, the rest of the day is free at your own leisure, to enjoy the many facilities at this resort. Dinner and overnight at **Aiman Batang Ai Resort & Retreat**.

DAY 04: Aiman Batang Ai Resort / Iban Long House / Kuching

[Breakfast/Lunch]

Breakfast at the resort

08:30hrs meets your guide at resort lobby and proceeds to resort jetty for an amazing longboat journey through the lake and the crystal clear streams to visit the natives of Borneo. On arrival at Iban Longhouse, you will be taken for a tour around the longhouse to meet the natives and their families. Watch the performance of the traditional Iban War Dance and taste their self brewed Rice wine. Native style lunch will be served. Before back to Kuching, the Iban will give you a presentation with their ancient weapon, the blowpipe. The tour ends with another longboat ride across the lake to continue your journey back to Kuching city via the same route with a stopover at Serian for light refreshment and after that transferring to the hotel for check in. Overnight.

DAY 05: Bako National Park

[Breakfast/Lunch]

Breakfast at the hotel

08:00hrs pick-up from **Hotel's** lobby to commence a fullday trip to Bako National Park, a scenic drive this morning will bring you to Bako Fishing Village Jetty, where you will board an exciting motorized boat ride takes you to marvel at the abundant natural beauty of Sarawak's most popular National Park. Trek along the trails to spot wildlife in its natural surroundings including the proboscis monkeys, the monitor lizards, bearded pigs, silver leaf of monkeys and more than one hundred species of birds. The stunning tropical rainforest ranges from the mangrove swamp forest to kerangas (Health forest) to cliff and beach vegetations. Exotic plants found along the trails include the several species of pitcher plants and wild orchids. Local lunch will be served in the Park's canteen.

After lunch you will have your time to explore the wildlife and vegetation around the Parks Headquarter on your own or take a walk together with your guide along one of the other short trails around the Headquarter. After tour, return to the hotel. Overnight at the **Hotel**.

DAY 06: Transfer out

[Breakfast]

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer from hotel's lobby to the airport for flight (TBA) departure.