ENCHANTING BORNEO

(Soft Adventure)

9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

Day 01 - Kuching

Upon arrival at the Kuching Airport, transfer and check into hotel. Your noon walking tour of Kuching will take you to visit the Tua Pek Kong Chinese Temple, the oldest in Sarawak, Jalan Gambier where colourful local markets are located beside the spice shops. View the Astana from the waterfront. Lastly, visit Sarawak Museum, one of the best museums in South East Asia. Overnight.

Day 02 – Kuching – Bako National Park – Kuching

Breakfast. Today we visit Bako National Park which covers an area of 16 square kilometres of primary forest. There are 25 types of vegetation ranging from lush cliff and lowland dipterocarp forests to almost desert-like scrubs on the upper plateau. Among these vegetation communities are the carnivorous pitcher plants, sundews and bladderworts. The mangrove forest provides a home for the Long-nosed or Proboscis Monkeys (endemic to Borneo), Long-tailed Macaques, Silver-leafed Monkeys, Monitor Lizards, deer and wild boars. We will go for a jungle walk and enjoy the difference vegetation types that Bako has to offer in addition to its natural rocks and cliffs. Overnight. (Meal: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 03 - Kuching - Mulu (by air)

Breakfast. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Mulu with a transit in Miri. Your accommo-

dation this evening is located in Mulu National Park; a UNESCO's World Heritage Site. Overnight. (Meal: Breakfast, Dinner)

Recommended flights: Kuching – Miri MH2802@ 0700/0800 ; Miri – Mulu MH3630 @ 0920/0950.

Day 04 - Mulu

After breakfast, transfer by longboat to explore Wind Cave and Clearwater Cave and then enjoy a picnic lunch beside a beautiful clear water spring. Swim and relax before returning downriver to the park headquarters. Continue with an interesting walk on a raised plank walk through a peat swamp forest to Deer Cave, reputed to be the world's largest unmapped cave passage. Visit Lang Cave, which houses some beautiful cave formations. If weather permits, be mesmerised by the natural phenomenon as millions of bats depart the caves each night! Overnight. (Meal: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 05 - Mulu - Kota Kinabalu (by air)

Breakfast. Morning transfer to the airport for your onward flight to Kota Kinabalu. Transfer to your hotel upon arrival. Free at leisure. (Meals: Breakfast)

Recommended flight: Mulu – Kota Kinabalu MH3252 @ 1325/1415

**(Departure on Tuesday, Friday & Sunday)

Mulu – Kota Kinabalu MH3254 @ 1435/1620 with a 20-minute's stopover in Miri **(Departure on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday).

Day 06 – **Kota Kinabalu** – Kudat (tip of Borneo) (176 km)

Our visit today will take us to Kota Belud, home to the 'Cowboys of the East', the Bajau. Normally it is a small sleepy town except during the native market day held every Sunday. From here, we continue to visit a Rungus longhouse. The Rungus people are fascinating and friendly, famed for their beads and basket weaving handicrafts. Another half-hour drive you will get to enjoy the spectacular sunset at the northern most tip of Borneo. Overlook the South China Sea with a glass of wine. Another 20-minute drive we will check into the Kudat Golf and Marina Resort, the only resort in town. Refresh and relax, the programme is free and easy. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight Kudat Golf and Marina Resort. (Meal: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

** Kudat Golf & Marina Resort located on the northern tip of Sabah, a 3-star resort and the only one in Kudat. All rooms with hot shower, (twin/double), tea & coffee making facilities, swimming pool, tennis court and sauna available.

Day 07 - Kudat - Kota Kinabalu

After breakfast, depart for Kota Kinabalu. We will









make a stop along the way at a gong-making village. Gongs are the major Rungus tribe musical instruments. We will also stop is at a village to see how local honey is produced. The rest of the day in Kota Kinabalu is at leisure. Overnight. (Meal: Breakfast)

Day 08 - Kota Kinabalu - Mangrove Cruise

Breakfast in the hotel. Your afternoon mangrove cruise begins with a two-hour overland journey to a village called Garama or Klias. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and its relaxing serenity and if you are lucky, you will get to see animals living in the wild. Catch the sight of the bizarre Proboscis Monkey or fireflies in their natural habitat. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before returning to Kota Kinabalu. Overnight. (Meal: Breakfast, Dinner)

Important Note: A Collection fee of MYR5.00 per visitor will be imposed by the Sabah State Forestry Department for visits to the Klias Wetlands commencing 01st July 2013 and is to be paid directly by the clients upon arrival.

Day 09 – Kota Kinabalu – Kinabalu National Park – Kota Kinabalu (193 km)

After breakfast depart for a full-day tour of Kinabalu National Park where the highest

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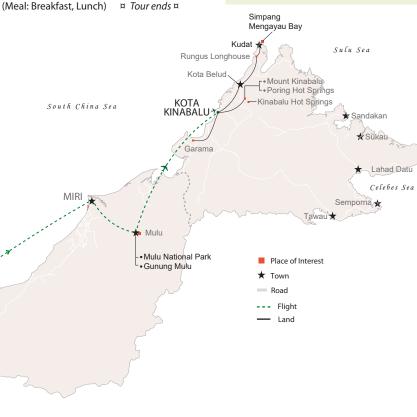
mountain in Malaysia is located. Kinabalu Park 4,095 metres above sea level and with an area of 754 sq. km is about two-hour's drive from Kota Kinabalu. It is botanist's paradise, home to over a 550 species of orchids, 330 species of birds, 26 species of rhododendrons, ferns, pitcher plants and others. The tour includes a visit to the exhibition hall and a mountain garden before proceeding for a guided nature trail. Return to Kota Kinabalu. Transfer to the airport.

Note:

- Onward flight on Day 09 after the tour must be after 1900hrs.
- Package does not include airfares.
- Sightings of wildlife are not guaranteed.
- Sarawak Museum is closed on public holidays.
- All flight schedules are subject to change by airlines with or without prior notice.

What to bring:

Raincoat, torch, personal toiletries, cotton material clothing, swimming attire, body soap, walking shoes with rubber soles, anti-malaria tablets and sun tan/block lotion.



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