

3D2N Sandakan Nature Safari (Sepilok, Kinabatangan River, Gomantong Caves) Itinerary

DAY 1

Pick up from any hotel within Sandakan at 0800 hrs or Sandakan Airport (MH2042 @ 0810 hrs). Transfer to Sepilok Orang Utan Rehabilitation Center. At this world renowned center, come face to face with human's closest relative, the Orang Utans. Orang Utans share 97% of the same DNA as humans. The Orang Utans feeding time is at 1000 hrs. While Orang Utan rehabilitation is still the primary goal at Sepilok, present aims include public education on conservation, research and assistance to other endangered species such as captive breeding of the rare and endangered rhinoceros.

Then proceed for lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, transfer to the Nature Lodge Kinabatangan which is located at the Lower Kinabatangan River Sanctuary. The journey will take approximately 2 hours, passing by Kota Kinabatangan town and also oil palm plantations. Transfer from the Kampung Bilit jetty to Nature Lodge Kinabatangan, just 3 mins by boat across the River. Welcome drinks will be served upon arrival. After which, guests will be given a verbal orientation of the Lodge and the surrounding area. Proceed to check into the chalets within Agamid wing of Nature Lodge Kinabatangan. Afternoon boat cruise at 1600 hrs to search for wildlife and bird-life along the Kinabatangan River banks. Return to Lodge to freshen up and then enjoy dinner in the midst of the Kampung Bilit secondary jungle. Right after dinner, go for a guided night walk to enjoy the wilderness and watch sleeping birds and nocturnal creatures of the jungle. Overnight at the Lodge. (L, D)

DAY 2

Join the boat cruise at 0600 hrs and see the exciting wildlife as they awake from a nights sleep. Various species of wildlife may be seen such as Proboscis Monkeys, Leaf Monkeys, Macaques, Gibbons and even the Orang Utans. Return back for breakfast at 0800 hrs. After breakfast at 0900 hrs, proceed on foot with our professional jungle guide to the Bilit Ox-Bow Lake behind the Lodge. This is the time to get an up close and personal glimpse of exquisite insects and birds life. You will also walk on the path of the newly discovered "Borneo Pygmy Elephants" (relatively, it's the smallest elephant in the world). Return to the Lodge for lunch at 1200 hrs. Rest after lunch and another boat ride at 1600 hrs awaits you to cruise along the Kinabatangan River for more wildlife sight-seeing. Return before dinner at 1800 hrs. Dinner will be served at the Lodge. After that, there will be another guided night walk, this time using a different route. Then overnight at the Lodge. (BF/L/D)

DAY 3

Don't be surprised to be woken up by the calls of gibbons and hornbills. At 0600 hrs, take a morning river cruise to see more birds and wildlife. Return to the lodge for breakfast at 0745 hrs. Proceed to check out and at 0915 hrs, we will transfer you to Gomantong Caves, the largest limestone hill and the most important source of edible bird nets in Sabah. Then continue your journey back to Sandakan and transfer to either your hotel or airport (MH2709 @ 1415 hrs). (BF)

*All tours are subject to weather conditions

Inclusive of (3 days 2 nights):

- Return road transfer as mentioned and return boat transfers as mentioned
- 2 Breakfast, 2 Lunch & 2 Dinner
- Sepilok Rehabilitation Centre visit & entrance fee
- Gomantong Cave visit & entrance fee
- Accommodation at chalet within Agamid wing of Nature Lodge Kinabatangan
- English speaking guide
- River cruise (2 morning & 2 late afternoon)
- 2 guided night nature walk
- 1 guided trekking to Ox-Bow Lake
- Free flow of coffee & tea

Recommended to bring:

Personal gear, insect repellent, raincoat, hat, binocular, torchlight and sunscreen. Use good walking shoes and comfortable cotton T-shirt, long sleeve shirt and long or short pant. Don't forget to bring your camera.