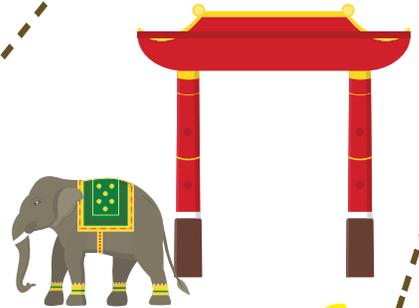
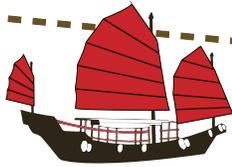


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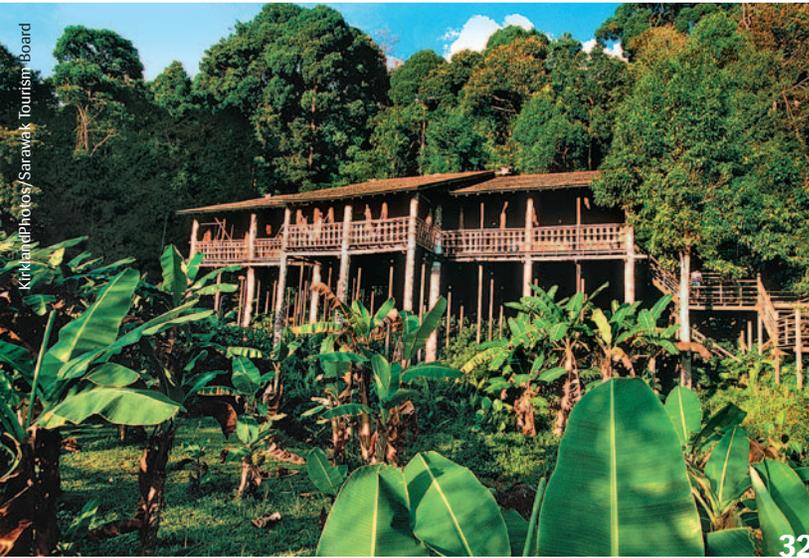
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Dear Guests,

Welcome aboard Royal Brunei Airlines!

With this first edition of MUHIBAH for the year, I extend my best wishes to all of our guests for a healthy, prosperous and peaceful New Year. For our Chinese friends and guests, we wish you a very auspicious and happy Chinese Lunar New Year.

We also would like to wish a very happy 35th National Day to all Bruneians this 23 February, 2019.

2018 has been an exciting year of significant achievement for us at RB with the expansion our route network to Nanning, Haikou, Taipei and most recently, Kuching and Changsha. We have also launched our game changing, non-stop flights between Brunei and London Heathrow on 28 October, 2018 linking Brunei and the United Kingdom with a seamless direct air-link for the first time. We will be providing the missing capital city to capital city link between Bandar Seri Begawan and Tokyo (Narita) in mid-March 2019 and we are keen to commence services to Beijing and a second Australian city this year.

With these new and planned route additions, RB will operate out of its hub airport in Bandar Seri Begawan to 25 international destinations across the world and more via codeshare and interline relationships with our Partner Airlines.

We recently welcomed our seventh A320NEO aircraft, the best-in-class single-aisle aircraft, thus making RB the owner of one of the youngest fleets in the world with an average fleet age of two years. With the latest technology aircraft, RB offers our guests the very best in cabin product, better operational reliability and a positive impact to our environment by reducing fuel burn and carbon emissions.

2018 also marked a significant milestone for RB as we were honoured with the 2018 Four-Star Award by APEX and "Travellers' Choice Economy Class-Asia" and "Travellers' Choice Regional Airlines-Asia" by TripAdvisor. We also moved 14 places to be the 78th best airline in the recent Skytrax airline ranking. We sincerely thank all our guests who have written to us, both via social media and industry sites, acknowledging our services and the great value we provide.

I would also like to extend my sincerest thanks to everyone on Team RB both in Brunei and our stations worldwide who have shown great teamwork and dedication all year long to serve and accord our guests the best service value.

We look forward to an even more exciting year for RB in 2019 with the much anticipated launch of our new routes, the completion of the renovation works to facilities and the building of a new cafeteria at headquarters RB Campus for our team.

Lastly, we wish you a very pleasant trip with RB. Rest assure that our teams, both on the ground and in the air, will do their utmost to ensure you have a comfortable and enjoyable journey.

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Warmest Regards,  
Karam Chand  
Chief Executive Officer

# INSIDE RB

Roundup of Royal Brunei Airlines happenings.



## RB LAUNCHES LONDON NON-STOP

Royal Brunei Airlines (RB) held an official launch of its first ever non-stop flight to London with a blessing ceremony on 27 October, 2018 at Brunei International Airport. Present as the Guest of Honour and to officiate the launch was Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr Awang Hj Mohd Amin Liew bin Abdullah, Minister of Finance II and Chairman, RB Board of Directors; Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awg Abdul Mutalib Pehin Orang Kaya Seri Setia Dato Paduka Hj Muhammad Yusof, Minister of Communications; His Excellency Mr Richard Lindsay, British High Commissioner to Brunei Darussalam and Mr Karam Chand, RB's Chief Executive Officer.

At London Heathrow, guests departing on the inaugural evening London-Brunei flight were greeted with cupcakes and festivities at check-in. RB cabin crew wore the *Simpur* – Brunei's national flower, and took part in a Royal Brunei video and photoshoot. A celebration to mark this milestone route launch was also held at The Gherkin, London's most instantly recognisable iconic tower, the following day.



## MOA WITH SARAWAK TOURISM BOARD

RB signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Sarawak Tourism Board (STB) on 15 November, 2018 to collaborate and stimulate the inflow of visitors between Brunei and Kuching and vice versa from RB's network.

The MOA was signed by Mr Karam Chand, RB's Chief Executive Officer and Puan Sharzede Datuk Hj Salleh Askor, STB's Chief Executive Officer. Present to witness the signing and exchange of the MOA documents were Guest of Honour, Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Ali bin Apong, Brunei's Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism and Yang Berhormat Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah, Sarawak Minister for Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports.

## RB AT WORLD TRAVEL MARKET LONDON

RB participated in the annual World Travel Market (WTM) 2018 in London from 5 -7 November, 2018 to promote its London Non-stop. RB also hosted a reception on the second day of WTM for their trade and business partners. This year's WTM was held at ExCeL London.





## BRUNEI DECEMBER FESTIVAL LAUNCH

RB took part in the launch of Brunei December Festival held at Taman Sir Muda Omar 'Ali Saifuddin in Bandar Seri Begawan on 2 December, 2018. The festival was launched by His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddin Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam who also visited RB's camp. The month-long inaugural festival was held to provide tourism activities and fun for both residents and visitors.

## MAULIDUR RASUL 2018

Team RB participated in the nation-wide celebration at Taman Sir Muda Omar 'Ali Saifuddin in Bandar Seri Begawan on 20 November, 2018.



## ROYAL SKIES NOVEMBER MILLION MILES CAMPAIGN

Nine winners were picked for Royal Skies (RS) November draw of its Million Miles Campaign. Exclusively for Bank Islam Brunei Darussalam (BIBD), Standard Chartered Bank (SCB) and Baiduri Bank cardholders, RS members who convert their bank points to a minimum of 5,000 miles from 1 November, 2018 to 28 February, 2019 will be eligible for a monthly lucky draw. The winners for November 2018 were:

- Eustolia Santiago Tuazon – won 100k Royal Skies Miles
- Noorazarina A Ibrahim – won 50k Royal Skies Miles
- Pg Kamarulzaman Pg Ali – won 20k Royal Skies Miles
- Siok Tuan Ang – won 20k Royal Skies Miles
- Md Zain Jumat – won 20k Royal Skies Miles
- Hafzah Azhar – won 10k Royal Skies Miles
- Saiful Azmi Husain – won 10k Royal Skies Miles
- Viviyanti Ali – won 10k Royal Skies Miles
- Marilyn Abdullah Graeme – won 10k Royal Skies Miles

Present at the ceremony were Awang Hanif Abdullah, Head of Commercial and System Support; Mr James Millet, Head of Digital & Marketing and Ms April Chu, Manager, Loyalty.

## LAUNCH OF RB TAIPEI FLIGHT

RB held an official launch of its inaugural flight to Taipei with a thanksgiving and blessing ceremony on 3 December, 2018 at Brunei International Airport. The flight was operated with a special livery A320NEO aircraft which showcased the very best of Brunei Tourism.

The inaugural flight from Brunei landed in Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport with a water cannon salute on arrival at 1:45 pm. RB's delegation, led by Mr Martin Aeberli, RB's Chief Commercial Officer, together with 48 Bruneian students attending the 2018 Compatriot Youth Taiwan Tour to explore the local culture, was greeted with a welcoming ceremony.

A dinner reception was held to celebrate the inaugural flight with RB's business partners and was attended by RB Brand Ambassador, Wu Chun, China Airlines representatives, travel and tour agents, and airport officials at Sheraton Grand Taipei Hotel.

The thrice weekly flights to Taipei will be operated using RB's new fleet of A320NEO aircraft.



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Float in a hot tub  
and cruise around  
the River Thames.

# A DIFFERENT LENS

**The creative and unique ways to see London.**

Words **EMMA RAMSAY**

Searching for an alternative to a walking tour of the UK capital? Here's how you can turn London sightseeing into an immersive experience, whether it's via watersports, from the sky ... or even in a hot tub! Yes, you read that correctly – you can now step into a freshwater hot tub that sails down London's River Thames, passing by some of the capital's most iconic sights. The 90-minute HotTug ([hottuguk.com](http://hottuguk.com)) experience sets sail from two different locations: Angel, north London, takes you through the cute and calm waterways of Regent's Canal while in the Docklands area lets you pass by the scenic Canary Wharf/West India Quay. For a comfortable "ride", consider the VIP Experience to receive a sailor's hat, robe and towel rental and an essential ice bucket to keep drinks cool.





02  
Stand up paddle boarding around London's backwaters is a great micro-adventure.

03  
A kayak tour of London is great both day and evening.



Out of a tub, Back of Beyond Adventures ([backofbeyonduk.com](http://backofbeyonduk.com)) urges you to try stand up paddleboarding (SUP) around London's canals and its beautiful backwaters for a micro-adventure. The company organises trips to view sunrises, enjoy sunsets and all the while ensuring not only a good outing, but a great workout as well. In the SUP Taster session in Richmond, expert instructors guide you on paddling techniques, water safety, rules of the river and basic maneuvering so you can enjoy the sojourn with confidence. For a different view of the city, try kayaking by night. London's landmarks are emblazoned with light come nightfall, delivering an atmospheric glow as you view them from double kayaks on the River Thames. On board the Night Bus trip with London Kayak Company ([londonkayakcompany.com](http://londonkayakcompany.com)), you will paddle past the Houses of Parliament, Albert Bridge, Old Naval College and Tower Bridge, a journey that takes you from pretty Battersea and ends in the historic maritime neighbourhood of Greenwich. Waterproof clothing, paddles, buoyancy aids – and instructors – are included.





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Aiden Kent, the  
Singing Cabbie.

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Run or jog to keep  
fit while fitting in the  
essential sights.



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Back on terra firma, why not catch a ride on the iconic London black cab? But not just any cab. Black cab taxi driver – and professional singer – Aiden Kent has been driving customers around London for 20 years when he decided to combine his love for singing with his love for performing. The ‘Singing Cabbie’ ([singingcabbie.com](http://singingcabbie.com)) fitted out his cab with a red carpet, Italian red leather seats and complimentary drinks for guests, and a specially-adapted PA system lets guests experience an extraordinary performance as he zips you past London’s sights. If you prefer to hear your own tunes, then lace up, put on the headphones and join City Jogging Tours ([cityjoggingtours.co.uk](http://cityjoggingtours.co.uk)) that offers both specially designed tours or customised versions to run around the city. An experienced guide leads you to London’s best attractions and the tours cater for all running abilities, from newcomers to endurance runners. A great way to keep fit and fit in essential sightseeing.

To experience the London skyline, hop into a basket at any of Virgin Balloon Flights’ ([virginballoonflights.co.uk](http://virginballoonflights.co.uk)) launch sites situated around the outskirts of the capital. On a beautiful clear day with the right wind, the closest hot air balloon to London in St Albans offers fantastic





06  
Hot air balloon flights over London are possible, but they are weather dependent.

07  
The Ghost Bus Tours combines theatre and sightseeing with comic results.



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views of Canary Wharf and the rolling Hertfordshire countryside. Or why not launch from Brentwood in Essex, conveniently located just off the M25? This is the ideal place to hop in a basket for breathtaking views over London's neighbouring counties.

Of course, we can't leave London without mentioning one of its quirky sightseeing tours: The Ghost Bus Tours ([theghostbustours.com](http://theghostbustours.com)). On this 75-minute tour – often described as more funny than spooky, you will encounter all of London's famous landmarks, including Downing Street, Tower of London, Buckingham Palace, The Shard and Westminster Abbey. But that's not all. The UK's only comedy-horror theatre sightseeing experience on wheels will entertain you with stories of royal executions and devious spirits as you ride the signature midnight black Routemaster complete with antique lamps. Brilliant actors, great humour and warm hospitality make this one a ride to remember. 

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# TAIWAN

## TURNS ON THE

### HALAL

# CHARM

How one island is wooing Muslim travellers.

Words **ANIS RAMLI**  
Images **TAIWAN TOURISM BUREAU KL OFFICE**

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Taipei 101, Taipei City, was the world's tallest building between 2004 and 2010.

02  
Rainbow Village, Taichung, is distinctive with its brightly coloured murals painted by a retired soldier.



With 70 percent of the island covered in rugged, forested mountain with easily a lake, river and basin within reach, it comes as little surprise to anyone why Taiwan – with its diverse landscape – is among one of Southeast Asia's top destinations.

Home to Sun Moon Lake, the largest body of water in Taiwan; Taroko Gorge, the marble canyon in Taroko National Park and the "Sea of Clouds" that hang over the Central Mountain Range, Taiwan is ridiculously stunning.

Now, the island is set to make itself even more endearing, particularly to Muslim travellers.

The government has embarked on an aggressive journey to encourage many major attractions including hotels to be Muslim-friendly while urging eateries to explore halal certification. With the country now ranked fifth on the list of Muslim-friendly non-OIC tourist destinations in the 2018 Global Muslim Travel Index (GMTI) report, Taiwan is leading the way to show that it is possible to have fun and remain observant to your faith.

Taipei is already known for being a Muslim-friendly destination, but the focus now has gone beyond the nation's capital. At popular theme parks such as Lefoo Village in Hsinchu County and Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village





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Shizhuo, Alishan, captivates  
with its rolling tea plantations.

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Xiding, Chiayi, offers the best  
sunsets and sea of clouds from  
atop Eryanping Shan.

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Alishan, Chiayi, is home to  
the stunning 106-year-old  
mountain railway.

near Sun Moon Lake – where rollercoasters, rapid rides and cultural entertainment make an ideal family outing – guests can now take a break in the park’s respective halal-certified eateries and also find prayer room facilities (*musolla*).

At the Fullon Hotel and Resorts Lihpao Land in Taichung, the property is trying to coax Muslim travellers to embrace the integrated resort trend. In its sprawling 200 hectares site – which makes it Taiwan’s biggest resort park – lies a land and water amusement park, a multi-level outlet mall, a world class racing and go-kart circuit and other modern leisure activities. Guests can hop from one activity to another and retire with ease at Fullon Hotel where rooms are equipped with prayer mats, prayer timetables and the Qiblah direction. “We were keen to capture the growing Muslim tourist market and the decision was made early on in 2018 to invest in a million dollar halal kitchen apart from making our rooms friendly to Muslims,” says Sonia Wu, Assistant Manager, Sales Department of Fullon Hotel and Resorts Lihpao Land. An extension of these efforts is the hotel’s Japanese restaurant, J San Izakaya, that provides a halal menu for Muslims, a dedicated Muslim eating area with separate tableware and a prayer room facility.



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Much of the halal efforts by Taiwan’s government are a product of its “southbound policy” that seeks to boost relations with 16 South and Southeast Asian countries while simultaneously wooing visitors from Muslim-majority countries such as Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia and Indonesia. This is aided by Taiwan Tourism Bureau that works with Taiwan’s Chinese Muslim Association (CMA) to oversee the halal certification of restaurants, hotels and





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06 Sun Moon Lake, Nantou, is the largest body of water in Taiwan.

07 The Pingxi Lantern Festival, New Taipei City, takes place on the last day of the Lunar New Year.

08 Leofoo Village Theme Park, Hsinchu, houses a safari park on site and is popular with the locals.



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central kitchens. The bureau also provides subsidies for the acquisition of halal certification by restaurants and hotels to encourage them to improve or renovate their facilities to fulfill Muslim guests' needs. To date, Taiwan has at least 324 certified halal restaurants located all over the country.

In addition to overseeing halal compliance, the Chinese Muslim Association actively engages stakeholders on Islam. When Palais de Chine Hotel Taipei sought to make their hotel Muslim-friendly, Tilly Chiu, Senior Sales Manager, expected the usual training on halal kitchen operations and food advice. She says, "They did that, of course. But we also learnt other aspects of the faith such as how pictures of living things are prohibited which really helped us in preparing our Muslim-friendly rooms."

Travellers can also download the Halal TW app, designed to help Muslim tourists as well as residents explore Taiwan with peace of mind. Developed by a team of Muslim students from National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, the app helps users locate not just halal restaurants and nearby mosques and *musolla*, but shares for instance, halal food sections that can be found in local grocers. "We are continuously trying to optimise our info sharing, such as listing local attractions – popular places to see and activities to do – that are also shariah-compliant for an all-inclusive experience," says Halal TW co-developer, Intan Dzikria. "It is important for us to ensure that when we talk about halal the public understands that it is more than just food and drinks – it also means ensuring all aspects of a the itinerary and activities are suitable for Muslims." This, she says, involves





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Yehliu Geopark, New Taipei City, is home to whimsical rock formations and landforms such as this iconic "Queen's Head" formation.

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Taroko National Park, Nantou, was formed by the continual rising of the mountains combined with the erosive power of the Liwu River.

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Ice Monster, Taipei, serves delicious, made-from-fruit ice desserts and is considered a Taiwanese institution.

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Palais de Chine Hotel, Taipei, is one of the emerging Muslim-friendly hotels in the city that targets Muslim travellers worldwide.

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seeking advice from Muslim scholars as well as the CMA to provide proper guidelines on all shariah-related matters. At the moment, Halal TW supports Mandarin, Bahasa and English. Plans are underway to upgrade the app to include Arabic and Urdu languages.

Ice Monster, considered by some as a Taiwanese institution, has gained much from being listed on Halal TW. At its flagship store on Zhongxiao E. Road, residents and tourists come for both the photos and shaved ice desserts. Its bestseller is a mango ice concoction made from pure mango juice and finished off with chunks of fresh mangoes. Josh Wang, Sales and Marketing Manager, said, "Our production process meets the halal criteria anyway, and so it just made sense for us to apply for the halal certification. Certainly with this move, it will allow us to provide better quality standards because halal essentially means a higher standard of food safety. And that, we believe, is good for everyone."

With efforts from both the government and various stakeholders put in place to make Taiwan more Muslim friendly, the country certainly has charmed itself into the hearts of the traveller that seeks to balance fun and faith. ✓

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A Conscious  
Collection



It is not everyday that you get to collect your own eggs for breakfast. But that was exactly what we found ourselves doing this morning. As our resort host Frankie threw open the gates to the free-range chicken farm, we were immediately greeted with a cacophony of squawks and growl. We then made our way to the coop and as gently as we could, scooped out two eggs from beneath the mother. With the eggs in our basket, we headed to the kitchen to have them prepared.

Collecting fresh organic eggs for breakfast is just one of the experiences guests are encouraged to have at Six Senses Ninh Van Bay, a luxury quasi-secluded resort across the water from busy Nha Trang. Six Senses, a chain of resorts with sustainability at its core, was founded in 2006 and today takes pride in sharing its principles with guests, such as in this morning's activity.

The chicken farm has plenty of room for its residents to roam. And it was evident from how plump they looked. The other thing we noticed about the farm was the lack of any unpleasant odour. "You noticed that too, didn't you?" asked Ngoc Nguyen, the resort's sustainability supervisor as she showed us around. "Chicken droppings usually have a very pungent ammonia smell. You don't smell it with our chickens partly because of their diet. Here at the resort, we mostly feed them excess from our resort kitchen so they get stuff like our organic vegetables, rice and pho (noodles). Not bad for a chicken, yes?" Ngoc asked laughing.

The farm is part of the Six Senses Earth Lab initiative that exists across all other Six Senses properties. Six Senses Ninh Van Bay's was launched in November 2018, continuing the brand's values in preserving and conserving the environment. Guests are encouraged to take on the Earth Lab tour to learn more about the resort's sustainability efforts. Which was what we were doing today. As Ngoc

## A sustainable approach defines a stay at Six Senses Ninh Van Bay.

Words ANIS RAMLI  
Images ANIS RAMLI AND SIX SENSES NINH VAN BAY



guided us through the organic vegetable garden, she tells us about the children’s programme that lets them sow the soil and help with transferring seedlings. There is also a hut on site where a huge cauldron turns lemongrass, eucalyptus and orange peels from the farm into essential oils that are then used in the spa. Roaming further, Ngoc brought us past the water treatment plant and solar panels. The resort saves around 15,000 plastic bottles per month by producing their own water using reverse osmosis and bottling them in glass.

Putting the environment first is also at the heart of the resort’s architecture, where it deftly demonstrates you can seamlessly merge commitment to sustainability with luxury. All 59 villas are built to blend in with the local culture, have private pools and offer panoramic view of the bay. Our villa, a two storey beach-fronting abode and mere steps away from the water, is made









from sustainable wood and natural sourced materials. Large floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors in the sleeping quarters allow natural light in while providing ample ventilation. This translated to minimal need for air-conditioning which in turn reduces energy consumption – and that is good for the planet. The living room upstairs is made of dark wood with high-thatched roofs and an open concept to enjoy the late evening breeze and sunsets.

As with everything else, even dining at Six Senses Ninh Van Bay takes on the brand's sustainable values. The resort's organic produce supports the farm-to-table concept with creations such as the stunning pomelo salad with laksa leaves. Sitting with Chef Alex one evening, we spoke about the food philosophy and why there will still remain imported cheeses and salmon on the menu. "A core value of Six Senses is to consciously choose better quality food from





the grassroots until it reaches consumers, or it is made consciously. There are some instances where there is no solution. We are a luxury resort and we are expected to have certain things like cheese, for instance, so we have to try to find the best of them.” But guests will not find blue fin tuna on the menu, and oysters and lobsters appear only on special occasions and big events.

The kitchen uses fresh ingredients as much as possible and cooks them as healthy as possible. The idea, says Chef Alex, is to have guests taste the food as how it should be, without flavour enhancers and the like. So here at the resort, pho broths are made from scratch and flavoured with prawn shells and vegetables and they make their own ketchup with just three ingredients: tomatoes, vinegar and sugar. The same goes with their homemade ice cream, complimentary to guests everyday at the ice cream shop, where seasonal flavours include passionfruit, green apple, mango and chocolate.

“Ice cream in access is not good. But our ice creams are made on site. We do not use fillers and any of those nasty things that go into commercial ice creams. So essentially what we’re trying to do is encourage guests to really think about what goes into their food and know that there are better alternatives and that they should try to make that switch,” explains Chef Alex.

As I left Chef Alex at the restaurant and made my way to get my third sorbet serving of the day, I was comforted of the thought that being sustainable – whether in food or lifestyle choices – can be achieved while on vacation. Six Senses just made that offering a bit more plausible. 

Royal Brunei Airlines flies Ho Chi Minh City 6x weekly for easy connections to Ninh Van Bay. Discover things to do in Ninh Van Bay in [www.muhibah.com.bn](http://www.muhibah.com.bn)





# AN ODE TO DIVERSITY

Why Kuching should be your next travel adventure.

Words ANIS RAMLI  
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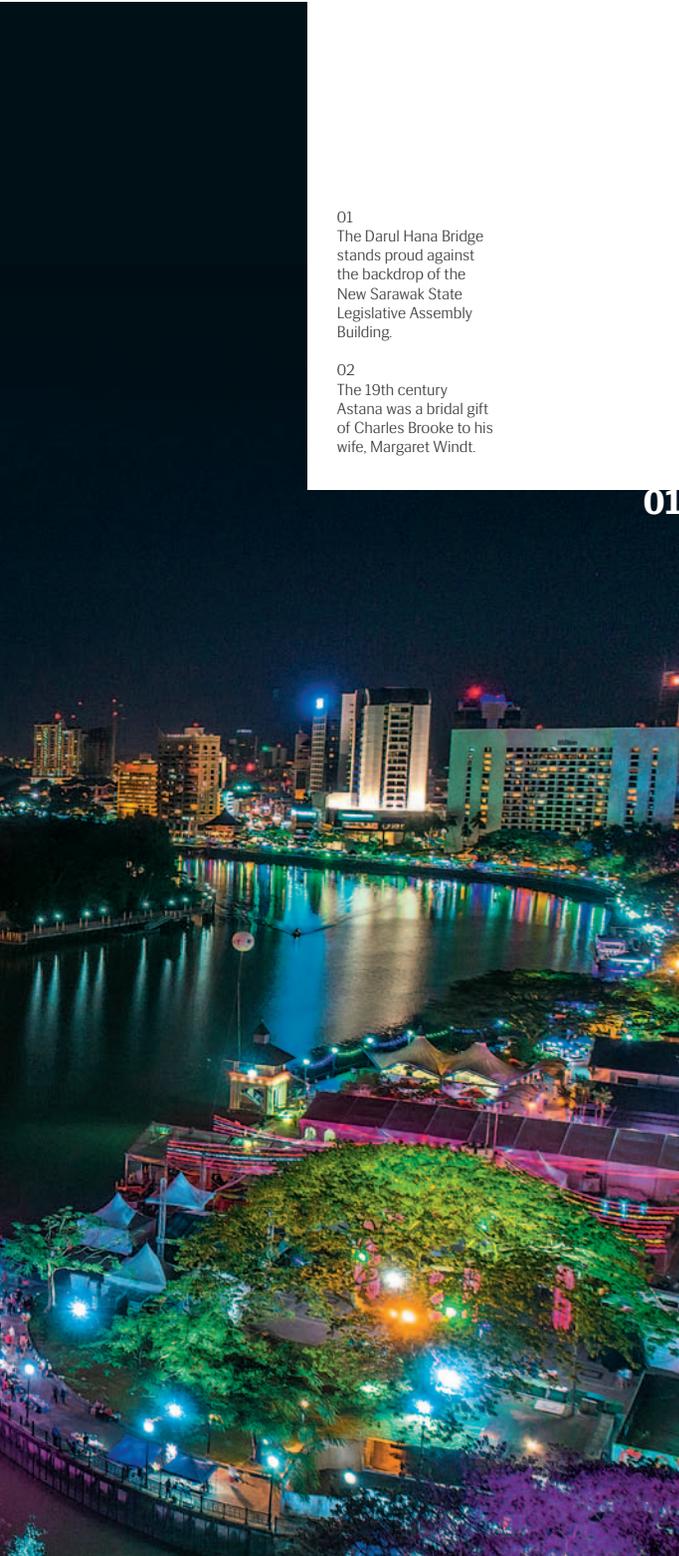


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The Darul Hana Bridge stands proud against the backdrop of the New Sarawak State Legislative Assembly Building.

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The 19th century Astana was a bridal gift of Charles Brooke to his wife, Margaret Windt.



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The “Urang Sarawak: An Exhibition About Us”, presently being held at the Art Museum wing of the Sarawak Museum, is an apt title that reflects the vast and rich tapestry of Sarawak’s peoples and culture. It traces the state’s early history with significant sections on Niah Caves; highlights the works of Tom Harrison, one of the museum’s colourful yet devoted early curators; traces Sarawak’s development from WWII through the Brooke era and the formation of Malaysia; and provides a window to the various ethnic groups through religion, cosmology and arts.

It is compact – perhaps due to space constraints – but the interactive nature of the exhibition was not lost on the visitor. In fact, this is the kind of cultural investment many have come to expect from Sarawak, and to have Kuching host it speaks volumes of this city as an oasis of culture in a landscape of modernity.

Unfortunately, most travellers to Sarawak have their bucket-list of big hits to score – Mulu Caves, Bako National Park, Batang Ai longhouse – and often times, Kuching is merely a means to justify the end. But Kuching can be eminently worthwhile if you were to be patient with it.

Food is perhaps the best way to discover the complex and layered identity of the more than 40 sub-ethnic groups found in Sarawak. Lepau is a well-blazed restaurant among locals and in-the-know visitors for a taste of the indigenous Orang Ulu and Dayak cuisines. The menu reflects many of the traditions of the two ethnic groups that, apart from sustenance, is a mirror of their identities, memories and families. Its most popular dishes are *ayam pansuh*, chicken steamed in bamboo and stuffed with tapioca leaves that could not have been more authentic, and *terung asam* and *ikan salai* soup, using native yellow eggplants slow-cooked with smoked fish, a dish that will make you want to swap that chicken soup for the cold with its delicate tartness and subtle smoky flavour.





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The Melanau House often stands 40 feet above the ground to stave off pirate attacks.

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Congkak at the Malay House, a favourite pastime among the Malays.

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A "resident" at the Bidayuh House of the Sarawak Cultural Village.



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About 45 minutes away from Kuching, an immersive look into the lives of Sarawak's major tribes awaits. Thirty years after it opened, the Sarawak Cultural Village remains deeply invested in leaning on its mosaic of people to provide more than just preservation of its heritage and traditions. Within the showcase of tribal houses belonging to the Bidayuh, Iban, Penan, Orang Ulu, Melanau, Malay and Chinese people, the village is transformed into a "living museum" with activities that feature local craftsmen, artists and storytellers. From one tribal house to another, the architecture becomes the language in which to engage guests, while the village's "living" element draws guests in to experience the tactile, visceral and sensorial.

Visitors come face to face with a warrior elder at the *barok* of the Bidayuh house, a male-only congregational space traditionally used as a lookout for enemies, filled with gongs, weapons, wooden masks and other personal effects. A raised smoking platform sits in the middle, because the Bidayuh also traditionally use the *barok* to smoke as well as a repository to store the skulls of their enemies after a headhunting raid. In the verandah of the Orang Ulu house, the soft acoustic rumblings of the *sape* welcome guests against a backdrop of intricate murals and woodcarvings. Similarly, in the apartments and communal spaces of other dwellings, the "residents" portray the typical everyday tasks that take place such as making traditional sweetcakes, weaving cloths or doing beadwork, all of which present plenty of opportunities for guests to join in and experience.



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Of course, Kuching still thrives on the tourist architecture whose appeal appears to be insta-worthy. Case in point: the steel, curved Darul Hana Bridge that connects this southern city to its sister north, completed in 2017. But, its overall development is, thankfully, restrained, which allows for the city's past to thrive and subtly co-exist. At Kuching's waterfront, a popular place for evening strolls and gatherings, the most well-known landmark of the city is the row of houses on Main Bazaar. Here, fine examples of Chinese architecture, a relic of a time when Sarawak River was a prominent trading harbour in the 19th century, remain standing as souvenir hunting grounds and abodes for local crafts. A walking distance away, buildings that testify to the Brooke's three generations of colonial rule in Sarawak, such as the Old Courthouse, The Pavilion, The Roundtower and the Central Post Office, create a beautiful collage of Kuching's rich past.

There is a fierce drive for Kuching to connect and strengthen its communities through its history while re-imagining its role for the future. The temporary closure



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06 Let food guide you to discover the various ethnic groups in Sarawak.

08 Personal effects of the late Margaret de Windt on show at "Ranee: Margaret of Sarawak" exhibition.

07 Lepau Restaurant serves indigenous Orang Ulu and Dayak cuisines.



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of the Sarawak Museum has no doubt left a void in the arts and culture scene, hence why last year's launch of the exhibition on Margaret de Windt, wife of the second Rajah of Sarawak, Charles Vyner Brooke, was timely. Held at the Old Courthouse and entitled simply "Ranee: Margaret of Sarawak", the exhibition encourages conversations about how Margaret's time in Sarawak and the city's legacy intertwine. The exhibition is an extension of the Brooke Trust project that now houses the permanent Brooke Gallery at Fort Margherita.

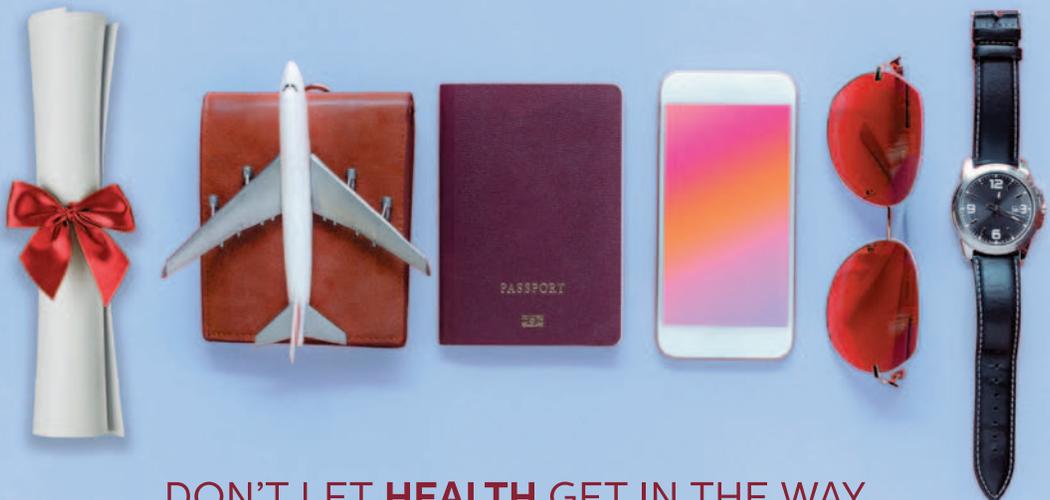
It would be a mistake to stop exploring Kuching. As it continues to inject vitality in its landscape, Kuching remains steadfast in harnessing the threads and interconnectiveness of its peoples, past and the land to claim back its colourful narrative. ✓

Muhibah was hosted by Sarawak Tourism Board.

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## AUSTRALIA

### Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park

Extraordinary landscape of desert plains, weathered mountain ranges and rocky gorges define the Aboriginal Australia's most sacred sites: Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Floating in an outback waterhole, dining under a starry sky while being serenaded by a didgeridoo, and watching the world's most famous rock change colours at dawn and dusk are some of outback Australia's most unmissable experiences. Walk around the base of Uuru with an Aboriginal guide, take a helicopter flight or motorcycle tour, or see it from the back of a camel on an early morning or sunset safari. The 36 rounded domes of Kata Tjuta are only 50 kilometres from Uluru and are just as impressive. Follow one of the many bushwalking trails or join a tour from Ayers Rock Resort. And, whatever your budget you'll love Ayers Rock Resort, which has accommodation from camp and campervan sites to five-star poolside rooms at Sails in the Desert, and glamping at Longitude 131, where you can see the sun rise and set over Uluru from your own luxury safari tent. Join one of the free cultural tours at the resort, star gaze with an astronomer and dine out in style under a canopy of stars at the famous Sounds of Silence outdoor buffet.

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## INDONESIA

### Komodo National Park

Komodo National Park, nestled between the islands of Flores and Sumbawa in Indonesia, consists of three large islands namely Komodo, Rinca and Padar. It is home to the legendary Komodo Dragon – the largest lizard in the world. The park's terrain is uniquely diverse, consisting of mountainous hillside, tropical rainforests, grass-woodland savannah, and pristine white sandy beaches which harbour a rich marine biodiversity. The marine environment in the Komodo National Park is one of the world's richest in flora and fauna and is still relatively undiscovered. Many begin their excursion to visit the park's three islands by hiring private boat tours through the local port town of Labuan Bajo on Flores island. From here, a daily itinerary consists of snorkelling, diving and discovering more of the magical underwater landscape of Komodo National Park. Hiking up to the tops of Rinca and Padar islands to catch the sunset is also popular. For a five-star experience by the sea, Amandira, a gorgeous 52-metre, two-masted Phinisi yacht belonging to Aman Resorts, plies the waters from March to October where the journey includes picnics on secluded beaches and a curated diving experience.

Royal Brunei Airlines flies Bali 5x weekly for easy connections to Labuan Bajo.





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## VIETNAM

### Hoi An Ancient Town

An ancient trading port, Hoi An had the largest harbour in Southeast Asia in the 1st century and even opened its own stoneware kilns in the 15th century to support the growing popularity of the Japanese tea ritual. Today its eclectic collection of communal houses and 82 ancient tube-shaped houses – many located on original streets – stand testament to its vibrant ancient personality. The architecture of Hoi An is characterised by a harmonious blend of Vietnamese, Chinese and Japanese influences. By night, the old town turns magical with an array of beautifully coloured lanterns lighting up the sidewalks and night markets. Explore the ancient town on foot, visit the markets, explore the express tailors and take up a cooking class by the river. Outside of Hoi An are peaceful villages that have artisanal and traditional crafts such as carpentry, bronze making and ceramics. Rent a bike or a taxi to see how these crafts have resisted time.

Royal Brunei Airlines flies Ho Chin Minh City 6x weekly for easy connections to Hoi An.



## MACAO

### Historic Centre of Macao

Known as the "Las Vegas of the East", Macao is a city full of history that offers so much more than their extravagant casinos. Known as the Special Administrative Region of China (SAR), the city is known for its heritage, preserving the unique culture and traditions of east and west of China. Macao has 22 sites recognised by UNESCO to be of cultural and historical significance. The best part is, many are within reach and situated right in the centre of town. There are the ruins of St Paul's, arguably Macao's most famous landmark. Located at the top of a hill, only the beautiful granite façade remains and a grand staircase of 68 stone steps leading up to it. At the heart of Macao's colourful Senado Square is the neo-classical Leal Senado Building. This was Macao's first municipal chamber and remains so till today. The striking green and white neo-classical Dom Pedro V Theatre, built in 1860, is the oldest theatre in Macao and was the first Western-style theatre to open in China. Further afield, walk around Guia Fortress and Lighthouse that was constructed in the early 1600s, and the first Western-style lighthouse on the China coast. Walk through the Flora Garden Gate at the foot of the hill and you will find a cable car that takes you to the top for picturesque views of Macao.

Royal Brunei Airlines flies Hong Kong daily for easy connections to Macao.



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## JAPAN

### Historic Villages of Shirakawa-go and Gokayama

Famous for their traditional farmhouses called “gassho-zukuri”, both Shirakawa-go and Gokayama are among the few areas left in Japan where you can witness the serene and beauty of a late 17th century village. “Gassho” means the act of prayer, and the roofs get their name because their steep triangular frame resemble two hands in prayer. Traditionally, the roofs are built between 45 and 60 degrees so that snow does not pile up on them in winter. Each of the houses is built without any nails and range between 100 and 400 years old. Any time is a good time to visit as Shirakawa-go beautifully reflects the different faces of the four seasons. The scenery blushes in pink with cherry blossoms in spring, turn bright green with the rice fields in summer, becomes fiery red with autumn foliage leaves in fall and turns a surreal winterland dreamscape in winter. Some of the houses are still lived in as homes, whilst others have been turned into guesthouses or souvenir shops. There are also some gassho-zukuri houses that are open to the public as museums. The houses light up in a special event every January and February. Because of its popularity, reservations are now required and can be made via [shirakawa-go.gr.jp/en/](http://shirakawa-go.gr.jp/en/)

Royal Brunei Airlines flies Incheon 2x weekly for easy connections to Japan.



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## UNITED KINGDOM

### City of Bath

A whimsical mix of cobblestone streets, historical sites and romantic architectural styles, Bath is famed for its history and natural hot springs. It's also the only destination in the UK where the entire city is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. Any visit to Bath must start with a dip at the Thermae Bath Spa. The open-air rooftop pool, where you can bathe in mineral-rich waters heated to 33.5°C, also gives panoramic views of Bath. For something more private, The Gainsborough Bath Spa is a stunning five-star luxury hotel with a unique twist. Built in a Regency architectural style, it centres around its own naturally-heated pools with direct access from several rooms – meaning you can run your bath with the mineral-rich thermal waters. To discover the city's history, tour the Roman Baths for a look into the city's beginnings. Then learn about its famous resident, Jane Austen, at the Jane Austen Centre where you can enjoy talks, displays and activities centred on the author's celebrated works. Still in the mood for all things Regency? You will be pleased to know that when you stop for a cup of tea at the Regency Tea Room, the staff will serve you in period costume. The hop-on, hop-off City Sightseeing bus offers a relaxing tour of the city's must-see attractions, including Bath Abbey and the architectural splendour of Bath's Royal Crescent. Then wander along Pulteney Bridge, considered one of the most beautiful bridges in the world and one of just a handful with shops built into the design. 🚩

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Kayaking a narrow channel  
on Selirong Island.

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A crocodile in the water in  
front of our eyes!



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# EXPLORING SELIKONG ISLAND

A wilderness waiting to be discovered.

Words JUSTIN JEFFREY

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Wild places are important not only for the habitats and creatures they sustain, but also to provide a footstool for contemplation; a place to escape the cacophony of life and the stresses that come with it. In Brunei Darussalam, such places of refuge and silent reflection are many. High on the list are the mangrove forests and waterways surrounding Selirong Island.

What makes the island even more appealing is its close proximity to Bandar Seri Begawan. There is a subversive thrill to finding such tranquility and seclusion so close to an urban sprawl. And, with its easy accessibility, Selirong can be visited by tourists with limited time on their itinerary.

Selirong is one of the 33 islands spread across Brunei's shores that have been developed as an ecotourism destination. It was gazetted as a Forest Reserve in 1948 (Gazette Notification 99/1948) under the Forest Act of 1934 and is now classified as a Forest Recreational Park. Special permission needs to be granted for a visit, though this can be arranged by your tour operator.

On a recent recce of Selirong on a kayak, arranged by husband-and-wife team Mark and Wann who run Mark Putera Delima Tours Sdn Bhd ([markputeradelima@gmail.com](mailto:markputeradelima@gmail.com)), it was clear that Selirong has a lot to offer. The journey out to the island takes just under an hour and began at the Temburong Jetty beneath the impressive Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha Bridge or commonly known as Sungai Kebun Bridge in Bandar Seri Begawan. From here,

we took a boat ride down Brunei River, past mosques and *kampongs* (villages) that come alive with the chatter of the residents and the muezzin's call to prayer. The new bridge to Temburong, a marvel of modern engineering, also comes into view shortly – its sinuous form floating in the silvery expanse of the river at first light. Early mornings are often calm. However, a boat ride in a calm sea with distant views of raging clouds marching down the Crocker Range can quickly become wild and thrilling with a sudden storm. The journey is never dull.

Arriving Selirong Island and upon registering at the guard post, we began paddling at the eastern extremity of the reserve on the Malaysian border in the broad channel of Sungai Raya. If you are lucky, you will make a start in the company of the elusive Irawaddy dolphins. Countless tributaries and

smaller channels flow into the river proper, providing passage into the stands of the many mangrove species that flourish in this plastic-free wilderness. The route can be challenging for inexperienced kayakers, but thankfully, there is another option to enjoy Selirong's pristine environment. Visitors can enjoy slow walks on the boardwalk that takes them past the island's impressive mangroves. The route is dotted with rest huts perfect for a snack break or to take in the sights and sounds of the forest. For those with a keen eye, sightings of the curious colugo or flying lemur and the proboscis monkeys with their comical nose and pot belly are not rare. But Selirong is not only for nature lovers. It provides an attractive option to plan an escape from the daily grind. An ecological habitat buzzing with life just in Brunei's backyard, Selirong indeed is an amazing place waiting to be discovered. 

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The boardwalk allows easy access to Selirong's unique mangrove habitat.

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Kayaking promises tons of wildlife sightings.

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On occasion, you may even get to catch sight of the resident Eurasian Otter (*Lutra lutra*).



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# MENEROKAI PULAU SELIRONG

*Keindahan khazanah alam sedia dikunjungi.*

Teks **JUSTIN JEFFREY** Terjemahan **IMA ABDULLAH**  
Imej **JUSTIN JEFFREY & MARKIM BIN HJ RAHMAN**

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Dalam perjalanan ke  
Pulau Selirong.

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Burung helang  
laut berbulu  
putih (*Haliaeetus  
leucogaster*) terbang  
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Monyet Proboscis (*Nasalis larvatus*) masih boleh ditemui di Pulau Selirong.

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Lumur (*Cynocephalus variegatus*) merupakan mamalia yang memiliki kemampuan melayang mengagumkan.

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Berkayak memberi kesempatan untuk mendekati ekologi bakau yang unik.

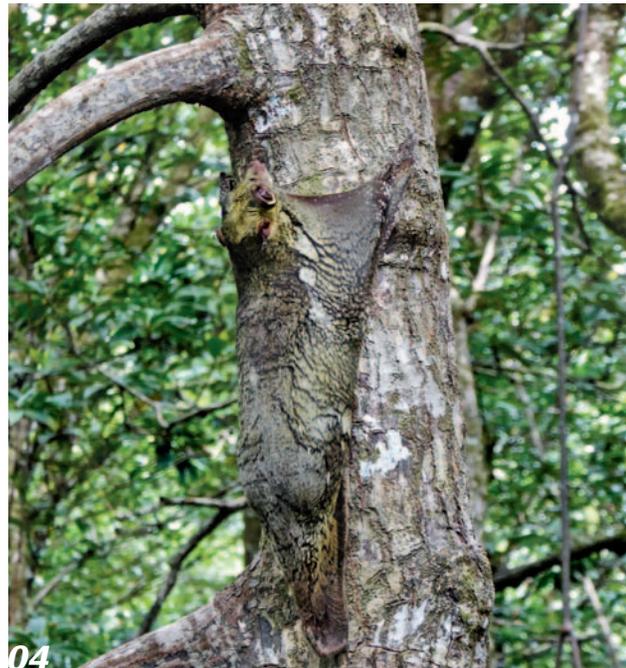
1948 (Gazet Pemberitahuan 99/1948) di bawah Akta Perhutanan 1934, pulau ini telah diwartakan sebagai sebuah Hutan Simpanan dan kini diklasifikasikan sebagai Taman Rekreasi Hutan. Kebenaran khas dari Jabatan Perhutanan perlu didapati untuk melawat Pulau Selirong. Ini boleh diuruskan dengan mudah oleh pengendali pelancongan awda.

Baru-baru ini, satu lawatan ke Pulau Selirong dengan kayak telah dikendalikan oleh pasukan suami dan isteri, Mark dan Wann dari Mark Putera Delima Tours Sdn Bhd ([markputeradelima@gmail.com](mailto:markputeradelima@gmail.com)). Begitu jelas bahawa Pulau Selirong menawarkan banyak lagi tarikan kepada pengunjung. Bermula di jeti Temburong yang bertempat di bawah Jambatan Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha atau

Kawasan semulajadi yang kaya dengan flora dan fauna adalah penting bukan sahaja untuk mengekalkan habitat kehidupan liar, tetapi ianya menjadi tarikan pengunjung yang inginkan suasana aman dan tenang jauh dari kesibukan harian tekanan kehidupan di kota. Ternyata di Negara Brunei Darussalam masih terdapat kawasan hijau yang menjanjikan suasana damai yang yakin dapat menghilangkan tekanan awda. Salah satunya merupakan hutan bakau dan persisiran air yang mengelilingi Pulau Selirong.

Kelebihan tarikan Pulau Selirong ialah ianya berhampiran dengan ibukota Bandar Seri Begawan. Rasa amat seronok apabila menemui suatu kawasan hijau saujana mata memandang tidak jauh dari halaman rumah. Oleh kerana lokasinya yang berdekatan, tidak menjadi masalah untuk pelawat ke Brunei untuk menikmatinya walaupun dengan jadual lawatan yang singkat.

Pulau Selirong merupakan salah satu di antara 33 pulau yang tersebar di persisiran pantai Brunei yang kini telah dibangunkan sebagai destinasi eko pelancongan. Pada tahun



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dikenali dengan nama ringkasnya, Jambatan Sungai Kebun, perjalanan ke pulau mengambil masa lebih kurang satu jam. Menyusuri Sungai Brunei dengan bot pada awal subuh, kami melalui perairan Kampong Ayer yang baru terjaga dengan laungan azan. Jambatan baru ke Temburong, suatu model kejuruteraan moden, tersergam indah bersandarkan sinaran cahaya fajar di ufuk timur di depan kami. Waktu subuh sering merupakan suasana yang tenang. Walau bagaimanapun, perjalanan bot di perairan tenang dengan pemandangan jauh awan lebat menuruni Banjaran Crocker boleh merupakan pengalaman yang menarik atau yang mendebarakan dengan ribut yang tiba melanda. Pendek kata, perjalanan ke Temburong tidak pernah membosankan.

Setibanya di Pulau Selirong dan setelah pendaftaran di pondok pengawal, kami memulakan perjalanan kami berdayung kearah timur hutan simpanan yang bersempadan dengan Malaysia di perairan Sungai Raya. Sekiranya bernasib baik, awda mungkin diiringi ikan lumba-lumba Irrawaddy yang begitu sukar untuk dilihat berdekatan. Pelbagai anak sungai dan perairan kecil mengalir ke Sungai Raya menawarkan

laluan ke pendalaman hutan bakau di mana terdapat banyak lagi spesies pokok bakau yang tumbuh dengan pesat. Berdayung di kawasan ini juga menguji kecekalan terutama bagi pendayung baru, namun terdapat satu lagi pilihan untuk menikmati alam sekitar Pulau Selirong yang aman murni ini. Para pengunjung juga boleh menikmati lebih dekat tumbuhan pokok bakau serta pelbagai flora dan fauna yang mengagumkan dengan berjalan kaki di atas pelantar kayu yang tersedia ada. Kemudahan pondok rehat atau wakaf menawarkan tempat beristirehat sambil menikmati pemandangan kawasan hutan bakau dan mendengar suara alam. Untuk mereka yang berpenglihatan tajam, kehadiran liar seperti kubung atau lemur terbang serta monyet Proboscis dengan hidung panjang melucu dan perut periuq tidak jarang kelihatan. Tetapi Pulau Selirong bukan sahaja untuk pencinta alam. Ia juga merupakan suatu pilihan yang menarik bagi mereka yang menginginkan ketenangan fikiran daripada tekanan kesibukan harian. Sebuah habitat ekologi yang penuh dengan keaslian semulajadi yang terletak di halaman Brunei, Pulau Selirong memang merupakan suatu tempat yang menakjubkan untuk diterokai. 





# MINUTE MONSTER

Jeep's smallest SUV, the **Renegade**, gets new features, refreshed looks and a new turbo engine.

To describe Jeep's smallest SUV, the Renegade, as cute, is an understatement. Size aside, the Renegade this year will attract even more car enthusiasts thanks to its comprehensive update, including a new turbocharged engine, a refreshed look and more fuel efficient.

Let's begin with the engine. New three and four-cylinder turbo petrol engines on the Renegade includes a 1.0-liter delivering 120 hp and 190 Nm of torque and a 1.3-liter delivering 150 hp or 180 hp and 270 Nm of torque. The engine offering also includes the updated 1.6-liter and 2.0-liter MultiJet II diesel engines with SCR (Selective Catalytic Reduction), all are Euro 6/D compliant. The engine range on the new 2019 Renegade can be paired with a six-speed manual, DDCT (Dual Dry Clutch Transmission) and nine-speed automatic transmissions for a smooth, comfortable driving experience.

The new styling of the Jeep B-SUV is a modern take on the iconic design of the Jeep brand. For off-road adventure lovers, the legendary Jeep brand off-road capability comes courtesy of two advanced 4x4 systems, Jeep Active Drive and Jeep Active Drive Low that ensure benchmark performance in all conditions. For urban adventure enthusiasts, the new Renegade offers fourth-generation Uconnect™ with 5-inch, 7-inch or 8.4-inch displays, high-definition touchscreens, Apple CarPlay integration and Android Auto™ compatibility, so owners can always be connected.

Safety also gets an upgrade. State The Renegade gains new features throughout the range like Lane Sense Departure Warning-Plus, Intelligent Speed Assist with Traffic Sign Recognition, and Forward Collision Warning-Plus with Active Emergency Braking standard on Limited.

Inside, the Renegade's interior roominess is at the top of its category, distinguishing itself in terms of headroom and width of the seats. The Renegade also offers several interior customisation possibilities, thanks to different configurations specific for each trim level. This allows customers to choose the trim closest to their needs, between the Trespas Black and Polar Plunge upholstery. The latter, for example, is offered in the Ski Grey and Black leather combination with Ski Grey stitching on the Limited trim. Further design improvements include refreshed bezels on the radio, climate vents, central tunnel and speakers. Some details shared with Wrangler are also found inside, including the wide, horizontal instrument panel with central focal points and trapezoidal details.

The Renegade is available in two configurations – front-wheel and four-wheel drive – and features two four-wheel-drive systems, rear axle disconnect, Selec-Terrain traction control, Hill Start Assist and Hill Descent Control. Its 4x4 capability finds its best expression in the Trailhawk trim created for off-road driving and packed with specific, stylistic and technical features. 



# Spilling THE BEANS

As the fourth wave of coffee is about to break in Melbourne, famed entrepreneur **Salvatore Malatesta**, pioneer of Melbourne's coffee and culture scene, shares his wisdom on future trends.

## What do you love about the coffee culture in Melbourne?

The best thing about coffee in Melbourne is that it has become so accessible. The days of a bad coffee in Melbourne are almost extinct. However, the true gems are still the ones that one might stumble upon and feel confident that you'll walk away drinking a very decent brew or maybe even an awesome brew.

## How would you describe Melbourne's coffee culture?

World Class. Best in category. In fact, I truly believe Melbourne has led the world's coffee renaissance.

## Where do you find your coffee inspiration for your company, St Ali?

St Ali is an extension of me. I endeavour to create an environment and culture which imbues my values and likes which are informed by travelling the globe. I want the Rolling Stones to come to St Ali for coffee if they were in Melbourne. Our coffee is delicious as our roasting and brewing method are fashion forward. We lead rather than follow. However, what makes St Ali special and magical is the intangible energy. You feel alive and happy when you walk through the doors. We have been fortunate enough to secure some key recruits in our team at St Ali. These are the young kids that live and breathe coffee.

Truthfully, this is what inspires me, our team is constantly pushing boundaries and we really encourage that.

## What are some of your favourite coffee spots in Melbourne and wider Victoria?

Well I do love supporting our customers because we love them and because they make delicious brew. In no particular order: Tom Thumb, Tall Timber, Lakehouse /Wombat Hill Cafe, Brae, Wilson & Market, Pope Joan, Ascotvale Foodstore and Abacus.

## How do you think coffee culture has evolved over time?

Australia's coffee culture was largely inherited from European immigrants after WW2. Before that, well, it was almost non-existent. We respect the old but found ourselves wanting something more. We decided that the coffee plant deserved the same respect as vineyards. We wanted traceability and provenance, so we headed to coffee growing lands and became advocates of direct trades. We looked the farmers we bought coffee from in the eyes and promised them that we would be excellent custodians of their hard work.

## What is the fourth wave of coffee?

Craft and passion will always underpin the coffee world, however science is having a



larger impact. The fourth wave will adopt some automation and consistency and speed will become important. The barista will be akin to a wine sommelier. She will have a deep knowledge of loads of coffees and will provide customers with the knowledge required to make informed choices about their brew.

## How will you try to incorporate these new trends in your business?

Well, our R&D arm is via our company Barista Hustle led by coffee legend Matt Perger. Barista Hustle is a leading forum for all things super cool and new in coffee. Have a read, it's awesome. 

# WHAT'S NEW

Popular beauty trends and iconic living from around the globe.



## RIGHT SHOWERS

Made using cellular research and bioactive ingredients, **Grown Alchemist** is designed to be intensely nourishing, healing and anti-ageing. This luxurious body care kit contains a body cleanser and body cream that will leave skin well nourished and hydrated.

[grownalchemist.com](http://grownalchemist.com)



## CHILD'S PLAY

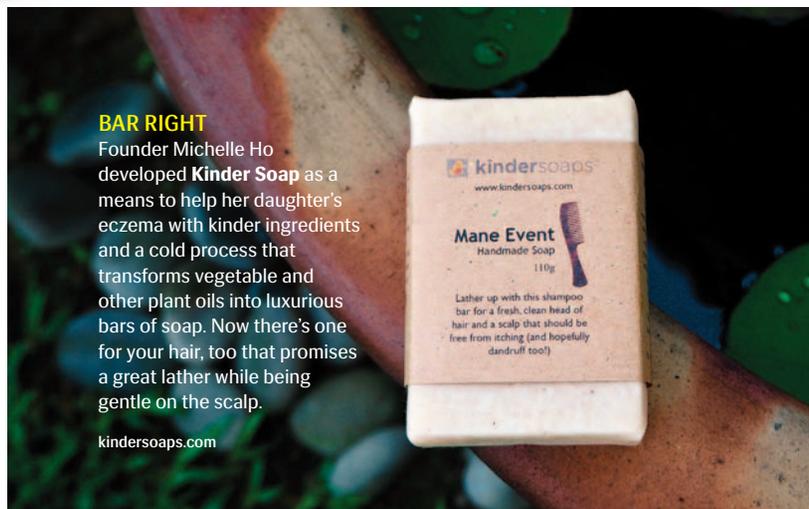
**Diptyque** taps into the child in us with this elegant candle pairing. It features a carousel that rotates when the heat is released by the flame of the candle, revealing a beautiful dance of light. The special set also includes a berries- and tuberose-scented candle.

[diptyqueparis.com](http://diptyqueparis.com)

## BAR RIGHT

Founder Michelle Ho developed **Kinder Soap** as a means to help her daughter's eczema with kinder ingredients and a cold process that transforms vegetable and other plant oils into luxurious bars of soap. Now there's one for your hair, too that promises a great lather while being gentle on the scalp.

[kindersoaps.com](http://kindersoaps.com)



### RENAISSANCE MAN

The Adagio by **Christophe Claret** combines practical complications with an exquisite movement and captures them both in a bold case with delicate details. Details like the running seconds disc on the left side of the dial give it a certain dynamic, while the baguette-cut diamonds, totalling 6.12 carats, set on the bezel and lugs amplify the precious nature of this watch.

[christopheclaret.com](http://christopheclaret.com)



### PERFECT CANVAS

**By Terry** Gem Glow Brightening CC Serum will give you a stunning and illuminating 'candlelit amber peach' glow shade. Perfect for all skin tones, this exceptional wear provides a flawless and radiant complexion while blurring up skin's imperfections.

[byterry.com](http://byterry.com)

### DARK BEAUTIES

The most expensive and rarest wood in the world, the Sulawesi Macassar, is the focus in the Macassar collection by **Faber-Castell**. A collection of fountain pen with a hand-inscribed 18-carat gold nib, a rollerball pen, a twist ballpoint pen and a twist pencil, the expressive wood is combined with metal to create these visually striking writing instruments.

[faber-castell.com](http://faber-castell.com)



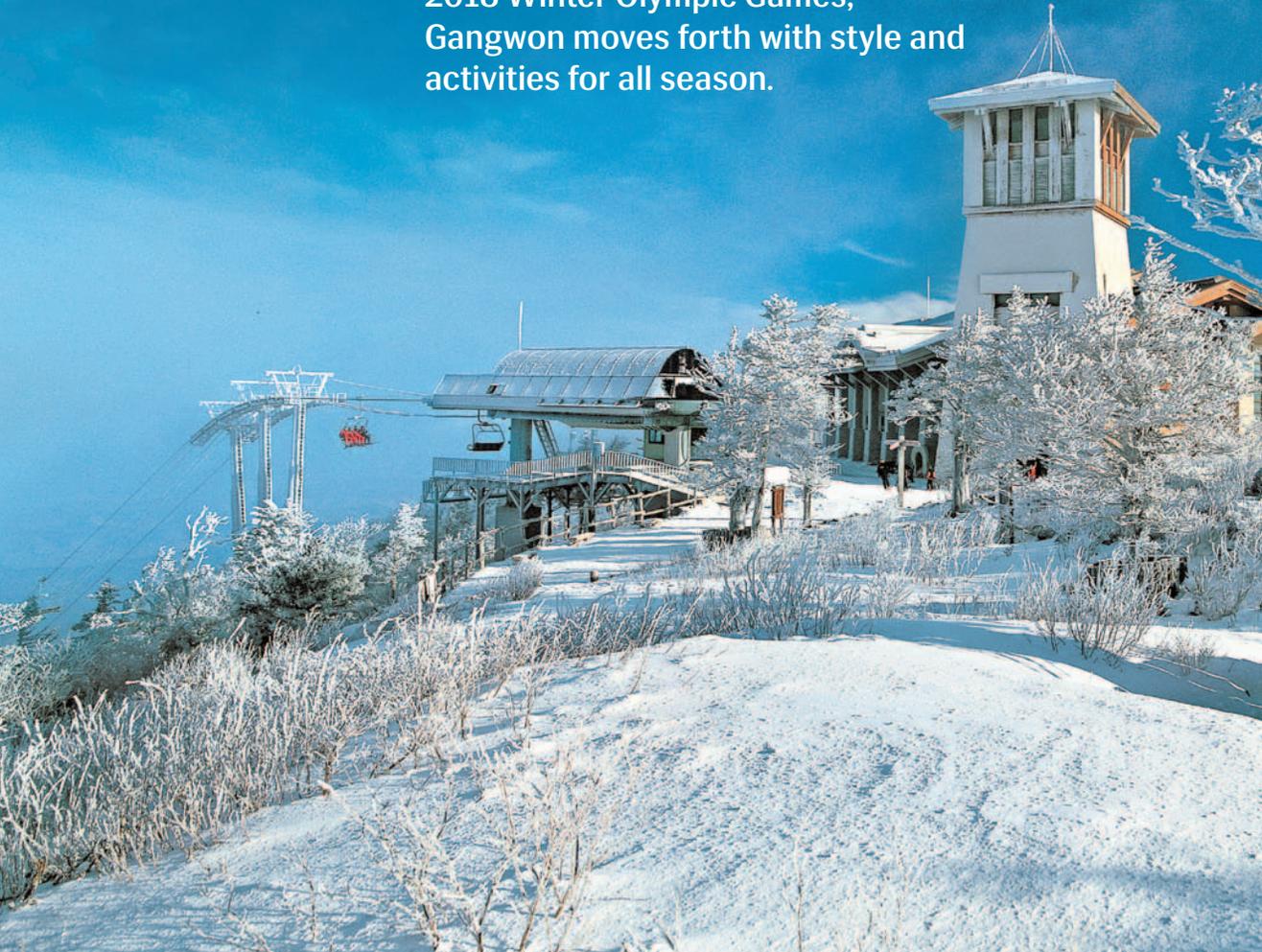
### CRAFTED BY REFUGEES

**Earth Heir** brings beautiful refugee-made jewellery that combines contemporary design with traditional skills. Through the UNHCR global Made51 initiative, jewellery such as this cross-stitched bangle, brings market access to the 27 refugee women at Earth Heir, helping them earn an income.

[earthheir.com](http://earthheir.com)

# Endless HORIZON

Home of the successful Pyeongchang  
2018 Winter Olympic Games,  
Gangwon moves forth with style and  
activities for all season.





**SEE** Cherry blossom was so yesterday. These days, you will score points if you can catch the colours of canola flowers in April. The best place to view them is in Samcheok, where the festival includes local produce market, fresh strawberry picking and exhibitions on canola flowers and bees.

**DO** Get active all year round in Gangwon. See and play in the snow at this year's Snow Festival, such as Fun Ski (Yongpyong Resort) and Snow Club (Phoenix Pyeongchang), get active with whitewater rafting in Inje or zipline in Jeongseon to marvel at the gorgeous scenery.

**SHOP** Can't get enough of Korean noodles? It never gets any fresher than making your own to take home at the Makguksu Experience Museum. Apart from this, other Korean souvenirs to take home include ginseng and Koean tea.

**STAY** Make Intercontinental Alpensia Pyeongchang Resort your base to explore Alpensia Ski Resort and the surrounds. Located within a self-contained "European village", there are restaurants, shopping and convenience stores within the premise. Plus the hotel also offers family rooms to make it easy for big groups to travel together. 



Royal Brunei Airlines flies Incheon 3x weekly for easy connections to other cities in Gangwon. Discover things to do in Gangwon in [www.muhibah.com.bn](http://www.muhibah.com.bn)



# WHAT'S ON

A world of adventure and new experiences await you when you fly with Royal Brunei Airlines. Make your trip even more memorable with free flights, seat upgrades and other privileges with **Royal Skies**, our frequent flyer programme. Not yet a member?

Register on:

[www.flyroyalbrunei.com/royalskies](http://www.flyroyalbrunei.com/royalskies)

## SOUTH KOREA

Now til **17** Feb

### JARASEOM SINGSING WINTER FESTIVAL

Ever wanted to try trout fishing during winter? Head to Gapyeongcheon stream, located at Gyeonggi-do and you can try your hands at it. If you are able to brave the chill, you can also attempt to fish bare-handed! All catches can be eaten right away, be it raw or grilled. There are also activities like ice sledding, riding bumper cars on the snow, as well as traditional Korean experiences and many more to while away the time.

[www.visitkorea.or.kr](http://www.visitkorea.or.kr)



## ESCHER X NENDO | BETWEEN TWO WORLDS

*Escher X Nendo | Between Two Worlds* will feature the work of Dutch graphic artist M. C. Escher in dialogue with the work of Japanese design studio Nendo, led by designer Oki Sato. The first exhibition of its kind, it is held at the NGV in Melbourne, with displays of more than 150 of Escher's most renowned prints and drawings in an immersive exhibition space designed by Nendo.

M. C. Escher  
*Day and night*, February 1938

[www.ngv.vic.gov.au](http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au)

AUSTRALIA

Now til **7** Apr



TAIWAN



## 2018 TAICHUNG WORLD FLORA EXPOSITION

The exhibition is held across three different venues: Waipu Park, Fengyuan Huludun Park and the Houli Horse Ranch and Forest Park. While each park focuses on different themes, visitors can expect to see landscaped gardens curated by international participants, creative flower-themed artworks and floral design installations by countries such as Malaysia, Japan and Germany, to name a few. Don't miss the orchid pavilion that displays orchids of all species then pop over to the gift shop to bring some home.

[2018floraexpo.tw/En](http://2018floraexpo.tw/En)



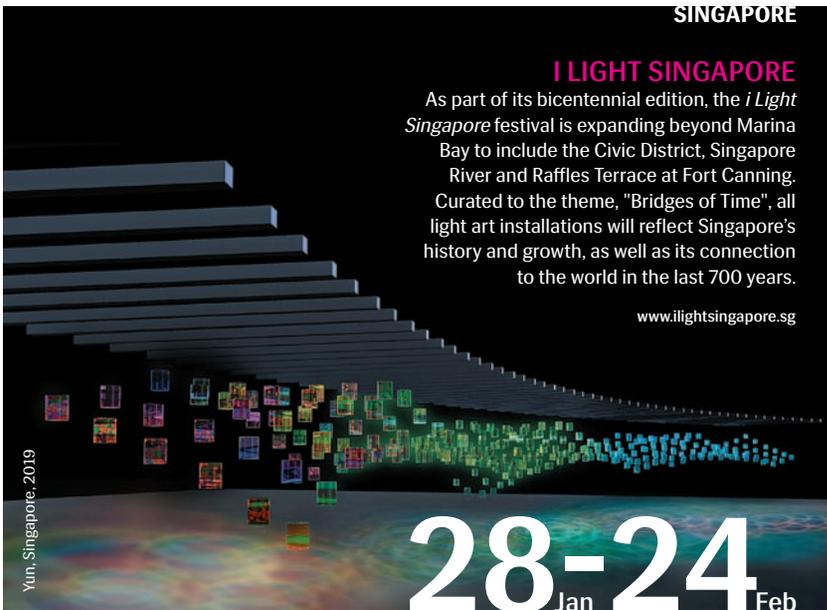
## STANDARD CHARTERED DUBAI MARATHON 2019

Both seasoned runners and amateurs will be heading to Dubai for the annual Standard Chartered Dubai Marathon. For leisure runners, there are the 4km and 10km distances on offer. With the start and finish of the marathon happening opposite Madinat Jumeirah, the event will take participants through some of Dubai's most iconic sights, including the Burj Al Arab.

[www.dubaimarathon.org](http://www.dubaimarathon.org)

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

25 Jan



SINGAPORE

## I LIGHT SINGAPORE

As part of its bicentennial edition, the *i Light Singapore* festival is expanding beyond Marina Bay to include the Civic District, Singapore River and Raffles Terrace at Fort Canning. Curated to the theme, "Bridges of Time", all light art installations will reflect Singapore's history and growth, as well as its connection to the world in the last 700 years.

[www.ilightsingapore.sg](http://www.ilightsingapore.sg)

Yun, Singapore, 2019

28-24 Jan Feb



BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

## 35<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

Join in the festivities as the nation commemorates their 35th National Day in a huge celebration at Bandar Seri Begawan. With participants from all layers of the community coming together to perform lively field performances and a grand parade, it will be a colourful sight indeed.

[bruneitourism.com](http://bruneitourism.com)

23 Feb

UNITED KINGDOM

## 35<sup>TH</sup> JORVIK VIKING FESTIVAL

Visit York for a week-long celebration of all things Viking! Taking place at the JORVIK Viking Centre in Coppergate, visitors will be able to wander around living history encampments, attend talks, take tours and of course, witness dramatic combat performances.

[www.jorvikvikingfestival.co.uk](http://www.jorvikvikingfestival.co.uk)

20-27 Feb





# SELAMAT DATANG

Selamat Datang means 'Welcome' in Malay, and your seamless journey begins here.

### Business Class

The Royal Brunei Airlines 787 Dreamliner Business Class cabin features "Contour" seats that reclines to a 180 degree flat bed, along with a plush duvet and larger pillow, offer a peaceful rest. Each seat is equipped with a 15.4 touchscreen LCD Monitor with Panasonic eX2 in-flight entertainment system; as well as in seat power connector. The Business Class cabin lavatories are also equipped with bidets for guests convenience.

### Economy Class Comfort

Royal Brunei Airlines 787 Dreamliner Economy cabin offers comfortable seats with semi-articulating recline and adjustable headrest, and with very spacious leg-rooms for guests comfort. Each seat is integrated with the Eco

9-Inch personal touch screen monitors filled with great entertainment content. Each seat also comes with a USB port as well as shared power supply.

### RB Impian Inflight Entertainment

RB Impian Inflight Entertainment system gives guests a number of entertainment options throughout their flight. A library of hit movies, classic Hollywood films and TV and audio programmes for all ages are available onboard. Refer to the Impian entertainment guide located in the seat pocket in front of you for the list of movies, TV and audio programmes. For Business Class seats; the sockets for earphones and channel/volume remote control are located in your seat armrest. Seatback-mounted personal screens are only available on our Boeing 787s. Elsewhere, guests can avail our service, sit back and relax with our overhead movie screens. For more information, please contact your nearest Royal Brunei Airlines office.

### Cuisine

Everything we serve has been carefully chosen for freshness and flavour. In fact, there's nothing you can't enjoy even when dining at 35,000 feet. Our award winning menu has been meticulously created by our Royal Brunei Catering chefs, combining both Western and Oriental flavours using the best seasonal and fresh produce available.

For our Business Class guests on long-haul flights, you can now select your desired meal times. Our 'Dine upon Request' service is available throughout the flight up until 90 minutes before landing. Guests on all classes also enjoy our 'Food Fit to Fly by' service menu that features healthier and lighter meal options, complemented by our award-winning cabin service from our crew.

### Special Meals

Royal Brunei offers a variety of tasty culinary solutions to suit our guests' special dietary requirements. Special meals can be ordered when you make

# JOURNEY THROUGH THE DECADES

As Brunei Darussalam's national carrier, Royal Brunei Airlines serves not only as the coming of age of this tiny Sultanate, but today cements itself as a serious competitor in the region.

## 1970s

- > The maiden Royal Brunei Airlines flight to Singapore left Bandar Seri Begawan on a Boeing 737-200 on 14 May, 1975.
- > Two Boeing 737 aircraft were put into service flying five times a week to Singapore, two times to Hong Kong, and seven times to Kota Kinabalu.
- > Services to Bangkok and Manila were added.

## 1980s

- > RB added a Boeing 737, the quick change convertible aircraft, to its fleet. This aircraft allowed for either an all-passenger or an all-cargo configuration, or a combination of both.
- > RB accepted the delivery of its Boeing 757 aircraft that featured a redesigned livery combining Brunei's traditional royal colours on 16 May, 1986.





your reservation; please confirm your request at least 24 hours before boarding your flight.

**Alcohol-free Environment Policy**  
Royal Brunei Airlines operates alcohol-free flights to all destinations.

**Hand Luggage**  
For your safety and comfort, you may store your hand luggage in the overhead lockers or under the seat in front of you. Please do not hesitate to ask our cabin crew for help in stowing your luggage properly. Be careful when opening the overhead luggage compartments, as items dislodged by aircraft movement may fall on you or fellow guests.

**Liquids, Aerosols and Gels (LAG)**  
Various countries have implemented restrictions on the carriage of liquids,

aerosols and gels in compliance with new guidelines set by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). Guests transiting through airports and carrying any liquids, pastes and gels in containers over 100ml may be asked to dispose of the items at security checkpoints.

These restrictions may affect your ability to carry duty-free purchases onboard the aircraft. Customers are advised to check with duty free personnel before making their purchases. All liquids, aerosols and gels must be carried in containers of no greater than 100ml/3.3oz capacity (approximately 100gm in weight) and placed in a transparent, resealable plastic bag. The plastic bag must be removed from carry on baggage and presented to security personnel at the checkpoint for inspection and separate x-ray screening.

Exceptions to the new regulations are medicines and dietary supplements

needed during a flight, including baby food. Proof of need may be required.

**Use of Electronic Equipment**  
Electronic devices such as Citizen's band (CB) radio, remote-controlled devices (such as radio controlled toys), and transmitting devices that emit radio frequencies are not to be used at any time during the flight. These devices may interfere with the aircraft's electronic equipment, compromising aircraft safety and endangering the lives of guests and crew.

The following devices may be used on board, except during take-off, initial climb, approach and landing; mobile phones (which must be switched to flight mode), personal computers, FM receivers, calculators, electronic shavers, audio and video recorders, hand-held computer games, and playback devices.



1990s

- > RB took delivery of the first of three leased Boeing 767-200ER aircraft in June 1990 and set a long distance world record for twin-engine commercial airlines.
- > The delivery of Boeing 767-200ER aircraft enabled RB's route to extend to London Gatwick in November 1990.
- > Twice-weekly flights to London Heathrow began in May 1991. The route became a daily service on 1 December, 1996.
- > RB employed the use of a Fokker 50 aircraft to service Miri and Labuan in Malaysia, two destinations that were significant to the growth of Brunei's oil and gas industry.
- > The opportunity to expand regional connections saw RB establishing a service to Surabaya in 1997.

2000s

- > RB took delivery of two new Airbus A319 aircraft in August and September 2003.
- > Two more Airbus A320s were delivered in December 2003 and January 2004.
- > In January 2010, RB introduced Royal Brunei Holidays, a revamp of its Golden Touch Holidays, which offers passengers value-for-money holiday packages available locally and abroad.
- > Direct services to Shanghai were re-launched in March 2010.
- > RB's newly-leased Boeing 777-200ER aircraft took off on its first commercial flight from Bandar Seri Begawan to London via Dubai in June 2010.
- > RB commenced four-times weekly flights to Melbourne in March 2011.



2010s

- > In October 2012, RB launched a rebranding journey with a new logo and livery.
- > RB launched "A betterfly", the Boeing 787 Dreamliner and commenced its first commercial flight from Bandar Seri Begawan to Singapore on 18 October, 2013, followed by flights to Dubai and London on 1 December, 2013 and to Melbourne on 2 April, 2014.
- > RB unveiled its new heritage-inspired uniforms on 21 February, 2014.
- > RB's first A320NEO arrived in Bandar Seri Begawan on 25 May, 2018.



## WELCOME ONBOARD



### Lithium Batteries

The abundant stored energy that makes lithium batteries practical also makes them dangerous when they are not packed and carried properly. Royal Brunei takes the initiatives to increase the safety onboard with the carriage limitations (from industry initiatives, ICAO and IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations guidance) to mitigate against the risks of the hazards.

Low and medium powered rechargeable batteries in equipment and limited quantity of spares are recommended as carry on baggage.

**All spare units must be in the original packaging or packed to insulate the terminals.** Medium and large non-rechargeable must be carried as cargo/freight in accordance with current Dangerous Goods Regulations.

High-Powered batteries are not permitted onboard passenger aircraft.

Information of safe carriage of lithium batteries on-board RB flights are also available at the RB websites [www.bruneiair.com](http://www.bruneiair.com).

### Non-smoking Policy

Royal Brunei Airlines operates non-smoking flights to all destinations.

### Reconfirmation

Reconfirmation is not required except for guests travelling to and from the Middle East. Please reconfirm your departure flight at least 72 hours in advance with the local Royal Brunei Airlines office or your travel agent. Failure to do so could result in the cancellation of your reservations.

### Online Booking

Fly through the airport. You can now book online at [www.flyroyalbrunei.com](http://www.flyroyalbrunei.com), check in

online and print your own electronic ticket (e-ticket). Online check in is available 24 hours before flight departure and closes 60 minutes before departure time.

### Check In

Check in counters at the Brunei International Airport are open three hours before flight departure. Guests are advised to check in at least two hours before departure to allow for security and baggage checks. Check in counters will be closed 45 minutes before departure, after which no boarding passes will be issued. Royal Brunei Airlines also advises its guests to reach the boarding gate 20 minutes before the flight departs to avoid missing their flights.

### Guest Comments

Your comments and suggestions will help us enhance our services. Please e-mail us at: [guestexperience@rba.com.bn](mailto:guestexperience@rba.com.bn).

# BRUNEI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Brunei International Airport's computerised passenger and cargo handling facilities can handle 3 million guests and 50,000 tonnes of cargo a year. Among the facilities offered at the airport are the Airport Prayer Hall (*Surau Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Brunei Darussalam*), telephones and Free Wi-Fi services, restaurants and shower facilities for guests who want to rest or freshen up before their flight.

For guests's comfort and convenience, RB Service Centre is located on the Departure Hall area. Guests can make reservations, ticket purchase, book tour packages and redeem Royal Skies miles. The Customer Service Centre at the Brunei International Airport operates 7 days a week, from 8am to 9pm Mondays to Saturdays, and 8am to 5pm on Sundays; except for Friday midday break from 12noon to 2pm.

Our Business Class and Royal Skies Elite guests can now enjoy the service of our RB porters at departure curb-side for

baggage assistance and trolley service to the check-in counters. The premium check-in lounge offers our Business Class and Royal Skies Elite guests with a relaxed check-in experience.

RB Economy class guests and groups booking may proceed to RB check-in counter Row B.

Business Class guests and Royal Skies Gold members are invited to access the RB Business Class Lounge prior to their flights. Fitted with plush, comfortable interiors and furnishings designed to make guests feel at home, the lounge offers ample opportunity to relax and experience RB's warm hospitality. Guests at the Business Class Lounge have access to executive meeting rooms and all the facilities offered at the Sky Lounge in addition to the coffee bar.

The RB Sky Lounge is open to Royal Skies Silver members, corporate guests, customer airline guests, Priority Pass

customers and walk-in guests. The lounge can seat 120 guests and features buffet dining, a prayer room, a movie room, kids' room, a family zone, a gaming area featuring PS4 and Xbox Kinect, as well as a Virtual Reality station. Other facilities include complimentary massage chairs, shower rooms, ablution areas and High Definition TVs.

Duty-free shops offer consumer goods at competitive prices. There are several outlets, including a money changer located at the departure/transit hall. On sale are portable electrical goods with international warranties, designer goods, perfumes and confectionery. Brunei International Airport is a smoke-free airport.

A mobile application app has been developed by the Department of Civil Aviation to help guests/visitors experience the newly refurbished Brunei International Airport seamlessly through the 'iFLYBRUNEI' app on the smartphone.

# STAYING FIT

At Royal Brunei Airlines, your health, safety and comfort is of prime importance to us. For your general well-being onboard our flights, we would recommend the basic inflight exercises.



#### Ankle circles

While seated, raise one foot and draw a circle with your toes. Rotate clockwise for 15 seconds and repeat the same counterclockwise. Repeat with the other foot. You can do one foot at a time or both simultaneously.



#### Knee lifts

Lift and hug your knee to your chest as close as you can. Hold for 15 seconds. Alternate knee. Repeat 10-15 times for each knee.



#### Shoulder roll

Relax shoulders then hunch them forward. Rotate gently 10-15 times.



#### Neck roll

With shoulders relaxed, drop ear to shoulder and gently roll neck forward and back, holding each position about five seconds. Repeat five times.



#### Upper back flex

Stretch hands forward, then pull back slowly as far as possible. Repeat 10-15 times.



#### Trunk flex

With both feet on the floor and stomach held in, slowly bend forward and walk your hands toward the front of your legs toward your ankles. Hold stretch for 15 seconds and slowly sit back up.

## TRAVELLER'S GUIDE Brunei Visitor Information

**Visas\*** Austrian, German, Malaysian, Singaporean, British nationals with the right of abode in the United Kingdom, The Netherlands and New Zealand nationals are exempted from the requirement to obtain a visa for visits not exceeding 30 days. American passport holders can enter Brunei Darussalam for three months without visas. For nationals of Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Republic of Maldives, Norway, Oman, The Philippines, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand and The Principality of Liechtenstein — visas are waived for 14-day visits. Nationals of Australia are issued visas on arrival at the Brunei International Airport for visits not exceeding 30 days.

All other visitors entering Brunei Darussalam must have visas obtainable from any Brunei Darussalam diplomatic mission abroad. These visas are normally issued for a two-week stay but can be renewed in Brunei. Visitors must hold onward tickets and sufficient funds to support themselves while in the country.

**N.B.** For more details, please contact your nearest Brunei Embassy or diplomatic representative.

**Currency Bearer Negotiation Instrument Declaration** Guests entering or leaving Brunei who carry physical currency or bearer negotiable instruments valued at BND15,000 or more are required to complete a declaration form and submit it to a customs officer (if arriving in Brunei) or an immigration officer (if departing Brunei).

**Duty-free Allowance\*** The import of the following products is subject to restrictions imposed by Brunei's Customs and Excise Department.

Cigarettes: Effective 1 April, 2017, guests will be charged duty on cigarettes at the following rates:

per stick	\$0.50
for each 20 sticks pack	\$10
for each carton of 10 packs	\$100.

Please refer the new charges imposed by Royal Customs and Excise Department.

**Alcohol:** Non-Muslim guests may bring in two bottles of liquor plus 12 cans of beer for personal consumption only, and a reasonable quantity of perfumes.

**Transportation** Brunei International Airport is about 11km from the capital. Car rental, public buses and registered taxis are available at the arrivals. The Land transport department strongly advise visitors to only use regulated and insured taxis. For more info on registered taxis you may visit – [www.mincom.gov.bn/brunitaxifare](http://www.mincom.gov.bn/brunitaxifare) or contact +6377181643.

**Currency** The Brunei dollar is on a par with the Singapore dollar, which is also accepted in Brunei. Banks, hotels and many department stores will cash traveller's cheques.

**Language** Malay is the official language but English is widely used. Other languages include Chinese and its dialect variants and other indigenous dialects. Although the official religion is Islam, other faiths including Christianity and Buddhism are practised.

**Clothing** Light clothing is advisable as the climate is generally warm and humid. Women are requested to dress modestly in keeping with local customs.

**Health** Doctors provide private medical services for a nominal charge. There are a number of state health clinics and hospitals.

**Credit Cards** Hotels, department stores and other major establishments generally accept all internationally known credit cards.

**Tipping** Optional. Some hotels add a 10 per cent service charge to their room rates.

**Telephones** Overseas calls can be made from hotel rooms through the operator, or via international direct dialling (IDD). There are also coin and phonecard operated public telephones.

**Utilities** Power supply is 220 - 240v, 50 cycles. The PAL and NTSC systems are used by local television. Tap water is generally safe to drink although some take the precaution of boiling it.

**Media** Radio Television Brunei has nightly news bulletins and a range of popular entertainment in both English and Malay. Cable network and Malaysian television programmes can also be received. There are two local daily newspapers namely: Borneo Bulletin (English) and Media Permata (Malay). Other regional and international publications are also available at newsstands.

**Food** For the adventurous, the food stalls offer Malay favourites, such as satay (barbecued meat on a skewer) and local dishes prepared with curry or coconut milk. Chinese, European and

Indian cuisines are also available. All F&B businesses, including hotel restaurants, close for Friday prayer 12pm to 2pm. For hotel guests, room service dining operates as usual.

**Hotels** Accommodation in the capital ranges from international standard to middle range hotels. Service apartments are also available at reasonable rates.

**Shopping** Department stores and shops offer goods ranging from cosmetics and stereos to local handicrafts such as the keris (an ornamental dagger), miniature brass cannons, and kain tenunan, a cloth woven with gold or silver threads.

**Festivals and Celebrations** National Day, 23 February, Hari Raya, the end of the Muslim fasting month, and His Majesty The Sultan's birthday, 15 July. Other public holidays include Chinese Lunar New Year and Christmas.

#### Customs and Courtesy

- In mosques, visitors should remove their shoes and should not pass in front of people at prayer. A woman should ensure that her head, knees and arms are covered before entering mosques. Robes are provided at the entrance to the mosque.
- A Bruneian shakes hands lightly and brings his hands to his chest. Members of the opposite sex do not shake hands.
- It is impolite to point with the index finger (use the right thumb instead) or to beckon someone with fingers and palm facing upwards. Instead the whole hand should be waved with palm facing downwards. The right fist should never be smacked into the left palm.
- Gifts, particularly food, are passed with the right hand.

\* The visa and duty-free allowances are provided as a guideline and may change without notice.

# ROUTE MAP & DESTINATIONS



## Interline Partners

Operated by:

- British Airways
- Emirates
- Flydubai
- Virgin Australia
- Air New Zealand
- Qantas
- Thai Airways
- Bangkok Airways
- Jet Airways
- Biman Bangladesh Airlines
- Malaysia Airlines



## AUSTRALIA

### MELBOURNE (MEL)

**TULLAMARINE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 22 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus AUD16 • Taxi AUD85  
Airport Tax AUD38  
Currency Australian Dollar (AUD)  
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GMT +10

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### BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

**BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN (BWN)**  
BRUNEI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
Airport-City 8 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus BND1 • Taxi BND25  
Airport Tax A\$AN: BND12,  
Others: BND20  
Currency Brunei Dollar (BND)  
Language Malay, Mandarin,  
Hokkien, English  
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### HONG KONG

**CHEK LAP KOK AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 32 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Taxi HKD300  
Hong Kong HKD400  
Airport Tax HKD120  
Currency Hong Kong Dollar (HKD)  
Language Cantonese, Mandarin,  
English  
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• Bus CNY19 • Taxi CNY2.6  
Airport Tax CNY90  
Currency Chinese Yuan (CNY)  
Language Cantonese, Mandarin  
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Airport-City 30 kms  
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Airport Tax CNY90  
Currency Chinese Yuan (CNY)  
Language Mandarin  
GMT +8

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### NANNING (NNG)

**WUXU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 30 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus CNY20 • Taxi CNY10  
Airport Tax CNY50  
Currency Chinese Yuan (CNY)  
Language Cantonese, Mandarin  
GMT +8

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**PUDONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 35 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus CNY50 • Taxi CNY160  
Airport Tax CNY60  
Currency Chinese Yuan (CNY)  
Language Chinese  
(dialects include Mandarin,  
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GMT +8

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**NGURAH RAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City approximately  
16 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to  
City • Bus IDR25,000  
• Taxi IDR70,000 - 90,000  
Airport Tax IDR150,000  
Currency Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)  
Language Bahasa Indonesia,  
English  
GMT +8

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**SOEDIRNO-HATTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 50 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus IDR7000 • Taxi IDR150,000  
Airport Tax IDR150,000  
Currency Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)  
Language Bahasa Indonesia,  
English  
GMT +7

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**KOTA KINABALU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 8.5 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to  
City • Taxi MYR13.50  
Airport Tax MYR26 To /  
Transit via Brunei: MYR20  
Currency Malaysian Ringgit (MYR)  
Language Malay, Mandarin,  
English  
GMT +8

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### SURABAYA (SUB)

**JUANDA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 17 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to  
City • Taxi IDR29,500  
Airport Tax IDR150,000  
Currency Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)  
Language Bahasa Indonesia,  
English, Madurese  
GMT +7

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**NARITA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 60 kms  
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Currency Japanese Yen  
Language Japanese  
GMT +9

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**KUALA LUMPUR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 80 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus LUKMY RM25  
• Taxi Budget MYR70-80,  
Limo MYR100-120  
Airport Tax MYR51  
Currency Malaysian Ringgit (MYR)  
Language Malay, English,  
Cantonese, Tamil, Mandarin  
GMT +8

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Approx. Fare from Airport to  
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Airport Tax MYR26 To /  
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Currency Malaysian Ringgit (MYR)  
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Airport Tax PhP750  
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Language Tagalog, English  
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**KING ABDUL AZIZ INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
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South Terminal)  
Approx. Fare from Airport to  
City • Taxi SAR50  
Airport Tax SAR50 except Hajj  
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Currency Saudi Arabian  
Riyal (SAR)  
Language Arabic, English, French  
GMT +3

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Airport-City 20 kms  
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Airport Tax SGD21  
Currency Singapore Dollar (SGD)  
Language Malay, English,  
Mandarin, Tamil  
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Currency Korean Won (KRW)  
Language Korean, English  
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Airport-City 40 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
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Airport Tax NT1500  
Currency New Taiwan  
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Language Mandarin  
GMT +8

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City • Taxi AED20  
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Airport Tax AED30  
Currency Dirham (AED)  
Language Arabic, English  
GMT +4

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Airport Tax F & J Class Pax:  
GBP90 / Y Class Pax: GBP40,  
PSC: GBP9  
Currency Pound Sterling (GBP)  
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**TAN SON NHAT AIRPORT**  
Airport-City 7 kms  
Approx. Fare from Airport to City  
• Bus VND100  
• Taxi VND150,000  
Airport Tax USD20  
Currency Vietnam Dong (VND)  
Language Vietnamese,  
Mandarin, English, French  
GMT +7

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## CAPITAL ATTRACTIONS

Small in size but big in attractions, Brunei's capital has lots to offer.

### Brunei-Muara

#### 1 THE OMAR ALI SAIFUDDIEN MOSQUE

Brunei Darussalam's iconic landmark, the mosque was completed in 1958 and is named after the 28th Sultan, the late Sultan Omar Ali Saifuddin, who is referred to as the Architect of Modern Brunei.

#### 2 ISTANA NURUL IMAN

The official residence of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam. Although not open to public, except during Hari Raya Aidil Fitri, its golden domes and vaulted roof can be viewed from Kampong Ayer.

#### 3 LAPAU AND DEWAN MAJLIS

The Royal Ceremonial Hall features an exquisite golden dome and hosts all of the Sultanate's traditional royal ceremonies.



# MUSLIM PRAYER TIMES in Brunei Darussalam

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January 2019

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**4 THE ROYAL REGALIA BUILDING**  
The museum is home to a collection of royal regalia, including the royal chariot, gold and silver ceremonial armoury, the jewel encrusted crowns used during the coronation and a replica of the throne, which is used by the Sultan on state occasions.

**5 ISTANA DARUSSALAM**  
Located on Jalan Sumbiling, this wooden palace captures the architectural heritage of old Malay palaces. Visitors may view only from outside.

**6 THE SULTAN HAJI HASSANAL BOLKIAH FOUNDATION COMPLEX**  
The capital's most popular shopping venues, it combines both traditional Malay and modern architecture.

**7 BRUNEI MUSEUM**  
Brunei's national museum spotlights Brunei's role in Southeast Asia's history. The Islamic Art Gallery has historical pieces of Islamic art and a commendable Quran collection.

**8 BRUNEI ARTS AND HANDICRAFTS CENTRE**  
Brunei's ancient and traditional arts and crafts – *kain tenunan*, silver & brass ware, wood carving and basketry – are showcased in this centre, aimed to preserve its rich legacy.

**9 TAMU KIANGGEH**  
The Tamu, or open air market, on the banks of the Kianggeh River is a popular local market for traditional dishes, fruits, vegetables, flowers and handicrafts.

**10 KAMPONG AYER**  
The world's largest water village that is home to more than 30,000 people living on unique wooden houses on stilts over the Brunei River.

**OFF THE BEATEN TRACK**

**11 Temburong ULU TEMBURONG NATIONAL PARK**  
Explore Brunei's lush virgin forest through lofty canopy walkways, scenic hiking trails and a thrilling river ride to the park on the Temburong River.

**12 Tutong TASEK MERIMBUN**  
Brunei's largest lake that curves in an 'S' has an island in the centre accessible via a wooden walkway and various facilities for picnics and recreation.

**13 Belait OIL & GAS DISCOVERY CENTRE**  
An 'edutainment' facility, this interactive science centre aims to make science exciting and accessible to all with more than 100 hands-on exhibits in themed areas to explore.



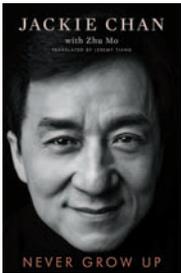
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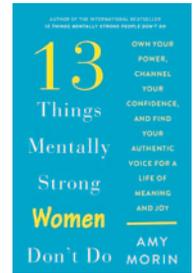
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