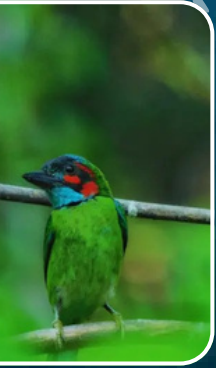




Best of Borneo

**RAINFOREST ENCOUNTERS & ISLAND PARADISE
IN SABAH, MALAYSIA**



*A journey combining the heart of Borneo's ancient jungles
with a hidden gem in the Sulu Sea.*

**KINABATANGAN WETLANDS RESORT
SEPILOK NATURE LODGE
LANKAYAN ISLAND RESORT**



Two worlds, one journey

Begin your journey in the Kinabatangan wetlands, drifting along jungle-lined rivers in search of proboscis monkeys, crocodiles, and, if you are lucky, wild Bornean elephants.

Next, continue to Sepilok, where you wake to the calls of hornbills and explore nearby wildlife sanctuaries, including the Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre and the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre.

Finally, trade the rainforest for turquoise waters as you travel to Lankayan, a secluded island where coral reefs thrive and sea turtles return to nest, offering a peaceful ending to your Borneo adventure.

River Wilderness

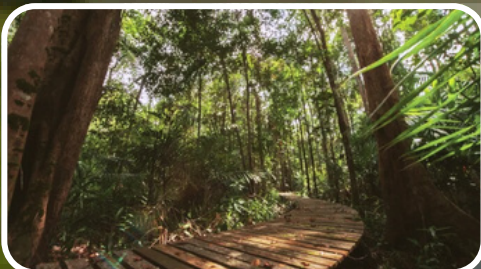
KINABATANGAN WETLANDS RESORT

Tucked deep within Sabah's largest floodplain, this remote river lodge offers front-row access to one of Borneo's richest ecosystems. Raised wooden villas are set among mangroves and tall jungle trees, where the calls of hornbills and the rustle of proboscis monkeys welcome you at dawn.



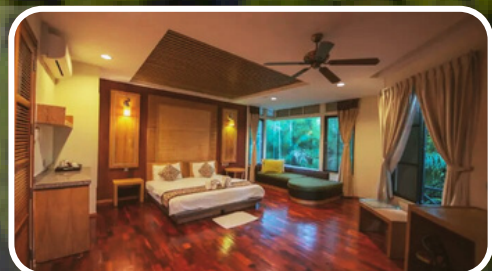
Sunset river cruises to spot proboscis monkeys and crocodiles

Dawn boat safaris for hornbills, eagles, and wild elephants

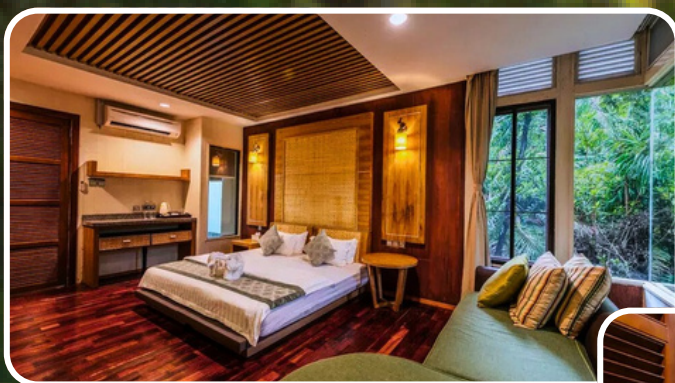


Guided boardwalk walks through the mangrove forest

Comfortable, eco-friendly villas with river views

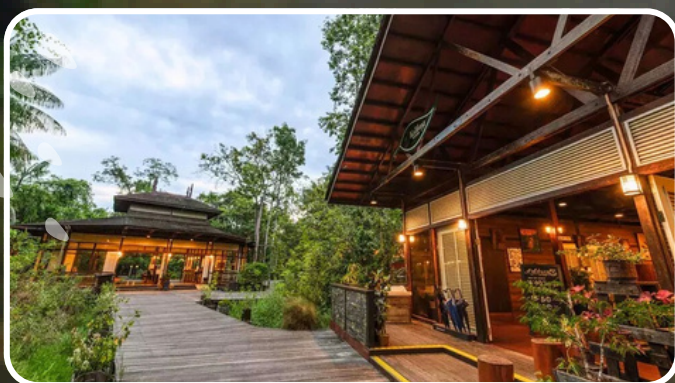


Heart of the Wetlands



Twelve stilted villas rise above the jungle floor, blending natural timber with modern comforts in the heart of the Kinabatangan floodplains.

Each villa features air-conditioning, hot showers, and a private balcony overlooking the river or surrounding forest.



The main lodge offers WiFi and home-cooked local meals, served in an open-air setting where you can unwind after river cruises and jungle walks.

Jungle serenity

SEPILOK NATURE LODGE

Nestled beside the renowned Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre and the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre, this peaceful lodge is your gateway to Borneo's thriving rainforest. Rustic yet refined, its wooden chalets sit beside a tranquil lake, surrounded by rich greenery and the songs of the jungle.



Guided visits to see orangutans and sun bears

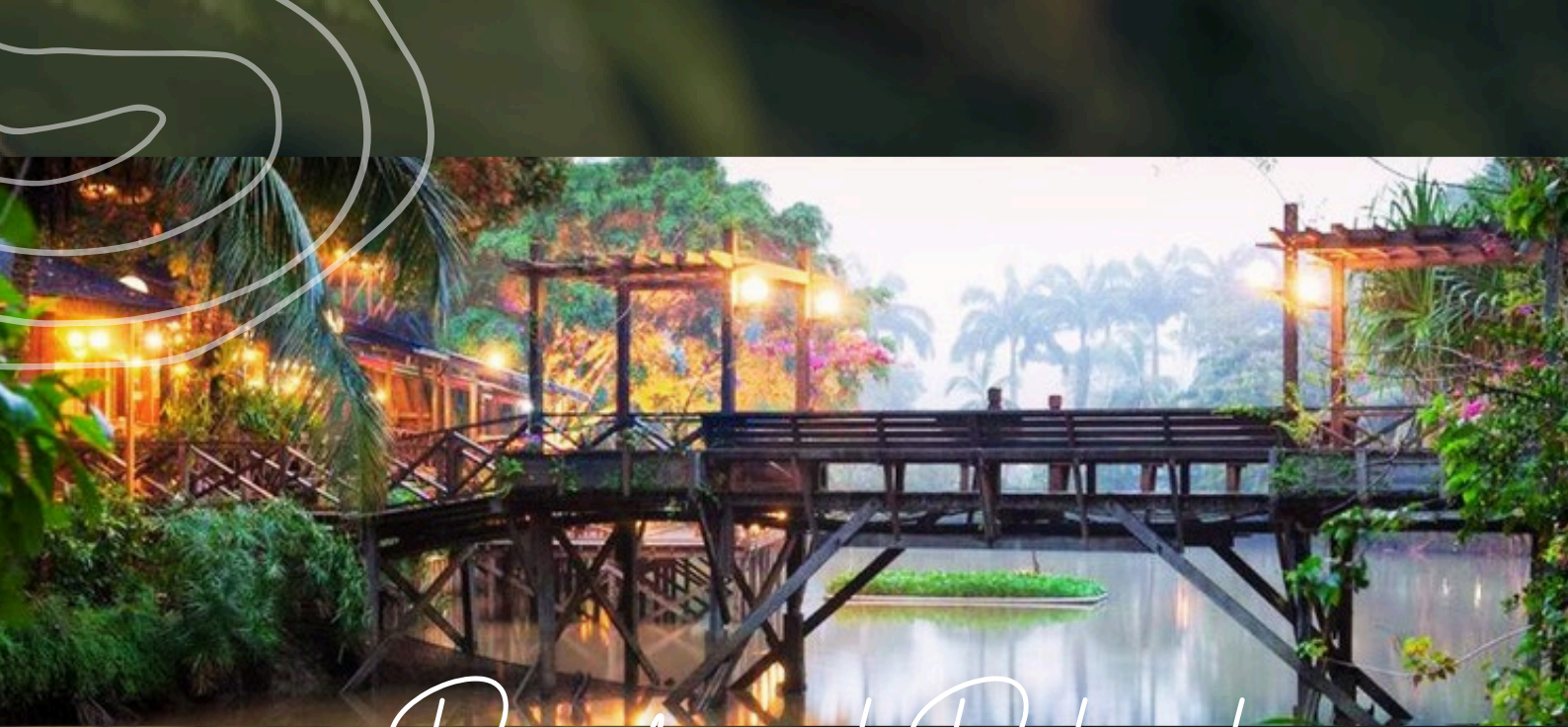
Morning walks on elevated forest trails



A night safari to spot civets, slow loris, and flying lemurs

Delicious local meals served lakeside



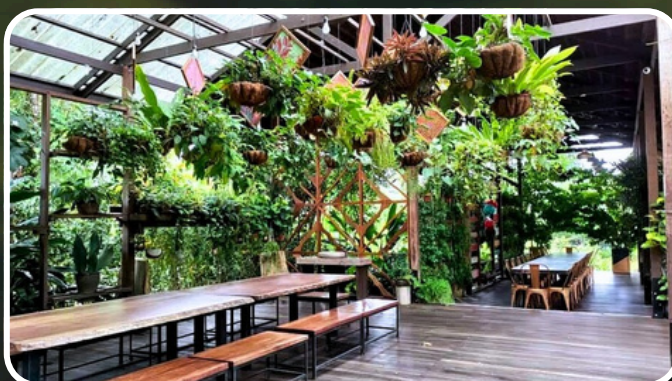


a Rainforest Retreat



Twenty-one wooden chalets, made from local hardwood and woven accents, are nestled throughout the lush Sepilok grounds.

Each chalet includes air-conditioning, hot showers, and a private verandah with views of the lake or garden.



The on-site restaurant offers WiFi and hearty local and international meals, perfect for sharing stories after a day in the forest.

Tropical Bliss

LANKAYAN ISLAND RESORT

After the jungle, a private speedboat takes you 1.5 hours across the Sulu Sea to a small island paradise. Here, time slows. Spend your days swimming through coral gardens, or watching baby turtles make their way to the sea. This remote eco-resort is known for its gentle pace, pristine waters, and vibrant marine life.



Overwater chalets with ocean views

Three boat dives per day or unlimited snorkelling and kayaking



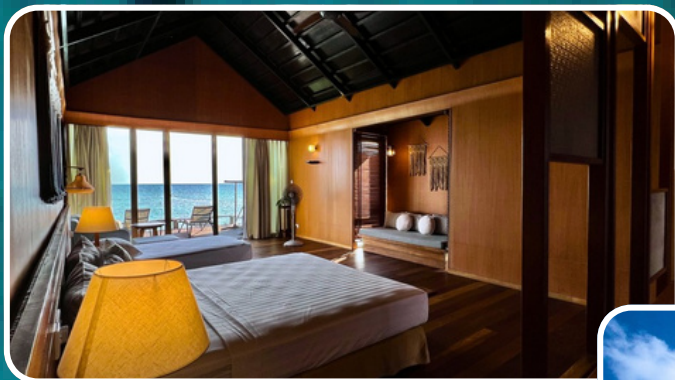
Nesting turtles and hatchling releases

Marine conservation center with real-time research





a Coral Island Escape

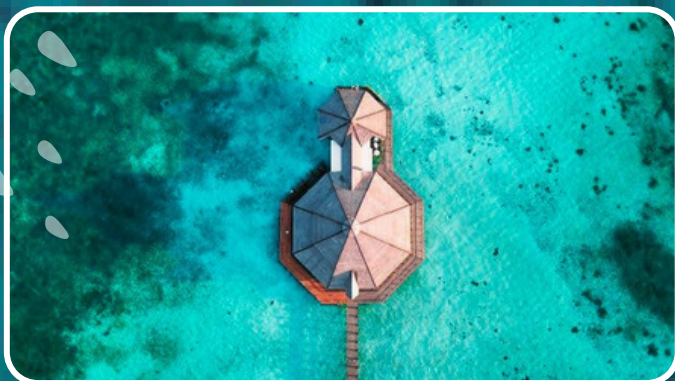


Rustic beachfront chalets line the shore, each with large windows, wooden interiors, and sweeping sea views.

All rooms include air-conditioning, modern en suite bathrooms, and a private deck just steps from the sand.



Meals are served in a breezy open-air restaurant, where guests often gather to watch the sun set over the Sulu Sea.



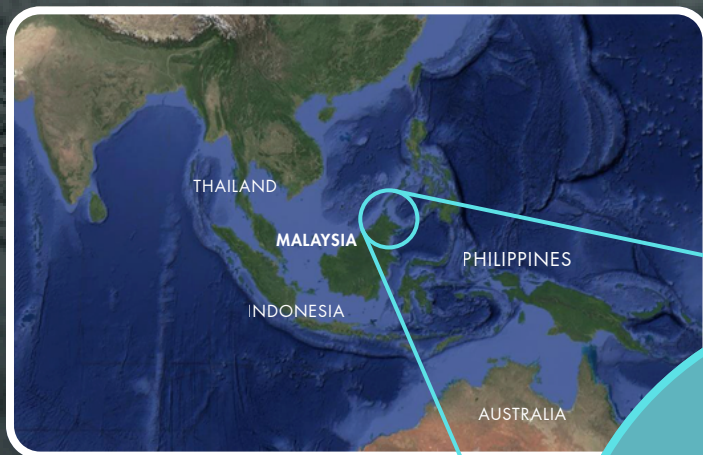
Getting here

Getting here is easier than it may seem. Fly into Sandakan Airport in Sabah, East Malaysia, which is accessible via daily domestic flights from Kuala Lumpur or Kota Kinabalu. Upon arrival, our team will greet you and take care of all onward transfers.

Your journey begins with a short drive of approximately 15–20 minutes to the jetty, where you will board a boat for a scenic 1.5-hour cruise along the Kinabatangan River to reach Kinabatangan Wetlands Resort.

After your rainforest stay, you will return to Sandakan by boat and continue with a short 20-minute drive to Sepilok.

The final leg of your journey takes you across the Sulu Sea to Lankayan Island, located about 1.5 hours away by speedboat from Sandakan.



Book your incoming flight to arrive in Sandakan by 11am.

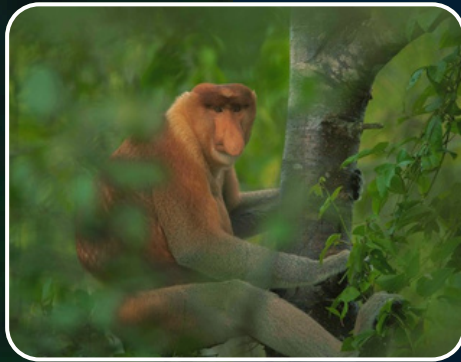
For departure, choose an afternoon flight.



Suggested Itinerary

Your adventure can be tailored to suit your preferred pace and length of stay. Whether that means extra nights in the jungle, more time by the sea, or a special focus on wildlife, just speak to us and we'll help craft the experience that's right for you.

KINABATANGAN WETLANDS RESORT | 2 - 3 NIGHTS



Arrive in Sandakan and transfer to Kinabatangan Wetlands Resort.

During your 2–3 night stay, the daily schedule typically includes guided river cruises in the early morning and late afternoon, when wildlife is most active along the Kinabatangan River. These cruises offer opportunities to observe a variety of animals, including birds, monkeys, and other riverine wildlife.

In the evening, guests may join a guided night walk around the lodge area to look for nocturnal species. A night river cruise is also available, providing a chance to observe the rainforest after dark, including fireflies along the riverbanks and, on clear nights, views of the night sky.

SEPILOK NATURE LODGE | 2 NIGHTS



After your stay at Kinabatangan, return to Sandakan by boat and transfer by road to Sepilok, located approximately 20 minutes away.

Spend the next two nights here exploring some of Borneo's most well-known wildlife conservation centres.

During your time in Sepilok, you will visit the Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre and the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre, where rescued animals are rehabilitated and protected within the surrounding rainforest.

You may also take a walk along the Rainforest Discovery Centre's canopy walkway for a different perspective of the forest and excellent opportunities for birdwatching and wildlife observation. Night safari is available here.

LANKAYAN ISLAND RESORT | 4 -5 NIGHTS



After your time in Sepilok, continue your journey with a transfer to the jetty in Sandakan for the scheduled speedboat departure to Lankayan Island. The boat journey takes approximately 1.5 hours across the Sulu Sea.

Spend the next 4–5 nights at Lankayan Island Resort, located within a protected marine park. Your days on the island can include scuba diving and snorkelling on the surrounding coral reefs, kayaking in the calm waters, and relaxed beach walks along the shoreline. Guests may also take part in conservation-related activities such as witnessing turtle nesting or hatchling releases when in season, and learning about ongoing marine protection efforts at the Reef Guardian Centre. Between activities, there is plenty of time to simply relax and enjoy the peaceful island setting.

On the day of departure, the boat leaves Lankayan at 7:00 AM, arriving back in Sandakan in the morning. Guests are free to book onward flights in the afternoon or evening, allowing time to explore Sandakan town before departing.



Ready to go?

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