



Program : Grand Tour Sabah

Validity : 01st APR 2024 – 31st OCT 2024

Day	PART 1 : Descriptions	Hotel	Meals
01	<p>Kota Kinabalu – Arrival Arrival Kota Kinabalu Airport, meet and transfer to hotel. The rest of the day at leisure. <i>**Standard check-in time: 1500hrs, early check-in subject to availability.</i></p>	city hotel in Kota Kinabalu	- - -
02	<p>Kota Kinabalu: Countryside Discovery Cycling 0900hrs, depart for Countryside Discovery on 2 wheels. (Approx. 8hrs) Time to cycle! Before that, enjoy comforting and refreshing visuals of paddy fields from the car and perhaps hop off for some traditional local food sold by the villagers. The cycle track covers plantations, low land trails, streams, and suspension bridges as well! Replenish with lunch at Kiulu Riverside known as RUMINDAKO after visiting the Dusun community at Kg. Tombung. Back to hotel after tour, rest & relax.</p>	city hotel in Kota Kinabalu	B L -
03	<p>Kota Kinabalu: TAR Marine Park: Gaya Island Trek & Sapi Island At 0900hrs: Pick up from hotel and transfer to jetty. Board a 15-minute ferry ride to Gaya Island, the largest of five islands of Tunku Abdul Rahman Park. Gaya Island is known to have some of the best lowland forests. Upon arrival, trek for about 1½hrs through coastal vegetation, mangrove swamp and lowland dipterocarp forest. Your guide will explain to you about the flora and fauna of this tropical island. After your trek through this primary forest, pick up by boat and transfer to nearby Sapi Island, the smallest among the five islands and well-known for snorkeling for its colourful marine life. Spend the day for your own leisure: Go swimming, snorkeling or just laze yourself or suntan at the white sandy beach. Short and simple trails are available for your own option if you wish. After lunch, continue your free leisure time before departure. <i>Packed lunch is included.</i></p> <p>By 1500hrs: Board boat from island jetty to Kota Kinabalu mainland and transfer back to hotel.</p> <p><i>**Activities: At your own cost, water sports are available. You may try parasailing, or hire jet ski, kayak, snorkel & fin set, boat charter for island hopping around Tunku Abdul Rahman Park.</i></p> <p><i>**Things to bring: Insect repellent, towel and personal care items, sandals, comfortable cotton T-shirts, long or short pants are recommended, mineral water, extra cash (MYR currency only).</i></p>	city hotel in Kota Kinabalu	B PL -
04	<p>Kota Kinabalu - Lahad Datu – Tabin Wildlife Reserve On arrival at Lahad Datu airport, you will be picked up and transferred by road to Tabin Wildlife Reserve. Check into Tabin Wildlife Resort, nestled within the rainforest beside the Lipad river, this lovely setting is home to a surprising variety of birds, insects, and small mammals, even right beside the buildings of the resort. Discover the rich variety of jungle herbs, some endemic, used for generations by local folks for the treatment of various ailments. Visit to Trogon Hall gallery for information about the conservation of Tabin Wildlife Reserve and briefing on birds, insects and animals that are found in this area. <i>(For guest check in before 11:00am)</i></p> <p>In the afternoon, before trekking to the Elephant trail, our guide will stop by at the compost bin for information on recycling the food waste into fertilizer for the plants and afterward proceed to the active Lipad mud volcano which provides a mineral salt lick for wildlife, arrive at the elevated bare area of the mud volcano which is frequented by wildlife and birds.</p>	Tabin Wildlife Resort	- L D



	<p>Try to identify the multitude of animal footprints here. The adventurous can try the effects of the volcanic mud, said to be responsible for a fine complexion. Trek from the mud volcano back to the main road.</p> <p>After dinner, followed by a night safari to look out for nocturnal wildlife and birds. Remember to look up at the clear, dark sky of Tabin, identify the constellations above you and make a wish or two.</p> <p><i>**Notes: Sightings of wildlife are not guaranteed</i></p> <p><u>Recommended Flight (scheduled subject to change)</u> <u>Kota Kinabalu – Lahad Datu: MH 3012 0720h/0815h MH 3014 0815h/0910h</u></p>		
05	<p>Tabin Wildlife Reserve</p> <p>Join the early morning bird walk to discover some of Tabin’s rich collection of almost 300 bird species. After breakfast, a drive to the core area stops over and climb up the Birdwatching Tower continue trekking through the lush green rainforest known for its rich diversity of plants and animal species to visit Lipad Waterfall. Take a dip in the natural pool and enjoy a natural and refreshing shower under the waterfall. Alternatively explore the surrounding vegetation or just relax. Along the way back to the resort, you will stop by the Tabin Giant Tree for a photo or take a group photo.</p> <p>In the afternoon, try out the Tabin Rainforest Foot Soak made with a natural blend of herbs, to relax tired muscles after long jungle treks.</p> <p>In the evening, a dusk drive to look out for more nocturnal wildlife & birds coming out to look for food during this time of the day.</p> <p>After dinner, go for a night walk along the trail nearby the resort in search of sleeping birds, frogs, and nocturnal wildlife.</p> <p><i>**Notes: Sightings of wildlife are not guaranteed</i></p>	Tabin Wildlife Resort	B L D
06	<p>Tabin Wildlife Reserve – Lahad Datu – Sepilok by land</p> <p>After breakfast, check-out and depart Tabin Wildlife Resort and transfer to Sepilok Jungle Resort. At leisure after check-in and rest of the day.</p>	Lodge in Sepilok	B - -
07	<p>Sepilok – Bilit, Kinabatangan River</p> <p>After breakfast, check-out and depart to the world famous Sepilok Orang Utan Rehabilitation Centre situated in the Kabili-Sepilok Forest Reserve. Upon arrival, a short brief by guide. Then watch a video show documentary on rehabilitation of orphaned Orang Utan before taking a boardwalk through the lowland rainforest to view the feeding platform. Witness the feeding of Orang Utan at 1000hrs then to the Outdoor Nursery, home to juvenile Orang Utans, aged between five to eight years old. Learn about managing juvenile Orang Utans.</p> <p>Thereafter, proceed to Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre for visiting the smallest bear in the world. Afterwards, continue an approximately 2 hours’ drive to Bilit village, Kinabatangan River. Upon arrival at Bilit Jetty, take a boat short transfer to the lodge. Welcome drink, short briefing, and check-in. Alternatively explore the surrounding vegetation or just relax.</p> <p>At 1600hrs join a river cruise in search of endemic Proboscis monkeys, different species of</p>	Bilit Rainforest Lodge	B L D



	<p>birds and other wildlife along the riverbank. At 1900hrs dinner at Bilit Restaurant. Overnight at Bilit Rainforest Lodge</p> <p><i>** You may (optional tour-not included in package) take a night cruise in search of nocturnal animals and birds. Remember to look up at the clear, dark sky of Kinabatangan River, identify the constellations above you and make a wish or two.</i></p> <p><i>**Notes: Sightings of wildlife are not guaranteed.</i></p>		
08	<p>Bilit, Kinabatangan River</p> <p>Today you have a choice to start your day with an Early Morning Cruise or Jungle Trek to Ox-Bow Lake for bird watching. After your morning exploration return to the lodge, freshen up and enjoy your late breakfast at Bilit Restaurant. Free at leisure. Lunch at Bilit Restaurant.</p> <p>At 1600hrs join a river cruise in search of more species primates and wildlife along the Kinabatangan Riverbank. Overnight at Bilit Rainforest Lodge.</p> <p><i>** Notes: Sightings of wildlife are not guaranteed</i></p>	Bilit Rainforest Lodge	B L D
9	<p>Bilit – Sandakan Airport</p> <p>After breakfast, check-out and continue overland to Sandakan Airport for your onwards departure flight to next holiday destination.</p> <p>If time permits (<i>depending on your flight departure time</i>), visit the Rainforest Discovery Centre (RDC), one of the most popular EE Centre. It sits by a lake at the edge of the Kabili-Sepilok Forest Reserve in Sandakan. It is a 3-in-1 park (i.e. wildlife, bird, and plant) for nature lovers and bird watchers where one can see the unique flora and fauna of Borneo. A pristine lowland dipterocarp and mangrove forest with an astounding 300 species of birds are recorded in the area.</p> <p>Transfer to Sandakan airport afterwards. End of services at approximately at noon. <i>** Flight to book after 1400hrs, if wish to include visit to Rainforest Discovery Centre).</i></p>	NIL	B - -
*** TOUR ENDS ***			

Featured Hotel (Subject to change):

Destination	Hotel	Room Category
Kota Kinabalu	city hotel in Kota Kinabalu	
Tabin Wildlife Reserve	Tabin Wildlife Resort	Jungle Lodge (Standard)
Sepilok	Lodge in Sepilok	
Kinabatangan River	Bilit Rainforest Lodge	Standard Lodge

** Hotels/ room category is subject to availability/ subject to change*