

PEXDIY-02: 12D11N SELF DRIVE WEST TO THE EAST

Day 01 ARRIVE KUALA LUMPUR / MELAKA Arrival, meet and greet at KUL Airport. Private transfer to Melaka approximately 2hrs drive. Check in upon arrival and free time to discover Melaka on foot. Founded in 1400, the Sultanate of Melaka was once the greatest and most powerful empire and seaport in South East Asia. For hundreds of years, the Portuguese, Dutch and British successively established supremacy over the wealth of Malacca's silk and spice trade. This rich heritage is evident in the unique mix of architectural styles. Visit the street of Harmony where you see the oldest Chinese temple, mosque and Hindu Temple in Malaysia, the Dutch Stadhuys and Porta de Santiago. Walk through the ruins of St Paul's Church where St Francis Xavier was once buried. Melaka is also one of the birthplaces of the culture of the 'Babas' - a mix of Chinese and Malay cultures uniquely its own. Overnight (-/---)





Day 02 MELAKA - SRI MENANTI / KUALA LUMPUR

A drive to Sri Menanti for her Royal Museum is an amazing experience which not many tourist have the chance to see it. It served as a palace for the Royal family of Negeri Seremban and is located in the Royal town of Negeri Seremban, just off Seremban. It is black in colour, intricate with beautiful flowers motif. This 5 stories wooden palace is built with wooden pegs, using no nails or screws. It has 99 solids timber pillars, standing 65 feet tall and furnished with matching furniture and bed chambers. Other royal belonging like costumes and documents of the royal of linage is also available. Continue journey to Kuala Lumpur. Rest of the day is yours to discover. (ABF/-/-)

Recommended: MUD - Our story of Kuala Lumpur (4 hrs); Latest musical theatre in town! Witness the story of KL unfold on stage at the country's oldest Theatre, the Panggung Bandaraya. This heartwarming tale of hope, heart, commitment, friendship and strength is a must see, offering a rich historical and cultural experience to all.

Day 03 KUALA LUMPUR Free day for you to discover. (ABF/-/-)



Recommended: KL City Highlights + Batu Caves (5 hrs); The first stop of the tour and the most exciting stopover before the day gets hotter, is a trip to Batu Caves – a towering limestone outcropping just 13 kilometres north of Kuala Lumpur. The caves house numerous Hindu shrines, ascend its 272 steps to reach the top where you can admire the limestone formations and watch devotees pray to their shrines. Tour continues into the old and new, starting from where the city began, at the confluence of two rivers. Places to visit; King's Palace (photo stop), Thean Hou Temple, War Memorial, Parks and Gardens (pass by), Old Railway Station (pass by), National Mosque, Merdeka Square, KL City Gallery and Petronas Twin Towers (photo stop).

Day 04 KUALA LUMPUR / CAMERON HIGHLANDS 9am: Meet with our representative at the lobby to get your car key and start to discover Peninsula Malaysia at your own freedom. Cameron Highlands which is 1,542 metres above sea level and famous for its tea plantation and cool temperatures. On the way visit Lata Iskandar Water fall, an aboriginal settlement and a bamboo basket-making stall. Sweaters are recommended for evenings The temperature can drop to 15 degrees Celsius during night time or when it is raining. A must visit is to the tea plantation while enjoying breathtaking view of the tea garden, the processing of black tea and later to sample various kinds of tea in the tea house. Note: The tea factory is closed every Monday (and also on Tuesdays if the preceding Monday is a public holiday).







Day 05 CAMERON HIGHLANDS - KUALA KANGSAR / SUKA SUKA LAKE RETREAT Depart Cameron Highlands via the Simpang Pulai Highway – a scenic route towards Ipoh. En-route visit to Kuala Kangsar - the royal town of Perak located at the downstream of Kangsar River, where it flows into the Perak River. It is the main town in the administrative district of Kuala Kangsar. Some commented the Ubudiah Mosque is the most beautiful mosque in Malaysia - you judge. Visit Iskandariah Palace, Istana Kenangan Museum and Labu Sayong factory - named after village called Sayong located on the opposite bank of the Perak River (Labu is a a traditional earthenware container).

30 minutes drive via Jalan Besar Utara Selatan towards Jalan Baling-Kuala Kangsar brings you to an authentic village stay with real hospitality from Aziz family. SukaSuka Lake Retreat - a village concept located by the lake that was created with the relocation of some old wooden houses to give you the village ambiance but without sacrificing your privacy. Settings of a traditional Malay kampong, they love to share this with their visitors — to enjoy the ambience of calmness and serenity of the environment, live the local custom and values, and thus keep the place unblemished for our future generations to enjoy. Overnight. (ABF/-/D) Note: You must set your GPS to Pejabat Perikanan Daerah Hulu Perak (a blue roof building) and Kampung Kelantan, Kuak since they purposely do not put any signboard.



Day 06 SUKA SUKA LAKE RETREAT Wake up to the natural alarm clock of the roosters. After a delicious breakfast prepared by Mak Asiah, opt for a walk around the village to have the first hand experience mingle with the locals and see the things which you could not see in the city with Pak Aziz or join the cooking class in the afternoon with Mak Asiah for another experience that you shouldn't miss out. Fresh fish from the lake and local spices and herbs around the house, what else to say? Enjoy rest of your evening relaxing by the lake - just lazing around or opt for canoeing before the call for dinner. Overnight. (ABF/L/D)





Important note: We at People Express Travel are doing our part in promoting responsible tourism with Suka Suka Lake Retreat by working closely with the small/medium village enterprises and we avoid mass tourism to preserve the uniqueness of this lake retreat.

Day 07 SUKA SUKA LAKE RETREAT - LENGGONG / BELUM RAINFOREST RESORT Drive up North passing by the beautiful scenic lake of Raban. If you are an archaeological freak or prehistoric enthusiast, Lenggong Archeological Museum is worth a visit. A UNESCO-listed World Heritage Site and final resting place of the 11,000 year full skeletal find - Perak Man is a Stone Age man from the Palaeolithic period. It is believed he was an important member of his tribe judging by the way he was buried, in a fetal position, accompanied by an assortment of stone tools. He was about 157cm tall and probably aged between 30-55 when he died. Continue journey to Banding Island with en route visit to a small town of Lenggong and Gerik. Enjoy the sight and sound of locals dealing with their daily life and you will have lunch the local way. Upon reaching the eco resort of Belum Rainforest Resort, check in and free time. Overnight. (ABF/-/-)





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Day 08 BELUM RAINFOREST RESORT Free day. Get yourself prepared for dinner before ends the day. Overnight. (ABF/-/-)

Recommended: Temenggor Walk: the adventure starts at Banding Island where we'll transfer you by speedboat into the depths of the biggest block of rainforest in Peninsular Malaysia. Visit to Rafflesia site. The uniqueness of the Rafflesia is not just its size and appearance, but the fact that it is a parasite that is totally dependent to a host vine (Tetrastigma, of the grape family) for survival and that the only visible part is the vine and flower. It has no roots, leaves or stem – nothing that is green. You'll have first hand contact with the Orang Asli's (the indigenous people). Visit the Jahai group from the Negrito tribe at Sungai Kejar. The gummy smiles of these shorter, dark skinned and curly haired people and their ancient song of welcome done to the rhythmic beats of bamboo shoots (Sewang) warmed our hearts. The Jahais largely depend upon hunting,



fishing and gathering jungle products as their source of livelihood. After all the trekking at Sira Terasau which got you hot and sweaty; a cool dip at the Sungai Ruok waterfalls was just what you needed with picnic lunch. Note: Rafflesia sighting is not quaranteed.

Day 09 BELUM RAINFOREST RESORT - KUALA BESUT JETTY / PERHENTIAN ISLAND 7.00am: We suggest you start your day early not to miss your boat transfer to Perhentian Island at 11am or 2pm. Your overland journey takes approximately 3hrs. Upon arrival at the jetty, drop off your car at the designated area. Speed boat transfer takes approximately 45mins to the island. Upon arrival, check in and free time. Overnight. (ABF/-/-)

Day 10 PERHENTIAN ISLAND Free day. Overnight. (ABF/-/-)

Day 11 PERHENTIAN ISLAND Free day. Overnight. (ABF/-/-)



Day 12 PERHENTIAN ISLAND - KOTA BHARU AIRPORT / ONWARDS Free at leisure till transfer to Kota Bharu airport for your onward flight. Bon Voyage! (ABF/-/-)

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Important: This tour will not be conducted during Monsoon Season in the East-Coast of Peninsula Malaysia in between November to March (Please contact us for update).

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