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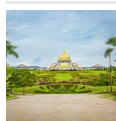
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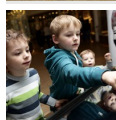
In Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia's dynamic capital and largest city, you'll discover towering skyscrapers alongside lush green parks and vibrant street markets. Whether you're exploring the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, savouring diverse flavours at a roadside hawker stall, or soaking up the city's rich cultural tapestry, KL promises a mesmerising mix of experiences that captivate and charm visitors from around the world. Gastronomy connoisseurs broaden their palates, party animals find sanctuaries, and nature-lovers are wowed.

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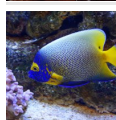
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THE CITY



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Kuala Lumpur is a melting pot of cross-cultural influences and the result is an exciting mixture of cultures, costumes and cuisines; it is the capital and largest city of Malaysia. It is also one of the three Malaysian Federal Territories, together with Putrajaya and Labuan. The city is surrounded by satellite cities like the administrative capital Putrajaya, Cyberjaya, Sunway (a great amusement park), Cheras, Shah Alam, Subang and Petaling Jaya. KL consists of various districts with their own identities.

The Classic Centre is where KL was born, at the meeting of Klang and Gombak Rivers. You will find historical sites like the first large mosque Masjid Jamek, Central Market, Little India, Dataran Merdeka, Bangunan Sultan Abdul Samad and the Selangor Club. Lively Chinatown is still authentic and features Petaling Street — Kuala Lumpur's first market and various temples (Buddhist and Hindu). The Petronas Twin Towers and KL Tower in the Grand Jalan Ampang district are hard to miss as they dominate the city's skyline. The nostalgic Lake Gardens boasts the romantic park Taman Tasik Perdana, the Islamic Arts Museum, National Museum and the National Monument is just a stone's throw away. The posh Bangsar is where Kuala Lumpur's rich come out to play. The highlight is Jalan Telawi, packed with nightlife

spots.

For shopping, head off into the direction of the hip Bukit Bintang which is dubbed The Shopper's Paradise. Do the Bintang Walk and find out why! The rest of KL includes sights such as the Batu Caves Hindu Temple, Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM) Park, Selangor Pewter, and the National Zoo. Or why not take a relaxing day, and just absorb the atmosphere of wandering through such diverse communities as Chinese, Malay, South Indian and East Malaysian and many more. Each community offers its own festivals, food, music, art and fashion, while lending its own unique additions to Malaysian culture.

DO & SEE



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Kuala Lumpur combines a modern city with an old feeling of the town. Visit for example the Petronas Twin Tower which used to be the highest buildings in the world or visit the oldest market in town where you can find lovely souvenirs to take home.

Menara KL Tower



From KL Tower you can take in the view from the highest point in Kuala Lumpur. Apart from being a telecommunications

tower, it also houses an observation deck and revolving restaurant. You can choose to visit the glassed-in panoramic observation deck, open-air sky deck, or both (ticket prices will differ depending on your choice).

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Address: 2 Jalan Punchak, Kuala Lumpur

Public Transport: Bukit Nanas (KL Monorail)

Phone: +60 3 20 20 54 44

Internet: www.menarakl.com.my

Petronas Twin Tower & KLCC



At 452 metres, the Petronas Twin Tower used to be the tallest buildings in the world before being surpassed by Taipei 101 in 2004.

Still the tallest twin buildings, they are a true symbol of the new Malaysia. Visitors are welcome to the skybridge on the 41st floor. Petronas Towers are adjacent to one of the busiest shopping malls in Malaysia, Suria KLCC.

Ticket sales start at 8:30am and are limited in number. If you plan to visit during the next 24 hours, tickets will need to be purchased at the Ticketing Counter on the Concourse Level, otherwise they may be pre-bought online. Time allotted per visit is 45 minutes, and includes visits to the sky bridge and observation deck.

Photo: Elizaveta Galitckaia/shutterstock

Address: Kuala Lumpur City Centre, Kuala Lumpur

Opening hours: The towers: Tue-Sun 9am-9pm, Mon closed

Phone: +60 3 23 31 80 80

Internet: www.petronastwintowers.com.my

Batu Caves



At Batu Caves you can climb up 272 steps (61 metres) and be amazed by the Hindu's Lord Murugan shrines built in natural limestone. Watch

out for the monkeys who unscrupulously steal any loose items or visible food.

Photo: Migel/Shutterstock.com

Address: Batu Caves Sri Subramaniam Temple, Kuala Lumpur

More Info: Off Jalan Ipoh, 13 km north of KL

Lake Gardens (Taman Tasik Perdana)



Escape from the bustling city and take a boat cruise or visit the Bird Park, Butterfly Farm, Deer Park, Orchid Park and Hibiscus Park. Here

you can find a playground for children, running tracks and exercise stations.

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Address: Jalan Perdana, Kuala Lumpur

Public Transport: Stop: Old Railway Station (KTM Commuter Train)

Masjid Jamek Mosque



Located at the convergence of the Klang and Gombak rivers you'll find Masjid Jamek, one of the oldest mosques in the city. Its three elegant

domes dominated the KL skyline long before skyscrapers came into the picture.

Photo: mrfiza/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Tun Perak, Kuala Lumpur

Old Railway Station



This beautiful example of Moorish-inspired architecture was built in 1910. The minarets, arches and spirals make it one of the most

attractive historic buildings in the capital. It still operates as one of the city's railway stations.

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Address: Jalan Hishamuddin, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +603 2267 1200

National Museum



The museum is a recap of Malaysia's cultural, human, and natural history. The collection runs from ancient history, including a model of

Malaysia's best-known archaeological discovery, the 11,000-year old Perak man, and continues on into modern times, featuring royal attire and paraphernalia.

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Address: Jalan Damansara, Kuala Lumpur

Public Transport: KL Sentral

Phone: +60 3 2267 1111

Internet: www.muziumnegara.gov.my

Berjaya Times Square Theme Park



Berjaya Times Square Theme Park offers exciting rides for thrill-seekers and fun activities for families. The two levels are "Galaxy

Station" (for thrill-seekers) and "Fantasy Garden"

(for families). Measuring 133,000 square feet, the theme park has a space/futuristic theme, with fictitious mad scientist Professor Cosmo being the official mascot.

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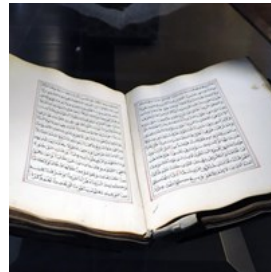
Public Transport: Imbi Station (via KL Monorail)

Phone: +603 2117 3118

Internet: www.berjayatimesquarethemeparkkl.com

Email: tpcoordinator@timesquarekl.com

Islamic Arts Museum



In a lush area of central Kuala Lumpur's Lake Gardens lies the Islamic Arts Museum. This is the largest museum of Islamic art in Southeast

Asia, which exhibits more than 7,000 objects from all across the world, and includes garments, pottery, ornate wood carvings and miniature models of some of the most spectacular Islamic buildings on earth.

Photo: ppatt/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Lembah Perdana, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 3 2274 2020

Internet: www.iamm.org.my

Aquaria KLCC



Give yourself an adventure among the marine wonders at Aquaria KLCC. This attraction is located in KLCC just next to

Petronas Twin Towers. Over 5,000 different animals are shown here and if you want to get really close to them, book one of their packages that includes diving with sharks or Cage Ride.

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Address: Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre Complex, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +603 2333 1888
Internet: www.aquariaklcc.com

Sri Mahamariamman



This Indian temple, founded in 1873, is the oldest and richest Hindu temple in Kuala Lumpur. Its decoration with beautiful colours and statues of different Hindu gods is breathtaking. The temple is located just 5 minutes walk from Chinatown.

Photo: ZM_Photo/Shutterstock.com
Address: Jalan Bandar, Kuala Lumpur

Petrosains Science Discovery Centre



This science centre is fun for the whole family but focuses mainly on children, in an effort to involve young visitors with questions of science in a compelling and entertaining way. There are several different interactive stations and fun displays to examine. The professional and friendly staff is there to answer any questions.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com
Address: Suria Klcc, Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +603 2331 8181
Internet: www.petrosains.com.my
More Info: Located on level 4, Suria KLCC, Petronas Towers.

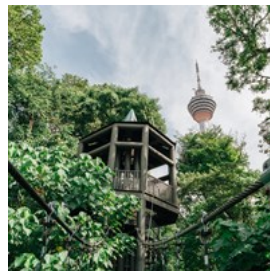
Kampung Baru



This historic district made up of traditional wooden Malay houses on stilts will not be around for much longer, as pressure mounts on landowners to sell their properties to make way for new urban development. For now, however, you can still wander through and catch a glimpse of what KL's outskirts of the early 1900 looked like, complete with chickens and livestock roaming around, and all manner of street food cooked up along alleyways. Kamoun Baru hosts a weekly night market that sells clothing and handicrafts.

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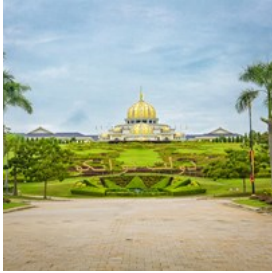
KL Forest Eco Park



If you are planning to visit the KL Menara Tower, make sure to drop by the Forest Eco Park right next to the tower, where flora and fauna that unique to Malaysia's rainforest is represented. You can observe two different species of monkeys (if you are lucky), birds and squirrels. Another exciting part of a trip to the park is the crossing of steep slopes, bridges and ladder sections, so be sure to dress accordingly.

Photo: ArtRomanov/Shutterstock.com
Address: Jalan Raja Chulan, Kuala Lumpur
Opening hours: Daily 7am-6pm
Phone: +603 227 418 85
Internet: www.visitselangor.com/kl-forest-eco-park/

Royal Palace Istana Negara



Built by a Chinese millionaire in 1928, the palace changed residents multiple times since. Today, the palace is the official residence of the

monarch of Malaysia. Unfortunately, inside access is not permitted to tourists, but a glance into the compound at the ornate golden domes is worth the short drive from KL's city centre.

Photo: Popova Tetiana/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Tuanku Abdul Halim, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 362 001 000

Petaling Street (Chinatown)



The oldest market in town is held at Petaling Street in Chinatown. Vendors begin peddling their wares already in the morning, but market

reaches true fever pitch as the sun goes down. Haggling is a must and so is tasting the cooling longan drink at the corner stall.

Photo: Elena Ermakova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Petaling, Kuala Lumpur

Public Transport: Pasar Seni (Putra LRT)

DINING



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Head to Jalan Alor for an al fresco meal at one of the many tables lining this KL street food hub, or try one of these similar spots favoured by locals: Pudu Wai Sek Kai (also known as 'Glutton Street'), an area referred to as Lucky Gardens (here, restaurant or cafe-type establishments are a good bet in terms of both quality and variety), plus eateries around Brickfields, home to KL's Little India, which translates into the dominant type of food offerings here.

Malaysian cuisine is a fusion of cultural influences. For instance, 'nasi lemak' is historically Malay, 'rojak' is Indian Muslim, 'char kuay teow' is Chinese and the spicy-hot 'laksa' is Nyonya (a mix of Malay and Chinese). Each culture emphasises different ingredients and flavours; for example, the Malay curry tastes tangier compared to the Indian.

Here's a list of the best places to eat in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia:

Bijan



Bijan is a chic restaurant and bar, serving the upmarket version of traditional regional Malay fare. The recipes are a mix of generation-old

classics combined with new influences.

Photo: wong yu liang/Shutterstock.com
Address: 3 Jalan Ceylon, Kuala Lumpur
Public Transport: Raja Chulan (KL Monorail)
Phone: +60 3 20 31 35 75
Internet: www.instagram.com/bijankl
Email: admin@bijanrestaurant.com

Jalan Alor



This is the street that runs parallel to Jalan Bukit Bintang, jam packed with Chinese restaurants and hawkers, street stalls serving

everything from barbecued seafood to local desserts. Good food at a good value.

Photo: Baiterek Media/Shutterstock.com
Address: Jalan Alor, Kuala Lumpur

Yarl Restaurant



Yarl is a rare gem in a foodie city such as KL: it's the only place for north Sri Lankan (Jaffna) food in the area, and arguably among the highest

ranking Sri Lankan eateries in town. Yarl is famous for its generous, incredible value lunch buffet spread, but it's a great place to eat for breakfast and dinner, too. Jaffna cuisine includes both vegetarian and meat-based dishes. Some items are only available at particular times of day: the 'putu mayam' rice noodle dessert, for one, is served at breakfast and early dinner.

Photo: BlueOrange Studio/Shutterstock.com
Address: 50, Jalan Padang Belia, Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 10 360 6624
Internet: www.yarl.my

Chynna



Chynna is a funky Cantonese and Shanghaiese restaurant, serving a mixed range of Cantonese dim sum and traditional Chinese herbal

cooking. This restaurant is authentic yet innovative with a focus on healthy eating, with attention to detail that extend to include tea service by a dressed-up master dispensing the drink to diners using a traditional kettle with a metre-long spout. Located at Hilton Kuala Lumpur.

Photo: bebarley/Shutterstock.com
Address: 3 Jalan Stesen Sentral, Kuala Lumpur
Public Transport: Stop: KL Sentral
Phone: +60 3 22 64 22 64
Internet: eatdrinkhilton.com/chynna
More Info: Hilton Kuala Lumpur

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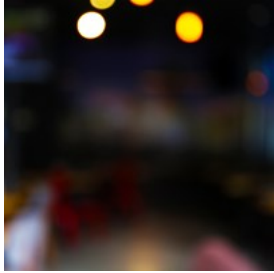


Look no further for the best place in the city to tuck into a piping hot bowl of curry laksa, a potent dish originating from the Nonya culinary

tradition which - in the words of late Anthony Bourdain - "hurts so good" due to its rather extreme levels of heat. Baba (or Uncle John) will deliver on the promise of the restaurant's name regardless of whether you try your luck with the signature laksa or other Nyonya/Malay specialities.

Photo: ThamKC/Shutterstock.com
Address: 50, Jalan Doraisamy, Chow Kit, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 2698 3268
Internet: www.instagram.com/babacancook

Dining in the Dark KL



The first restaurant in total darkness in Malaysia, Dining in the Dark, offers a completely new experience. A specifically designed three-course menu sends your palate on an adventure like no other. This unique experience presents the ultimate taste test, as it forces you to really engage your sense of taste, unsupported by vision.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 50A Changkat Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 3 2110 0431

Internet: dininginthedarkkl.com

Email: customerservice@dininginthedarkkl.com

Pinchos Tapas Bar



Enjoy delicious tapas in a lively and friendly atmosphere at this authentic Spanish restaurant right in the city centre. Pinchos

Tapas Bar is a must-visit when you long for some Spanish tidbits and cooling Sangria.

Photo: Lucky_elephant/Shutterstock.com

Address: 18 Changkat Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +603 2145 8482

Internet: www.instagram.com/pinchostapasbar

Email: pinchostapas@gmail.com

Din Tai Fung Pavilion KL



This is one of four Din Tai Fung outlets in Kuala Lumpur. Din Tai Fung is a restaurant chain originating in Taiwan, which now has multiple branches across Asia and beyond (the fact it

remains largely unknown in the West is a tragic shortcoming). They are famous for their steamed dumplings (xiao long bao), which are some of the world's best: each move of the dumpling chefs is executed with careful precision in the open kitchen. It was once named among the top ten restaurants in the world by The New York Times. The service is truly impeccable, and the price-quality ratio needs to be experienced to be believed.

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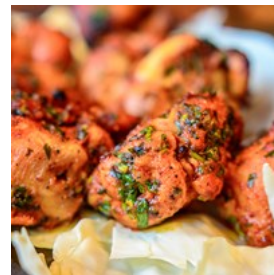
Address: 168 Jalan Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +603 2148 8292

Internet: www.dintaifung.com.my

More Info: Lot 6.01.05, Level 6, Pavilion

Betel Leaf



For a spicy Indian culinary experience, head to Betel Leaf. They started their business in 2009, and their focus lies on cooking flavourful food

made from fresh ingredients. To ensure the quality of products, they use vegetables and meat from their own farm in Mantin, Negeri Sembila.

Photo: Sumit.Kumar.99/Shutterstock.com

Address: 77A Leboh Ampang, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +603 203 25932

Internet: www.betel-leaf.com

Email: info@betel-leaf.com

Bara on Six



As the name reveals, this restaurant has its focus on grilled dishes. Steaks and seafood are cooked to perfection and efficient and professional waiters are there to serve guests. This is a good place to

go when you long for typical Western-style cuisine.

Photo: MaraZe/shutterstock

Address: Traders Hotel, Level 6, Kuala Lumpur City Centre, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 3 2332 9888

Internet: www.shangri-la.com/kualalumpur/traders/offer-detail/dining/bara-on-six

Loco Mexican Bar & Restaurant



Tacos, tortillas, burritos and margaritas, all of these Tex-Mex delicacies are found on the menu of Loco. The fish tacos are said to be one of the

specialities and the margaritas come in 25 different flavours.

Photo: George Dolgikh/shutterstock

Address: 22 Changkat Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +603 2856 9285

Internet: www.instagram.com/loco_kl

CAFES



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Kuala Lumpur offers many cafe options, from the regular coffee drinker to the casual one. There is also a mixture of the types of cafes offered here, from outdoor locations where locals hang out to indoor cafes for a convenient shopping break. The numerous options of popular franchise chains and local cafes offer great

choices for all coffee experiences.

The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf



This coffeehouse chain is kept close to the heart of coffee drinkers in Kuala Lumpur. There are multiple outlets all across the city, all of which

serve great iced drinks that come in handy on a sweltering day.

Photo: suwijaknook6644689/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Bintang, Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +60 3 2110 1732

Internet: www.coffeebean.com.my

Email: customerservice@coffeebean.com.my

More Info: Located at Lot G-3A & G-3B, Low Yat Plaza

Merchant's Lane



Occupying a historic shophouse which once served as a brothel, Merchant's Lane is a hip find along tourist-favoured Petaling.

The cafe is most sought after for its ambience: patches of paint flaking off the walls and tree roots apparently running straight through one of them all seem to make sense here, creating a deliciously instagrammable locale reputed for its coffee and brunches.

Photo: little star/Shutterstock.com

Address: 150, Jalan Petaling, City Centre, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 3 2022 1736

Internet: www.instagram.com/merchantslane

LOKL Coffee Co



Housed in a bright and airy space with a courtyard, LOKL Coffee Co serves comfort food with an Asian twist. Some of the specialties include buttermilk fried chicken, pulled beef burger and Hainanese meatloaf. Pop in for breakfast, lunch, dinner or just for a coffee. When here, try coffee done in the local way: buttery local blends, hand-filtered and served with sticky-sweet condensed milk.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/shutterstock

Address: 30 Jalan Tun H.S. Lee, Kuala Lumpur

Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm

Phone: +601 8968 5515

Internet: www.instagram.com/loklcoffee

ChoCha Foodstore



ChoCha Foodstore in buzzing Petaling Street breathes an air of effortless vintage chic. Its inviting inner courtyard is a true visitor magnet that's rarely vacant, despite being somewhat tucked away. They serve an extensive menu of fusion Western and Malay dishes, all of which continuously receive accolades from patrons.

Tea is one of the specialities: try their specialty brews; you will most likely be drawn to the cold brews on a sweltering KL day. Don't resist the pull.

Photo: Mama Belle and the kids/shutterstock

Address: 156, Jalan Petaling, City Centre, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 3 2022 1100

Internet: www.chochafoodstore.com

Antipodean at Menara Tan & Tan



Only using quality coffee beans, Antipodean Cafe serves a good variety of coffees including Vietnamese ice coffee. Besides serving coffee,

they also have a café food menu that includes BLT on sourdough bread, salmon fish cakes, shredded chicken salad and a good variety of healthy breakfast choices. If you are craving something sweet, they also have cakes and sweet treats like carrot cake, cashew cakes, raisin loaf and much more.

Photo: Shebeko/shutterstock

Address: Menara Tan & Tan, 207 Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur

Opening hours: Daily 9am-7:30pm

Phone: +603 2161 0752

Internet: antipodeancoffee.com

Email: tantan@antipodeancoffee.com

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Malaysia is a Muslim country, but non-Muslims are free to enjoy the alcoholic aspects of the nightlife. As dusk falls, Kuala Lumpur transforms itself into a vibrant city of entertainment and fun, becoming a playground for partygoers of all walks of life. The club culture is concentrated mainly in Jalan Telawi and Jalan P Ramlee.

Spark Club KL



One of the most lavish nightlife spots in Kuala Lumpur, Spark Club KL (once called Zouk KL) is an iconic superclub that attracts a trendy crowd.

With several clubs, a VIP bar lounge, members' lounge, café and rooftop deck, this is truly the place to party the night away. Also hosting themed party nights and international DJs who play mixed music to get the crowd moving.

Photo: bbernard/shutterstock

Address: TREC Kuala Lumpur, 436 Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur

Public Transport: Dang Wangi (Putra LRT)

Opening hours: Wed-Sat 10pm-3am

Internet: sparkclubkl.com.my

Marini's On 57



Located on the 57th level of the twin towers, Marini's On 57 is an exclusive Italian restaurant, bar and lounge. Enjoy the view

that the floor-to-ceiling windows offer while sipping on a glass of champagne.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com

Address: Petronas, Level 57, Menara 3, Persiaran KLCC, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 3 2386 6030

Internet: marinigroup.com/marinis-on-57

Email: reservations@marinigroup.com

Suzie Wong



Suzie Wong has made all sort of "best" lists when it comes to nightlife, both in KL and beyond. No wonder, for every detail of the carefully curated

whole that is this exceptional speakeasy has been polished to perfection: from drinks made by award-winning mixologists to the regular live music and cabaret shows, to the pronounced Hong Kong vintage theme and noodle stand at the entrance, fit for a pre- or after-party snack.

Photo: Maksym Fesenko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wisma Lim Foo Yoong, 86 Jalan Raja Chulan, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 17 226 6480

Internet: www.suziewong.asia

Esperance Nightclub



Esperance Nightclub is one of Kuala Lumpur's hottest entertainment complexes. They offer guests a pumping nightclub, cigar lounge,

live music venue, and a fine-dining rooftop restaurant.

Photo: Anthony Mooney/Shutterstock.com

Address: Fraser Business Park, Kuala Lumpur

Phone: +60 17 390 3355

Email: reservations@esperance.my

Mojo Restaurant & Bar



Housed in an 80-year-old pre-war building, Mojo Restaurant & Bar is located in the Asian Heritage Row. A cosy get-together place with a

chic décor to enjoy scrumptious food and

outstanding drinks. They even have a garden, the perfect place to chill with friends.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com
Address: Asian Heritage Row, 42 Jalan Doraisamy, Chow Kit, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 2697 7999
Internet: www.instagram.com/mojotherow
Email: orangemgm@gmail.com

SHOPPING



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Shoppers will find their trip to Kuala Lumpur worthwhile to say the least. There are many ways to pursue your shopping needs from a shop house to a street stall, or from a night market ('pasar malam') to a shopping mall. You may not always find exactly the same product but you have a lot of choice in price and quality. There are great shopping malls in Kuala Lumpur, namely Suria KLCC (just below the Twin Towers), Mid Valley Megamall and Bangsar Village. However, the most famous area for shopping is Bukit Bintang, with the highest density of malls and shops in the city. You can find anything from the smartest Japanese hi-tech gadget to the latest French designer piece.

Pavilion Kuala Lumpur



Pavilion is, perhaps, KL's most exemplary mall: it's truly massive (and keeps growing, now with an annex of Pavilion Elite), covers several floors of international consumer brands, and features dining and entertainment to last a long while. There's a stylised Tokyo Street in the 6th floor with eateries serving Japanese food, plus an impressive food court in the basement.

Photo: daksun/Shutterstock.com
Address: 168 Jalan Bukit Bintang, Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 2118 8833
Internet: www.pavilion-kl.com

Suria KLCC



One of the "original" KL shopping malls, the upmarket KLCC has remained a shopper favourite for nearly two decades. It's set at the base of the iconic Petronas Towers and, by virtue of location, attracts large amounts of tourist traffic.

There are, of course, all the usual mall trappings here, but standouts include the KLCC Garden – a sprawling green park with several dozen species of trees, a jogging track and a public swimming pool for kids – and its Lake Symphony, a fountain show featuring music and lights held here daily at 8pm, 9pm and 10pm (lights only 7:30pm, 8:30pm and 9:30pm). There's also Aquaria, a world-class oceannarium, and a high-tech scientific discovery centre for kids and adults, Petrosains.

Photo: worawit_j/Shutterstock.com

Address: 241 Petronas Twin Tower, Suria KLCC, Kuala Lumpur City Centre, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 2382 2828
Internet: www.suriaklcc.com.my

Publika



The final piece of KL's mall trifecta is Publika, one most favoured by a younger clientele and with a distinct taste for boutiques rather than international brand stores (although there is, of course, some of that here too). Come on the weekend to hit Publika's weekly Bazaar and Craft Market; BIG (Ben's Independent Grocer) also has a location here – it's near-unanimously agreed upon as the best-stocked grocer in the city.

Photo: LightField Studios/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1 Jalan Dutamas, Solaris Dutamas, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 6211 7877
Internet: www.publika.com.my

Central Market



The historic Central Market dates back to 1888 and occupies a beautifully preserved building. This was originally a wet market, but is now more of a neat destination to shop for souvenirs, arts and crafts, including fashion and accessories. There is also a food court on site.

Photo: Rashpal21/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Hang Kasturi, Kuala Lumpur
Public Transport: Pasar Seni (Putra LRT)
Phone: +60 3 20 31 03 99
Internet: centralmarket.com.my
Email: info@centralmarket.com.my

The Starhill



The Starhill is the place

to go if you are looking for luxurious products and designer labels. Louis Vuitton, Gucci and Valentino are some of the

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Address: 181 Jalan Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 2782 3800
Internet: thestarhill.com.my

Sungei Wang Plaza



If you are looking for trendy accessories, appares and shoes you should go to Sungei Wang Plaza. Prices are usually negotiable and there are 500 shops in 33 different categories. Most shops are aimed at local consumers, which helps keep prices not artificially inflated for tourists.

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Address: Jalan Sultan Ismail, Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur
Phone: +60 3 2141 3724

Mid Valley Megamall



Mid Valley Megamall is located about 15 min by car from central Kuala Lumpur. This modern mall has everything and more that you may need; not only are the shops excellent but so are the bars and restaurants. It ranks among the largest shopping complexes in Asia.

Photo: Blend Images/Shutterstock.com

Address: 75 Lingkaran Syed Putra, Mid Valley City, Kuala Lumpur

Internet: www.midvalley.com.my

More Info: The Gardens South Tower

Petaling Street (Chinatown)



The oldest market in town is held at Petaling Street in Chinatown. Vendors begin peddling their wares already in the morning, but market

reaches true fever pitch as the sun goes down. Haggling is a must and so is tasting the cooling longan drink at the corner stall.

Photo: Elena Ermakova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Petaling, Kuala Lumpur

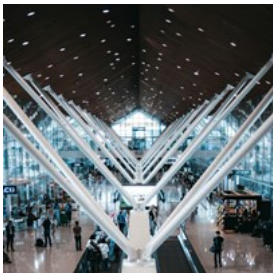
Public Transport: Pasar Seni (Putra LRT)

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KUL)



Kuala Lumpur International Airport, abbreviated KLIA, at Sepang, 55 kilometres from the city, is the bigger and busier of the two airports that service the Malaysian capital.

From KLIA to the Kuala Lumpur city centre you can take the high speed train KLIA Ekspres &

KLIA Transit. Travelling time is 28 minutes for KLIA Ekspres and 35 minutes for KLIA Transit.

There's also a plethora of buses connecting the airport to the city.

To take a taxi from KLIA you will need to get a prepaid coupon. Coupons for airport taxis can be purchased from counters at Level 3 on the Main Terminal Building (Arrivals). Coupons for metered city taxis can be purchased from counters at Level 1 in the same building.

Photo: AR/unsplash

Phone: +603 8776 2000

Internet: airports.malaysiaairports.com.my

Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport (SZB)



The smaller Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport in Subang caters mostly domestic flights. Buses connect the airport to KL Sentral.

Photo: yousef alfuhigi/unsplash

Address: Skypark Subang Terminal, Lpg Trbg Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah, Subang, Selangor, Malaysia

Phone: +60 3 7845 3245

Internet: www.subangskypark.com

Public Transport



Since most people don't live downtown, the most common way of getting around in Kuala Lumpur is driving. There may be light traffic jams during rush hours, but nothing serious. However, for the visitor, the public transport system is well-expanded and consists of an underground system, a monorail line, a series of different train lines and several bus operators.

Photo: Berisman Bangi/unsplash

Internet: myrapid.com.my

Taxi



If you are not familiar with the city and only staying for a short period, taxis can be the most convenient way of getting about. Taxis are easily

available and not too expensive. Fares are charged according to the zone and are subject to change. An extra 50 percent is added for services between midnight and 6am. All taxis must use meters.

Photo: Eirik Skarstein/unsplash

Phone: +60 3 62 59 20 20

Internet: www.publiccab.com.my

Post



There are several post offices in Kuala Lumpur. Most of them are open Monday to Saturday, but each post office has different opening or closing hours.

Photo: Simona Sergi/unsplash

Address: Pos Malaysia Headquarters, Jalan Sultan

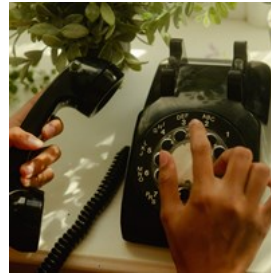
Hishamuddin, City Centre, Kuala Lumpur

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-5:30pm, Sat 8:30am-1pm, Sun closed

Phone: +60 3 2274 1122

Internet: www.pos.com.my

Telephone



Country code: +60 Area code: 3

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Electricity



Electrical appliances are connected to Malaysia's power supply using a three-pin plug known as plug type G. It is the same plug used in the

UK. Expect 220-240V at 50Hz.

Photo: Idyshah/pixabay

Population

2.2 million Kuala Lumpurians

Currency

Malaysian Ringgit (RM or MYR), plural: ringgit

Opening hours

Banks are open Monday to Friday 10am-3pm and on Saturday 9:30am-11:30am. Most shops are open every day from 10am to 8pm. Museums, galleries and parks are open every day from 9am to 5pm.

Internet

www.kulqr.my

www.matic.gov.my/en

Newspapers

New Straits Times Press: www.nst.com.my

The Star Papers: www.thestar.com.my

Faces Magazine: facesmag.ca

Emergency numbers

Police and Ambulance: 999 (112 from a mobile telephone)

Tourist Police: +60 32149 6590

Tourist information

Malaysia Tourist Information Counter (MATIC)

109 Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur

+60 3 9235 4800

