

Grand Malaysia Family Tour: Kuala Lumpur, Cameron Highlands, Penang & Langkawi

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 Destination
Malaysia

 Duration
9 Nights 10 Days

 Starting from
Rs. 1,18,500 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

 Kuala Lumpur · 2N

 Cameron Highlands · 2N

 Penang · 2N

 Langkawi · 3N

Overview

Nine nights covering four contrasting stops on peninsular Malaysia's west coast, planned for families who want more than a city-and-beach trip. Kuala Lumpur handles the theme park and aquarium requests, Cameron Highlands at around 1,500 metres offers tea estates, strawberry picking and 15–24°C days that children enjoy running around in, Penang brings George Town's street art, Kek Lok Si temple, the Penang Hill funicular and one of Asia's best food scenes, and Langkawi closes the trip with three beach nights. Road journeys are broken up sensibly: Kuala Lumpur to Cameron Highlands is about 4 hours, Cameron to Penang about 5 hours, and Penang to Langkawi is a short flight or ferry. Multi-generation groups manage this route well because every stop has lifts, easy walks and Indian food. December to March and June to August suit school holidays best.

✓ What's Included

- ✓ 9 nights accommodation: 2 nights Kuala Lumpur, 2 nights Cameron Highlands, 2 nights Penang, 3 nights Langkawi
- ✓ Daily breakfast at all hotels
- ✓ One-way flight Penang to Langkawi with 20 kg baggage
- ✓ All transfers and inter-city drives in a private air-conditioned vehicle
- ✓ Kuala Lumpur city tour with Batu Caves and Aquaria KLCC tickets
- ✓ Sunway Lagoon one-day pass
- ✓ Cameron Highlands tour: BOH tea estate, strawberry farm, butterfly garden and Mossy Forest viewpoint
- ✓ Penang tour: Kek Lok Si Temple, Penang Hill funicular, Chew Jetty and George Town street art walk
- ✓ Penang Botanic Gardens visit
- ✓ Langkawi island-hopping boat tour, SkyCab and Sky Bridge tickets
- ✓ Kilim Geopark mangrove boat tour
- ✓ Taxes, tolls, parking and driver allowances

✗ Not Included

- ✗ International airfare and Malaysia visa charges
- ✗ Lunches, dinners and beverages throughout
- ✗ Petronas Twin Towers Skybridge and optional museum tickets
- ✗ Water sports, spa, jet ski and parasailing
- ✗ Travel insurance, tips, laundry and personal shopping
- ✗ Camel or jeep rides at Mossy Forest if taken independently
- ✗ Anything not specified under inclusions

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival in Kuala Lumpur

Arrive at Kuala Lumpur International Airport and transfer to your hotel in Bukit Bintang. After rest, visit Aquaria KLCC for the shark tunnel and feeding sessions, then walk to KLCC Park for the evening fountain show below the Petronas Twin Towers. Families can eat at Suria KLCC or head to Jalan Alor for satay and noodles. Keep the pace easy today to help children adjust after the flight.

Day

2

Sunway Lagoon & City Sightseeing

Spend the morning and early afternoon at Sunway Lagoon, with its wave pool, water slides, wildlife park and Vuvuzela ride, plus shallow zones for smaller children. Later, drive through the city for Merdeka Square, the National Mosque and the Royal Palace gates, ending at Central Market or Petaling Street for handicrafts and souvenirs. Carry swimwear, towels and sunscreen for the park; lockers are available on hire.

Day

3

Batu Caves & Drive to Cameron Highlands

Check out after breakfast and stop at Batu Caves to see the Lord Murugan statue, the 272 steps and the Ramayana Cave. Continue north on the highway to Cameron Highlands, roughly four hours with a lunch break at Tapah or Bidor. The final stretch climbs through tea slopes into Tanah Rata. Check in and take a short evening walk in the cool 16–20°C air, with time at the local night market for corn, tea and warm clothes if needed.

Day

4

Cameron Highlands Full Day Tour

A full day among the plantations. Visit the BOH Tea Estate for a factory walk and tea tasting overlooking the valley, then a strawberry farm where children can pick fruit and try strawberry ice cream. Continue to a butterfly and insect garden, a bee farm and the Mossy Forest viewpoint at Gunung Brinchang for its cloud-covered trees and boardwalk. Afternoons can turn misty and drizzly, so carry raincoats. Evening free in Brinchang for scones, steamboat dinner or shopping for tea and honey.

Day

5

Cameron Highlands to Penang

Descend from the highlands after breakfast for the drive to Penang, about five hours including breaks, crossing the Penang Bridge onto the island. Check in at your Batu Ferringhi or George Town hotel. If time permits, walk the George Town heritage lanes to see the well-known Kids on Bicycle and Little Children on a Swing murals, and stop at Chew Jetty, a stilt village over the water. Dinner at Gurney Drive hawker centre, where the family can sample char kway teow, laksa and Indian mee goreng.

Day

6

Penang Sightseeing: Kek Lok Si & Penang Hill

Visit Kek Lok Si Temple in Air Itam, the largest Buddhist temple complex in Malaysia, with its seven-storey Pagoda of Ten Thousand Buddhas and a 30-metre bronze Kuan Yin statue reached by inclined lift. Then ride the Penang Hill funicular railway to 833 metres for island views, a habitat canopy walk and cooler air. In the afternoon, choose between Penang Botanic Gardens with its resident macaques or the Tropical Spice Garden, followed by free time at Batu Ferringhi beach and its night bazaar.

Day

7

Fly to Langkawi & Cenang Beach

Transfer to Penang International Airport for the short flight to Langkawi. On arrival, drive to your resort near Pantai Cenang and check in. The rest of the day is free for the pool and the beach, where the water is shallow close to shore. Walk the Cenang strip in the evening for duty-free shops, dessert stalls and family restaurants serving seafood, Thai and North Indian dishes.

Day

8

Island Hopping & Sunset at Cenang

Board a speedboat for the classic island-hopping tour: the Lake of the Pregnant Maiden on Pulau Dayang Bunting for a swim or pedal boat, eagle feeding off Pulau Singa Besar where brahminy kites dive close to the boat, and a beach stop at Beras Basah. Life jackets are provided and the total trip runs about four hours. Return by afternoon for pool time, then watch the sunset from Cenang beach, one of the best on the island for families.

Day

9

SkyCab, Sky Bridge & Kilim Mangroves

Morning at Oriental Village for the Langkawi SkyCab up Gunung Machinchang and the curved Sky Bridge, with optional 3D art museum and duck tour for children. After lunch, drive to Kilim jetty for the Kilim Karst Geopark boat tour through mangrove channels, with stops at the bat cave, a fish farm for stingray feeding and eagle-watching points. Return in the evening for last-minute duty-free shopping at Cenang or Kuah town.

Day

10

Departure from Langkawi

Enjoy a final breakfast and a short beach or pool session if check-out timing allows. Depending on your flight, stop at Eagle Square in Kuah for photographs with the island's large eagle sculpture before transferring to Langkawi International Airport for your flight home via Kuala Lumpur or Penang. Your driver will help with luggage and check-in directions at the terminal.

? Frequently Asked Questions

? What is the best time to visit Malaysia from India?

December to February is the most reliable window, with drier weather in Kuala Lumpur, Penang and Langkawi and daytime temperatures around 31–33°C. March to May stays warm and works well if you want lower crowds. The west coast (Langkawi, Penang) gets heavy rain from September to early November, while the east coast islands like Perhentian and Redang shut down roughly from November to February during the northeast monsoon. If you are heading to Borneo for Sabah's diving or Mount Kinabalu, aim for March to September. Chinese New Year (January or February) and Hari Raya bring festive energy but also higher hotel rates and packed transport.

? How much does a Malaysia trip cost from India per person?

A 6-night Malaysia package from India typically costs Rs 65,000 to Rs 95,000 per person on twin sharing, covering return flights, 3–4 star hotels, airport transfers, breakfast and key sightseeing. Budget travellers doing it independently can manage Rs 45,000 to Rs 55,000 by booking AirAsia or Batik Air fares early and staying in Bukit Bintang budget hotels. Mid-range daily spend runs about Rs 3,500–5,000 covering meals, Grab rides and entry tickets. Genting cable car, Petronas Twin Towers observation deck and Langkawi Sky Bridge each cost roughly Rs 700–1,900. Luxury island resorts in Langkawi push the total past Rs 1.5 lakh per person.

? Do Indians need a visa for Malaysia?

Indian passport holders currently enjoy visa-free entry to Malaysia for stays up to 30 days, a facility Malaysia extended for Indian and Chinese nationals from December 2023. You must complete the Malaysia Digital Arrival Card (MDAC) online within three days before arrival, which is free. Carry proof of return or onward ticket, confirmed hotel bookings and sufficient funds, as immigration officers do check these. Your passport should have at least six months validity. Policy extensions are announced periodically, so verify the current status on the Immigration Department of Malaysia website or with your tour operator before booking non-refundable flights.

? How do I reach Malaysia from India?

Direct flights to Kuala Lumpur International Airport operate from Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kochi, Thiruvananthapuram, Kolkata and Ahmedabad on Malaysia Airlines, AirAsia X, Batik Air Malaysia, IndiGo and Air India Express. Flying time is around 4 hours 30 minutes from Chennai and Bengaluru, and about 5 hours 30 minutes from Delhi. Return fares usually sit between Rs 18,000 and Rs 32,000 depending on season. Penang has direct connections from Chennai on some carriers. For Langkawi, Kota Kinabalu or Kuching, take a domestic hop from KLIA, which takes an hour or so and costs Rs 3,000–6,000 when booked in advance.

❓ How many days are enough for a Malaysia trip?

Six to seven nights suits most first-time Indian travellers. A practical split is three nights in Kuala Lumpur covering Petronas Twin Towers, Batu Caves, Merdeka Square and a day trip to Genting Highlands or Putrajaya, followed by three nights in Langkawi for the cable car, island hopping and beaches. If you prefer heritage and food, swap Langkawi for Penang and spend two nights exploring George Town, Kek Lok Si and Penang Hill. Adding Malacca needs one extra night. Sabah or Sarawak for orangutans and diving deserves a separate four-night extension. Anything under five nights leaves you rushing between airports rather than enjoying the destinations.

❓ Is Malaysia safe for Indian tourists and solo travellers?

Malaysia is among the safer Southeast Asian destinations for Indian travellers, including women and solo visitors. Violent crime against tourists is uncommon; the practical risks are pickpocketing and bag snatching in crowded areas like Petaling Street, Bukit Bintang and Chow Kit, and occasional taxi overcharging, which you avoid by using the Grab app. Malaysia has strict drug laws with severe penalties, so never carry parcels for anyone. Dress modestly when visiting mosques and in conservative states like Kelantan and Terengganu. Tap water is treated but stick to bottled water. Save the tourist police number 03-2149 6590 and keep digital copies of your passport and MDAC confirmation.

❓ Is vegetarian and Indian food easily available in Malaysia?

Yes, easily. Malaysia has a large Indian-origin population, and Kuala Lumpur's Brickfields (Little India) is packed with South Indian vegetarian restaurants serving banana leaf meals, dosa and thali for Rs 250–500. Jalan Masjid India and Bangsar have more options, including Gujarati and North Indian places. Penang's Little India in George Town and Ipoh also serve familiar food. Halal certification is widespread, so Muslim travellers from India have no difficulty. Do try local vegetarian-friendly dishes like roti canai with dal, nasi lemak (ask without anchovies), cendol and Nyonya kuih. In Langkawi and island resorts, Indian food is limited, so inform your hotel about dietary needs at booking.

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