

KUALA LUMPUR

Map & Guide



MALAYSIA

Situated in the heart of Southeast Asia, Malaysia is a vibrant destination with a diversity of cultures and traditions. This tropical paradise boasts pristine jungles and verdant national parks that are teeming with numerous species of birds and wildlife. Malaysia's sun-drenched islands and beaches are home to a stunning range of marine life. Its natural wealth is complemented by magnificent modern landmarks and heritage buildings. There is something to charm every visitor, be it a history-lover, nature-enthusiast, sun-seeker or an avid shopper. Explore the length and breadth of the country to discover the many attractions of Malaysia!

Kuala Lumpur

Kuala Lumpur or KL is Malaysia's capital city. It is one of the most vibrant and fast-growing cities in Asia, with exciting places to see along with world-famous landmarks, prestigious hotels and state-of-the-art facilities. This city has something for everyone, the business traveller, families, honeymooners and kids. Visit the glittering Petronas Twin Towers, the world's tallest twin structures and enjoy a leisurely stroll around Dataran Merdeka which gives a glimpse into KL's past. Spend some time at the parks, museums and art galleries or enjoy the adrenalin-rush at the theme parks. KL's status as the fourth among the top ten shopping cities in the world makes shopping a must on your itinerary. Enjoy KL, and leave with memories of a great holiday in Malaysia.



Places of Interest

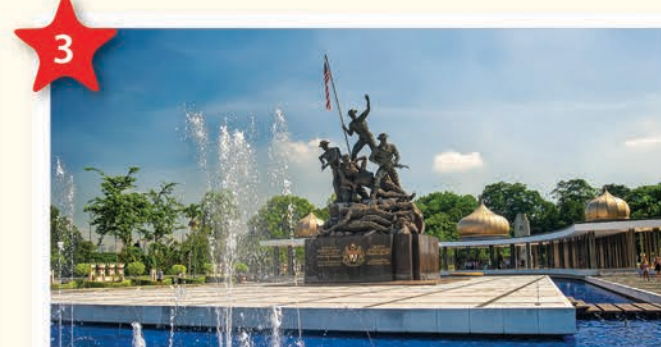


NATIONAL SCIENCE CENTRE
Housed in a futuristic looking building, the National Science Centre has various galleries that promote the understanding of Science and Technology. Visit the various galleries, such as Flight, Thinking Machine, Kids' World, Science Wonderland, Pathways to Science, Eureka, Fascinating Tunnel and Wonderspark. Learn everything from how airplanes float in the air and how robots work, or watch a mind-blowing 3D documentary!

www.psn.gov.my



ISTANA NEGARA (NATIONAL PALACE)
Jalan Duta
Istana Negara or the National Palace is the official residence of the King of Malaysia. This majestic edifice at Jalan Duta officially became the National Palace in 2011, replacing the old palace in Jalan Istana. Covering 97.65 hectares, the palace boasts a traditional Malay design with Islamic art work that were created by renowned sculptors from Terengganu and Kelantan. The palace is graced by 22 domes, with the largest standing at 44 metres in height.



TUGU NEGARA (NATIONAL MONUMENT)
Jalan Parlimen
Situating overlooking the KL Lake Gardens, the huge bronze monument was built to pay tribute to the soldiers who gave their lives defending the country during the Communist Insurgency in the 1950s. The National Monument was designed by Felix de Weldon, the architect of the famous Iwo Jima Memorial.



Shopping

Kuala Lumpur is a paradise for shoppers with something to cater to every taste and budget. The huge shopping malls are stocked with international and designer brands while the specialty outlets offer novelty items and irresistible souvenirs. The BBKLCC zone, made up of Bukit Bintang and KLCC is the city's main shopping area. There are numerous other chic malls around the city such as Mid Valley Mega Mall and The Gardens, Quill City Mall, Nu Sentral and Berjaya Times Square. For those who want a different shopping experience, there are places like Pasar Seni, Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman and Petaling Street, offering a mind-boggling range of items.



Dining

Kuala Lumpur is hailed as the region's food capital for its delectable variety of food and availability of 24-hour restaurants. Be it for enjoying a lavish meal at exclusive restaurants or chilling out at the alfresco cafes, KL offers unbeatable dining experiences. To savour the local delights, visit Kampung Bharu (Malay food), Jalan Alor (Chinese food) and Little India @ Brickfields (Indian food).



Getting There

KL is easily accessible by air, sea and land. The main airport in the country is the Kuala Lumpur International Airport which is about one hour's drive from the city. It is complemented by the newly built KLIA2, the world's largest purpose-built terminal dedicated to low cost carriers. The national carrier Malaysia Airlines has a global network that spans six continents. Malaysia Airlines is complemented by its subsidiary Firefly and the budget airline AirAsia.

From the airport, visitors can take the KLIA Ekspres and KLIA Transit fast trains for a hassle-free journey to the city. Buses, taxis and car rental services are also available.

Getting Around

Getting around the city is convenient with the network of trains and buses. KL Sentral Station is the city's modern transportation hub. The services here include KLIA Ekspres/Transit, LRT, KL Monorail and KTM Komuter trains. In addition, visitors can also get around via the KL Hop On Hop Off Bus Tours. Trams are available within the Tun Abdul Razak Heritage Park area.

Useful Contacts

Tourist Information Centres

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KLIA 2
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KL Sentral
Tel: 603 2272 5823

Malaysia Tourism Centre
Tel: 603 9235 4848

Bangunan Sultan Abdul Samad
Tel: 603 2602 2014



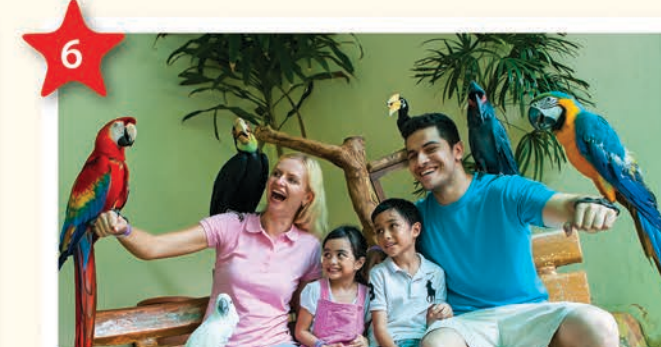
TUN ABDUL RAZAK HERITAGE PARK

Encompassing 173 acres, Tun Abdul Razak Heritage Park is a sprawling area with rainforests, lakes, flower gardens and trails. Visitors can explore the park on foot, take the tram service or rent a bicycle to get around the park. Attractions within the park include Perdana Botanical Gardens (formerly known as the KL Lake Gardens), KL Bird Park, Butterfly Park and many more.



PERDANA BOTANICAL GARDENS

A refreshing oasis of greenery, Perdana Botanical Gardens is the city's premier park, sprawling over 200 acres. This tropical garden features exotic blooms, luxuriant foliage, impressive sculptures and majestic trees. Visitors can enjoy a stroll along the lake, go boating or put their stamina to the test at the jogging trails.



KL BIRD PARK

Sprawling over 20.9 acres, the KL Bird Park houses more than 3,000 birds from 200 local and foreign species. KL Bird Park is reputed to be the world's largest free-flight walk-in aviary. This beautifully landscaped park is home to the Changeable-Hawk Eagle, Bird of Paradise and many more. After a visit, enjoy a meal at the Hornbill Restaurant and Café, built in the style of a traditional Malay house.

www.klbirdpark.com



NATIONAL MUSEUM
Jalan Damansara

Malaysia's premier museum serves as a repository for the nation's rich history and heritage. Built in 1963, the museum's façade features a Minangkabau-style roof with two impressive front murals. The museum has four main galleries, showcasing a collection of keris or the Malay dagger, musical instruments, ceramics and many other artefacts. The museum offers free guided tours in various languages at 10.00am.

www.muziumnegara.gov.my



ISLAMIC ARTS MUSEUM

This museum showcases the beauty of Islamic arts in Malaysia and around the world. Highlights include Islamic architecture and replicas of famous buildings such as the Taj Mahal in India, Masjid Al-Haram in Mekah and the Amir Timur Mausoleum in Uzbekistan.

www.iamm.org.my



MASJID NEGARA (NATIONAL MOSQUE)

This is the main mosque in the city, boasting a star-shaped dome and a 73 metre high minaret. The beautifully landscaped grounds are dotted with pools and fountains. The mosque is situated at the fringes of the Perdana Lake Gardens. Visitors are advised to dress modestly when visiting the mosque and avoid prayer times.



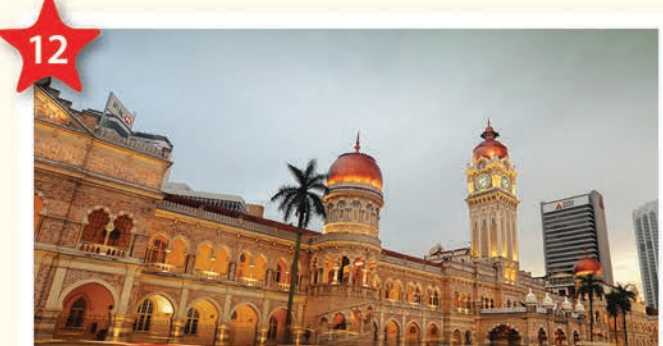
LITTLE INDIA @ BRICKFIELDS

This Indian enclave has various social, cultural, educational and religious establishments. Among the unique landmarks here are the Vivekananda Ashrama Building which was constructed in 1904, the YMCA building founded in 1905, old shops, schools, temples, churches, a mosque and a Chinese temple.



SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL
Jalan Raja

A fine example of early English Gothic architecture, this cathedral features stained glass windows and tasseled tile paving. A unique feature here is the pipe organ built in 1895 by Henry Willis, one of the greatest organ builders of his day.



SULTAN ABDUL SAMAD BUILDING
Jalan Raja

Sultan Abdul Samad Building one of the city's most enduring attractions. Built in 1897, the building is said to have been the finest in the Malay states. It features an imposing porch, graceful horseshoe shaped arches, shiny copper domes and a 41.2 metre clock tower. The Ground Floor of this building houses a Tourist Information Centre.



DATARAN MERDEKA (MERDEKA SQUARE)
Jalan Raja

Dataran Merdeka is one of the most important heritage sites in the city. The Union Jack was lowered here to mark the country's independence from Colonial rule. Hence the name Dataran Merdeka, which means 'Independence Square'. Activities in the area include free heritage guided walks, and KL ByCycle tours.



MASJID JAMEK
Off Jalan Tun Perak

Built in 1909, Masjid Jamek is the city's oldest surviving mosque. It features design elements that are inspired by the Mogul architecture in Northern India. Cupolas and minarets top the brick walls and arched colonnades, while a 70 feet dome surmounts the prayer hall. This mosque occupies a historic location at the confluence of the Klang and Gombak rivers, which is the birthplace of Kuala Lumpur.



KL CITY GALLERY
Jalan Raja

KL City Gallery gives an overview of the city's past, present and future through a collection of prints, miniatures and photographs. The gallery is situated in a 114-year old Moorish styled building. Visitors can watch artists at work, stand beside the largest wood veneer mural in the world and join a DIY workshop to assemble their own souvenirs.

www.klcitygallery.com



PASAR SENI (CENTRAL MARKET)
Jalan Hang Kasturi

Pasar Seni or Central Market is an award-winning bazaar which offers a wide variety of souvenirs and crafts created by local artists. Hunt for Malay, Chinese or Indian inspired souvenirs or find excellent pieces that reflect the traditions of the ethnic groups in Sabah and Sarawak. Designed by architect and designer T.Y. Lee, this building is a fine example of the Art Deco styles of the 1930s. It was the first example of a heritage building being adapted for a different use.

www.centralmarket.com.my



SRI MAHA MARIAMMAN TEMPLE
Jalan Tun H.S. Lee

Situated at Jalan Tun H.S. Lee, this temple is one of the oldest in the country. The strikingly beautiful temple has a 22 metre tower and its interior is adorned with paintings and sculptures that depict the Hindu deities. During the festival of Thaipusam, this temple is the starting point of the procession that leads to Batu Caves.



PETALING STREET (CHINATOWN)

Petaling Street or Chinatown is the place to find everything from novelty items, fresh flowers, clothes, bags, shoes to timepieces and many more. Genuine, adventurous visitors can put their bargaining skills to the test.



SZE YA TEMPLE
Junction of Lebuhraya Pudu and Jalan Tun H.S. Lee

This temple has a history dating back to 1864. It was built by Yap Ah Loy, one of the most prominent leaders of the early Chinese community. Sze Ya Temple pays tribute to the deities of Sin Sze Ya and Si Sze Ya, which were said to have guided the Chinese Kapitain during the Selangor Civil War.



KL OLD RAILWAY STATION
Jalan Sultan Hishamuddin

This splendid building was the hub for the nation's rail transportation system before the state-of-the-art KL Sentral Station was built. Its Moorish architecture with graceful arches and minarets makes it one of the city's most photographed landmarks.



MUZIUM DIRAJA (ROYAL MUSEUM)
Jalan Istana

This museum is housed in a building that was formerly the National Palace. It was opened to the public after the official residence of the King was moved to Jalan Duta. Visitors can browse through the royal regalia and gifts during exhibitions.

www.muziumnegara.gov.my



ROYAL SELANGOR VISITOR CENTRE
Jalan Puncak, Off Jalan P.Ramlee

This is the home of the world-renowned Royal Selangor pewter. View an assortment of exhibits, go on a guided factory tour or purchase pewterware and silver jewellery. Visitors can also create their own souvenir at the School of Hard Knocks and The Foundry workshops.

www.royal Selangorvisitorcentre.com



KL TOWER
Jalan Puncak, Off Jalan P.Ramlee

Standing at a height of 421 metres, KL Tower is one of the most prominent landmarks in the country. It is the seventh tallest telecommunications tower in the world and the tallest in Southeast Asia. The tower is situated in the Bukit Nanas Forest Reserve, making it the only tower in the world to be located within a forest. View the city skyline from a dizzying height of 276 metres at the Observation Deck and enjoy a variety of other activities.

www.menaraki.com.my



JALAN-JALAN @ KAMPONG BHARU

Kampung Bharu exudes a distinctive Malay identity with traditional wooden houses, mosques, street stalls, old trades and eateries. The area has been occupied by the close-knit community that retained their heritage and traditions for generations. Don't miss the signature delicacies such as Ikan Bakar (grilled fish) and Nasi Lemak. Antarabangsa. Free guided walks are held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays at 4.15pm.



MALAYSIA TOURISM CENTRE (MATIC)
Jalan Ampang

Set in a colonial building, MATIC is a one-stop centre for tourists. Enjoy a host of facilities such as a 24-hour tourist police counter, internet access, tour agencies, currency exchange, hotel reservations as well as souvenir outlets and a chocolate boutique. Constructed in 1935, MATIC was originally a family residence of a wealthy tin miner and rubber estate tycoon. The building has been the venue of several important occasions including the first sitting of Malaysia's parliament.

www.matic.gov.my



PETRONAS TWIN TOWERS

Standing at a height of 451.9 metres, this gleaming structure of steel and glass is one of the world's tallest buildings. It is the centre piece of the Kuala Lumpur City Centre or KLCC, a prime attraction consisting of the Suria KLCC Shopping Mall, star-rated hotels, a landscaped park and a convention centre. Enjoy the exhilaration of standing at the Skybridge on the 41st Floor and Viewing Deck on the 86th Floor. Admission is on a first-come-first-serve basis.

www.petronastwintowers.com.my



PETROSAINS, THE DISCOVERY CENTRE
Suria KLCC

This exciting destination gives an insight into the petroleum industry. Spread over 7,000 square metres, the centre gives visitors the chance to visit an oil platform, travel in an oil-drop shaped vehicle or enjoy a thrilling ride in a helicopter simulator. Equipped with interactive displays, dioramas and other exciting exhibits, Petrosains is a great place for visitors of all ages.

www.petrosains.com.my



AQUARIA KLCC
Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

Covering over 60,000 sq ft, Aquraria KLCC is a state-of-the-art oceanarium. It showcases 5,000 aquatic and land-bound creatures from Malaysia and around the world. Designed by experts, the world-class facility has a 90 metre transparent underwater tunnel for visitors to get a good look at Sand Tiger Sharks, Giant Stingrays and Marine Turtles. Want something more exciting? Watch piranhas during their feeding times, or be a daredevil and join the Cage Rage and Dive with Sharks programmes for a thrilling experience!

www.aquariaklcc.com.my



THE HERITAGE CENTRE
Jalan Stonor

The Heritage Centre offers an insight into Malaysia's built heritage through exhibitions and seminars. Within its grounds is the Rumah Penghulu Abu Seman, a fine example of a traditional Malay house. Originally the residence of a Malay headman, the house was restored and transported from the northern state of Kedah. It showcases intricate carvings as well as furniture and artefacts.

www.badanwarisan.org.my



KUALA LUMPUR CRAFT COMPLEX
Jalan Conlay

Styled after a Malay village, the complex is an artist's colony housing handicraft shops, a craft museum and a food court. Visitors can join art workshops to create their own batik piece, try their hand at pottery-making, watch how silverware is made, have their caricature painted or just browse around for unique souvenirs.

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