

Around Kuching

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| Dauer | 7 Tage |
| Produkt | Gruppenreise |
| Start | Täglich, ab 2 Personen |
| Reiseleitung | Englischsprachig |
| Mahlzeiten | Inklusive Frühstück, 2 x Lunch, 1 x Dinner |
| Von - Bis | Kuching Airport/City |

Program

Day 1 Kuching

Upon arrival at Kuching International Airport, you will be met by your tourguide. Transfer by car to your Hotel in Kuching and free at leisure.

Accommodation **Abell Hotel**

Day 2 Kuching

Depart for a half-day city tour to explore the streets of Kuching and encounter the lifestyle of the local people in one of the largest cities in Borneo. See all the different facets of the many cultures combined in Kuching, like Malay, Indian and Chinese culture! Visit the Gambier spice streets, India street, the famous Sarawak Museum (closed on public holidays), a Malay village, the old Muslim State Mosque, the oldest Chinese temple in Sarawak, Kuching's South City Hall (closed on weekends and public holidays), as well as the Waterfront where you see the colonial buildings like the Astana, the former White Rajah's palace.

Return to your Hotel and afternoon free at leisure.

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Day 3 Semenggoh

After breakfast, depart to the Semenggoh Nature Reserve, located 22 km south of Kuching. The entire facility occupies an area of 740 acres and acts as a sanctuary for orang utans that have been rescued from captivity and young orphaned primates. These animals are trained or re-trained to survive in their natural habitat. They learn how to forage for natural food and build nests in the trees. Many have been returned into the surrounding area of the nature reserve. But there are few that will never re-learn their natural skills due to long association with humans. There are daily scheduled feeding times. However, sightings of these primates during feeding times are not guaranteed due to the fact that they are roaming freely within the nature reserve.

Return to your Hotel and afternoon free at leisure

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Day 4 Kuching – Batang Ai

Breakfast at the Hotel and check-out. Today you will travel 290 km by air-conditioned vehicle to Batang Ai, with a few stops along the way: the first one at Serian town, where we will visit a fascinating native fruit and vegetable market. The other stops include a visit to the pepper farm and a stop for lunch at "Lachau", a small up country Chinese village. At Lachau you may wish to make some last minute shopping, for necessities such as insect repellent or for gifts for the Ibans.

After lunch we proceed to the final stage of the journey and arrive at Batang Ai Lake. Here you will board native longboats to travel by boat across the lake and further up the river (approx. 40 to 50 minutes) to reach an Iban longhouse. Upon arrival at the longhouse, you will be taken for a tour of the longhouse to meet the natives and their families. After dinner, the Ibans will sound their gongs and perform their traditional war dance in full ceremonial regalia.

Accommodation Iban Longhouse**Day 5 Batang Ai - Kuching**

The cockerels will sing loud and clear for you to wake up the next morning. After breakfast, you can join in a blowpipe demonstration before you depart by native longboat downriver to arrive back at the jetty. Return to Kuching by air-conditioned vehicle with an en-route stop for lunch at a local cafe.

Accommodation Abell Hotel**Day 6 Bako Nationalpark**

Breakfast at the Hotel. Depart from your Hotel to Bako National Park. Drive by car from Kuching city to the small Malay village of Bako, where you then venture on a 20 minutes' boat ride to reach the national park. This is a day with plenty of opportunities to trek through the beautiful park and explore flora and fauna at its best. Get to see various animals, such as wild boars, silver leaf monkeys, macaques or monitor lizards. If you are lucky you might also spot the odd-nosed proboscis monkeys that can only be found on the island of Borneo. Plenty of trails to choose from, so discuss with your guide which one to take. A packed lunch is included.

Accommodation Abell Hotel**Day 7 Kuching**

Breakfast at the Hotel. After transfer to the airport for your flight to the next destination.

The tour ends at Kuching Airport