



## Itinerary

### 9 Day Malaysian Peninsula Discovery

**\*IMPORTANT NOTE:** Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this itinerary.

#### Day 1: Arrive Penang

Penang, affectionately known as one of the "Pearls of the Orient," is a vibrant island off the coast of Malaysia, renowned for its rich history, cultural diversity, and world-famous cuisine. Once a British colony for over 150 years, Penang has evolved into a melting pot of traditions, making it a must-visit destination for travellers.

Upon your arrival at Penang International Airport, your tour guide will warmly welcome you and transfer you to Penang Road for a lunch feast of authentic local dishes. Indulge in favourites such as Char Kuey Teow, Fried Oyster, Hokkien Mee, Assam Laksa, Popiah, Cendol, and Rojak.

In the late afternoon, visit the Wonderful Museum, a unique attraction showcasing replicas of traditional Malaysian dishes, engaging artwork, and intriguing historical exhibits.

As the evening sets in, head to New Lane, a bustling street food haven, to sample a variety of local delicacies (at your own expense).

**MEALS:** Nil

**OVERNIGHT:** Flamingo by the Beach Hotel, Penang or similar

#### Day 2: Penang City Tour

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before heading out at 9:00 AM to Penang Hill, where you'll enjoy a scenic cable car ride and panoramic views of the island. Next, visit the Kek Lok Si Temple, a stunning religious complex built in 1891. As one of Southeast Asia's largest temples, it features millions of Buddha images, intricate carvings, pagodas, and murals. Highlights include the Supreme Statue of the Four Heavenly Kings, the Hall of the Devas, and the magnificent Guan Yin Statue.

At 1:00 PM, transfer to the Moh Teng Pheow Nyonya Koay & Canteen, a 2024 Michelin-recommended destination. Enjoy a delightful afternoon tea featuring authentic Nyonya Koay (traditional Peranakan desserts), all crafted in-house. Witness the meticulous preparation of these treats, a testament to Penang's rich culinary heritage.

In the afternoon, explore Armenian Street, located in the UNESCO World Heritage-listed city of George Town. Famous for its vibrant street art, including 14 wall murals and steel rod sculptures, this area offers a blend of history, culture, and creativity. Originally part of a Malay settlement, the street is named after the nation of Armenia.

At 5:00 PM, visit the historic Clan Jetties, a waterfront community dating back to the late 19th century. These traditional stilted villages were built by Chinese clans and provide a glimpse into Penang's past.

Conclude your day at Chulia Street Hawker Food at 6:00 PM, where you can savour local delicacies (at your own expense). Return to your hotel around 8:00 PM to relax and unwind.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Flamingo by the Beach Hotel, Penang or similar

### Day 3: Penang ~ Ipoh

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and depart for Ipoh at 9:00 AM. The journey will take approximately three hours.

Upon arriving in Ipoh around 12:00 PM, you'll embark on the Ipoh Heritage Walk, a fascinating exploration of the city's historical landmarks. Highlights include the Ipoh Railway Station, J.W.W. Birch Tower, and the charming Concubine Lane, known for its colonial-era shophouses and boutique stores. There will also be an opportunity to browse local product shops for souvenirs.

At 3:00 PM, visit a Pomelo Orchard, where you can learn about the cultivation of this citrus fruit, its uses, and its significance in the region.

Next, head to the Kek Lok Cave at 4:00 PM, a serene Buddhist sanctuary featuring a central altar surrounded by statues of Buddhist figures and Chinese deities. This spiritual site combines natural beauty with cultural significance.

For dinner, you'll stop at the renowned Ipoh Famous Chicken Rice Shop (at your own expense), where you can enjoy one of the city's iconic dishes. The rest of the evening is free for you to explore nearby attractions, such as Tong Shui Kai (a dessert street) or the bustling Ipoh Night Market.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Travelodge Hotel, Ipoh or similar

### Day 4: Ipoh ~ Cameron Highlands

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and head to the Gaharu Tea Valley, a serene plantation where you'll learn about the cultivation of the Gaharu tree. Enjoy the unique aroma and flavour of Gaharu tea while exploring the picturesque surroundings.

At 11:00 AM, depart for the Cameron Highlands, arriving by 12:00 PM. Your first stop will be the enchanting Hobbiton Village, a charming fairy-tale attraction inspired by the famous literary setting.

Continue to the Green View Garden at 2:00 PM, a delightful escape featuring a hydroponic vegetable farm, vibrant flowers, and a Little Pets Zone. This scenic attraction offers an opportunity to reconnect with nature while sampling fresh local produce.

At 3:00 PM, visit the bustling Kea Farm Market, a popular farmers' market known for its wide variety of fresh flowers, vegetables, and strawberries.

By 4:00 PM, make your way to a Strawberry Farm, where you can pick your own strawberries and enjoy fresh strawberry desserts (at your own cost).

Dinner will be at the Cameron Famous Steamboat Restaurant at 6:00 PM (at your own expense), a must-try dining experience in the highlands. The rest of the evening is free for you to relax and enjoy the cool mountain atmosphere.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** De La Fern Hotel, Cameron Highlands or similar

### Day 5: Cameron Highlands ~ Kuala Lumpur

After breakfast, check out from your hotel at 9:00 AM and head to the captivating Mossy Forest, located on Mount Brinchang, the second-highest peak in the Cameron Highlands. This magical forest, situated at 2,032 metres above sea level, is blanketed in mist and features trees and flora covered in lush layers of moss. Explore this unique ecosystem and immerse yourself in its enchanting atmosphere.

At 12:00 PM, visit the renowned Boh Tea Valley, a sprawling tea plantation and factory. Take a leisurely walk through the verdant tea fields, visit the tea café, and enjoy breathtaking views of the highlands while sampling freshly brewed tea.

Lunch will be at a local Indian restaurant in Tanah Rata at 1:00 PM (at your own expense). After lunch, visit the Lata Iskandar Waterfall, a picturesque cascade surrounded by lush greenery, perfect for a short photo stop.

Depart for Kuala Lumpur at 3:00 PM, arriving at the Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC) around 4:00 PM. Here, admire the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, standing at an impressive 451.9 metres with their distinctive skybridge connecting the 41st and 42nd floors.

At 6:00 PM, visit the vibrant Saloma Bridge, a 69-metre-long pedestrian bridge illuminated with colourful LED lights that represent Malaysia's national colours.

Dinner will follow at Jalan Alor, a bustling street food hub, at 7:00 PM (at your own expense) then you can relax for the evening.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Pearl International Hotel, Kuala Lumpur or similar

### Day 6: Kuala Lumpur City Tour

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before departing at 9:00 AM for the iconic Batu Caves, one of Malaysia's most prominent heritage sites. This remarkable destination features limestone caves and Hindu temples, including the striking Lord Murugan statue, standing proudly at the base of the 272 rainbow-coloured steps. Climb the stairs for a rewarding glimpse of the city and the temple complex above.

At 11:00 AM, visit the Royal Selangor Pewter Centre, home to the Guinness World Record-holding largest tankard. Explore the exhibits and learn about the intricate craftsmanship behind Selangor pewter.

products, which are renowned globally for their quality.

Continue with a Kuala Lumpur City Tour at 1:00 PM. Key sights include the Istana Negara (the royal palace), Dataran Merdeka (Independence Square), the National Museum, and the bustling streets of Chinatown's Petaling Street, where you can browse for souvenirs and local goods.

At 4:00 PM, visit the Jadi Batik Factory, a long-standing craft centre established in 1976. Here, you'll witness live batik demonstrations and have the chance to purchase authentic Malaysian-made batik clothing and gifts.

By 6:00 PM, head to the KL Tower, one of the tallest freestanding towers in Southeast Asia. Enjoy panoramic views of the Kuala Lumpur skyline, making it a perfect spot for capturing the city's beauty.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Pearl International Hotel, Kuala Lumpur or similar

### Day 7: Kuala Lumpur ~ Malacca

After breakfast, check out of your hotel at 9:00 AM and head to Kwai Chai Hong, a hidden gem in Kuala Lumpur known for its vibrant wall art and unique heritage buildings. While there, enjoy sampling local delicacies and visit the Beryl's Chocolate Store, renowned for its high-quality Malaysian chocolates.

At 12:00 PM, proceed to Putrajaya, Malaysia's administrative capital. Visit the striking Putrajaya Mosque, an architectural masterpiece, and stroll through the scenic Putrajaya Square, known for its beautifully landscaped surroundings.

Depart for Malacca at 1:00 PM, arriving in time for dinner at the Portuguese Settlement at 6:00 PM (at your own expense). This historic community is famous for its Portuguese-inspired dishes and vibrant cultural heritage.

Enjoy a free evening to explore the nearby Jonker Street Night Market, a lively hub of food stalls, shops, and local entertainment. You can also take a leisurely stroll along the Melaka River, lined with quaint bars and cafes, offering a relaxing end to your day.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Puri Hotel, Malacca or similar

### Day 8: Malacca City Tour

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before departing at 9:00 AM for a Malacca City Heritage Tour. Explore key historical landmarks, including Dutch Square, the iconic Clock Tower, and Victoria Fountain. Visit The Stadthuys, Christ Church, and St. Paul's Church, all of which showcase Malacca's colonial past. See the ancient gateway of A'Famosa Porta de Santiago and enjoy a delightful trishaw ride through the charming streets of the heritage city.

At 12:00 PM, indulge in a traditional lunch at the Baba Charlie Café, where you can savour authentic Baba Nyonya dishes such as cendol, laksa, and ayam ponteh. In the afternoon, visit the Baba Nyonya Heritage Museum at 2:00 PM. This museum offers a fascinating insight into the unique Peranakan culture

and lifestyle. You'll also have the option to try on traditional Baba Nyonya costumes for a memorable experience.

At 4:00 PM, explore the Malacca Stories Hall, which narrates the history of Malacca's eight oldest streets. Witness the craftsmanship of traditional artisans who create intricate works without modern technology.

Dinner will be at 6:00 PM, featuring more delicious Baba Nyonya cuisine (at your own expense). After dinner, return to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Puri Hotel, Malacca or similar

### Day 9: Depart Malacca

Enjoy your final breakfast at the hotel before checking out. You will be transferred to Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) for your onward flight home. Safe travels!

**MEALS:** Breakfast