



Malaysia is a country known for its multiculturalism, which has resulted in a unique blend of races, religion, and cuisine. With various cultures finding a home in Malaysia, it's no surprise that the country has become a melting pot of flavors. The multiculturalism of Malaysia has made it a food lover's paradise, with food showcasing their uniqueness by bringing together flavors from all over the world to create a special flavor only found here.

If you're a foodie looking for a once-in-a-lifetime Malaysian food experience, Chef Bernie Lee from Akar in St. Louis, MO has got you covered. Born and raised in Malaysia, Bernie will show you around his home country and share the diverse culinary landscape of Malaysia, from traditional Malay dishes to Chinese and Indian cuisine. You'll get to taste authentic Malaysian food, learn about its history and culture, and maybe even pick up some cooking tips from these experienced chefs. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to explore the unique flavors of Malaysia with one of the best chefs in the business.

Day 1- Friday, October 11, 2024

On your arrival in Kuala Lumpur you will be met by our representative at the airport and transferred to your hotel, The Kuala Lumpur Journal hotel.

Get settled in and spend the rest of your evening at leisure to battle jet lag.

Overnight Kuala Lumpur, The Kuala Lumpur Journal hotel

Day 2- Saturday, October 12, 2024

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

After breakfast, we'll head out into the city for a walking tour. We'll visit Thean Hou Temple, the Brickfield neighborhood, Sree Veera Hanuman Temple and Sri Maha Mariamman Temple, and at the Sultan Abdul Samad Jamek Mosque.

After our local guide gives us general information about Malaysia and we get a morning overview, we'll hand the reins over to Bernie Lee for an afternoon tasting at Central Market.

Central Market has a variety of handicrafts, art, kebaya, and many authentic Malaysian souvenirs. Enjoy a delicious street food tasting for lunch in the market (included).

After, enjoy some time at leisure to shop in the market or head over to Petaling Street Market.

Tonight, we will enjoy a spectacular view at Petronas Twin Towers, the world's tallest twin towers. Here, we will sip on some fantastic welcome cocktails and enjoy a traditional Malaysian tasting (included).

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Day 3- Sunday, October 13, 2024

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



After breakfast, we'll head out of the city for a visit to the Kuala Gandah Elephant Sanctuary and Batu Caves. If the river is high enough, we will be getting in the water and bathing the elephants! Kuala Gandah Elephant Sanctuary is an elephant sanctuary located in Temerloh in the state of Pahang, Malaysia within the Krau Wildlife Reserve. The Centre was established in 1989 by the Malaysian Department of Wildlife and National Parks, and forms a base for the Elephant Relocation Team, which since 1974 has been rescuing problem Asian elephants whose habitats are being lost to cultivation or development and relocating them to suitable habitats such as Taman Negara. The Centre also aims to raise public awareness and support research.

We'll have a private meet and greet with the elephants, and a hands- on interactive experience.

**Please wear clothes that can get dirty today. We will arrange towels from the hotel. You may want to bring a small day bag with a change of dry clothes. No bikinis allowed.*

Later, we'll visit the Batu Caves. The temple is not only one of the most important pilgrimage sites for Hindus, it is also a must-visit destination for local and foreign tourists alike. It is claimed to be around 400 million years old, and the temple that was built within the cave has been present for more than a century. Here, you will be able to appreciate the fascinating shrines and statues, incorporated within the natural offerings of the limestone hill.

In order to reach the top of the main cave, you will need to climb a steep flight of 272 steps. Rest assured that it's totally worth it as you'll be greeted by the sights of the beautiful cave, and a stunning view of the surrounding areas. In 2018, the stairs received a complete makeover. They were repainted in vibrant color schemes, offering a spectacular visual treat.



In the evening, we will head to Jalan Alor night market for a tasting (included) and nightcap at a local dive bar.

Overnight Kuala Lumpur, The Kuala Lumpur Journal hotel

Day 4- Monday, October 14, 2024

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

In the morning, we will meet our private driver to head to Penang. En route, we'll stop at Ipoh. The biggest city in Peninsular Malaysia's central Perak state, Ipoh is one of the country's best-kept secrets. Sultans, Brits, tin miners, tea barons, Chinese merchants, street artists and entrepreneurs have all left their mark on Ipoh.



The city perfectly captures the multiculturalism and visible strata of history and custom that is loved about Malaysia, with an undercurrent of nostalgia and effortless old-school cool.

Upon arrival in Penang, we'll check into our hotel, Seven Terraces Penang hotel.

After a long day of travel, enjoy an afternoon at leisure to relax and enjoy the hotel. Get a massage or have a cocktail poolside, enjoy some time of relaxation.

Tonight, we will have an evening tasting at New Lane Hawker Centre (included).

Overnight Penang, Seven Terraces Penang hotel

Day 5- Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

After breakfast, we'll head out to explore Penang. A mosaic of Malay, Chinese and Indian cultures, food, and architecture, Malaysia's tropical island state of Penang is one of the most multicultural spots on earth. Due to its riot of Sino-European shophouses, Chinese temples and clanhouses, mosques, Hindu temples, British Colonial buildings and some of the best street food in Asia, its capital, George Town, was named a UNESCO World Heritage site for its "unique architectural and cultural townscape without parallel anywhere in East and Southeast Asia."

Today, we'll have a casual tour led by Bernie Lee through George Town. We'll explore local markets and a ton of street art throughout the city. We'll also take a walk down to the Clan Jetties, a complete village on stilts above the water where Chinese clans live. In the 19th century many Chinese immigrants came to Malaysia. We'll take a ride on the Penang Hill Funicular Railway, and taste our way throughout the city.

Tonight, enjoy your dinner at leisure and explore the city on your own.

Overnight Penang, Seven Terraces Penang hotel



Day 6- Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

After breakfast, we'll start our morning with a guided tour with the Cheong Fatt Tze - The Blue Mansion, one of George Town's most lauded architectural gems.

Later, we'll visit the famous Kek Lok Si, the largest Buddhist temple in the country, as well as Khoo Kongsi Temple, the grandest clan temple in the country. We will also tour additional temples like Sri Mariamman Temple, the oldest Hindu temple. Lastly, we'll visit Dhammikarama Burmese Temple. Your temple day will give you a great overview of Malaysia's melting pot of religions and culture.

Lunch is at leisure before we meet for dinner at a local restaurant (included).

Overnight Penang, Seven Terraces Penang hotel



Day 7- Thursday, October 17, 2024

Meals: Breakfast

Choose your own adventure day!

- Cooking class at a local establishment
- Full Day in Orang Utan & Mangrove Forest
- Discover Penang's Wildlife at Penang National Park
- Bicycle tour through the countryside
- Enjoy your day at leisure exploring Penang's art and shopping scene.

Dinner at leisure (on your own).

Overnight Penang, Seven Terraces Penang hotel

Day 8- Friday, October 18, 2024

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Enjoy your morning at leisure.

This afternoon, we'll meet for market visits and street food tasting and a Penang art walk throughout the city.

Enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight Penang, Seven Terraces Penang hotel



Day 9- Saturday, October 19, 2024

Meals: Breakfast

This afternoon we will take the train to Kuala Lumpur. Upon arrival, we'll check into our hotel. You will have the afternoon at your leisure.

Overnight: Mandarin Oriental, Kuala Lumpur

Day 10- Sunday, October 20, 2024

Meals: Breakfast

Depart for Kuala Lumpur for the USA.

Relax at the pool, have a drink at the bar or go to the spa. Today is at your leisure before transferring to the airport for your flight out this evening for your flight back to the USA.

Thank you for traveling with Limitless Planet!

IMPORTANT: This trip is designed for adventurous travelers seeking an off-the-beaten path experience. Itineraries are planned to give you an authentic experience, and as such, organic changes may come about to enhance the journey.

You will have the unique opportunity to experience Malaysia with chef Bernie Lee. Tastings and experiences are unique. Dietary requests may not always be able to be accommodated. If you have dietary issues, please discuss with your account manager.

PRICING

Total Trip Cost- \$4155 per person, double occupancy*

\$5,775 per person, single occupancy*

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Luxury accommodation at mentioned hotels (*or similar category according to availability*)
- Breakfast included every day.
- Knowledgeable, 5-star, English speaking historian throughout the trip
- Unique opportunity Malaysian Street Food Tasting with local, Chef Bernie Lee
- Elephant meet & greet
- Entrance and monument fees to the sites mentioned in the program.
- Local cooking class, Orangutan adventure
- Bottled water throughout your trip.
- Transportation and train tickets mentioned in the itinerary.
- Living like a Local: Travel with us and find out.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Airport taxes
- International flights
- Visa expenses
- Personal expenses such as laundry, beverages, phone calls, and internet access.
- Travel Insurance
- Meals not specified in the itinerary/meals at leisure/room service.
- Tips to guides and drivers.

NOTES:

- Subject to availability.
- Rates subject to change until confirmed.
- Rates are non-endorsable/non-refundable.

CANCELLATIONS

- 75% fee for cancellations up to 90 days prior to arrival / full charge for no shows and cancellations 0-90 days prior arrival.

**Prices do not include credit card fees. All credit card fees come from the company and not Limitless Planet. We cannot waive or remove credit card fees. You do have the option of paying with a check or Venmo to bypass any credit card fees.*

Optional Post Extensions:

If you would like to extend your trip with a once in a lifetime trip to Bali or the Langkawi Archipelago for some beach time, we can easily arrange that for you! We can also arrange a 5* wildlife adventure to visit Orangutans in Borneo.



HOTELS

The Kuala Lumpur Journal

30, Jalan Beremi, Bukit Bintang, 50200 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

<http://www.kljournalhotel.com/>

NEIGHBORHOOD: The KL Journal is well located in the city center within walking distance of the main business district, high-end luxury retail outlets and the city's major malls in Bukit Bintang. Just minutes away from the vibrant local nightlife, speciality bars and restaurants in the trendy Changkat neighborhood and local food mecca, Jalan Alor. With excellent access to the monorail, LRT stations and bus networks.



Seven Terraces Penang

Stewart Ln, Georgetown, 10200 George Town, Penang, Malaysia

<https://www.georgetownheritage.com/seven-terraces-hotel/>

Built in the late 19th century, Seven Terraces is a contiguous row of Anglo-Chinese terrace houses located just behind the Goddess of Mercy Temple. The row of houses today is a sterling splendid example of an adaptive reuse of heritage buildings that is of low density and low impact.

NEIGHBORHOOD: Seven Terraces is located in the heart and core of the World Heritage Site and a mere 20m from Pitt Street. Sandwiched between the Goddess of Mercy Temple or Kuan Yin Temple and the St George's Church, it is but a short walk away from the 'street of harmony' heritage trail, where one will find a church, temples and mosques all within the same street.

Traditional crafts and tradesmen are aplenty in this precinct with a joss stick maker just 10m from the hotel while a songkok maker and also a signboard carver are all located nearby. A walk down the maze of narrow lanes surrounding the hotel such as Stewart Lane, Muda Lane, Market Street, Chulia Lane and Klang Road will provide glimpses into the local community that still lives in the heritage houses lining these streets.

Art enthusiasts will appreciate the abundance of street art and murals on the sides of the buildings and along the length of stretches of walls near the hotel.



GENERAL INFORMATION

International Airfare and Transfers

Limitless Planet is happy to book your international airfare. If you use miles, you will be responsible for booking your airfare on your own. Airport transfers available at an additional cost to and from the hotel. We are happy to make those arrangements for you. Private transfers are not included in the trip price. If you are arranging your own flight arrangements, please send a copy of your itinerary to Nancyjane@limitlessplanettravel.com

Passport

Each traveler will be required to have a passport valid for at least six months after your travel departure date. Limitless Planet is happy to assist you with your passport application or renewing an expired passport. Additional fees may apply. Please send a copy of your valid passport with your deposit payment.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is not included in the quote of this itinerary. Limitless Planet partners directly with TravelEx Insurance. We are happy to offer you a special rate if you would like to purchase travel insurance. A Limitless Planet Travel staff member will be onsite to assist in case of any emergency.

Tours

All activities on this trip are optional. Tours will meet in the hotel lobby prior to departure to travel as a group. Any passenger that is not in the lobby upon designated time will be responsible for their transportation to that day's activity location. If you would like to sleep in and skip a tour, no problem! It is your trip; we want you to enjoy it as you wish.

Have something you want to do while in Malaysia that is not listed on the itinerary? Let us know! We are happy to make special arrangements.

Guide

Limitless Planet's guides are chosen for their absolute dedication to interpreting those wonders that make every place unique. Your guide, Bernie Lee is a local St. Louis chef and Malaysian native. We are sure you will enjoy your time with him.

Concierge Service

Limitless Planet is happy to provide on-site VIP Concierge Service for the duration of your trip. Our on-site travel directors will ensure your restaurant reservations are made, and your flights are on time.

Travel Directors are experienced in managing the most intricate on-site details of today's complicated programs. Be rest assured, you will have on-site assistance for any issue that occurs during your travels.

Health & Wellness

Your health and wellness is very important to us. We are happy to accommodate any dietary restriction and special requests.

All participants of Limitless Planet's tours must be physically fit enough to participate on the tour. Limitless Planet reserves the right to deny participation on any of our tours, according to the tour itinerary.

Who This Trip is For

This tour is curated especially for the food lover!

If you are an independent traveler and love to try new things, this is the trip for you. This is a go with the flow itinerary, and we are going to see where the day takes us. Must be an adventurous human...

IMPORTANT:

For every booking entrusted to us, we require the following information:

- Full passengers' name, date of birth, nationality & passport number
- International arrival/departure flight (if not arranging through Limitless Planet)
- Active medical problems
- Bed preference (subject to availability)

LIMITS ON LIMITLESS PLANET'S RESPONSIBILITY:

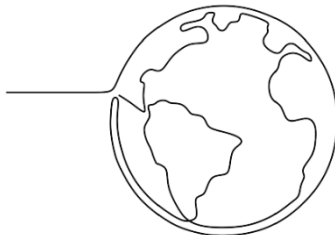
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Optional Activities that may be Dangerous

Depending on the itinerary you have selected, optional activities will be available at some of the places they will visit. Some of these activities carry with them the inherent risk of serious personal injury. These activities include, but are not limited to: horseback tours, canoe trips, hiking, river rafting, etc. You should be aware that your personal safety cannot be guaranteed and Limitless Planet assumes no responsibility for your safety.

Acts of God and the Like

Limitless Planet is not responsible for acts of God, fire, acts of local government or other authorities, wars, civil disturbances, riots, terrorist acts, strikes, thefts, pilferage, epidemics, quarantines, earthquakes, adverse weather conditions, dangers incident to sea, land, and air travel and other similar acts or incidents beyond its ability to control or its suppliers.

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