

PEXMT/KCH-02 5D4N SARAWAK EXPERIENCE - NATURALLY & CULTURALLY EXOTIC

Day 01 ARRIVAL / KUCHING Meet and greet at Kuching International Airport and transfer to the hotel. In the afternoon, proceed for a city tour. Experience the beauty of a multi-racial community and see places of interest and the essential part of Kuching which will take you from the era of the White Rajahs to the present day. Visit the world renowned Sarawak Museum and the Brooke Legacy (White Rajahs) - Square Tower, Astana (viewing) and the Court House. There is also the Cat Monument, Tua Pek Kong - Chinese Temple, the old State Mosque and one of the hottest leisure spots in the City, the Kuching Waterfront Esplanade. Transfer back to your hotel. Sarawak Museum & Cat Museum- closed on Public holidays. Overnight. (-/-/-)



Day 02 BAKO NATIONAL PARK Morning, depart Kuching for a 45 minutes drive which passes through mangrove forest with its unique nipah palms before arriving at the Bako Fishing Village. Bako is the oldest gazetted national park in Sarawak. It offers the perfect introduction to Sarawak flora and fauna. The 16 square kilometres of primary forests is home to seven distinct ecosystems; beach vegetation, cliff vegetation, mangrove, peat swamp forests, mixed dipterocarp forests, heath forests and grasslands. Wildlife thriving in the area includes the rather intrusive long tailed macaques which roam all over and their cousins, the silver leaf monkeys and the long-nosed, potbellied proboscis monkey. Other denizens include flying lemur, mouse deer, bearded pigs, bats, tarsiers, slow loris and palm civet cats. Please note that these animals are wild and therefore, there is no guarantee that visitors will see them. Transfer back to your hotel after the tour. (ABF/L/-)





Day 03 KUCHING / BATANG AI After breakfast you will travel 290 km by car, with a few stops along the way: the first at Serian town, where we will stop for refreshment. You may wish to make some last minute shopping, for insect repellent or gifts for the Ibans at Serian. You can also visit a fascinating native fruit and vegetable market. The other stops include a visit to the pepper farm and a stop where you can observe plenty of wild orchids and also pitcher plants, insect eating plants. The last stop will be at "Lachau" a small up country Chinese Village for lunch. Here you can still observe barter trading being held between the natives of Kalimantan, the Chinese shop owners and the natives of Sarawak. After lunch we proceed to the final stage of the journey, and arrive at beautiful Batang Ai lake. At the jetty, you will take a boat/ferry across the lake to reach the resort and check in. Overnight. (ABF/L/D)



Day 04 BATANG AI LONGHOUSE Morning, depart from Batang Ai Longhouse Resort by motorized longboat for about one hour crossing the Batang Ai Reservoir to reach the longhouse. The journey passing through scenic view, rice field, fish farms, going through the rapids, paddling and poling in clear water before arriving at the longhouse. A warm welcome by the natives and witness the culture performance. Tour the longhouse, watch the natives at work such as making mats, baskets, handicrafts, mending fishing nets, swim in the river or just relaxing by the river bank. After the picnic-lunch, return via the same route to the resort. Free time at own arrangement. Overnight. (ABF/L/D)





Day 05 BATANG AI / ONWARDS After breakfast, return to the jetty, then by car to Kuching directly to the airport your next destination. (ABF/L/-)

What to bring: Insect repellent, leech socks, long sleeve shirts and long pants, raincoat, sun hat, swim wear, comfortable trekking shoes, torch light & water bottle.