

GROUP ADVENTURES

## Sabah Highlights Adventure 7D/6N

Nature & Adventure

7 Days / 1 Country

Malaysia

Departure city: Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

End city: Sandakan, Malaysia



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Snorkel in the stunning Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park
- Discover Mount Kinabalu National Park and Poring Hot Springs
- Take river cruises and go trekking in Kinabatangan
- Visit the Gomantong Caves & Sepilok Orangutan Sanctuary

Spend a week exploring remarkable Sabah, one of the most stunning corners of the planet with turquoise seas, unparalleled snorkelling and pristine natural jungles packed with hundreds of bird and animal species, plus over 5000 plant species, hot springs and caves to boast!

### MAP



## What is included

### **Group Adventures**

Group Adventures are designed to forget about all the travel logistics and let our guides take you to the best places with a group of like minded travelers

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### **Accommodation: 6**

- 6N in mixed accommodations
  - 2 nights in hotel
  - 1 night in longhouse
- 2 nights in jungle lodge  
1 night in guesthouse
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### **Transport: 3**

- Transfers as per itinerary
  - Kota Kinabalu airport pick-up
- Sandakan airport or hotel drop-off
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### **Meals: 10**

- 5 Breakfast(s), 3 Lunch(es), 2 Dinner(s),
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### **Guides:**

- Local English speaking guides (except day 4 and 5 we will use lodge guide)
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## What is not included

- \*Other meals & drinks
- \*Personal expenses
- \*Tips for guide
- \*Travel insurance

\*Prices for optional activities are subject to change at any time without prior notice. Please confirm these prices before departing on your trip.

## Additional information

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Itinerary subject to change without prior notice depending on availability of the accommodation you may stay in an alternative lodge or guesthouse of the same quality than what is mentioned above.

Please note that the different experiences included in this package will be with different groups of travellers. You will not have the same group/guide throughout the itinerary.

# Itinerary

## Day 1: Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

Kota Kinabalu Airport Pickup

You will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel located in downtown Kota Kinabalu. The day is free to explore the city and its surroundings. Depending on the time of your arrival, we recommend making a visit to the Mari-mari Cultural Village or the nearby Sabah Museum.

Overnight: Dreamtel Kota Kinabalu Or Similar

## Day 2: Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

Snorkelling at Tunku Abdul Marine Park (B/L)

Meet your guide at your hotel between 8:00 - 8:15am. He will collect your insurance details and give you a short briefing about your trip. Transfer to Jesselton point to catch a boat to Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park. The park was gazetted in 1974 and is home of various types of coral, marine turtles and colourful fish.

Spend the day snorkelling in clear waters and stopping at some white-sand islands. You will share a boat with other travellers. Return to your hotel mid-afternoon.

Overnight: Dreamte Kota Kinabalu or similar

## Day 3: Kinabalu Park, Malaysia

Mount Kinabalu and Poring Hot Springs (B)

Today you will visit the Kinabalu Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. One of the most important ecological sites in the world, it is home to 5000-6000 species of plants, 326 different birds and 100 mammalian species. Explore the lower trails with an expert guide (you can let him know how much trekking you're up for!) and learn more about native plants.

Travel to the nearby Poring Hot Springs, a series of pools with different temperatures you can bathe in. Go on a canopy walk to see the rainforest from a bird's eye view. You may also visit the butterfly or orchid garden before traveling to the Sabah Tea Plantation, the only organic tea plantation in Malaysia. You'll arrive at 4pm, and can take part in optional activities such as a sunset walk. Say goodbye to your guide and settle in for the night.

Overnight: Sabah Tea Garden-Long House (Single Room) Or Similar

## Day 4: Kinabalu Park-Kinabatangan, Malaysia

Sabah Tea to Kinabatangan (L/D)

Rise early to take in the majestic views of Mount Kinabalu and the mist laden tea plantation. Travel to the Kinabatangan River, the longest river in Sabah and known for its extraordinary wildlife, a journey of about 5-6 hrs. Stay in the banks of the river amongst rainforest wetlands.

Go on a dusk wildlife in the early evening and keep your eyes open for Orangutans, Crocodiles, Proboscis Monkeys, Silver-Leaf and Macaque Monkeys. Later, you can go on an optional night walk in search of exotic insects.

Overnight: Bilit Adventure Lodge Fan or AC Room

## Day 5: Kinabatangan, Malaysia

Kinabatangan Trekking (B/L/D)

Get up early for a dawn river cruise and spot wildlife with the help of your guide. Don't forget your binoculars! Have breakfast and go trekking in the jungle. In the afternoon, take another river cruise.

Overnight: Bilit Adventure Lodge – Fan Room Or Similar

## Day 6: Kinabatangan-Sepilok, Malaysia

Sepilok Orangutan Sanctuary (B)

Say goodbye to your host and meet your new guide before heading to the nearby Gomantong Caves, a favourite filming site of the naturalist David Attenborough. They are famous for their edible swiftlets, harvested for the traditional bird's nest soup. Although it's a very traditional dish, there is a strict control on how many nests can be taken.

Continues toward Sepilok, where you will visit the famous Sepilok Orangutan sanctuary and the nursery. See these beautiful animals up close and learn about the rehabilitation process they go through before being released to the wild.

If you still have time, you can also go to the nearby Sunbear centre and rainforest discovery centre.

Overnight: Sepilok Jungle Resort – Fan Room Or Similar

## Day 7: Sepilok- Sandakan, Malaysia

Sandakan Airport or Accommodation Drop-Off (B)

This morning you will be transferred to the airport or hotel in Sandakan as your adventure comes to an end.

