

RAJA LAUT

On the trail of the 'White Rajahs'



Sarawak, an ancient land of headhunters, was ruled for exactly 100 years by the Brooke family, known as the 'White Rajahs'. The incredible adventure of the Brooke family began in 1838, when James Brooke sailed from Singapore aboard the 100ft schooner 'Royalist', arriving in Kuching to find the settlement facing a tribal uprising against the Sultan of Brunei. Offering his aid to the Sultan, he and his crew helped bring about a peaceful settlement, and Brooke was granted the title of Rajah of Sarawak in return. Today there are no longer any wars or uprisings in this peaceful land, but the romance of discovery and navigation continues with Raja Laut. Following in the Brooke's footsteps you will embark in Singapore, exploring tropical islands enroute, and arriving in Borneo by sail, just as they did in past centuries. We will cruise up the Sarawak River to Kuching, where you will explore the vestiges of the Brooke era, experience Borneo's wildlife sanctuaries, national parks, colourful local markets, and the Orang Utan sanctuary. This sojourn will leave you enlightened by the spirit Borneo.



Sample Itinerary

Please note that this is only a sample itinerary and it can be adjusted and adapted according to your preferences.

Day 1

Singapore

Embarkation in Singapore, set sail for the east coast of Malaysia, and the beautiful islands of Aur, Dayang and Tioman.

Day 2

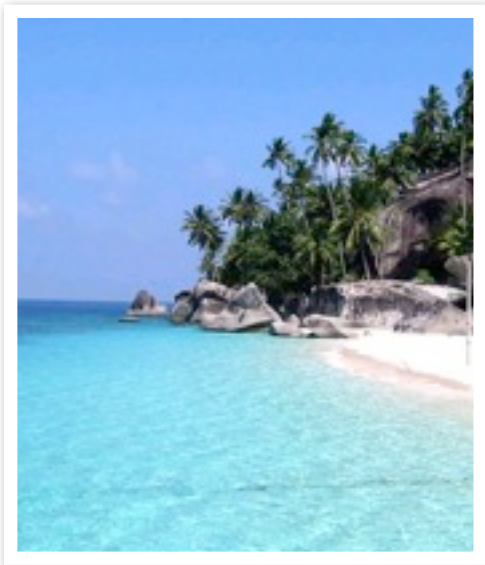
Aur Island

At sunrise you will be delighted to find the yacht is anchored in a stunning natural harbour fringed by beautiful white sandy beaches between Pulau Dayang and Pulau Aur. Snorkeling and diving here is excellent and is a good place to see underwater life including manta rays, and dolphins. A short walk on Pulau Lang to the top of the lighthouse affords panoramic views of the South China Sea.

Day 3

Tioman Island

At the coral fringed Pulau Tioman there are opportunities to trek through the jungle and to swim beneath waterfalls. Golfers can take the opportunity to play a round at the Tioman island 18-hole links course. Scuba divers can explore several top-class dives on the smaller outlying islands and underwater seamounts.



Day 4



Passage to Borneo

Set sail for Borneo

Day 5

Santubong, Borneo

Early arrival at Anchorage inside the mouth of the Santubong river. Here we will explore the river by tender, and see the colonies of proboscis monkeys living in the Kuching Wetlands National Park. In the evening prepare to be boarded by the Iban, the former headhunters of Borneo, for a tradition performance on the deck of the Raja Laut!



Day 6 & 7

Kuching, Borneo

Sail up the Sarawak river and into the heart of Kuching town. Here we will arrange private guided tours of the city and you will discover the heritage of the Brooke Raj era, including Fort Marguerita, and the Sarawak Musuem.



Day 8

Mulu Caves, Borneo

Fly to Gunung Mulu National Park. This area encompasses an array of caves and karst limestone formations in a mountaininous equatorial rainforest setting, including the world's biggest cave: the 'Sarawak' chamber. It is 700 m long, 396 m wide and at least 70 m high. Other notable caves are Deer Cave, Wind Cave and Clearwater Cave, which exposes parts of a long underground river going through the park.





Orang Utan Sanctuary

A visit to the research centre for injured and orphaned orang-utan at Semenggoh is a must. An orang-utan expert will be on hand to provide insight into these beautiful and endangered creatures.

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