2015 Virtuoso Symposium

Pre-Post Familiarization Tours/Offers

Tour Operator: REMOTE LANDS INC.

TOUR NAME: Take a Walk on the Wild Side - Jungles & Wildlife of Malaysian Borneo

TOUR DATE: April 29 - May 5, 2015





Program:

Apr 29 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo (Shangri-La Tanjung Aru) Fly HKG to BKI. Transfer to Shangri-La's Tanjung Aru Resort

Apr 30 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo (Shangri-La Tanjung Aru) **B, L, D** Tour around Kota Kinabalu. Boat trip to visit the islands and beaches off the coast of Kota Kinabalu. Visit Mari-Mari Cultural Village. Dinner hosted by Sabah Tourism Board

May 1 Sukau, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo (River Lodge) **B, L, D** Check-out for Transfer to Airport. Take a flight to Sandakan

Arrive in Sandakan. Visit to Sepilok Orang Utan Sanctuary & Borneo Sun Bear Conservation Centre. Sandakan is the 2nd largest city in Sabah after Kota Kinabalu and the gateway to Borneo nature & wildlife. Sepilok is the world's oldest Orang Utan Sanctuary and was set up in 1964. The Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre is a new addition in Sepilok area and open to the public on January 2014.

Drive in to Sukau/ Kinabatangan River. Evening river cruise to view wildlife. The Sukau area, located at Kinabatangan River, sustains one of the world's richest ecosystems. A trip up the river at dawn or dusk is the best opportunity to see the wildlife such as Pygmy Elephant, Proboscis Monkeys, wild orang utan, and other riverine species.

May 2 Sukau, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo (River Lodge) B, L, D

Continue with a day of searching for Wildlife along the Kinabatangan River and a night walk through the forest.

May 3 Danum Valley, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo (Borneo Rainforest Lodge) B, L, D

Today you will enter the Danum Valley Conservation Area, comprised of mostly lowland rainforest. It is a delightful slice of Borneo at its very best. It was an informal preserve until the 1990's, when the government of Eastern Malaysia saw its great potential for tourism, as well as the need to formally protect its flora and fauna. The Valley is about 240 miles in its total area. One of the very best features of this land is that it is totally pristine. Before becoming a park, no humans had lived here. There was no mining or logging. Not many other parks in Southeast Asia can make this very specific claim. Here you can encounter not only the oldest rainforest in the world, over 90 million years older than the Amazon Jungle, but its elusive inhabitants – orangutans, gibbons, the Bornean Pygmy Elephant, and more.

Transfer out from Sukau and depart for Lahad Datu for registration and briefing. Depart for 2 hours overland journey on a gravel road to Borneo Rainforest Lodge via 4*4. Introduction to the forest through "Nature Trail" and "Canopy Walkway". "Night Drive" in an open top vehicle in search of nocturnal animals

May 4 Danum Valley, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo (Borneo Rainforest Lodge) B, L, D

After breakfast, enjoy a guided trek through the jungle to a Kadazan-Dusun burial site – "Coffin Cliff". Then proceed with trekking to the "View Point" for a bird's eye view of the area. Descend to the "Jacuzzi Pool". In the afternoon, choose between trekking Segama Trail or water tubing on the river. "Night Walk" in search of nocturnal animals

May 5 Departure B

After breakfast, check out and depart for a 2 hour journey back to Lahad Datu Airport. Fly to Kota Kinabalu (BKI) on MH3015. Upon arrival in KK, own flight connections or extra stay in Kota Kinabalu

PRICE: \$795.00 per person (For MEMBERS ONLY)

TOUR INCLUDES:

- 6 Nights of Accommodation on a single basis
- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner (B, L, D) as indicated
- All transfers, Activities & Touring with English speaking guide
- All entrance fees, park fees and conservation fees
- Domestic flights in Sabah, Malaysia

NOT INCLUDED:

- Flights into and out of Kota Kinabalu International Airport (Note that Kota Kinabalu is easily accessed from Hong Kong on direct flights daily.)
- Tips, gratuities, items of a personal nature, insurance

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