

BALIK PULAU



Balik Pulau Roundabout
Small in size yet big in history, this must-see landmark was the town's public pump as well as water trough for elephants and horses in the 18th century. The monument was built in 1882 by a wealthy farmer, Koh Seang Tatt to commemorate the visit of the Governor of Melaka, Sir Frederick Weld to Balik Pulau. The roundabout marks the convergence of three main roads from different parts of the island.

Surrounded by scenic landscape, Balik Pulau is a township at the southwest of Penang island. Its name in Bahasa Malaysia translates to "the other side of the island" which reflects its geographical position on the island.

With numerous natural attractions such as farms, orchards and paddy fields dotted throughout Balik Pulau, picturesque views are aplenty. The one and only Balik Pulau Roundabout is a must-see landmark as it is small in size yet big in history. Built in 1882 to commemorate the visit of Sir Frederick Weld (Governor of Melaka), this is where three main roads converge.



Another prominent landmark is the Church of the Holy Name of Jesus. Built in 1854, it is one of the oldest churches in Penang. Over the years, this Roman Catholic church underwent a series of renovations comprising the nave, sanctuary, two wings, stained-glass windows, bell tower and tenor bell. Today, it has a splendid architectural design.

Balik Pulau Market is a must-visit destination where there are food stalls as well as a wet market and dry goods section. Breakfast delicacies, fresh fruits, preserved fruits, meat and sundry goods are readily available here. Among the most sought after products are nutmegs, cloves, fish crackers, juice and coconut. Meanwhile, the food court serves local favourites such as asam laksa, char koay teow, pasembur and wan tan mee.

These attractions combined with the colonial era buildings, traditional fishing villages and Malay houses contribute to the rich historical charm of this quaint destination. The emergence of modern developments can be seen with more coming up in the future. As such, Balik Pulau gives visitors a taste of old school Penang charm without compromising a slower and more relaxing pace of life.

DELICIOUS & DIVERSE FLAVOURS



Laksa
The noodles are served with various ingredients such as shredded fish, cucumbers and onions. Steaming hot curry soup is added to this mixture, giving it a delectable taste that will linger long after the last spoonful.



With freshly grown fruits, vegetables and spices widely available year-round, Balik Pulau contributes to Penang's reputation as the food capital of Malaysia. The addition of these produce to some popular traditional dishes results in a delightful taste. Whether you're in the mood for some local favourites or delicious seafood, it's all here!

If you're looking to get a taste of local flavour, be sure to have some laksa! This famous Penang noodle soup delivers an irresistible mix of sweet, sour and spicy flavours that will make you come back for more. Soft and chewy, the flavoured laksa is complemented by savoury broth and additional ingredients such as fish and vegetables. Kim Seng Kopitiam, Cafe Ko Cha Bi and Laksa Pokok Janggus are some of the places that serve the best laksa. Want a light snack? Try the black sugar buns in Balik Pulau!

LEISURE & PLEASURE

Enjoy a laidback walk or ride along the tree-lined roads and pathways! It's the perfect place to relax your mind as you breathe in crisp fresh air and take in the awe-inspiring views. With so much to see and discover, Balik Pulau is an ideal getaway for nature sightseeing and outdoor activities.



Balik Kampung at Balik Pulau provides bicycle rentals which allow you to experience rural life such as seeing paddy fields, river estuaries and mangroves as well as watching fishing boats and villagers growing vegetables. Most importantly, you can witness the gorgeous sunset at Pantai Malindo! These can be experienced within the 4km trail (to and fro). Bicycle rental costs RM10.00 while a tour guide is available for RM50.00 per group. Bicycles are recommended to leave at 8am or 6pm for sunset view.



A favourite among children of all ages, pedal boats can be rented at RM5.00 (20 minutes) and RM8.00 (20 minutes) for adult-sized boats.



Embark on a wonderful vacation with a dash of fun in the sun at the picturesque beaches! As you relax your mind and body at Pasir Panjang Beach, you can soak up the sweeping views of the long stretch of golden sand leading to the vast expanse of sea.

Malay Kampung
Known as "kampung" in Bahasa Malaysia, these Malay villages have traditional architectural forms that are preserved from several generations ago. They are detached and usually have no fences. Designed for comfort and practicality, these homes are elevated by stilts that protect them from flood and have many windows for good air ventilation.



Interested to learn more about Malay culture? You can taste lots of Malay food at dinner with the family and play popular traditional Malay games such as congkak and gasing! That's not all... you can also gain a firsthand experience of Malay weddings by attending one or the family will create a Malay wedding ceremony specially for you!



Embrace an authentic Malay village lifestyle at **Home Stay Jalan Bharu**. Ideal for outdoor enthusiasts, it offers a multitude of activities ranging from mountain bike riding on three trails to visiting fisherman villages and houses reflecting the 19th century of Penang. You can unwind at the end of the day with a traditional massage and herbal steam bath.



Rustic comfort for all guests

SPECTACULAR SPECIALTIES



Interested in Balik Pulau's unique specialties? Discover them all as you make your way around here! With agriculture playing a significant role in the town's economy, Balik Pulau's specialties are largely derived from fresh produce that are available at a myriad of well-frequented places.

If you love eating durians, don't pass up the opportunity to visit Bao Sheng Durian Farm! More than just an orchard, it offers accommodation options for an unforgettable durian experience. During your stay, you will be among the first to taste the special flavour of the newly dropped durians. Durian season starts from May to July. Call to confirm and reserve.



Blocks of shrimp paste

Belacan
Keen on shrimp? Be sure to visit Chop Kim Hoa Belacan Factory! You can buy fermented shrimp paste and add this condiment to your favourite food.

Chop Kim Hoa Belacan Factory is a third-generation family business which makes shrimp paste from krill to block. The company takes six to twelve months to complete the entire process in order to ensure high quality in terms of taste, scent and colour.



Nutmeg oil and balm

Nuts about nutmeg? Head over to Ghee Hup Nutmeg Factory! You can find many products at its store such as pickled nutmeg, candied nutmeg, jam, concentrated juice, nutmeg balm and so much more. This educational destination also gives you the opportunity to learn about the nutmeg-making process as well as the nutritional value and uses of nutmeg.

Nutmeg
Did you know that nutmeg offers many health benefits? Nutmeg juice helps relieve cough and throat irritation while nutmeg oil alleviates minor sprains and arthritic pain. This spice also detoxifies the body and promotes digestion.



The inside of a nutmeg



Rice is not just food; it is a key ingredient used to make a traditional beauty product known as cooling face powder (bedak sejuk). It is believed to help remove skin blemishes, improve the appearance of skin and relieve itchiness. At Lean Seng Cooling Face Powder, you can buy quality face powder and get a hands-on experience of making this product. Requiring only rice and water, the process takes up to a month for proper fermentation, grinding, filtering and drying.



THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ISLAND



FLORA & FAUNA

A beautiful rural landscape awaits you at this idyllic dream destination. Enjoy the serene atmosphere and fresh air as you feast your eyes on the amazing views of animal farms and stables.



Audi Dream Farm
Love animals? This well-maintained farm has abundant livestock ranging from fish to pigeons. Combined with a tranquil environment and wide open spaces, this is a fun-filled destination for both adults and children.



Farm goats

Countryside Stables
Did you know that there are many different breeds of horses with varying sizes and colours? Here, you can discover various breeds such as miniature and pure bred Arabian horses as well as shetlands, polo, Thai, Myanmar and Malaysian ponies!



Various horse breeds



Horse rides for all levels of experience

A galloping good time awaits you at Countryside Stables Penang! Currently home to 35 horses of various breeds, it offers a host of exciting activities ideal for the whole family. Joy rides and guided rides are available to cater to both beginners and experienced riders. You can interact with the horses by petting and feeding them.



Cycling amidst nature



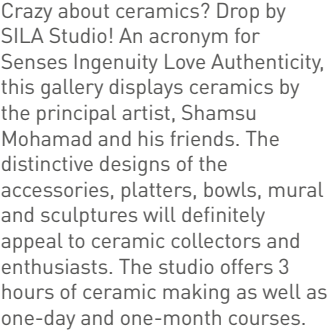
Panoramic sea view

ARTISTIC & CULTURAL MASTERPIECES



Get your camera ready to capture many unique and timeless works of art! A hub for budding and established artists alike, Balik Pulau is home to a variety of art ranging from traditional handicrafts to street murals. These aesthetically pleasing creations are mostly inspired by Penang's colourful historical and cultural background.

For a glimpse into some of the best handicrafts in town, visit Stepping Stone Work Centre. A part of Asia Community Service's Support Centre for Community Living project, it provides opportunities to people with special needs. Products such as scarves, batik, candles, soaps and pottery, along with paper making, batik painting, hand weaving and soap making courses are available. Contact the centre for more information.



Artistic sculptures of flora on display



Discover a world of art like no other at Balik Pulau International Artist Village (Artopia). Founded by Artopia Education Trust, the art village serves as a platform for all artists to express their creativity and showcase their outstanding talent. Featuring an array of works of art and culture, it is the ideal place for artists and art lovers alike.

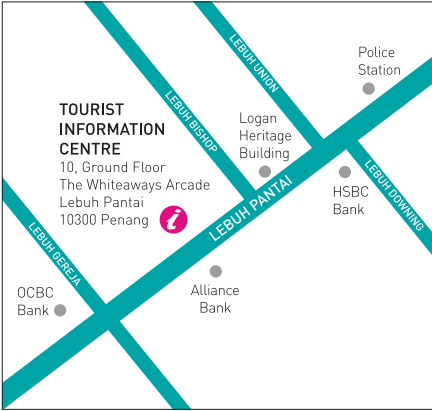
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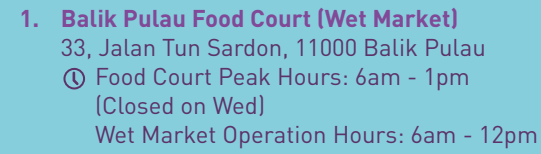
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TASTY FOOD, GREAT MOOD



A quaint little café offering coffee and desserts.
164C, Jalan Pondok Upih, MK 6,
11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6012-421 1714
🕒 12pm - 7pm (Tue - Fri) &
10am - 10pm (Sat - Sun) Closed on Mon

Serves asam laksa.
67, Main Road, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6017-446 4959
🕒 7am - 5pm (Wed - Sun)

Asam laksa and lemak laksa.
110, Jalan Besar, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6012-474 5178
🕒 10am - 5.30pm daily. Closed on Thu

Home-cooked and delicious Chinese seafood restaurant with reasonable prices.
Jalan Air Putih, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6012-569 3103
🕒 11am - 10pm daily. Closed on Tue

A breathtaking restoration of an English plantation house that offers accommodation, garden wedding venues and a blend of Malaysian cuisines and Western-style dishes.

2a, Jalan Sungai Air Putih, Bandar Baru Air Putih, 11000 Balik Pulau

+6019-662 1673

📞 botanicamansion

🕒 12pm - 10pm daily. Closed on Wed

(Original Khoo laksa)
20, Jalan Sungai Air Putih, Bandar Baru Air
Putih, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6012-428 6235
🕒 11am - 5pm. Closed on Mon & Tue

No. 3, Ruang Niaga Perda, Jalan Kuala Sungai
Pinang, Taman Nelayan, 11000 Balik Pulau,
☎ +6019-481 5948
📍 Bahulu Balik Pulau
🕒 7am - 8pm daily. Closed on Thu, Sat & Sun

Serves delicious Malay-style laksa as well as other Malay food such as ice kacang, pisang goreng and rojak.
Jalan Kampung Perlis, Kampung Perlis,
11020 Balik Pulau
☎ +604-866 8819
🕒 3.30pm - 8pm daily. Closed on Wed

61, Jalan Bukit Kebun Kha, Pulau Betong,
MK 7 11020 Balik Pulau
☎ +6016-411 6666
(Pre-booking required)
🌐 www.balikipulaulodge.com
🕒 11am - 3pm (Tue - Sun)

A breezy place on a hill to enjoy delicious Thai food with the best view of the Southern side of the island.
Jalan Teluk Kumbar, 11000 Bayan Lepas,
☎ +6016-492 8778
🕒 11am - 10.30pm daily

12. Church of the Holy Name of Jesus
Jalan Balik Pulau, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +604-866 8545
🌐 www.hnjpenang1854.com/

145, MK B, Sg. Rusa, 11010 Balik Pulau
 ☎ +6012-499 9099
 🌐 www.audipenang.com
 🕒 9am - 7pm daily

MK 3, 202A, Jalan Tanjung Bungah, Kampung Sungai
Pinang, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6016-433 6303
🕒 9am - 6pm daily

150, Mk2 Sungai Pinang, 11010 Balik Pulau
 ☎ +6012-411 0600
 🌐 www.durian.com.my
 🕒 11am - 7pm [May to July]
 *For reservation and confirmation on the
 season for the year, kindly call in March.

298 MK 1, Sungai Pinang, 11010 Balik Pulau
 ☎ +6019-516 3017
 📍 Saanen Dairy Goat Farm
 ⌚ 10am - 5pm (Mon - Fri) &
 10am - 6pm (Weekends & Public Holidays)

Jalan Sungai Rusa, 11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6018-942 3788
📘 Sila Studio : Senses Ingenuity Love Authenticity
🕒 9am-5pm (Mon to Fri). Opened on Saturday on request.

Other than bicycle rentals, Balik Kampung is famous for local food and fresh seafood.
278, Jalan Bharu, Kampung Kuala Muda,
11000 Balik Pulau
☎ +6013-323 7777
📍 Balik Kampung at Balik Pulau
📞 Call for reservations

No. 160, Mukim-D, Kuala Jalan Bharu, 11000 Balik Pulau
 ☎ +604-866 0622 / +6019-481 1810 (Whatsapp)
 📌 Perniagaan Bedak Sejuk Lean Seng
 ⌚ 8am - 8pm daily

Lot 10050, Jalan Sungai Burung, Sungai Burung, 11000
Balik Pulau
☎ +6012-408 0678
📍 Countryside Stables Penang
🕒 10am - 12pm & 2pm - 7pm daily

53 Jalan Baru, Mk I Pulau Betong, 11000 Balik Pulau
 ☎ +604 - 8665349
 🌐 www.asiacommunityservice.org/

No. 390, MK. 7, Pulau Betong, 11020 Balik Pulau
☎ +604-866 8245

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☎ +6012-448 8571 / +6016-461 8553

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