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## **5 Days 4 Nights Study Tour - Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia**

### **Day 01 Arrival (Dinner)**

Meet upon arrival at Kota Kinabalu International Airport. Dinner will be served at local restaurant. After dinner, transfer to hotel for check in.

### **Day 02 Kota Kinabalu Wetland Mangrove Experience & Klias Wetland Excursion (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**



~ Kota Kinabalu Wetland ~



~ Proboscis Monkey ~

Breakfast at hotel. After breakfast, meet at lobby hotel and proceed to Kota Kinabalu Wetland Mangrove Experience Tour. The Kota Kinabalu Wetland formerly known as Kota Kinabalu City Bird Sanctuary, this sites covers 24 hectares (60 acres) of mangrove forest, and is used primarily as a model wetland centre for the purpose of conservation, education, recreation, tourism and research. A 1.5km boardwalk brings you deep into the mangrove – a unique ecosystem where land meets sea. A 45-minute stroll on the boardwalk is a pleasant experience where you can enjoy fresh air and tranquility, while spotting interesting birds, plants and wildlife. To date, almost 80 species of birds have been identified at the sanctuary. Other mangrove wildlife that lives within Kota Kinabalu Wetland includes monitor lizards, fiddler crabs and many more. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. After lunch, drive towards the southern part of Sabah. Enjoy the vast countryside view along the way. Upon arrival at the Klias River, located in the Southern region of Sabah, afternoon tea with some local pastries will be served. Proceed for a boat cruise along the Klias River, which is a Wetland Forest Reserve. You will have a good opportunity of sighting some of our wildlife in their natural habitats. Wildlife which normally can be spotted are the Long Tail Monkeys, Silver Langur Monkeys, variety of bird species and especially our well know Proboscis Monkey. Local Malay style dinner will be served during the tour. After dinner, continue the boat excursion but this time we search for the “Night-stars” of Klias Wetland Reserve, the fire flies. After that, en-route back to the city return to the hotel.

### **Day 03 School/Orphanage/ Nursing Home Visit & City Tour & Mari-Mari Cultural Village (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**



~ School Visit ~



~ City Tour: City Mosque ~



~ Mari-Mari Cultural Village ~

Breakfast at hotel. After breakfast, meet at lobby hotel and proceed to school or orphanage or nursing home for the visit. For the school visit, students can interact with local students and teachers to exchange learning experiences, different cultures and interest and also building friendship among the students. For the orphanage or nursing home, students can spread their love and care towards them. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. After lunch, proceed for the city tour which will cover City Mosque, Chinese Temple and Sabah Foundation Building. City Mosque built on a 2.47 acres site at the Likas bay, is exemplary of the Islamic contemporary architecture. Situated near the sea, this majestic white mosque boasts similar features to the Nabawi Mosque in Medina. This floating mosque has a prayer hall which houses three madrasahs and accommodates from 9, 000 to 12, 000 people at a time. By far the largest mosque in Kota Kinabalu, the Kota Kinabalu City Mosque is even possibly the most beautiful one in Malaysia – the man-made lagoon which surrounds it gives a serenely gorgeous and dramatic look to the mosque on a full moon night. Pu Tou Tze, Chinese Temple was built in 1980, the temple stand out with its traditional Chinese roofing and structure. Ten large statues of deities adorn the temple with the Goddess of Mercy, Kwan Yin, standing tall at the main entrance of the temple. Menara Tun Mustapha is located 5 kilometres or about 15 minutes away from the KK City Centre. Formerly known as the Sabah Foundation Building, this circular tower of steel and glass stands 30 storeys high in the Likas Bay area and is instantly recognizable as a Sabah icon. It has a central core with steel brackets supporting each floor. When completed in 1977, it was one of the three such buildings in the world based on this design concept. Continue journey to Mari-Mari Cultural Village. The journey will take you to long roads surrounded by a rich spectrum of greenery and overarched by wild blue skies. In the village, the colors of cultural diversity are not an issue but rather our pride, where you can savor the soul of Sabah. Upon arrival at the entrance of the village, you will be ushered to the warmth of different homes of the ethnicities of Sabah. Each home was built by descendants of the tribes they represent and offer you a truly genuine experience seeing everything in and around the village lends to its magical prowess of taking you back in time. Not only does this village portray these tribes through the architectural genius of their traditional houses, but also through a range of simulated lives of the olden epoch by the residents of the village. Acquaint yourself with each tribe as they let you come into their house and their simple yet intricate lives. As you traverse the village, you will find demonstration huts along the main houses in which daily activities of old times come into life. For example, the making of blowpipe, starting a fire (from bamboo tree – you will learn the steps of making fire without the help of a lighter), tattoo-making (and its symbolisms) and etc. By the end of your journey into the past, you have been given a setting for you to see, hear, taste and feel the uniqueness of what Sabah truly is. An unforgettable encounter of our Sabahan homeland.....*AS IT WAS*..... *AS IT IS*.....

#### **Day 04 Kinabalu Park & Poring Hot Spring (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**



~ Mount Kinabalu ~



~ Canopy Walk@ Poring Hot Spring ~



~ Poring Hot Spring ~

Breakfast at hotel. Meet at lobby hotel and proceed on a leisurely drive towards the mountain. A short stop at Nabal Market, a small village located at the foothill of Mount Kinabalu to buy some local fruits and handicrafts before continuing with the journey. Upon arrival at Poring Hot Spring, starts with a bit of jungle trekking up a slope to the canopy walk for a better appreciation of the rainforest. Try to catch sight of the small mammals, reptiles and insects during the trek. After finish trekking, try to dip of the open air style bath tubs filled with running sulfured water rising from the earth's depth and soak in the seld-mixed warm water believed to have therapeutic effect. Lunch will be served at local restaurant. After lunch, make a brief stopover at the Kinabalu Park Headquarters located at 1500m above sea level. En-route back to city. Dinner will be served at local restaurant.

#### **Day 05 Departure (Breakfast)**

Breakfast at hotel. Meet at lobby hotel and transfer to airport for flight departure.