



Borneo

EXPLORER

10 NIGHT TOUR OF KOTA KINABALU, SANDAKAN AND SUKAU, WITH FLIGHTS INCLUDED.

From
\$2999*

per person twin share

10 NIGHTS



Say hello to Borneo. Home to exotic animals including the orangutan and clouded leopard, this island is full of surprises. Witness amazing sunrises and sunsets, explore historic sites, traditional villages and tropical beaches, and admire the diverse scenery of Borneo's ancient landscape. Peaceful, powerful and inspiring, Borneo creates a brand of magic entirely its own.

At a glance

Take a walk on the wild side in Borneo with an unforgettable 12 day tour of Sabah, Sandakan and Kota Kinabalu. Encounter orangutans at the Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre, see sun bears at the Sun Bear Conservation Centre, and explore the extraordinary Gomantong Caves. Enjoy a visit to Mari Mari Cultural Village, and witness wildlife on three cruises along the Kinabatangan River.

You'll also pay visits to Poring Hot Springs, Kundasang War Memorial, Sabah Tea Garden and more. Flights are included, along with 10 nights accommodation including one night in Singapore. Plus, enjoy 27 meals, English-speaking guides, and air conditioned transport. With all this and more, all that's left to do is lose yourself in the magic of Borneo.

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Offer available for a limited time
or until sold out.



The itinerary

Day 1

Australia – Singapore

Today you'll depart from either Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth bound for Singapore. All meals are included onboard your Singapore Airlines flight and on arrival you'll be transferred to the hotel to enjoy the rest of the day however you like.

Overnight: Furama River Front, Singapore.

Day 2

Singapore – Kota Kinabalu

After breakfast at the hotel, hop aboard the shuttle to Singapore Airport for your onward flight to Kota Kinabalu. You'll be met on arrival and transferred to the hotel for check in. In the evening you'll meet the tour group at the hotel and head out to visit the night markets, enjoying a seafood dinner and cultural show.

Overnight: Dreamtel Kota Kinabalu, Kota Kinabalu.

Day 3

Island hopping

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before meeting the group at 9am and head to the marina jetty, where you'll board the boat to Sapi Island. Spend the morning exploring the island at your own pace before continuing to Manukan island for a BBQ lunch. After lunch you'll have some time to enjoy a swim and snorkel, before heading back to the mainland around 3.30pm. There you'll spend the rest of the day as you like before regrouping for dinner.

Overnight: Dreamtel Kota Kinabalu, Kota Kinabalu.

Day 4

Mari Mari Cultural Village – Kota Kinabalu city

After breakfast at the hotel, meet in the lobby at 9am and head to Mari Mari Cultural Village. Located about 25 minutes away from the city, you'll begin your exploration into Borneo ethnic culture, followed by lunch. In the afternoon enjoy a scenic tour

of Kota Kinabalu city, including the Menara Tun Mustapha, University Malaysia Sabah, Sabah Museum and more before feasting at a local restaurant for dinner.

+ Each home in Mari Mari Cultural Village was built by descendants of the tribes they represent and offer a truly genuine experience. They're able to portray these tribes through architecture and you'll have the opportunity to acquaint yourself with each tribe as they allow you into these homes. While wandering the village, you'll find demonstration huts where daily activities of their history come to life, including making a traditional fire, tattooing and more.

Overnight: Dreamtel Kota Kinabalu, Kota Kinabalu.

Day 5

Kota Kinabalu - Poring Hot Springs – Kundasang War Memorial - Sabah Tea Garden

Have an early breakfast before meeting the tour group in the lobby and bidding farewell to Kota Kinabalu to begin your journey across the north of Borneo. You'll start off with a visit to Kinabalu National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Listed Site.

After lunch, you'll check into the hotel before boarding the bus at 2.30pm to Poring Hot Springs. Take time to unwind and say goodbye to your aches and pains in the spring fed hot mineral water pool. The more adventurous can tackle the challenge of the canopy walk, a series of platforms suspended 41 metres above the forest floor, before heading back to the hotel in time for dinner.

+ The greatest feature of Kinabalu National park is Mount Kinabalu. An impressive 4,095 metres, it's the second highest mountain in Southeast Asia.

Overnight: Sabah Tea Garden Cottages, Kinabalu Park.



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Day 6

Sabah Tea Garden – Sandakan

This morning enjoy breakfast at the hotel before checking out and collecting a lunch box to head to Sabah Tea Garden. Visit the tea factory and Qualey’s Hill Memorial and proceed to the Fish spa at Kg Luanti. Afterwards, you’ll head off on a 4 hour drive to Sandakan and take in the amazing countryside before arriving at the Sandakan War Memorial, situated on the grounds of what was previously the POW camp. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon as you like, before heading to an English tea house for dinner.

Overnight: Sabah Hotel, Sandakan.

Day 7

Sandakan - Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre

After breakfast, meet the tour group for a trip to the Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre. Afterwards, take a 5 minute walk to see the remarkable sun bears at the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre. You’ll enjoy lunch at Lindung Gallery Restaurant, a charming English tea house overlooking the Sandakan harbour, before an afternoon tour of Sandakan. You’ll visit a Chinese Temple, St Michael’s Church, Agnes Keith house and a water village. Then you can enjoy the afternoon how you please before dinner at the hotel.

+ Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre prepares orphaned baby orangutans for their release back to their natural habitats in the wild jungles of Borneo. Keep your camera ready in case you get up close and personal with one and observe the orangutan families and other primates at the feeding platform while soaking up the sights and sounds of the beautiful rainforest environment.

Overnight: Sabah Hotel, Sandakan.

Day 8

Sandakan - Rainforest Discovery Centre - Sukau

Enjoy breakfast this morning before heading off to the Rainforest

Discovery Centre. Marvel at the beauty of the Sepilok Rainforest at dawn and immerse yourself in the tree tops, with 250 bird species and other wildlife, on the canopy walk platform. Plant lovers will be thrilled by the diversity of native orchids, slipper orchids, pitcher-plants and tropical plants, including the Venus flytrap.

Afterwards drive through the rustic countryside studded with villages to Sukau on the Kinabatangan River. You’ll then take a short boat transfer to your lodge for orientation and check in before a late afternoon river cruise to see the proboscis monkeys and other wildlife along the river bank. Afterwards, cruise back to the lodge so you can freshen up for dinner.

Overnight: Borneo Nature Lodge or Proboscis Lodge Bukit Melapi, Sukau.

Day 9

Kinabatangan River

Take a sunrise cruise at 6am up the Kinabatangan River and onto Kelenanap Ox Bow Lake for bird watching. Return to the lodge for breakfast then explore the large limestone Gomantong Cave before driving back to the lodge to freshen up for lunch and enjoy some free time. In the afternoon meet at the lodge for afternoon tea, then embark on another cruise along the Kinabatangan River to see more of the flora and fauna of the rainforest before heading back to the lodge for dinner.

Overnight: Borneo Nature Lodge or Proboscis Lodge Bukit Melapi, Sukau.

Day 10

Sukau - Sandakan - Kota Kinabalu

After breakfast you’ll be off to Sandakan Airport to fly to Kota Kinabalu. Once you’ve arrived, you’ll be taken to your hotel to check in before enjoying a farewell dinner at Kudos Restaurant.

Overnight: Dreamtel Kota Kinabalu, Kota Kinabalu.



The itinerary

Day 11

Kota Kinabalu – Australia

After breakfast, you'll be on your way back to the airport to board your flight to Australia.

Day 12

Arrive in Australia

Please see important information for more details.

**Please note:* all vouchers/booking dates must be confirmed within 7 days of purchase.



Inclusions

Flights

- Return economy flights from SYD/MEL/BNE/ADL/PER.
- One internal flight: Sandakan – Kota Kinabalu.
- One night stopover in Singapore.

Accommodation

- One night hotel accommodation in Singapore.
- Nine nights accommodation in Borneo.

Dining

- Enjoy 27 meals including a welcome seafood dinner.

Highlights

- Explore Kota Kinabalu, Sandakan, Sukau and more.
- See orangutans, hornbills and proboscis monkeys.
- Experience a traditional Bornean cultural show.
- Discover Sapi and Manukan Islands.
- Enjoy a Mari Mari Cultural Village experience.
- Visit the Sabah Museum on a scenic tour of Kota Kinabalu.
- Explore the UNESCO listed Kinabalu National Park.
- Visit Kundasang War Memorial and Mount Kinabalu.
- See orangutans at Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre.
- Visit the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre.
- Enjoy an afternoon sightseeing tour of Sandakan.
- Visit the Rainforest Discovery Centre and Gomantong Caves.
- Experience three Kinabatangan River wildlife cruises.
- Bird watch from Kelenanap Oxbow Lake.
- Soak in the Poring Hot Springs.
- Visit the serene Sabah Tea Garden.
- Experience a traditional fish feeding spa.
- Pay tribute at the Sandakan War Memorial.

Tour essentials

- Professional English-speaking guide.
- Complimentary bottled drinking water.
- Sightseeing and entrance fees.
- Airline taxes and surcharges.

Transport

- Transportation by A/C coaches.

Transfers

- All airport transfers.



Things you should know

Booking information

After purchase, you'll receive your travel voucher via email. This email will direct you to an online booking form, which must be returned **within 7 days of purchase**.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras must be clearly stated in your online booking form. Any change requested after submitting your online booking form cannot be guaranteed as it's subject to availability, and will incur surcharges as outlined in the schedule of fees below.

On purchasing this offer you're bound by the supplier's standard **Terms and Conditions** in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this important information.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to the NRMA (unless otherwise stated).

Offer essentials

Voucher valid for travel on selected departure dates below.

Voucher valid for one person based on twin share.

Single supplement

For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement of \$350 applies.

Departure dates

20 November 2017
9 & 26 February 2018
5 & 12 March 2018
30 April 2018
7 & 25 May 2018

Departure cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth.

Flights

Airline(s) used

Singapore Airlines and Malaysian Airlines (internal flights only) plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability).

Arrive early in Singapore

\$300 per person/voucher subject to availability.

Please note:

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Stay behind in Kota Kinabalu

\$300 per person/voucher subject to availability.

Please note:

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Flight class upgrades

All upgrades are subject to availability – please request a quote on your booking form.

Accommodation

3-4 Star (self-rated)

- **Singapore:** Furama River Front.
- **Kota Kinabalu:** Dreamtel Kota Kinabalu (3 star).
- **Kinabalu Park:** Sabah Tea Garden Cottages.
- **Sukau:** Borneo Nature Lodge or Proboscis Lodge Bukit Melapi.
- **Sandakan:** Sabah Hotel.

**Please note:* Rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.



Things you should know

Upgrade option

- Upgrade your stay in Kota Kinabalu to the 4 star Hotel Grandis for an extra \$400 per room. This city centre hotel offers all the amenities of a 4 star hotel including a swimming pool, which is not available on the standard package.

Extra nights

- Singapore (pre tour): \$300 per room including breakfast.
- Kota Kinabalu (post tour): \$100 per room including breakfast.

Please note: Extra nights are based on room only and subject to availability until the time of booking. Airport transfers are not included if you wish to arrive early or stay behind.

Maximum room capacity

3 people (subject to availability).

Child policy

- No child discounts apply; a full priced voucher must be purchased for all children travelling with their parents.
- Strictly valid for children/infants 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple share

No discounts apply for 3rd person travelling. A full priced voucher must be purchased and is subject to availability.

Bedding configuration

Double or twin bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

General tour information

Minimum group size 9, maximum group size 24 per coach.

Other important information

Recommended things to bring

Raincoat, hat/cap, insect repellent, sun lotion, towel, torch light or head light, good walking shoes, comfortable cotton t-shirt with long or short pants, camera, personal toiletries and medications.

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements (a tourist visa for Borneo is not required if travelling on an Australian passport).
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary.
- Optional gratuities/tipping.
- Camera fees at Sepilok/Labuk Bay/canopy walk.
- Optional activities/tours.
- Personal expenses.
- Travel insurance (mandatory).

**Please note:* A comprehensive travel insurance policy must be organised before all details can be finalised with the NRMA.

Visas

A tourist visa for Borneo is not required if travelling on an Australian passport, for stays up to 30 days.

Please note: Passengers who aren't Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.



Things you should know

Schedule of fees

Voluntary changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring airline ticket or travel voucher reissue.

1st change - \$100.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

2nd change - \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Subsequent changes - \$250.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Changes within 30 days of departure \$350.00 person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Changes within 14 days of departure \$500.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Name changes due to passenger error

If the incorrect name has been advised to the NRMA, charges of \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/other travel provider will apply.