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Cover photo: Tanjung Rhu Beach (Public Side)
DRIVING TOURS
A Guide to Driving Around Langkawi
Renting a car or motorcycle is the most cost-effective way to get around the island.

TIPS:
1) When renting, look for 6-sided “Hire and Drive” permit on car windshield.
2) Don’t rent a vehicle with bald tyres.
3) If you come from a country that drives on the right, tape a big left-pointing arrow on the dashboard so you’ll know which side of the road to drive (use masking tape). 4) Watch out for animals crossing the road. 5) Avoid driving at night.

DRIVING HIGHLIGHTS (USE WITH MAP):
JALAN AIR HANGAT
Wat Wanararm Buddhist Temple
Located at side road across from Mara Science College at the outskirts of Kuah.

Temples Under the Stalactites
Both temples are located at side road about 500 metres north of Wat Wanararm. At t-junction with green Hindu statue, turn left for Wat Tham Kisap and right for Hindu Temple.
Other attractions: Wildlife Park, Galeria Perdana and Air Hangat Hot Springs.

JALAN TANJUNG RHU
A short drive through a casuarina-lined street with mangrove forest on one side and luxury resorts on the other. There is a nice public beach before Four Seasons where you can go parasailing and jetskiing. The more famous stretch of Tanjung Rhu beach is at the end of the road next to Tanjung Rhu Resort but this beach closes at 5.30pm to the public.

JALAN TELUK YU
Black Sand Beach is at the east end of this road. There is a long stretch of beach west of Black Sand Beach with three entrances: 1) An unnamed park with a low yellow and red stone fence outside. 2) Unpaved parking lot directly across from the Craft Complex. 3) Promenade area with parking spots and restaurant. You will see many stunning giant boulders at 1&2.
Other attractions: Langkawi Craft Complex, Ewa Jetty (rustic fishing village).

JALAN DATAI
Must-see attraction if there’s been rain: Temurun Waterfall.
Check out Tengkorak Beach, the only public beach in Langkawi with changing rooms and showers (RM 2 entrance fee).
Other attractions: Crocodile Farm.
Note: Ibrahim Hussein Museum is closed.

MT. GUNUNG RAYA
A drive up Langkawi’s tallest peak is a must, especially for bird and wildlife watchers. Drive slowly and take the time to stop at the lookout points along the way. The biggest wildlife attractions here are the enormous Great Hornhills. At the top of the mountain there’s a lookout tower that provides an amazing 360° view of the island (entrance fee RM 10).

JALAN BUKIT MALUT
This winding road hugging the southern coastline has lovely views of the southern islands but it’s best explored by motorcycle as there are not many places for a car to pull over. Avoid the U-shaped boulevard named Lencongan Bukit Malut as you might end up in the Burmese refugee village.

JALAN PADANG GAONG
There is very nice picnic park at Lubuk Semilang with a serene cascading stream flowing through it. Entrance is free and this is a great place for a stroll. Some maps mark this place as Book Village. Mardi Agropark is next to it. Otherwise, there’s not much to see on this road.

ULU MELAKA
Ulu Melaka is a maze of roads and the only place you can get easily lost while driving. Navigate carefully with the main map. This is a rural community with lots of padi fields. A drive through Ulu Melaka gives you a good look at how the islanders live. The lone tourist attraction is Mahsuri’s Tomb. Snake Sanctuary was closed permanently last year.
TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

Galeria Perdana
This gorgeous museum houses political gifts given to former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad. The architecture of the building is simply stunning, especially the intricate ceilings, which were hand-painted by Uzbekistan artists.

Culture buffs and lovers of fine architecture will love this museum. Some highlights of the current collection include the vintage car collection, weapons room, Japanese dolls, stone carvings, paintings and photographs from every stage of Dr Mahatir’s career.

Adults: RM 10
Children: RM 4
Tel: 04 959 1489
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Romance Factor: 3
Fun Factor: 4
Kid Appeal: 7
Fitness Level Required: 3

Kid Appeal: 10
A mausoleum honouring the memory of Mahsuri, a folk heroine who, 200 years ago, withstood brutal torture after being falsely accused of adultery and with her dying breath laid a curse on the island, a curse that came true.

This moving story is laid out in the mini-museum at Makam Mahsuri. There are cultural performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 3pm. Recommended for those who like history and culture.

Adults: RM 15
Children: RM 5
Tel: 04 955 6055
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Romance Factor: 2
Fun Factor: 3
Kid Appeal: 5
Fitness Level Required: 2

Wildlife Park
Children and the young at heart will especially love this attraction. Visitors can hand-feed almost all the birds and animals, and make friends with an assortment of large parrots. There's a romantic landscaped pond where all sorts of exotic waterfowl are roaming free.

Adults: RM 33
Children: RM 18
Tel: 04 966 8555
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Fun Factor: 9
Romance Factor: 7
Kid Appeal: 10
Fitness Level Required: 3

Langkawi Craft Complex (Komples Kraf)
This is an interactive museum for Malay arts and crafts but also offers great shopping for souvenirs and clothes. You can even learn to do your own batik painting for RM 25.

The glass-blowing studio at the back of the complex is a great treat for both adults and children.

Admission is free.
Tel: 04 959 1913 / 1844
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Romance Factor: 8 (with crafts)
Fun Factor: 9 (with crafts)
Kid Appeal: 9 (with crafts)
Fitness Level Required: 3

Kota Mahsuri (Mahsuri’s Tomb)
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Adults: RM 20
Children: RM 10
Tel: 04 953 2550/2551
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Fun Factor: 4
Romance Factor: 2
Kid Appeal: 6
Fitness Level Required: 2

Crocodile Farm
Like the Snake Sanctuary, it’s not worth going unless you time your visit with the shows. There is croc feeding at 11.15am and croc wrestling at 2.45pm, and both shows are pretty amazing sights and well worth the price of admission.

Adults: RM 20
Children: RM 15
Tel: 04 959 2559
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Fun Factor: 10 (with show)
Romance Factor: 2
Kid Appeal: 10 (with show)
Fitness Level Required: 3

Laman Padi (rice Museum)
A cultural museum showcasing the history of rice cultivation in Malaysia and it has a real working rice farm attached.

Admission is currently free but there might be a small charge whenever they have a rice planting demo.

Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Fun Factor: 4
Romance Factor: 4
Kid Appeal: 4
Fitness Level Required: 2

Petit Strix
This is a cable car ride that few places in the world can rival. The views of the mountain range are unforgettable.

The Sky Bridge at the upper platform offers even more breathtaking views but is currently closed for major upgrading.

Adults: RM 30
Children: RM 20
Tel: 04 959 4225
Educational or Culture Factor: 3
Fun Factor: 10
Romance Factor: 6
(8 at sunset)
Kid Appeal: 10
Fitness Level Required: 4
(8 for Sky Bridge)

Underwater World
The highlights of this aquarium are the split-level penguin exhibit with underwater view and the tunnel tank housing the giant groupers, rays and sharks.

To maximise your experience, try to time your visits with the feeding times from 10.30-11.45 and 2.30-3.45 daily. Get the feeding schedule from the info desk.

Adults: RM 38
Children: RM 28
Tel: 04 955 6100
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Fun Factor: 8
Romance Factor: 6
Kid Appeal: 10
Fitness Level Required: 3

Mardi Agro Park
Mardi Agro Park is a government fruit farm and research centre that’s open to tourists. The admission fee gets you a 20 minute guided tour around the orchards.

There’s a cafe offering a great platter of exotic fruits.

Adults: RM 20
Children: RM 10
Tel: 04 953 2550/2551
Educational or Culture Factor: 10
Fun Factor: 4
Romance Factor: 2
Kid Appeal: 6
Fitness Level Required: 2

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45 minutes “Balance Yoga”
*optional – 1 hour personal session with stress management specialist at RM230 per person

Package includes accommodation a deluxe rainforest room, 3 Meals (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) as well as Retreat.
To make a reservation, kindly quote “Stress Management Retreat”.

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T: +604 950 0014 E: info@Vintegratedwellness.com
www.Vintegratedwellness.com

For more information and availability of this retreat package, please contact us.

For a special package for 3 days 2 nights is available at RM1,800 (Single) or RM2,700 (Couple).

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BEACHES

Pantai Cenang
This is a great beach for a swim. Lots of beachside restaurants, spas and watersports operators everywhere so you don’t have to walk far to get anything. Cenang beach is the liveliest and most sociable place on the whole island, and it has a great beachside bar scene here at night.

Pantai Tengah
At certain times of the year, Pantai Tengah has big waves and strong currents on the north side of the beach. Be careful when the waves are high (make sure the kids have a flotation device). There are very beautiful islands offshore, making this one of our most popular beaches. It’s much less crowded and noisy than Cenang.

Pantai Kok Beach
Pantai Kok (pronounced Coke) is secluded and one of the best public beaches in Langkawi to chill out or have a picnic. The scenery here is gorgeous, especially at the huge boulders on the west side. Unfortunately, this beach is not recommended for swimming because of reports of sharp rocks underwater. There is no longer public access to the east side of the beach past the Danna hotel security fence.

Teluk Yu Beach
Few people swim here because of the lack of changing rooms, or maybe because Teluk Yu means Shark Bay. Still, it’s a lovely scenic place for a snack or a nice sunset walk. There are gorgeous boulders on the east side of the beach.

On the west side is Langkawi’s only mega-factory: Larfarge Cement. Try to look east only.

Tanjung Rhu Beach
There are two public beaches at Tanjung Rhu in the northwest of the main island. Coming off the Jalan Air Hangat circle, the first beach you will see is a very pretty cove that is usually deserted until the sunset hours.

As you continue driving through the serene casuarina-lined road next to the mangroves, you will eventually come to the crescent-shaped beach that is famous for a trio of beautiful islands a few kilometres offshore.

Public access to this beach is restricted. The public area next to Tanjung Rhu resort is now emptied out by resort security by 5pm. The checkpoint gate on the main road is also shut at 5 or 5.30 pm.

Pantai Pasir Hitam (Black Sand Beach)
A very scenic and unusual beach, but more for viewing than swimming. A few hundred metres to the right of the tourist area is a rustic pier. The atmosphere at this side of the beach is more cheery with the colourful fishing boats all around. The black sand here is natural, due to iron deposits in the sand.

Pantai Pasir Tengkorak (Skull Sand Beach)
This is a very short stretch of beach, but provides a very good swim. One of the few public beaches with toilets and changing rooms, Tengkorak is very popular with locals. It used to be free but now there’s a RM 2 per person entrance fee.

Datia Bay
This beach is drop-dead gorgeous and spotlessly clean, but it is only for guests of the Datia and Andaman. There is no way to get to the beach except through the resorts, and security there is very tight.

Bura Bay
The beach is maintained by Berjaya and Mutiara Bura Bay resorts so it is a private beach. The bay is very beautiful and you can get access to it by booking watersports from Berjaya (Mutiara is closed for major renovation). With that mountain backdrop behind the hotels, this is one of the most scenic beaches for kayaking or jet-skiing.

WATERFALLS
Langkawi features several cascading waterfalls that are spectacularly beautiful during the rainy season between August to October. We feature the three main ones here.

Warning: all the waterfalls are dangerous for very small children and the elderly. Also, because of the monkey problem, do not bring food to the waterfalls.

Seven Wells Waterfall (Telaga Tujuh)
Our most spectacular waterfall, Seven Wells is a must-see for those who have the stamina to climb those exhausting 600 steps to the top. At the top are natural rockslides and jacuzzi-like pools made out of smooth rocks. In the rainy season, swimming in these swirling pools is great fun but the currents are strong so be careful. During dry spells, the pools become stagnant, but you can still come up here
for a nice nature hike and for the staggering view of the valley. There is a hiking trail at the back of the wells. Please do not go past the barricade at the end of the pools. It is extremely dangerous.

Those who can’t make the climb up to the top can visit the lower falls, which some consider even more fun than the top wells.

Educational or Culture Factor: 2
Fun Factor: 10
Romance Factor: 8
Kid Appeal: 10
Fitness Level Required: 9 (6 for lower level)

**Temurun Falls**

When there’s enough rain, Temurun rivals Seven Wells as Langkawi’s most beautiful cascading waterfall. The top pool has a gorgeous 100-foot waterfall coming over an unusual wall of black rock. Like Seven Wells, be careful of the powerful churning currents after heavy rains. Temurun is not really worth visiting during the dry season.

Educational or Culture Factor: 2
Fun Factor: 7
Romance Factor: 8
Kid Appeal: 10
Fitness Level Required: 6

**Durian Perangin Falls**

Compared to the other waterfalls, Durian Perangin may not be that great for swimming but the surrounding scenery is more majestic. This is a great place to come for a quick hike to appreciate the multi-level falls and the rainforest. You can get to the main pool only by going down a rocky slope at a very scary angle. Watch your step here.

Educational or Culture Factor: 2
Fun Factor: 7
Romance Factor: 8
Kid Appeal: 8
Fitness Level Required: 7
MASSAGE

Because Langkawi is a crossroads of cultures, you'll find a wide choice of massage styles available: Malay, Thai, Indonesian, Chinese, Balinese and Indian. Here is a very brief guide to various massage techniques to help you choose.

No matter what style you choose, always tell the masseur or masseuse beforehand if you have an injury (especially neck or spinal) or if you are pregnant.

Thai Massage

Commonly described as the “lazy man’s yoga,” Thai massage combines a bit of massage with a lot of yoga stretches—only you don’t have to flex a single muscle. The massage therapist will use his body to twist, bend and manipulate yours into the various yoga postures and stretches. The pain level of Thai massage is usually low. No massage oil is used.

Malay Massage

Malay massage uses deep thumb pressure more than any other style. It could be a bit painful but repairs injuries and gets out deep muscle tension if done right. Herbal massage oils are used. Generally they will look for tight knots in the muscles and work it out with straight or circular strokes using thumbs, palms and forearms.

Chinese Foot Reflexology

Chinese foot reflexology is one of the most painful massage styles and meant to heal specific ailments. Chinese foot reflexologists actually go out of their way to put you in pain, since the pain tells them what and where your health problems lie. They say the really good reflexologists can diagnose all your past and current illnesses or infections from the way you wince while being massaged.

Ayurvedic (Indian) Massage

Indians believe that well-moisturised skin is crucial for overall good health, so be prepared to be bathed in a river of soothing herbal oil during the massage. With the pain level at medium to low, most people find Indian massage invigorating but deeply relaxing at the same time.

The most unique ayurvedic spa treatment is shirodhara, where a thin stream of warm fragrant oil is poured onto the centre of the forehead.

Hot Stone Massage

Not an Asian massage tradition but wonderfully soothing despite the odd feeling of being massaged with smooth, heated stones. Some new-agey spas will align small stones around chakra energy points on your back. If the stones are too hot, tell the massage therapist. It’s not supposed to burn.

Yuan Relaxing Therapy

Sea Salt Foot Bath
Full Body Coconut Scrub
Full Body Cucumber Wrap
Full Back Massage
Shoulder, Head & Neck Massage
Relaxing Facial Treatment

2 Hrs 30 Min only RM 178

Refreshening Aroma Therapy

Sea Salt Foot Bath
Full Body Aroma Oil Massage
Refreshing Facial Treatment
Head & Neck Massage

1 Hrs 45 Min RM 148

Footy Foot

Sea Salt Foot Bath
Foot Scrub
Foot Reflexology
Full Body Malay Traditional

1 Hrs 45 Min RM 148

BELLIS

Kuah, Langkawi Mall
Tel: 04-966 0089
Open Daily 11pm-9.30pm
Located in Kuah on the main road near Langkawi Parade shopping centre, Bellis is Kuah’s most well-known and established spa with a loyal local following, especially for their meticulous facial treatments.

In keeping with their natural health theme, their signature massage is their Traditional Thai Herbal Compress Ball Massage which uses 12 types of healing herbs packed into massage balls. This one-hour massage is only RM 98 and is especially therapeutic for those with muscle and joint pain. Also check out the great combo package deals in their ad.

Considering the prices they charge, their well-trained staff and luxurious décor, Bellis Spa is without a doubt one of the best spa values for your money on the island.

YUAN SPA

Jalan Pantai Tengah,
opposite Holiday Villa
Tel: 04 955 2828
Open Daily 1pm-10pm

A beautifully-decorated spa, Yuan is located opposite Holiday Villa in the middle of the Pantai Tengah strip. Despite the upscale atmosphere, their 1-hour aroma-therapy or detox massages are just a bit more at RM 108. Most of their lengthier massage/spa combos average out to around RM 100 per hour, an incredible value for such an elegant spa in the Cenang/Tengah area. With 4 special rooms for couples (romantic bath in each room), Yuan Spa also tempts couples with 4-hour honeymoon packages that include massage, body scrub and wrap, face treatment, manicure and pedicure and a milk bath.

For Direction or Reservation Please Call 04 955 2828  yuanspa@hotmail.com
The brand-new Mimosa Spa at the Bella Vista hotel is a real hidden gem. Although tucked away in a small space across the hotel entrance, Mimosa wins you over with its serene and elegant décor, team of well-trained spa therapists and shockingly low prices for a spa of this quality.

Their one-hour Asian Traditional Massage is only RM 88 and a one-hour Foot Reflexology massage goes for a mere RM 48. Mimosa offers a different massage/spa treatment promotional package each month. Call them for details about the month's current promotion.

Mimosa offers free pickup from any hotel within Kuah.

V INTEGRATED WELLNESS
Andaman Resort, Datai Bay
Tel: 04 950 0014
Open Daily 9am-9pm

Of all the luxury hotel spas in Langkawi, V Integrated Wellness is the only one in a thoroughly unique setting: perched on a forested cliff overlooking the fabulous Datai Bay. Their wall-less treatment rooms offer a panoramic view and treat your senses to a genuine feeling of being in a secluded forest by the beach.

This incomparable ambience, coupled with their awesome service and packages, makes them one of the truly great spa experiences in Malaysia. They are located in a far-flung corner at Langkawi's northwest, but if you want a day at the spa you'll never forget, it is absolutely worth the long drive there.

The Frangipani Langkawi Resort & Spa Eco Walk

While many hotels today have environmental policies in place, this amazing walking tour will surely convince you that Frangipani has pushed conservation policies further than all of them.

The hotel has constructed an elaborate wetlands area as a natural sewage treatment system. Countless water tanks gather rainwater from the eaves and even the parking lot surface is angled towards drainholes to collect rain. Solar panels heat bathwater and water for dishwashing. All organic kitchen waste is composted, and some of their restaurant dishes feature organic food from their mini-farm and fish ponds.

Those and other eco-projects have allowed Frangipani to cut both their energy and water bills by half while reducing waste production to a fraction of regular hotels. If you really want to see what a business, or even home, can accomplish with an uncompromising waste-nothing philosophy, you cannot miss this fascinating tour.

After the walk, try some of Frangipani's home-grown organic dishes at the restaurant.
BOAT TOURS / CRUISES

A GUIDE TO BOAT TOURS

ISLAND HOPPING

Island Hopping boat tours are cheap boat tours that explore the scenic southern islands. For only around RM 30 to RM 50 per person, the standard tour usually includes the following: eagle feeding at Pulau Singa Basah, get dropped off for a swim at Pulau Beras Basah and then to Pulau Dayang Bunting for swimming or paddleboating at the freshwater lake. The whole excursion takes about 3½ hrs. Pulau Beras Basah has some of the clearest waters around southern Langkawi. Although not a top diving spot, you can still have fun snorkelling here and see shoals of small fish.

Pulau Dayang Bunting has the famous Lake of the Pregnant Maiden, which is a deep freshwater lake separated from the seawater by a very narrow wall of rock. There are solar-powered paddleboats you can rent to explore the beautiful lake. Warning: the swimming area is extremely deep and is for good swimmers only.

EDUCATIONAL OR CULTURE FACTOR: 3
FUN FACTOR: 8
KID APPEAL: 9
FITNESS LEVEL REQUIRED: 6

YACHT CRUISES

Yacht Cruises are available on a sharing basis for around RM 260-460 per person. The Sunset Cruises are the most popular and typically involve cruising to a secluded beach for a swim, a barbecue buffet dinner and then a slow sail back during the sunset hours.

Sunset cruises can be anything from 3 to 6 hrs long. The morning cruises are usually cheaper, but couples should definitely pay extra to experience those fabulously romantic Langkawi sunsets on a yacht.

EDUCATIONAL OR CULTURE FACTOR: 2
FUN FACTOR: 8
ROMANCE FACTOR: 10
KID APPEAL: 6
FITNESS LEVEL REQUIRED: 2

KILIM GEOPARK TOUR

The Kilim Geopark Reserve in the northeast of Langkawi is one of the most unique natural regions in the world, with a huge mangrove forest and haunting limestone cliffs, islands and caves. Prices for Kilim Tours fluctuate but generally around RM 100 to RM 150 per person or RM 300 per boat for a 2-hour tour. You can usually get cheaper or longer tours if you go through tour agents at hotels or along Cenang and Jetty Point in Kuah.

The standard 3-4 hour tour includes a visit to the Fish Farm, an incredible eagle-feeding frenzy, a visit to the bat cave and a quick cruise around the limestone islands. Note that at these prices there is NO nature guide, only a boatman.

Tours with a certified nature guide (such as Dev’s Adventure Tours) are around RM 160. In our opinion, it’s absolutely worth the extra money for a properly guided nature tour of Kilim.

EDUCATIONAL OR CULTURE FACTOR: 10 (with a guide)
FUN FACTOR: 9
ROMANCE FACTOR: Depends on crowds
KID APPEAL: 10
FITNESS LEVEL REQUIRED: 5

PULAU PAYAR EXCURSION

Pulau Payar Marine Park, a tiny coral island about 30 km south of Langkawi, has beautiful reefs and clear waters teeming with marine life makes it pretty much the best snorkelling and scuba diving location in the region.

Only Day Trips are available. There are two packages for Payar day trips: around RM 150-180 for the Beach Drop and around RM 250-280 for the Reef Platform package. The platform is moored about 100m offshore and offers great snorkelling. It’s best to go on a sunny day. Going on rainy days are a huge waste of money. Beware of unscrupulous agents trying to sell packages under RM 200 as the much better Platform Package.

EDUCATIONAL OR CULTURE FACTOR: 2
FUN FACTOR: 10
ROMANCE FACTOR: Depends on crowds
KID APPEAL: 10
FITNESS LEVEL REQUIRED: 6

FISHING TRIPS

Recreational fishing trips are not yet a developed business in Langkawi and you won’t see many ads for them. However, if you ask around, a tourboat and basic fishing gear can be hired as low as RM 450 if you just want to fish around Langkawi waters.

A 4-5 hour offshore fishing trip in a proper speedboat usually costs around RM 700-1500. Fishing packages in luxury speedboats and with good equipment can go up to RM 2,500 or more.
DUCK TOUR LAND & WATER ADVENTURE
Location: Left of Oriental Village Front Entrance
Tel: 04 959 3992 / 012 204 6554
Probably Langkawi’s most unusual cruise, the Duck Tour takes you on an exhilarating ride on both land and water in a gaily-painted amphibious vehicle. That’s right—the Duck Boat is both a land bus and a perfectly sea-worthy boat. It will drive you from Oriental Village to the water’s edge at Telaga Harbour and plunge in with huge splash. You’ll then be taken for a trip around the scenic marina and a quick cruise around Pantai Kok Bay. This 45-min tour is extremely affordable at only RM 38 per adult and RM 22 per child. Don’t miss this, especially if you have kids. Open daily from 9am-7pm.

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JET SKI ADVENTURE TOURS
Company: Mega Water Sports
Tel: Said 012 200 2155/ Hussein 012 389 0801
Email: sales@megawatersports.com
If island-hopping with a boatload of camera-toting tourists is not your cup of tea, how about cruising the southern islands on a powerful 4-stroke jet ski? With this Jet Ski Island Hopping Tour, you’ll get to see a side of Langkawi that few tourists get to see and go snorkelling on secluded beaches. For more information, see the review of this tour in our Adventure Section, pg 26.

bluewaterstarsailing.com
If you’re willing to spend just a tad bit more, Blue Water Star Sailing promises much higher quality of meals, wines and spirits and a sunset cruise almost twice as long as the standard 3-hour evening cruises offered elsewhere, giving you fantastic value for money. BWSS’s extra touch of luxury service really shines on their private cruises, which can be designed to suit your needs, especially if you have something special planned, like a surprise proposal. You can choose from 20 different boats for private cruises: large schooners, spacious catamarans, motor yachts and drop-dead-gorgeous luxury yachts. Their fleet comes in both modern and vintage flavours. For a closer look at their large selection of boats, check out their website at www.bluewaterstarsailing.com.

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GARDEN OF EVA
(A Community Health Project by Captain Eva)
35 Jalan Lubuk Semilang, near Panorama Hotel and opposite Taman Harmoni
Tel: 019 447 0745 / 017 584 9353
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The brainchild of Eva Zimmerman, captain of Damai Indah Luxury Cruises, the Garden of Eva is conceptually a community health project but physically a beautiful fruit orchard with an all-natural, health-food restaurant on the premises. It is probably the only one of its kind in Langkawi. They specialise in great salads, raw vegan spreads and a rotating menu of cooked main courses. The project’s mission is to encourage the island residents especially children) to cut back on salty, fatty and sugary junk foods and rediscover the delicious taste of unprocessed natural foods. The volunteer-run project does this by offering classes on the simple pleasures of healthy cooking, organic gardening and, more recently, free-range poultry farming. Classes are run on-site or whenever they are invited. Please call ahead if you’re planning to come for lunch or the cooking class and for directions to the farm.
Langkawi may be known as a beach resort island, but the real treasures here are the rainforests and geological formations. Please don’t spend your vacation here without taking at least a morning or night nature walk with a knowledgeable guide, because the natural marvels that Langkawi offers are absolutely incredible. If you’re the really adventurous type, ask if there are any guides who can take you to little-known attractions in the geopark forest reserves like Langgun Lake or perhaps caving at the mind-blowing Pasir Dagang Cave. However, such trips usually require a minimum group of 3 or 4.

DEV’S ADVENTURE TOURS
Tel: 019 494 9193  Email: info@langkawi-nature.com

Those who have searched Tripadvisor will no doubt have seen the many rave reviews on Dev’s Adventure Tours. Their passionate tour guides, unique packages and meticulously-organized tours have given them a well-deserved reputation for being the island’s top nature company.

Their signature tour is a 5-hour kayaking expedition through the Kilim Mangroves. It’s not as physically demanding as it sounds, and it is surely one of the most memorable tours you will experience. But if you’re not the kayaking type, you can still explore the Kilim Mangroves on their boat tour, which is conducted in secluded areas away from the routes taken by the regular tourist speedboats.

Less well known but equally satisfying is their Nature Cycling Tour. This is much more than just a scenic ride through the countryside; it’s a 4-hour cultural immersion into authentic village life—on bicycle. Don’t miss this if you love culture. Dev’s also offers a great selection of jungle treks, casual morning walks and bird-watching trips. Our personal favourite is their 3-hour Evening Jungle Trek through the Mat Chinchang jungle, where you’ll be astounded by the wildlife that emerges after dark.

Believe it or not, all of Dev’s tours (except for birdwatching) have no minimum group requirement. They will run the tour even if only one person books! They offer additional discounts if you book more than one tour with them and there’s no surcharge for hotel pickups in remote areas. These combination-tours are called Eco-Packages and you can view them online at www.langkawi-nature/eco-packages.htm.

SEEMAN WATERSPORTS
Location: Cenang & Kuah
Tel: 012 919 0914 / 012 902 9014 / 019 336 9914

Located behind Tomato Nasi Kandar restaurant, Seeman Watersports runs the most safety-conscious watersports operation at Cenang beach, protecting swimmers with roped off passageways for their jetski customers. Seeman only uses top-of-the-line, eco-friendly Sea-Doo jetskis.

Besides their regular watersports rentals, they offer great 3 or 4-hour jetski explorations of the southern islands for RM 550-800 per jetski. See fascinating geological formations, snorkel at secluded beaches and marvel at gorgeous limestone cliffs up close (most are places where regular tourist boats cannot access). All Seeman Watersports operations are fully licensed and insured and run with strict safety procedures.

Seemanwatersports is owned by
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**JET SKI ADVENTURE TOURS WITH MEGA WATER SPORTS**
Tel: Said Mokti 012 200 2155
Hussain 012 389 0801

This high-adrenaline tour of the southern islands on a 4-stroke 1500cc jet ski is one of the most inspired tours available in Langkawi.

Jet skis have no propellers so the guides can show you cliffs, caves or mangrove forests up close. In fact, none of the places along their routes are part of the regular tourist areas.

The vessels used are Canadian-made Sea-Doos, which are much more environmentally-friendly than the 2-stroke jet ski. You don’t need a licence to ride a Sea-Doo (Australians please take note). Snorkelling equipment will be provided. They have set tour packages but the company will do customised tours on request. Advance bookings can be made online at www.megawatersports.com or email: sales@megawatersports.com. For an additional RM 250, Mega Watersports can fix a high-def GO-PRO video camera to the jetski and capture your trip on a 16G Class 10 memory card! Ask them to show you some of their amazing samples.

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**Safety Tips for Jungle Trekking without a Guide**

The best safety tip we can give you is DON’T go into the jungle without a guide! Even if you are hanging out at the waterfalls and you notice a narrow footpath going into the jungle, resist the temptation to go in. It is incredibly easy to lose your bearings in the Langkawi forests, and if you are dressed only in t-shirt, shorts and flip-flops and have no phone with you, your chances of survival before the rescue teams arrive are not great.

Having said that, there will probably be some who will take the chance. If you are one of these, at the very least consider the following tips:

* Don’t stray off the hiking path.
* Never hike where there is no clear path.
* Pack lots of water and stay hydrated.
* Don’t pack any food in your backpack. Animals will smell it. Eat before you go.
* Find a big walking stick.
* Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, socks and hiking shoes. If you come across leeches, tuck your pant legs into your socks and fasten with rubber bands.
* Go with hiking partners, never alone. Check each other periodically for leeches or tiny black ticks.
* Always carry a cellphone with a prepaid card. In case of emergency, dial 999.
* Bring a pocket knife, flashlight, rubber bands and a box of adhesive bandages of various sizes.
* Hike in the morning. Starting at mid or late-afternoon could leave you stranded in pitch darkness in the dense jungle.
EATING DISTRICTS IN LANGKAWI

**Perdana Quay (Telaga Harbour)**
Perdana Quay is THE place to come if you want a huge variety of great food accompanied by posh surroundings and fabulous scenery. Here you can get Spanish tapas, Malay, Italian, Chinese, Middle-Eastern, Japanese or Russian food. Put together, it’s like an ongoing international food fest.
Perdana Quay was originally constructed to resemble a Mediterranean coastal town, so the architecture here has a European look not seen anywhere else on the island.

**Pantai Cenang/Tengah**
Cenang is the most well-known eating district in Langkawi with dozens of restaurants, bars and cafes jammed tightly together. There is a huge variety of food available here but your best bet is for Asian seafood, Indian food and Italian-style pasta and pizza. There are great restaurants right on the beach where you can dine and booze while watching the surf.
The same continues over at Pantai Tengah, but everything there is more spread out and the atmosphere less frenzied.

**Trimula (Kuah)**
This is the nickname for row of restaurants along Jalan Persiran Murtara, which is the road across the canal from the castle-like Bella Vista hotel. The main attraction here is cheap Asian seafood and even cheaper beer (not available at the few Muslim-owned restaurants). A few Chinese-run places across the street serve exotic dishes like wild boar curry.

**Pekan Rabu (Kuah)**
Pekan Rabu was meant to duplicate the success of the original Pekan Rabu in Alor Setar, a food and shopping mall reserved exclusively for vendors of traditional Malay products and food.
Located next to al-Hana Mosque, Pekan Rabu is actually the big blue building, now largely vacant on the upper floors, although on the ground floor there’s a cheap food court.
Aji Restaurant at the jetty administrative building brings in the evening crowd with good western and local food. Some interesting mid-budget eateries have opened at the Dayang Business Centre next to the main building.
Red Sky is a chic restaurant and bar with a truly international menu that covers almost every continent: braised lamb shank cooked Moroccan-style, Italian pastas, Cyprus chicken pita, Mexican fajitas and burritos, American burgers and sandwiches, Indian appetisers and SE Asian dishes. Some of our personal favourites: the Green Curry, Shrimp Spring Rolls and the Pasta with Chicken and Spinach Pesto.

Red Sky is perhaps best known for a huge drinks menu that features many original recipes, especially for alcoholic coffee beverages.

The Phoenix Restaurant located at the Bayview hotel is the most spacious and upscale Chinese restaurant in Kuah.

The Phoenix offers a Steamboat buffet Thursday to Sunday nights for RM 35 per person (RM 18 for kids 12 and under), and it’s an all-you-can-eat buffet, not the standard fixed Steamboat dinner. The buffet also comes with a big choice of 4 different soups and 7 dipping sauces.

There’s a great Dim Sum Buffet every Tuesday and the adjoining Flamingo Coffee House is now serving a new menu featuring Middle-Eastern cuisine.

Located at the south end of Cenang, across the street from Underwater World and next to the big Casa Fina billboard, Red Sky is a chic, up and coming restaurant with a truly international menu.

We have dishes that cover almost every continent: braised lamb shank cooked Moroccan-style, Italian pastas, Pizzas, Cyprus chicken pita, an assortment of Mexican fajitas and burritos, American jumbo-burgers and club sandwiches, Indian appetisers and South East Asian curries, fried rice and noodles.

CHEAP EATS: How to Order from a Local Malay Food Menu

Nasi Goreng (Fried Rice)
Cina (pronounced chinner): Usually peas, carrots and some chicken breast chunks.
Kampung/Ikan Bilis: Chopped greens and anchovies.
ikan Masin: Chopped greens and salted fish.
Ayam: Fried or grilled chicken.
Udang: Shrimp
Paprik: Comes with a separate plate of cauliflower, carrot, broccoli and chicken breast in salty/sweet dark sauce.
Pattaya: Like nasi goreng cina but with everything wrapped in a tissue-paper thin omelette and topped with sweet chili sauce.
Daging Merah: Tomato/chilli beef.

Mee/Kuey Teow/Bee Hoon (Instant Noodles/Flat Rice Noodles/Vermicelli)
Noodle dishes usually come with green vegetables, seafood and chicken.
Hong Kong: noodles in thick Chinese style sauce.
Hailam: Sauce is a mixture of very sweet soy sauce, oyster sauce and chili sauce.
Goreng: Flash-fried in lots of oil and spices.
Sup: Soup
Bandung: Similar to Hailam but sauce is more tomato-flavoured.

Roti (Fried Flatbread)
The plain flatbread is called Roti Canai (pronounced char-nai). These flatbreads can be ordered stuffed with egg (telur), bananas (pisang), onions (bawang) cheese or sardines (sardin).
Then there are these variations:
Planta/Boom: Smaller but thicker roti with tons of margarine inside. Crispy outside, chewy inside.
HOW TO HAVE FUN IN KUAH

Kuah still has the charm of a sleepy Malaysian town back in the 1970s. Almost everything is cheaper in Kuah than the rest of the island. In fact, we recommend that you shop in Kuah first and then shop elsewhere on the island later. If you saved the trip to Kuah at the end, you may find the exact same items you bought selling for up to 20% cheaper. This is true even if you shop at the malls.

Kuah is also a fabulous place to eat, especially in the evenings, with lots of excellent seafood restaurants that are cheaper than the ones at Cenang and Tengah. For non-Muslims, Kuah is the only place in Langkawi where you can find lots of Chinese restaurants serving pork. Beers here go for as low as RM 2.50. Besides shopping and dining, Kuah can be a fun experience if you are curious about local culture and don’t mind some low-key excitement like taking a walk at Eagle Square or the fabulous Legenda Park in the late afternoon. Eagle Square is particularly lovely at night. Please use Kuah maps on Map Page.

Langkawi Parade/Langkawi Fair/Jetty Point

These malls aren’t as chic as big-city megamalls but take your time and you’ll find some very good discounts for clothes, shoes, jewellery and souvenirs. Langkawi Fair is the most elegant of the three. What this mall lacks in glamour it makes up for with a huge selection of unique gifts, souvenirs and clothing for both low-budget and upscale shoppers.

The Banking District (Pandak Mayah)

Although most banking districts are very upscale places, the one in Kuah does not fit that description. Come here if you enjoy Third-World urban charm or if you want to score some good discounts on the items like chocolate, suitcases, cigarettes, booze, cheap tableware, cashew nuts and dried fish snacks. The souvenir shops here generally have cheaper prices than the rest of the island.

There are a few popular non-halal Chinese food courts (pork and boozie galore) around the intersection before the bridge at Langkawi Baron hotel. One is Water Garden (it turns into Rootian restaurant at night) and the other is Langkawi Sunrise. There are a couple more within this district.

PLAZA LANGKAWI

From the outside it looks enormous but there are only about three floors of shops selling mostly textiles and folk medicine. The rest of the building is office space. If you need a miracle tonic for an ailment, you’ve come to the right place. Also there’s a big selection of Thai and Malay-style shirts, blouses and caftans at pretty much the lowest prices on the island.

LANGKAWI MALL

Mainly a business, clothing and dining area for the locals. Unless you’re interested in how the locals live, there may not much to interest tourists except perhaps the many restaurants—and there are a lot of them here, mostly very cheap. The famous Wan Thai Restaurant is located here. The Malay restaurants are buffet-style nasi-champur restaurants and that open during the day. The Chinese restaurants are mostly at the front facing the main road and are open till late. The Kamdar department store at the east end of the cobblestone street has a wide selection of Indian-style clothing at bargain prices.

JALAN PERSIARAN MUTIARA

This road running in front of the Bella Vista Hotel (across the canal) is flanked by a string of popular seafood restaurants that open only at night. What they lack in décor they make up for in good food and low prices. If you don’t mind the flimsy tables and plastic chairs, this is the place to go for a cheap seafood dinner to be washed down by lots of cheap beer. This eating district is called Trimula (see Eating Districts).

PEKAN RABU

Located next to al-Hana mosque, Pekan Rabu and the adjacent Dayang Business Centre is still in a transitional phase - not quite a tourist area but not quite a hangout for locals either. The biggest draw here for shopping is the Rams department store for locals either. The biggest draw here for shopping is the Rams department store. Langkawi is Malay-reserve, The Laguna Apartments, however, are build on land that is 100% fully freehold. Starting at RM 539,000, these luxury apartments offer foreigners a rare chance to get a valuable piece of Langkawi real estate safely and without excessive red tape. Condo facilities include a gym, pool, BBQ and communal area and more.

SPOTLIGHT ON FAIZY CRYSTAL

Location: Langkawi Craft Complex, Jalan Teluk Yu, near Black Sand Beach Telephone: 04 955 4885

Faizy Crystal is the only glassblown-art studio in Malaysia run by all-Malay artisans. The studio is located at the parking lot at the back of the Craft Centre, where they hold fascinating daily demonstrations of their art. They specialise in glass pendants, vases, charming animal figurines, perfume bottles, glassworks with Islamic motifs and straightforward art pieces—all going for great prices. If you’re looking for a memorable souvenir that’s actually made in Langkawi, check this place out.

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Komplek Kraf (Langkawi Craft Complex). Back parking lot. Tel: 04 959 4885

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