

## 2 Days 1 Night Kota Bharu Tour 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> August 2019

### Programme & Itinerary:

Date	Itinerary	Hotel
<b>Day 01</b> 18Aug19 Sunday	<p><b>Penang – Kota Bharu (L)</b>            Early Morning leaving Penang by domestic flight to Kota Bharu. Upon your arrival at Kota Bharu Airport via FY 2442 at 07:55hrs meet on arrival and proceed to the battlefield trail from Kota Bharu IJA landing beach to Kuala Krai. The landing of the Imperial Japanese Force in Kota Bharu triggered the Malayan Campaign and marks the beginning of the Japanese invasion of Malaya.</p> <p><b>Kuala Pak Amat (formerly known as Sabak beach) –</b> Kuala Pak Amat is one of the first landing sites of the Japanese assault forces in Malaya. A fierce battle took place here, thus, the battle is sometimes referred to as “The Battle of Kuala Pak Amat”. Some of the notable things to note at Kuala Pak Amat is a simple monument commemorating the Japanese landing at Kuala Pak Amat. The date and time are stated in the monument. We were told that there used to be pillboxes along the beach of Kuala Pak Amat but they seem to have disappeared due to erosion. For those who know the historical background and the significance of Kuala Pak Amat in WWII, it may be a surreal feeling walking on the beach where hundreds were killed and wounded. A feeling similar to walking on the beaches of Normandy in France. For those who are not familiar with the history of Kuala Pak Amat, walking on the beach is just a peaceful and serene experience.</p> <p><b>Pantai Cahaya Bulan (formerly known as Badang beach) –</b> Pantai Cahaya Bulan was another one of the early landing sites by the “Takumi Detachment”. It is hard to imagine that Pantai Cahaya Bulan which today serves as a beautiful and popular beach resort is once a landing site for the Imperial Japanese Army. We were told that there used to be pillboxes in the vicinity but unfortunately, like Kuala Pak Amat, the pillboxes had since disappeared due to erosion.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div> <p>Included lunch en route the day’s journey.</p>	Grand Riverview Hotel

**Pillbox, Pulau Kundur** – This Pillbox is located in Pulau Kundur which is on the way to Pantai Cahaya Bulan (formerly known as Badang). This Pillbox is the one of the pillboxes that we could enter and explore. The Pillbox is in relatively good shape and appears to be sturdy. Being in the Pillbox allows the person to have a “feel” on what it was like to mend a defensive position awaiting the enemies to attack.

**World War II Memorial Museum (“Bank Kerapu”)** – The World War II Memorial museum in Kota Bharu is also known as “Bank Kerapu”. The World War II Memorial museum is located at Padang Merdeka. It was built in 1912 to be used as a commercial bank by the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd, thus, the name “Bank Kerapu” The building was used as the headquarters for the Japanese Kempetai (Japanese secret police). Though Bank Kerapu is not an exclusive war museum but according to those who had visited, one can view photographs, artefacts and other memorabilia from the War. One can also view the replica of a pillbox and a memorial stone jointly erected by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of the state of Kelantan. The memorial structure was erected to commemorate the “first commitment of Australian Combat Units against the Forces of Imperial Japan at Kota Bharu”.



**Day 02**  
19Aug19  
Monday

**Departure Kota Bharu (B)**

Breakfast at hotel. Then, visit the colorful wet market and take a stroll around the cultural zone, which offers an invaluable insight into the history of Kelantan. Visit places like Royal Museum, Handicraft Village and Siti Khadijah wet market. After tour, drop off Kota Bharu Airport for domestic flight to Kuala Lumpur.



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Per Person Per Package Price (Twin Share)	MYR 900.00	USD 220.00
Per Person Per Package Price (Single Occupancy)	MYR 1,045.00	USD 255.00

**The above program INCLUDES:**

- 01 night accommodation at selected hotels in twin sharing basis – room inclusive of breakfast
- Vehicle: Air-conditioned standard van with English speaking battlefield guide
- Excursions and tours including entrance fees as per program
- 01 Lunch with return transfers
- Bottle drinking water in coach
- Malaysia Tourism Tax of MYR 10.00 nett per room per night, as imposed by Government of Malaysia

**The above package EXCLUDES:**

- All airfare, flight arrangements and airport tax (Domestic and International flights).
- Meals that not indicated, beverages, tipping & personal expenses.
- All others that are NOT mentioned in the program itinerary
- Bank charges, if any incurred through payment mode by Bank Telegraphic transfer will be strictly borne by tour members. Credit Card payment by AMEX to include additional 3% processing fee, however nil processing fee by VISA & Mastercard.

**Suggested Domestic Flights:**

1. Penang to Kota Bahru via Fireflyz (FY)

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2. Kota Bahru – Kuala Lumpur via Malaysia Airlines (MH)

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