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The Southern Heritage & Rainforest Arc

“Colonial Malacca fortresses, White-Handed Gibbon dawn calls, a bioluminescent firefly river at night, and Orang Asli blowpipe heritage”

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DAYS

Private

GUIDE

Luxury

STAYS

FROM

\$7,800

PER PERSON

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Overview

Designed for luxury travellers who want to explore the rich colonial heritage and pristine rainforests of Southern Malaysia. This itinerary connects the historic UNESCO-listed port city of Malacca — with its Portuguese and Dutch colonial architecture, Peranakan culture, and antique shophouses — with the wild pristine shores of the Desaru Coast and the ancient rainforests of Pantí Forest Reserve and Endau-Rompín National Park. High-end highlights include a private boat cruise down the illuminated Malacca River, a dawn excursion to track rare White-Handed Gibbons in Pantí Forest Reserve, a magical bioluminescent firefly safari on the Lebam River, and an exclusive cultural encounter with the indigenous Jakun tribe.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A Famosa Portuguese Fort, St Paul's Church hilltop, and Christ Church Dutch colonial square with private historian in historic Malacca
- Baba & Nyonya Heritage Museum: the intricate tile work, gold-leaf doors, and rich Peranakan cultural heritage of Malacca's unique community
- Lebam River bioluminescent firefly safari: thousands of blinking fireflies illuminating the mangrove trees reflected in the pitch-black water
- Endau-Rompín ancient rainforest: prehistoric volcanic rock formations and crystal-clear jungle swimming pools in one of the world's oldest forests
- Malacca River private boat cruise with vintage port wine and Nyonya delicacies as the bridge lights flicker alive on the historic waterfront
- Pantí Forest Reserve dawn: sitting beneath ancient dipterocarp trees listening to the haunting morning calls of endangered White-Handed Gibbons
- One&Only Desaru South China Sea marine picnic: isolated jungle cliff beach breakfast on a pristine sandy cove by your private chef
- Jakun Orang Asli heritage: ancient blowpipe engineering, medicinal botany, leaf-weaving, and private ritual nose-flute music

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The Itinerary

01

MALACCA

Day 1 | Arrival in Kuala Lumpur — Drive to Malacca

VIP tarmac reception at Kuala Lumpur International Airport. Private luxury SUV transfer south to the historic port city of Malacca. Check-in at The Majestic Malacca in the Deluxe Heritage Suite — a beautifully restored 1920s straits mansion with stunning heritage architecture. Early arrivals explore Malacca's vibrant shophouses, historic landmarks, and bustling markets. Welcome dinner at the hotel.

- The Majestic Malacca, Deluxe Heritage Suite »
- Dinner

02

MALACCA

Day 2 | Sultanate Fortresses, St Paul's Church & Malacca River Sundowner

Private historian leads exploration of A Famosa Portuguese Fort ruins, St Paul's Church on a hilltop, and the bright red Christ Church in the Dutch colonial square. The rich history of Malacca: Portuguese, Dutch, and British colonial layers. The historic Stadthuys administrative building. Evening: private luxury boat cruise down the Malacca River with premium vintage port wine and Nyonya delicacies on a private terrace as the bridge lights flicker alive.

- The Majestic Malacca, Deluxe Heritage Suite »
- Breakfast, Dinner

03

MALACCA

Day 3 | Peranakan Culture & Jonker Street Antique Shophouses

Exploring the intricate tile work and gold-leaf doors of the Baba & Nyonya Heritage Museum — the unique Peranakan culture of Chinese immigrants who settled in Malacca and adopted Malay customs. Rich collection of furniture, jewellery, and clothing. Then Jonker Street: the vibrant antique and food street with eclectic collections of porcelain, furniture, and collectibles.

- The Majestic Malacca, Deluxe Heritage Suite »
- Breakfast, Lunch

04

DESARU COAST

Day 4 | Chauffeur Drive to Desaru Coast — One&Only Check-In

Drive southeast via luxury SUV across palm estates to the pristine shores of the Desaru Coast. Check-in at the ultra-luxury One&Only Desaru Coast Rainforest Ocean Suite — designed by the legendary architect Kerry Hill. Stunning South China Sea views, lush tropical gardens, and the absolute privacy of the suite.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast, Dinner

05

DESARU COAST

Day 5 | Hidden Gem — The Secret Gibbon Canopy of Panti Forest

Rising before dawn with an elite naturalist guide to the hidden gem of Panti Forest Reserve — sitting quietly beneath giant dipterocarp trees to listen to the beautiful haunting morning calls of the highly endangered White-Handed Gibbons swinging through the mist. Walking through the ancient rainforest with towering trees, rare birds, primates, and the extraordinary sounds of the forest at dawn.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast, Dinner

06

DESARU COAST

Day 6 | Sungai Lebam Mangrove Firefly Safari — Bioluminescent Trees

Relaxed morning with an in-suite spa session. At night: private boat gliding silently through the pitch-black mangrove channels of the Lebam River — viewing thousands of blinking bioluminescent fireflies illuminating the trees like Christmas lights, with reflections dancing on the calm water. Guide explains the unique biology of the fireflies and the importance of the mangrove ecosystem.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast, Dinner

07

DESARU COAST

Day 7 | South China Sea Marine Picnic — Jungle Cliff Beach Breakfast

Private luxury speedboat exploring the rocky coves of the southern cape. A white-linen cooked breakfast set up by the private chef on a pristine isolated sandy beach beneath a jungle-topped cliff face — dining in absolute privacy with stunning ocean views. Afternoon snorkelling in the clear water with rich marine life.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

08

DESARU COAST

Day 8 | Endau-Rompin Ancient Rainforest — Volcanic Rock Pools

Private guided 4x4 day-excursion to the fringes of Endau-Rompin National Park — one of the oldest rainforests in the world. Prehistoric volcanic rock formations and swimming in crystal-clear jungle rock pools. Guide explains the unique geology, extraordinary biodiversity, and conservation efforts. Gourmet picnic lunch in the forest before returning to the resort.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

09

DESARU COAST

Day 9 | Exclusive Orang Asli (Jakun) Blowpipe & Nose-Flute Heritage Tour

Travel into the southern foothills to interact privately with community elders of the indigenous Jakun (Orang Asli) tribe — ancient blowpipe hunting engineering, traditional medicinal botany, and leaf-weaving crafting passed down through generations. Watching artisans craft blowpipes, weave leaves, and prepare natural remedies. Private performance of historic jungle storytelling and ritual nose-flute music. Farewell bonfire beach dinner at One&Only.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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DESARU COAST

Day 10 | Return to Kuala Lumpur & Complementary Spa Day

Relaxed luxury breakfast watching the South China Sea waves. Smooth chauffeur transfer directly back to Kuala Lumpur. Complementary spa session at your city hotel. Private guided tour of Kuala Lumpur — Petronas Twin Towers, historic landmarks, and vibrant markets — if time permits. International departure the following day.

- One&Only Desaru Coast »
- Breakfast

Pricing & Inclusions

PER PERSON SHARING

\$8,200

SINGLE TRAVELLER SUPPLEMENT

On Request

Price per person based on two guests sharing. All accommodation, meals, and activities included. International flights to Kuala Lumpur not included.

SEASONAL PRICING

Jan – May	SHOULDER SEASON	\$8,200
Warm and mostly dry across the peninsula		
May – Sep	BEST VALUE	\$7,800
Southwest monsoon on the west coast		
Sep – Dec	PEAK SEASON	\$8,850
Dry season on the east coast & islands		

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- » VIP meet and greet at all Malaysian airports
- » All private luxury SUV chauffeur transfers throughout
- » Luxury hotel and resort accommodation throughout
- » All meals as specified — breakfast, lunch and dinner
- » All private guided tours, boat excursions, and activities
- » All park and marine reserve fees
- » Complementary spa session on final day
- » Private guide and historian throughout
- » Malacca UNESCO colonial private historian tour (A Famosa, St Paul's, Christ Church)
- » Malacca River private luxury boat cruise with port wine and Nyonya delicacies
- » Baba & Nyonya Heritage Museum private tour
- » Panti Forest Reserve dawn White-Handed Gibbon excursion

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International flights to/from Malaysia
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Personal shopping and souvenirs
- Premium alcohol beyond inclusions
- Optional activities not listed
- Tips and gratuities
- Malaysia visa (most nationalities visa-free for 30–90 days)

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