

# BORNEO

FEBRUARY 13-25, 2010

## DAY 1 - YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS

FEBRUARY 13

AIR TRAVEL

Fly with Cathay Pacific Airways from Hong Kong to Kota Kinabalu, in Malaysian Borneo.

## DAY 2 - KOTA KINABALU

LODGING - SHANGRI-LA'S TANJUNG ARU RESORT

FEBRUARY 14 - D



Arrive in Kota Kinabalu, the state capital of Sabah. Located on the northwest coast of Borneo, this modern city offers sandy beaches, coral reefs, tropical rain forests and a warm hospitality. Check into the hotel and enjoy a leisurely dinner.

## DAY 3 - KOTA KINABALU

FEBRUARY 15 - B/L



Drive to the jetty and journey by boat to Manukan Island for a day of relaxation and jungle exploration. Snorkel in crystal clear water among coral reefs and rainbow-coloured fish before returning to Kota Kinabalu in the afternoon. A buffet lunch will be served on the island.

## DAY 4 - TIP OF BORNEO

LODGING - LONG HOUSE

FEBRUARY 16 - B/L/D



Take an early morning drive to Kudat, the land of the last longhouses in Sabah, for an excursion to the "Tip of Borneo," the island's northernmost point. See the confluence of the South China Sea and the Sulu Sea. After checking into our overnight

guesthouse, you have the option (weather permitting) of cycling through scenic villages, oil palm estates and farms to Mompillis Village Longhouse. Enjoy fresh coconut drinks and witness cultural activities while mingling with friendly local residents. Return for a longhouse homestay and enjoy a traditional dinner, followed by a cultural performance by members of the local Rungus community.

Meals are indicated with B (breakfast), L (lunch) and D (dinner)

## DAY 5 - KINABALU NATIONAL PARK

LODGING - KINABALU PINE RESORT

FEBRUARY 17 - B/L/D



Enjoy the morning tranquility of the village before heading out on a trek to the nearby rubber estate, where you can test your skill at rubber tapping. Proceed to Kinabalu Park with lunch en route. Drive through padi-fields and Dusun villages over the ridges of the Crocker Range to the foothills of Mt. Kinabalu. At 1,524 metres up the mountain, we arrive at the park headquarters at Kundasang. The Mountain Garden is an oasis and home to some of Borneo's 24 species of flowering rhododendrons, 10 species of carnivorous pitcher plants, an estimated 1,400 species of orchids, over 600 species of ferns, more than 40 species of oak trees and over 300 species of birds.

## DAY 6 - KOTA KINABALU - SANDAKAN

LODGING - SEPILOK NATURE RESORT

FEBRUARY 18 - B/L/D



After breakfast, continue to Poring, 500 metres above sea level, east of Kinabalu Park headquarters. The vegetation here is tropical lowland rainforest. Explore the jungle trail leading up to the treetop canopy walkways suspended 41 metres above the forest floor. Our day ends with a transfer overland to Sandakan.

## DAY 7 - KOTA KINABALU

LODGING - KINABATANGAN RIVERSIDE LODGE

FEBRUARY 19 - B/L/D



In Sandakan, we take a short tour of the town, stopping for a tea break in one of the houses at the water village and visiting the Australian War Memorial. Next, we depart from the Sandakan jetty for a two-hour boat journey along Sabah's longest river, the Kinabatangan, to the Kinabatangan Riverside Lodge, where opportunities abound to view birds and wildlife in their unspoiled mangrove, wetland and rainforest habitats. In the late afternoon, we take a two-hour river cruise in search of some of the 10 local primate species, including proboscis monkeys, as they settle on treetops along the Kinabatangan River. Return for a solar-heated shower, candlelight dinner and slide show conducted by a naturalist guide.

## DAY 8 - SUKAU RAINFOREST

FEBRUARY 20 - B/L/D



Awake to the sounds of the jungle's morning chorus. An early morning river cruise takes us up the Kinabatangan River to view more birds and wildlife. We then proceed to the Kelenanap ox-bow lake for a short jungle walk, during which we have the opportunity to participate in a conservation project by planting trees on the 64 acres of adopted land. In the afternoon, we proceed on another river cruise for more wildlife experiences, followed by dinner and an optional night-time safari cruise featuring sightings of nocturnal animals (such as crocodiles) and birds.

## DAY 9 - SUKAU RAINFOREST - KUALA LUMPUR

LODGING - PARK ROYAL HOTEL

FEBRUARY 21 - B



After breakfast, we venture by boat to Sukau Village for a short tour before returning to Sandakan for lunch. In the afternoon, we proceed to the Sepilok Orang Utan Rehabilitation Centre. We walk through the rainforest (for about 10 minutes) on wooden walkways to watch the feeding of the orangutans, and then watch a video presentation. Later, we transfer to the airport for our flight to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia's capital city. Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel.

## DAY 10 - KUALA LUMPUR

FEBRUARY 22 - B



Ascend KL Tower, the fourth-tallest building of its kind in the world, for an impressive panoramic view of the city. The tower was constructed for telecommunications purposes, and on clear days one can see as far as the Straits of Malacca. We also visit Independence Square, the Moorish-style Railway Station and the Sultan Abdul Samad Building that houses the high courts. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant.

## DAY 11 - KUALA LUMPUR - MALACCA

FEBRUARY 23 - B/L



Take a scenic tour to Malacca, about two hours from Kuala Lumpur. See the Dutch Stadthuys, St. Paul's Church and Porta De Santiago, left behind by the Portuguese and Dutch following their colonial rule. Other attractions include Jonker Street, famous for its antique items and Peranakan handicrafts, and Cheng Hoong Teng's Temple, built in 1646. Evidence of fine craftsmanship is seen in the carvings of mythological figures and the temple's lacquer work.

## DAY 12 - KUALA LUMPUR

FEBRUARY 24 - B/D



Explore this modern, ethnically diverse city at your leisure. Kuala Lumpur is compact and accessible, featuring many attractions within walking distance of the city centre. Apart from modern skyscrapers, like the famed Petronas Towers, you may be surprised to discover older, more traditional architecture. Enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

## DAY 13 - KUALA LUMPUR - HOME

FEBRUARY 25 - B

AIR TRAVEL

Transfer to the airport in the morning for your flight home (or extend your stay in Asia).



## DETAILS & PACKAGE PRICE

YOUR TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip transportation with Cathay Pacific Airways
  - Accommodations as specified in the itinerary (or equivalent)
  - Meals as specified in the itinerary
  - Sightseeing by private air-conditioned motorcoach
  - Local English-speaking guides and drivers
  - Gratuities for local guides and drivers
  - Baggage handling
  - Farewell dinner in Kuala Lumpur
  - Pre-trip information and assistance by Baraka Tours
- Not Included:
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  - Taxes and security charges

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Enclosed is my deposit of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$750 per person for the Borneo trip), plus \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for insurance.

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

We are pleased to present our Borneo adventure from February 13-25, 2010. Developed by Ken Tham, our Asian specialist for many years, this itinerary provides you with an opportunity to explore the nature and wildlife of the world's third largest island in the company of fellow alumni and friends.

Borneo is a true naturalist's haven with over 15,000 species of flowering plants, 221 terrestrial mammals and 420 species of resident birds. Our trip is perfect for the soft adventure traveller as we make our way through the Malaysian province of Sabah. First we travel to Kota Kinabalu where you will be introduced to the indigenous flora and fauna of the island before making our way to Gaya Island where you can snorkel or relax in a tropical setting. Next, we travel through the Sukau rainforest where you will be based for two nights at a lodge as we explore the interior of the island by river to view wild elephants, proboscis monkeys, hornbills and wild boars. Before concluding our trip in the Malaysian capital of Kuala Lumpur, we stop in at the Sepilok Sanctuary where you will get a close-up view of the island's most famous inhabitant, the orang-utan.

We will be joined by alumni and friends of McGill University, University of Western Ontario and University of Victoria. Early reservations are recommended as space is limited on this exciting tour. For more information, please contact Baraka Tours at 905-712-2504 or toll free at 1-877-287-8728.

Sincerely,

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