EXOTIC EXPEDITIONS (%)



Experiential journeys for the exploring traveller



OVERVIEW

Travel to Borneo and leave urban life behind. Head into Borneo's lush jungles to embark on a magical journey to explore the natural wonders of tropical Sabah. Travel down scenic rivers, into thick jungles and through the vibrant villages of beautiful Borneo making friends with local villagers and trying delicious cuisine. Swim among colorful fish and spot unique wildlife in Borneo's steamy jungles, found only in this part of the world like the Borneo Pygmy Elephants, Proboscis Monkeys and Orangutans among other animals and birds, see the iconic Mount Kinabalu and walk through the trails in the Kinabalu National Park. Last but not the least, explore the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of multi-cultural and vibrant Kota Kinabalu. There's no doubt that this adventure in Borneo will find its way into your heart and leave you with unforgettable memories.



ESSENTIAL INFO

Cost: Rs 62500/-

Country: Malaysia

Start: Kota Kinabalu

End: Sandakan

Start Date: 23rd Aug' 2025

End Date: 30th Aug' 2025

Duration: 8 Days

Group Size: Min 5 / Max 10

Theme: Culture, Adventure, Wildlife, Experience



HIGHLIGHTS



Snorkelling in Munakan & Sapi Islands near Kota Kinabalu



See Orangutans, Proboscus monkeys, Pygmy Elephants and Birdlife



See Kinabalu peak and explore Kinabalu National Park



Spotting wildlife in the River Safari at Kinabatangan Rainforest



Know about the indigenous Dayak people of Borneo



Explore the beautiful cities of Kota Kinabalu & Sandakan

Day 1: KOTA KINABALU

Arrive in Kota Kinabalu and transfer to hotel. Rest and later explore the town walking through the streets and taking a food tour. Kota Kinabalu is a melting pot of cuisines and it's no surprise since there are a lot of nationalities and cultures mixing. We can visit the Night Markets (Pasar Malam) that are famed for its Malaysian and Chinese eats, and the Sunday market at Gaya Street (Old Town). Overnight at Kota Kinabalu.

Day 2: MUNAKAN AND SAPI ISLAND

After breakfast, a short 20 mins boat ride from Kota Kinabalu brings you to Manukan Island. Manukan island and Sapi island are located in the famous Tunku Abdul Rahman Park in Sabah and great for exploring the island and beaches and snorkelling. An array of coral and brightly coloured marine life reveals itself. Soak up the turquoise vistas for another few hours as you stroll or swim. After lunch, relax on the beach and later, by late afternoon, we return to Kota Kinabalu. Evening is free to relax or you can explore The Puh Toh Tze Buddhist temple, the Sabah Mosque or the Filipino market. You can also opt to go on a sunset cruise in the South China Sea. Overnight at Kota Kinabalu



Day 3: TANJUNG ARU BEACH - KINABALU NATIONAL PARK - RANAU (120 KMS / 3 HRS)

After breakfast, we visit the Tanjung Aru beach and later leave for Kinabalu National Park, and on the way, we stop at Poring Hot Spring. Later, after lunch soak up the mountain scenery with a stroll through Kinabalu National Park. There are many walking trails from which you can birdwatch or spot an animal or two. The Mountain Botanic Garden is an excellent showcase of the diverse plant life on the mountain, as flora from all over the park has been replanted here. Later, we drive to our homestay around Kinabalu National Park in Ranau / Kundasang with beautiful views of the mountains and Kinabalu Peak, the highest mountain in Borneo. Overnight at Ranau / Kundasang.



Day 4: RANAU - KINABATANGAN RAINFOREST (SUKAU) (250 kms / 5 hrs)

After breakfast, we head to Kinabatangan River. Your jungle homestay near the river is ideal for taking in the lush surroundings. At 560 kilometres, the Kinabatangan River is the second longest river in Malaysia. It's also a protected forest reserve, containing some of the highest concentrations of wildlife in Borneo. Later in the afternoon, you have the option to take a river cruise, hopefully spotting some of the more exotic local creatures. Borneo pygmy elephants (the smallest species of elephants in the world), crocodiles, macaques, wild orangutan, proboscis monkeys, hornbills, kingfishers and bird life are seen. After this short adventure, you'll head back to the lodge to enjoy dinner. Overnight at Kinabatangan homestay / cottage.





Day 5: KINABATANGAN RAINFOREST (SUKAU)

Today is full of jungle and activities. Rise early for the morning safari cruise along the river to spot more wildlife. Later, back for breakfast. After breakfast, we go for a 2-hour jungle trek. After lunch, relax and in the evening you can go for another river safari if interested or walk and explore the riverside and villages. Overnight at Kinabatangan.

(1 River cruise safari and 1 jungle trek included in the tour)
If you are interested, you have the option of taking more safari cruises.
Overnight at Kinabatangan.



Day 6: SUKAU - SANDAKAN (125 KMS / 2.5 HRS)

After breakfast, we leave for Sandakan, on the way stopping at the Gomantong Cave to see the nests of the swift bird. Its nest is made of solidified saliva and is used to make bird's nest soup, which is sought after and prized in many parts of Asia. Reach Sandakan by late afternoon. After lunch rest and in the evening go for a Sandakan Heritage walk taking in the sights of Sandakan and stopping at the English tea house. Overnight at Sandakan.

Day 7: SANDAKAN

Free day to explore Sandakan and its surroundings. You can visit the Sepliok Orangutan Sanctuary. The centre was set up to help re-introduce these wonderful creatures back into the wild after a life of domestication or having been orphaned. To see more of Borneo's creatures there's the option to visit the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Center. You can also visit the Labuk Bay Proboscis Monkey Sanctuary, where you can watch up close the amazing bachelor proboscis lazing and feeding. There are few other places in Sandakan to explore like the Sandakan Memorial Park, Central Market, Puh Jih Syh Buddhist Temple and Agnes Keith's House. Overnight at Sandakan.



Day 8: SANDAKAN (DEPARTURE)

After breakfast end of tour and drop to Sandakan airport.







Rs 62500/per person

INCLUSIONS

- -2 Nights stay in Kota Kinabalu, 1 Night stay Renau, 2 Nights stay in Kinabatangan, 2 Night stay in Sandakan
- Breakfast on all days
- Private Car / Van for all travels
- Airport transfer's and city sightseeing
- Kinabalu National Park, Gomantong Caves,
 Ranau, Kinabatangan & Sandakan visit
- One Kinabatangan River cruise Safari and
 One trek / Jungle walk (Easy to Medium level)
- Munakan & Sapi Island tour
- Service charges & Taxes

EXCLUSIONS

- Flight Charges (Onward To Kota Kinabalu
 Return Sandakan)
- Entry tickets and camera charges (wherever applicable)
- Day 7 activities and transport
- Dinner & Lunch
- Other than those mentioned



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