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3day/2night Options

Bidayuh Village Bamboo rafting & trekking and/or Bidayuh Village homestay and Orangutan Reserve Visit



3day/2 night: BIDAYUH VILLAGE RAFTING & TREKKING (camping optional) (B,L,D)..can be longer or shorter.

Day 1: Semengoh Orangutan Reserve - Bidayuh village for rafting & trekking Hotel pick up at 8.15am. Visit Semengok the orang utan wildlife sanctuary: (30 min drive) to witness the jungle feeding time at 9.30am.

Depart Semengoh ...flexible itinerary as per your preferences....Enjoy the amazing and beautiful scenery along the journey, captivating your eyes and soul. Trek through the virgin jungles and learn more about rainforest from your guide till reaching the camping site. Learn how to prepare the raft.

A quick stop is made along the way for forest vegetables. Scout for the best location for the night. Camp setting and dinner. Experience the rainforest by night. Trek at late evening to the starting point for night bamboo rafting safari and overnight in the jungle camp. The Bidayuh tribe will share their legend of culture, taboos, and tradition long handed down from generation to generation. Insect repellent is well recommended (L/D

Day 2: continue with rafting & trekking activities.. sequence determined by weather, and difficulty determined by your ability & tolerance. (B,L,D)

Breakfast, We invite you to see the Borneo Rainforest from a fresh perspective, away from the heavily trodden trails. Be your own captain in a bamboo raft, poling through class 1 and II water. Your guide will instruct you on river navigation and safety procedures making you feel at home in the glacier fed rivers of the Sirin.

Between rapids our guides will share the river's secrets—local history, fish spawning habits, Native Borneo plant usage—and introduce you to the Peninsula's invigorating outdoors. There lies in the lush vast forest plentiful of the wild vegetables and ferns. Follow the local's folks to harvest these vegetables where hence the skillful arts of cooking in bamboo still hold story in the tribe tradition. Rafting down after lunch to reach the destination and transfer back to our homestay for overnight. (B/L/D)

Day 3: Continue with rafting or trekking for the day or transfer to meet your guide for the next part of your immersion experience (B,L,D)

3days/2nights: <u>Bidayuh Village homestay</u>...can be longer or shorter Day 1: Kuching - Orangutan reserve - homestay village. (L,D)

Hotel pick up at 8.15am. Visit Semengok the orang utan wildlife sanctuary: (30 min drive) to witness the jungle feeding time at 9.30am.

Bidayuh lunch : After a short coffee stop drive up to our village (1hr 15min) for an auwww.junglejaunts.com thentic bidayuh lunch (all the foods are either grown locally in the family farm or collected/sourced from the jungle/wild).

Longhouse visit: After lunch we will visit the top of the hill original bidayuh longhouse to see & experience how the natives live in their habitat, which has been passed down through the generation. Here you will see how bamboo plays an integral part in their lives.

Boarding school & Mat weaver house: Visit the local ala-resort christian missionary primary boarding school (St Bernard, Sadir) and also the basket/mat weaver house*. Night trek: After dinner we will go for a short night walk to see small creatures of the night. Fire flies with their blinking lights are always the favorite even among locals. Your choice to mingle with the locals or have a free and easy time at our 'surrounded by trees' balcony. * no obligation to purchase.

Day 2: Jungle trek & bamboo cooking (B,L,D)

After breakfast we will trek trough the forest & jungle to the family farm (1hr walk). Along the way you will be introduced to the local flora & wild herbs/veggie and their use. Here you will have the chance to carry out jungle shopping (i.e collecting & gathering edible fruits, soots & leaves to be cooked and consumed at the farmhouse).

You will also see all the local varieties of crops planted for local consumption as well as commercial cash crop sold for daily sustenance by the locals. At the farmhouse you will witness & participate in bamboo cooking. All the dishes are prepared and cooked in the specially prepared bamboo utensils. Even our herbal tea are sourced locally from the jungle, cooked in bamboo & served in bamboo cups. Those delicacies cannot be found in any restaurant!

You can either take a refreshing dip in the cool mountain stream and see the local fish species or you can participate in the farm work or you can just relax in the farm house. Trek back to saloma villagestay, after dinner we will go for a short night walk to see small creatures of the night, fire flies with their blinking lights—in the dark of the night are always the favorite even among locals. After that you can laze around with the local to listen to their stories. For those who want to stay up longer, there are rice wine & beer on sale at the villageshop.

Day 3: Waterfall trek (B,L,D)

After breakfast, we will trek to the waterfall (35 min) walk for a refreshing swim or just to marvel with awe at mother nature's creation. You will get the chance to listen to the beautiful symphony of the forest & rivers which are just like music to the ears. Here, you will also be introduced to the local flora & wild herbs and their use. If you are lucky and you come at the right time you will get to see the beautiful colour of the jungle and blooming wild flowers.

Trek back to the villagestay for lunch and then drive down to Kuching or your next destination. Departure time can be flexible, we may adapt to your needs.