

## City Escape:

# **Discover the Heartbeat of Kuala Lumpur**



# **From our Founder**



It's my pleasure to extend a heartfelt welcome as you embark on this thrilling adventure with us. For me, Southeast Asia isn't just a destination; it's a mosaic of cultures, flavors, and experiences waiting to be discovered. My journey began with a visit to Malaysia in 2010, where I was amazed by the rich tapestry of traditions, the warmth of its people, and the mouthwatering street food. This love affair with Malaysia and Singapore only deepened as I started exploring the region working as a Tour Director in Southeast Asia.

At Malaya Travel, we take great pride in curating experiences that capture the essence of this remarkable region. In each itinerary, we endeavor to include something exciting or unique, whether it's the art of Tingkat (tiffin box) painting in Singapore, exploring the remote jungles of Sarawak, or pampering you with a Malay massage at Banjaran Hotsprings. And let's not forget tasting honey from stingless bees in the Royal Belum Rainforest or experiencing a bird-singing club in Singapore. Whether you're navigating the vibrant markets of Chinatown in Singapore, marveling at the iconic Petronas Towers, or indulging in a culinary feast at Lao Pa Sat hawker center, our team is dedicated to ensuring that your journey is nothing short of extraordinary.

So, whether you're a seasoned traveler or embarking on your first adventure in Southeast Asia, I invite you to join us as we uncover the hidden treasures of Malaysia and Singapore. Let's create memories that will last a lifetime!

Here's to new horizons and unforgettable experiences!

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## YOUR TOUR IN A GLANCE



KL EXTRA is an enriching five-day tour of Kuala Lumpur, immersing yourself in the city's vibrant culture, rich heritage, and tantalizing culinary scene. Enjoy a private airport transfer, followed by an exploration of Putrajaya's architectural wonders. Delve into the bustling streets of Chinatown and the Colonial District on a guided walking tour, marvel at the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, and discover the spiritual significance of the Batu Caves. Indulge in the flavors of Jalan Alor's street food, savor a Michelin-star dining experience at Beta, and venture to Malacca for a daytrip to explore its UNESCO World Heritage sites. Dive into Malaysian history at the National Monument, admire panoramic views of the Royal Palace, and marvel at the architectural beauty of the National Mosque. Conclude your journey with a delicious Banana Leaf Rice lunch and a visit to the enchanting Thean Hou Temple. We designed this tour to leave you with lasting memories of Kuala Lumpur's dynamic blend of past and present.

- TAKE PART ON 3 CAREFULLY CREATED PRIVATE GUIDED TOURS THROUGH KUALA LUMPUR'S CHINATOWN AND COLONIAL DISTRICT, KUALA LUMPUR CULTURAL TOUR & BATU CAVES TOUR, UNCOVERING THE STORIES BEHIND ICONIC LANDMARKS, FAMOUS SINGAPOREANS AND TASTE MOUTH-WATERING DISHES.
- EXPLORE MALACCA ON A DAY TRIP, THE UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE CITY, VISITING DUTCH SQUARE, ST. PAUL'S HILL, ENJOYING NYONYA CUISINE, A COLORFUL BICYCLE TRISHAW RIDE, AND A SCENIC RIVER CRUISE.
- ENJOY THE PERSONALIZED ATTENTION OF **LICENSED GUIDES AND DRIVERS** THROUGHOUT THE TOUR, OFFERING INSIGHTS INTO KUALA LUMPUR'S HISTORY, CULTURE, AND LANDMARKS TAILORED TO YOUR INTERESTS.
- EXPLORE THE ART OF **PEWTER CRAFTING** AT THE RENOWNED ROYAL SELANGOR VISITOR CENTER.
- INDULGE IN AROMATIC BANANA LEAF RICE, SAVOR THE RICH FLAVORS OF RENDANG, AND RELISH THE FRESHEST SEAFOOD DISHES, OFFERING A TANTALIZING JOURNEY THROUGH MALAYSIA'S DIVERSE CULINARY LANDSCAPE.

#### INCLUDED WITH EVERY MALAYA TRAVEL JOURNEY

- ENGLISH-SPEAKING LICENSED LOCAL GUIDES
- COMPLIMENTARY CONSULTATIONS WHENEVER YOU PREFER & PRE-DEPARTURE ORIENTATION
- ACCOMODATIONS FOR GUIDE AND DRIVER ON MULTI-DAY TOURS
- FULL BREAKFAST EACH DAY
- AIRPORT MEET & GREET AND PRIVATE TRANSFERS
- YOUR FREEDOM TO SELECT THE VEHICLE CATEGORY
- BOTTLED MINERAL WATER EACH DAY
- ALL ENTRANCE FEES
- ALL GRATUITIES EXCEPT TOUR GUIDES
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Kick off your Kuala Lumpur adventure with a seamless airport transfer followed by a captivating tour of Putrajaya's architectural marvels and serene landscapes. Check-in at your hotel, relax and adjust to the new time zone. In the evening, get ready for a culinary exploration of Jalan Alor's vibrant street food scene guided by a local expert.

Welcome to Kuala Lumpur, or as the local call it, KL! After passing through immigration, your driver will be waiting for you at the arrival gates. Today's airport transfer will be somewhat different, as you immediately embark on a captivating journey through the heart of Malaysia's administrative center, Putrajaya, and savor a brief yet enriching city tour.

Your tour begins with a glimpse into the architectural marvels and serene landscapes of Putrajaya, often referred to as the "Intelligent Garden City." As you traverse through this meticulously planned city, marvel at its stunning blend of modernity and natural beauty. Visit the grandeur of the Putra Mosque, an iconic landmark boasting exquisite Islamic architecture and a serene ambiance that invites moments of quiet reflection.

Optionally, capture the breathtaking views of the surrounding bridges and majestic structures that adorn the lake's shores from the view of a comfortable cruise.



You can expect a 45–60-minute drive to your hotel. You will be staying at the modern The RuMa Hotel Kuala Lumpur which is perfectly located in KLCC with views of the towers, close to numerous shopping malls and restaurants. The new, five-star hotel has quickly become a favorite among travelers because the hotel seamlessly mixes Malay architecture and traditions with cutting edge design and technology. Your breakfast is included in your rate.

Today, is all about relaxing and adjusting to the new time zone! Feel free to explore the area if you have enough energy! In the evening it is time for your first adventure! Your expert foodie guide will pick you up from the lobby and you will visit the Jalan Alor (Jalan means street), home of dozens of street food vendors. Here you can get a glimpse of taste of what makes Malaysia one of the food capitals of the world. Your guide will not only select some signature dishes for you this evening but also brief you about your program while you share dinner.

After dinner you get the chance to explore the Changkat pub street on your own before you head back with your private transfer to your hotel.







#### Day 2 Day 2

Experience Kuala Lumpur's vibrant blend of past and present with a guided exploration of the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, followed by a captivating journey through the bustling streets of Chinatown and Kuala Lumpur's Colonial District. Discover historic tales come to life amidst colorful street art, ancient temples, and cultural treasures. Visit the majestic Sultan Abdul Samad Building, stroll through the newly restore Kwai Chai Hong, and admire the intricate architecture of the Sri Mahamariamman Temple, making your Kuala Lumpur adventure truly unforgettable.

Enjoy a delicious full breakfast, before you meet you guide in the Lobby. You'll start the day with a leisure walk (or transfer, depending on your hotel's location) to the iconic Petronas Twin Towers. During the 20-minute walk your guide will give you a short history of KL's exciting present and future. The iconic Petronas Twin Towers in Kuala Lumpur, once the tallest buildings in the world, offer breathtaking views and architectural splendor. Adjacent is Suria KLCC, a premier shopping mall featuring luxury brands, dining, and entertainment options.

You have reserved tickets not only to the Observation Deck on the 86th floor, but also you will have the chance to cross the Skybridge on the 41st floor between the towers. After visiting the towers, you will have some time to stroll along the KLCC Park and inside the mall. Later, we will discover the history of Kuala Lumpur!



In the early afternoon, we recommend starting your Chinatown adventure indulging in a delightful lunch in the heart of this bustling neighborhood. After lunch, with the help of your licensed tour guide, wander through enchanting alleyways of the newly restored Kwai Chai Hong, where historic stories come alive in a burst of colorful street art. Immerse yourself in the tales of the past, depicted on walls that whisper tales of the city's cultural heritage. Traversing through the vibrant streets of Chinatown, you'll delve into the bygone era of the 19th-century Kuala Lumpur. Explore the iconic Petaling Street, navigate through the lively Central Market, and unearth hidden treasures nestled within this bustling district.

As the heritage trail unfolds, venture toward the captivating Sri Maha Mariamman Temple, a sacred site that stands as the oldest functioning Hindu temple in Malaysia. Witness its grand architecture and absorb the spiritual essence resonating from its historical legacy, which traces back to 1873. Continue your immersive tour by strolling through Kasturi Walk, a newly transformed and covered Jalan Hang Kasturi. This charming pedestrian street hosts a delightful array of kiosks, offering a unique selection of cultural souvenirs and local finds, providing a glimpse into Malaysian traditions and craftsmanship. As you cross the river, marvel KL's oldest brick mosque, the Masjid Jamek which stands at the meeting point of the Klang and Gombak rivers, where Kuala Lumpur got its name, meaning 'muddy confluence.' This area is where early Chinese miners settled, making it the birthplace of the city. It's called



the 'River of Life,' and at night, there's a beautiful lights and smoke show above the river, adding to the area's charm and history.

Arriving at Independence Square, where the Sultan Abdul Samad Building commands attention, narrating the vibrant history of Colonial Malaysia. Historically revered as a national symbol until the Petronas Towers emerged, this architectural marvel holds its place as one of Malaysia's most treasured and frequently captured landmarks.

This monumental square, the heart of Malaysia's history, not only showcases the grandeur of the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and the City Theatre but also hosts an array of colonial landmarks: from the Royal Selangor Club to the Textile Museum and the Old Post Office, these structures radiate historical charm, weaving the story of the nation's colonial legacy.





This morning, visit the iconic Batu Caves, delving into the sacred Hindu shrines and learning about Lord Murugan's life, followed by an exploration of pewter craftsmanship at the Royal Selangor Visitor Center. Enjoy a free afternoon in Bukit Bintang for relaxation or retail therapy. In the evening, indulge in an optional Michelin-star dining experience at Beta, where Malaysian culinary heritage takes center stage in a Tour of Malaysia Tasting Menu.

This morning you will visit the Batu Caves, home to the annual Thaipusam festival, and it is the most important Tamil sanctuary in Malaysia. It has three main caves featuring temples and Hindu shrines. Its main attraction is the large statue of the Hindu God at the entrance at the foot of a steep 272 -stairs rainbow painted staircase up to the shrines.

You will get the chance to learn about the life of Lord Murugan and about the Thaipusam celebration as well. If you are feeling hungry after completing the staircase challenge, you will have a chance to try some Indian snacks along with a fresh cononut before continuing your journing in KL.



Your next stop this morning is the Royal Selangor Visitor Center. This renowned establishment offers a captivating insight into the art of pewter crafting, a tradition that dates back to the 19th century. At the Visitor Center, you'll have the opportunity to witness skilled craftsmen creating intricate pewter pieces using traditional methods. Explore the various galleries showcasing exquisite pewter artworks and the history of Royal Selangor, a globally acclaimed pewter brand. Don't miss the chance to browse through the on-site store, where you can find an array of beautifully crafted pewter items, from ornamental pieces to practical gifts.

After a morning filled with cultural exploration, the afternoon invites you to tailor your experience according to your preferences. Whether you seek relaxation, retail therapy, or rejuvenation, the choice is yours.

#### Insider Tip

If you are a foodie, we invite you to a culinary journey at one of the best restaurants of Malaysia, Beta. At Beta you will "embark on a culinary journey that transcends borders, where every dish is a celebration of Malaysia's rich culinary heritage. Allow the stories to unfold on your palate and leave with an unforgettable dining experience". The Tour of Malaysia Tasting Menu is priced at RM450. The restaurant just received a Michelin-star in 2023. Advanced reservation with deposit is necessary!









Discover Malacca's rich UNESCO World Heritage heritage on a daytrip from Kuala Lumpur, exploring Dutch Square' and St. Pauil Hill's landmarks, ride through the historic Chinatown on a colorful trishaw, and immerse in the city's rich cultural tapestry savoring local Nyonya cuisine in a gourmet restaurant. In your free time, stroll through vibrant Jonker Street. Conclude with a scenic boat ride along the Malacca River and a visit to Bukit China before returning to Kuala Lumpur.

Malacca, a city steeped in history, culture, and legends, invites you on a captivating day trip from Kuala Lumpur. Discover the rich heritage of this UNESCO World Heritage city, where colonial legacies, and multicultural influences come alive. Begin your day early, departing from Kuala Lumpur in the morning after your breakfast. Malacca, located just 90 miles south of the capital, is a city with a history dating back to the 15th century. En route, immerse yourself in the legend of Parameswara, Malacca's founder. The tale tells of a prince who sought refuge near a mystical mousedeer under a tree, leading to the birth of the mighty Malacca Sultanate in 1400 AD.

As you arrive in Malacca, your journey begins with a guided walking tour around Dutch Square with red-painted buildings reflecting Dutch colonial architecture. Here, iconic landmarks await, such as Stadhuys, St. Paul's Hill and the remnants of A Famosa fortress—a testament to the colonial past.



As you leave the Dutch Square and its last remaining buildings (Christ Church, the Queen Victoria Coronation Fountain (British), and the Tan Beng Swee Clocktower (Chinese)), you will continue your walk to St. Paul's Hill to explore St. Paul's Church, along with the statue and temporary burial site of St. Francis Xavier. You will finish your walking tour at Porta de Santiago, which stands as the sole remaining structure of the Portuguese fortress.

After the tour enjoy your lunch at the charming local restaurant: savor Nyonya cuisine, a fusion of Chinese and Malay flavors, while your guide explains the dishes and culinary traditions unique to Malacca. Your lunch is included in your program. Later on, join us for a ride in the historic Chinatown on a colorful bicycle rickshaw: ride along cobbled streets and explore heritage sites, temples, and mosques. Learn about the Portuguese, Dutch, and British influences that have shaped this multicultural city and made the largest port city in the East Indies in the Middle Ages. The tour ends at the Cheng Hoon Teng Temple - the oldest functioning Chinese temple in Malaysia.

After your ride, venture into the vibrant Jonker Street, Malacca's renowned shopping street. In your free time, dive into a bustling atmosphere filled with shops, antique stores, and boutiques. Explore this lively street, soak in its vibrant street art, and shop for souvenirs. We will finish our Malacca adventure by enjoying a relaxing riverboat cruise along the Malacca River. Glide beneath picturesque bridges and witness historical buildings adorned with colorful murals. This 45-minute cruise provides a nice perspective on Malacca's past and present. As the sun sets, it is time to say goodbye to Malacca and head back to Kuala Lumpur.





Explore Kuala Lumpur's cultural gems on a half-day tour, starting with tranquil KL Park and the iconic National Monument. Dive into Malaysia's rich heritage at the National Museum, enjoy panoramic views of the Royal Palace, and marvel at the architectural beauty of the National Mosque. Conclude with a delicious Banana Leaf Rice lunch and a visit to the enchanting Thean Hou Temple before heading to the airport for your onward journey.

Enjoy a half-day tour on your last day in the Malaysian capital. Your guide meets you at the hotel lobby, ready to embark on an unforgettable journey through Kuala Lumpur. We begin our exploration at the serene Lake Gardens, nestled amidst lush greenery. The Lake Gardens of Kuala Lumpur has a long history since 1888, being the first public park opened in the city for recreational use for the resident Here, you'll have our first stop at Malaysia's National Monument, a tribute to the nation's history and heroes. Next to the National Monument is ASEAN Sculpture Garden, which is a landscaped garden with a collection of prizewinning sculptures in wood, marble, iron and bamboo. Enjoy a walk in the park, before continuing our tour. You can also visit the KL Bird Park, home to over 3,000 birds from various species, famous for being one of the world's largest covered bird parks. Explore its lush aviaries and witness the vibrant colors and melodious songs of Malaysia's native and exotic bird species.



As we drive through the park, have a stop at the National Museum for some photo opportunity. Continuing our journey through KL's cultural tapestry, visit the National Mosque, an architectural marvel where modernity seamlessly intertwines with tradition. Next, we drive to a lookout point offering panoramic views of the new Royal Palace, the majestic residence of the Malaysian king. It's a perfect opportunity to appreciate the city's modern developments against its historical backdrop. As our half-day tour draws to a close, we head to the trendy neighborhood of Bangsar for a quick lunch break to try of the best lunches of KL: Banana Leaf Rice – a locally popular dish you simply can't miss. Expect for a long line, but it is worth it!

After savoring the flavors of Malaysia, we have the chance to explore the mesmerizing Thean Hou Temple in Kuala Lumpur, a beacon of Chinese architectural splendor and spiritual serenity. If time and your flight departure permit, we will have a photo op by Merdeka 118, the newest skyscraper of the city, currently the second tallest tower in the world. The area is still in development, however the Mall has already opened. by our cultural journey, we return to your hotel, bidding farewell to Kuala Lumpur with a deeper appreciation for its beauty and heritage.

In the afternoon / evening, transfer to the airport and fly to your next destination.





#### ENHANCEMENTS AVAILABLE ON THIS TOUR

#### UPGRADE TO RUMA SUITE WITH TWIN TOWERS VIEWS

Upgrade to the luxurious RuMa Suite for an expansive 111 m<sup>2</sup> space boasting stunning views of Kuala Lumpur. Enjoy a sun-filled master bedroom, airy lounge area, and top-notch in-room technology. Indulge in exclusive benefits like daily breakfast, evening cocktails, and guaranteed early check-in and late check-out. Experience the epitome of luxury living.

#### **A NIGHT AT SUZIE WONG**

Suzie Wong invites you to a captivating fusion of East and West in Kuala Lumpur's heart. Its nostalgic entrance leads to a sophisticated lounge adorned with Cheshire couches and a mesmerizing bar. Discover classic oriental charm with dazzling chandeliers and live performances. Be prepared to be dazzled by performers dressed in 50s attire, swinging out from unexpected corners to delight and entertain.

#### TASTE OF MALAYSIA TASTING MENU AT BETA

Experience the rich flavors of Malaysia with a modern twist at Beta. Their Michelin-star menu is a culinary journey that takes you on a tour of some of Malaysia's most iconic dishes, inspired by different regions in the country. They take pride in showcasing Malaysia's rich culinary heritage with every dish we serve - meticulously crafted with a unique twist to enhance its flavors and textures.

# KUALA LUMPUR: THE RUMA HOTEL & RESIDENCES \*\*\*\*

The Ruma Hotel & Residences effortlessly blends the nation's mining heritage with the modern cityscape. Situated just a stone's throw away from the central business district and the iconic Petronas Towers, it offers a perfect fusion of past and present. Upon entering, the hotel's design gracefully transports you to the industrious 19th century, reminiscent of Malaysia's booming mining era. Elements such as gold accents, copper embellishments, weathered steel, and lantern-inspired lighting pay homage to this rich history.

In the guest rooms, the ambiance softens with rattan furniture and pale-wood paneling, imbuing a warm, homely touch – a nod to the Malay word "rumah," meaning house. Yet, the overall design maintains its contemporary edge with clean lines and modern aesthetics. The hotel's amenities offer delightful diversions, including the chic Malaysian restaurant, Atas, and a cantilevered infinity pool extending from the sixth floor, providing stunning views. For relaxation, there's the elegant Ur spa on the same level, and an outpost of the renowned London barbershop, Truefitt & Hill, adding a touch of sophistication to the experience.

From the moment you step into the rooms, regardless of their tier, you'll notice a subtle homage to traditional Malaysian aesthetics. Each room is adorned with exquisite rattan furnishings, lantern-inspired lampshades, and charming screen doors. Even the coziest accommodations boast luxurious bathrooms featuring oval soaking tubs strategically placed by the windows to enhance your experience. When it comes to the picturesque vistas, we highly recommend opting for a Grand Studio or higher room category. By doing so, you can ensure a captivating view of the iconic Petronas Towers right from your window.











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## WHAT'S INCLUDED IN YOUR PACKAGE

- 4-night-stay at the 5-star The RuMa Hotel & Residences with breakfast in a Deluxe King Room or higher categories if preferred
- English speaking licensed guide throughout the tour
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary
- All private Airport Transfers
- Jalan Alor Food Tour Orientation
- KLCC & Petronas Twin Tower visit with tickets included
- Chinatown and Colonial Kuala Lumpur Walking
- Batu Caves and Royal Selangor Visitor Centre Tour with snacks and refreshment
- Malacca Full Day Tour with Peranakan lunch, trishaw ride and river cruise
- Half-Day Kuala Lumpur City Tour with Banana Leaf Rice lunch

What`s not included in your rate

- Domestic and International Flights
- Tips and Gratuities
- Entrance Fees unless mentioned in the itinerary
- Travel Insurance

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