

HILTON BATANG AI LONGHOUSE RESORT + IBAN LONGHOUSE TOUR

2 Days 1 Night

Tour code: IH/SP/2D1N HILTON BATANG AI L/H RESORT PKT



Day 1 Kuching – Iban Longhouse Tour

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WELCOME TO KUCHING! Our friendly Tour Director will accompany you to Hilton Batang Ai Longhouse Resort. The journey takes about 4 hours drive from Kuching City and followed by a 15-minute boat ride to reach the Resort. Along the way, you can get an scenic view of different kinds of villages as well as passing through Sarawak's famous pepper farms. We visit the local market where lots of jungle products and vegetables are sold here. En route you will have a brief stop over at small town called Serian where you can experience the busy daily wet market and witness some of the rare jungle produces brought from the deep jungle. You could do last minute shopping for a gift to present to your Iban host.

We will have a brief lunch break at "Lachau" – small popular "cowboy" town where some Indonesian natives from the near by Kalimantan border town to do barter trade without the proper document.

Then we embark on our *Iban Longhouse Safari Day Trip* at Lemanak River. The experience of taking the long-boat ride is simply magnificent and the journey takes approximately 45 minutes. A longhouse is a terraced street of separate rooms covered by only one roof. Each family lives in its separate room, known as 'bilik'. They are all under the authority of the headman known as 'Tuai Rumah'. On arrival, you will be greeted by the 'Tuai Rumah' and our experience guide will show you around the longhouse and elaborate more on the cultural and the lifestyle of the Iban community. You can see the communal activities outside of the veranda (known as 'ruai') such as rice pounding and winnowing. Other unique handicrafts like mat weaving can also be seen here. After the visit, you will be served with a glass of rice wine called 'tuak' and it is encouraged to drink to show our respect to them. Other activities such as cock fighting, blow-piping demonstration and the cultural dance will also be carried out.



Back to the jetty and our journey continues to Hilton Batang Ai Longhouse Resort jetty. Upon reaching the jetty, our guide will register and lead you to the resort ferry and the cruise to the resort. The resort comprises of 100 individually air-conditioned yet comfortable guest rooms and it was built with traditional Iban motif. The rooms are well-equipped with amenities and the view of the lake is magnificent. After check in to the luxury longhouse resort, it's free at leisure. Facilities provided by the resort are swimming pool, tennis court, karaoke room, pool game, bar, lounge and a restaurant where you can enjoy the local Iban and western cuisine. Board game and variety of reading materials are also available at the Guest Activities Desk in the lobby. For those who are energetic, you can join the Nature Walk led by the in-house "naturalist". The 2km jungle trekking will bring you into the unspoilt jungle nearby the resort to learn about plants and animals that enable that native to survive without modern facilities. There will a 60 meter long "canopy walk" hanging 30 meters above the ground and a 40 meter high tree platform to enable you to enjoy a good bird's eye view of the surrounding. Later in the evening, dinner is be served.

Day 02 Depart to Kuching

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After breakfast in the resort, we are at leisure until check-out and depart for our return trip to Kuching International Airport for your departure flight or check-in at city hotel in Kuching.

Price Includes:

- 1 night accommodation at Hilton Batang Ai Longhouse Resort
- 2 Lunches at local restaurant & 1 breakfast & 1 dinner at the resort.
- Guided Iban Longhouse Tour Day Trip
- Boat & entrance fees, airport return transfer & Transfer as stated in the itinerary.
- Experience English/Malay/ Mandarin speaking guide.

Price Excludes:

- All personal expenses like telephone bills, mini bar, laundry, medical bills, etc.
- Airfare, Airport Tax, Travel Insurance, Tipping, Optional Tour

Remarks:

- An additional charge will be levied if payment by Credit Card
- Rate applicable min 2 paying adults & above & Rate applicable strictly for **Malaysian** only.
- The above package rates quoted based on SIC (Seat-in-coach) basis.
- We recommend travelers to purchase travel insurance
- Every person participates in any tour or holiday organized by the company shall be regards in every respect as carrying his/her own risk with respect to loss or injury to person or property. The company does not accept responsibility for losses or expenses due to delay, sickness, weather, strikes, war, quarantine or other travelers.

