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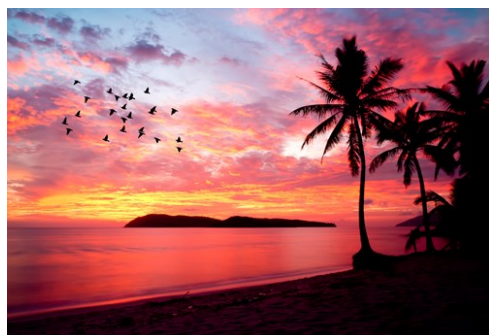


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Once a peripheral backwater district, Langkawi has transformed into a major tourist destination, drawing visitors with its pristine tropical beaches and natural attractions. In 2008, the archipelago was aptly renamed 'Langkawi Permata Kedah', meaning 'Langkawi, the jewel of Kedah'. This name captures the essence of Langkawi — a true tropical paradise waiting to be explored.

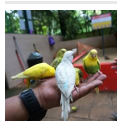


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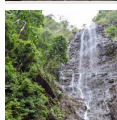
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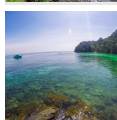
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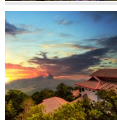
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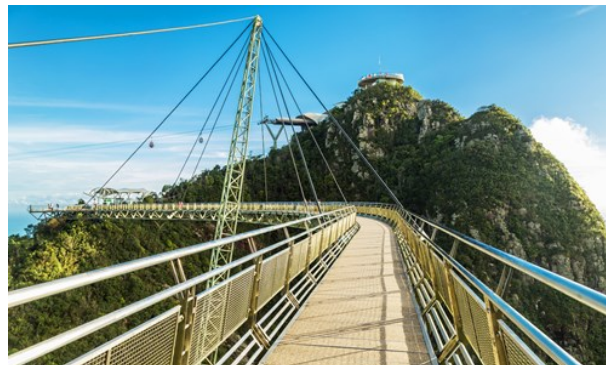
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Langkawi is a tropical archipelago located in the Andaman sea in northwestern Malaysia, at the border with Thailand. It consists of 104 islands (99 during high tide) of which only four are permanently inhabited. The main island, also called Langkawi, is where most of the population and attractions are located. The latter include the famous Sky Bridge, the Pulau Payar Marine Park, the large Underwater World aquarium and, of course, pristine beaches and lush rainforests.

There are many activities that you can enjoy in Langkawi, the most obvious being a relaxing day in one of the island's fine resorts and beaches. If you feel adventurous, however, try the Sky Cab and Sky Bridge to have a breathtaking vista of Langkawi's wild nature, or explore the mangrove forest with a kayak in the Kilim Karst Geoforest Park. On the other hand, if you want to discover the local culture and have a taste of the delicious cuisine, make sure to visit the local shops, markets and restaurants.

Whether you plan to sit and relax on a tropical beach, enjoy the nightlife or just want to immerse yourselves in nature and wildlife, Langkawi will fulfil all your wishes and offer you even more.

DO & SEE



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Langkawi has much to offer to all kinds of travellers, but it's well worth a visit mostly for its natural attractions: from tropical beaches like Pantai Cenang to nature reserves such as the Kilim Karst Geoforest Park; from the breathtaking vista on top of the Sky Bridge to the fun and unique experience of the Pulau Payar Marine Park.

Langkawi Beaches



From the busy and lively Pantai Cenang on the western shore to the more secluded Tanjung Rhu on the northern shore, Langkawi has a lot

of beautiful, white sandy beaches, where you can relax and sun bathe or take part in the many activities and water sports offered by the seaside.

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Langkawi Sky Bridge



Suspended above the spectacular Langkawi rainforest, the Langkawi Sky Bridge offers its visitors a breathtaking view over the Mat

Chinchang mountain range and the Telaga Tujuh waterfalls. This curved pedestrian bridge is over 125 metres long and has two platforms to enjoy the panorama. The bridge is only accessible via the Langkawi Sky Cab and can accommodate up to 250 people at the same time.

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Address: Jalan Telaga Tujuh Teluk Burau, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 9:30am–7pm

Phone: +60 4 959 4225

Internet: www.panoramalangkawi.com

Email: info@panoramalangkawi.com

Langkawi Sky Cab



The Langkawi Sky Cab is a great way to explore the nature and wildlife of the island. Located within the Oriental Village in northwestern Langkawi, this cable car will take you to the top of Gunung Mat Chinchang, where the Sky Bridge is found. It is composed of three stations, Base, Middle and Top station for a total length of 2.2 km. Alongside the standard gondolas, it is possible (at an extra charge) to get a luxurious VIP gondola or a glass-bottom one, with a spectacular view unfolding right beneath your feet.

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Eagle Square



Eagle Square (Dataran Lang) is located in Kuah, the major city of the archipelago. Its most important feature is the giant statue of an eagle (hence the name Eagle Square). It is said in local folklore that the name of the archipelago comes from the Malay words 'helang' (shortened to 'lang'), meaning 'eagle' and 'kawi', meaning reddish-brown.

Photo: Joe Ravi/Shutterstock.com

Address: Eagle Square, Kuah, Langkawi

Underwater World Langkawi



The aquarium in Pantai Cenang is a perfect spot to escape the sun while still engaging with sea life. Underwater World Langkawi offers visitors a diverse range of marine species housed in various tanks that replicate different ecosystems, from tropical to temperate to sub-Antarctic. It even features tunnel tanks for a unique and immersive view of sea life and its many wonders.

Photo: leungchopan/shutterstock

Address: Jalan Pantai Cenang, Langkawi

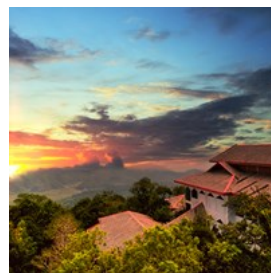
Opening hours: Daily 10am–6pm

Phone: +60 4 955 6100

Internet: www.underwaterworldlangkawi.com

Email: info_uwl@edenzil.com

Gunung Raya



With its 881 metres above sea level, Gunung Raya is the highest mountain in Langkawi. At its top sits a resort (the D'Coconut Hill Resort), as well as a

viewing tower, from which a spectacular view over the island unfolds.

Photo: liseykina/Shutterstock.com

Address: Gunung Raya, Langkawi

Pulau Payar Marine Park



Located in Pulau Payar and the three surrounding islands, 30 km south of Pulau Langkawi, this marine park is a heaven for those

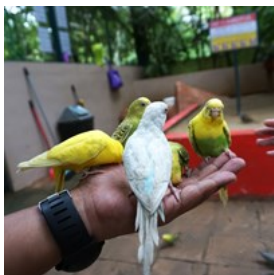
who love snorkelling, because of its uncontaminated waters and abundant sea life. Of particular interest is the Coral Garden, a section of the park characterised by beautiful and colourful coral formations.

The Park can only be visited as part of a tour, which can be booked in Langkawi. The boat trip takes around 45 minutes.

Photo: airellizwan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Pulau Payar, Kedah

Langkawi Wildlife Park



With an area of 5.5 acres, this park houses over 150 different species from all over the world, from macaws to crocodiles to peacocks and raccoons.

The park can be explored through covered walkways, which makes it enjoyable even during heavy rainfall, and children can have fun and feed the animals during the feeding sessions.

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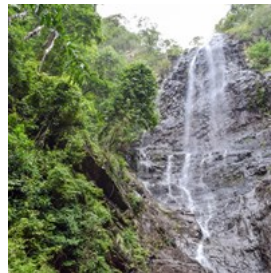
Address: Jalan Ayer Hangat, Kampung Belanga Pecah, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-6pm

Phone: +60 4 966 5855

Email: wildlifepark.langkawi@gmail.com

Temurun Waterfall



A beautiful waterfall, the highest in Langkawi. Surrounded by the forest on the slopes of Gunung Mat Chinchang, it's a good spot for a picnic, but

beware of monkeys, as they can get aggressive if you disturb them. It is recommended to visit during rainy season, as the waterfall is reduced to a trickle throughout the dry months.

Photo: Authentic travel/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Teluk Datai, Langkawi

Kilim Karst Geoforest Park



The Kilim Karst Geoforest Park is the biggest of the three geoforest parks in Langkawi. Its main features are the mangrove forests and the

karstic caves spread throughout the coastline. Take a boat or a kayak and explore the Kilim River, find fossils in Fossil Island or take a look at the 500 million year old limestone cliffs that make this park so unique.

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Address: Jeti Pelancongan Sungai Kilim, Mukim Ayer Hangat, Kampung Kilim, Langkawi

Phone: +60 4 959 2323

Internet:

kilimgeoforestpark.com/en/kilim-geoforest-park.html

Email: koperasikilim@yahoo.com

DINING



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Malaysian cuisine fully represents the mixture and variety of Malaysian society: different culinary traditions (Malay, Chinese, Indian and so on) coexist and influence each other, creating a peculiar mix of tastes and flavours.

Rice is a staple in all Asian cultures and is served with almost every dish, accompanied by meat or fish. Very characteristic is also the abundant usage of spices and coconut milk, like in Malaysia's national dish Nasi Lemak (coconut-flavoured rice with boiled eggs and peanuts).

In Langkawi, you can find anything from traditional Malay cuisine to Chinese or Thai specialities, as well as western-inspired, international dishes: everything your taste buds desire, with the Langkawi rainforest and the Andaman Sea for dining backdrop.

Kayuputi



This quiet and elegant restaurant offers an original blend of local cuisine and western culinary tradition, under the guidance of Executive Chef Gaetan Biesuz. The delicious food is coupled with a perfect dining area facing the

sunset, which adds a romantic touch to the already pleasant atmosphere.

Photo: Marian Weyo/shutterstock

Address: The St. Regis Langkawi, Jalan Pantai Beringin, Langkawi

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 6pm-11pm, Sun closed

Phone: +60 4 960 6666

Internet: www.kayuputilangkawi.com

Email: kayuputi.langkawi@stregis.com

The Planter's at The Danna



At The Planter's you can taste Mediterranean as well as local Malaysian cuisine in a friendly atmosphere with live piano music. The

restaurant also offers vegetarian and gluten-free dishes, to suit the dietary needs of every guest.

Photo: grafvision/Shutterstock.com

Address: The Danna Langkawi, Telaga Harbour Park, Jalan Pantai Kok, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 6:30pm-11pm

Phone: +60 4 959 3288

Internet: www.thedanna.com/dining/planters

Email: info@thedanna.com

The Gulai House



Deep inside the jungle, housed in a traditional Malay stilt hut, this Malay and Indian restaurant offers its guests an unforgettable culinary

experience, with generous portions of tasty food in a comfortable alfresco setting. The menu includes traditional Malay dishes like beef rendang (spiced curry beef cubes) and ikan bakar (grilled fish), as well as Indian recipes such as papadum (crispy, round-shaped flat bread).

Photo: Alphonsine Sabine/Shutterstock.com

Address: The Datai Langkawi, Jalan Teluk Datai, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 6:30pm-10:30pm

Phone: +60 4 959 2500

Internet: www.thedatai.com/dining/the-gulai-house

The Pavilion



The Pavilion is an open-air Thai restaurant located in a stilt house that overlooks the rainforest. It serves traditional Thai dishes such as tom yam goong and pad thai in a nice and friendly environment. The restaurant also hosts cooking classes for those guests who want to learn how these delicious dishes are prepared.

Photo: Giulia M/Shutterstock.com

Address: Datai Langkawi, Jalan Teluk Datai, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 16:30pm-10:30pm

Phone: +60 4 950 0500

Internet: www.thedatai.com/dining/the-pavilion

Ikan-Ikan



Located at the Four Seasons resort in Tanjung Rhu, this Malay restaurant serves traditional dishes in a nice, Malaysian-style setting with an open-air dining room. The menu includes meat, fish and vegetarian dishes prepared with fresh local ingredients, such as braised beef tenderloin, grilled Andaman sea bass and wok-fried green beans.

Photo: Ariyani Tedjo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Four Seasons Resort Langkawi, Jalan Tanjung Rhu, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 6:30pm-10:30pm

Phone: +60 4 950 8888

Internet:

www.fourseasons.com/langkawi/dining/restaurants/ikan_ikan

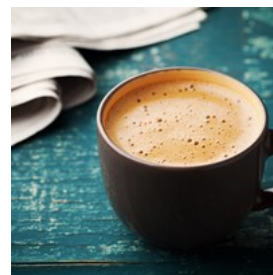
CAFES



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Langkawi offers a variety of eateries, ranging from local cafes and lounges to traditional western cafeterias and pastry shops. Sitting in a cafe while having a refreshing drink is a nice way of relaxing but also a good way to get some respite from the tropical heat.

Arts Cafe Langkawi



An interesting cafe in the middle of Kuah, with tasty meals, good drinks and a nice decor. The walls of its interior are adorned with fine

paintings and unique pieces that give the cafe an artistic touch.

Photo: Julia Sudnitskaya/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Pandak Mayah, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 9.00-22.00

Phone: +60 4 961 1986

Internet: www.instagram.com/

CoffeeNuts Cafe



CoffeeNuts Cafe, located at the base of the Seven Wells waterfalls, serves exceptional coffee brewed with Langkawi's purest water. Known for its

charming outdoor setting, eco-friendly practices,

and delightful handmade decor, it's a perfect spot for a refreshing break.

Photo: Shebeko/shutterstock

Address: 12 Jalan Telaga Tujuh, Langkawi

Opening hours: Fri-Tue 10am-5pm, Wed & Thu closed

Phone: +60 12 503 0887

Internet: www.instagram.com/coffee.langkawi

Smiling Buffalo Cafe



A good alternative for breakfast and lunch in a lively outdoor space. The Smiling Buffalo Cafe prides itself on good coffee and a warm and

welcoming atmosphere. They also have live music from time to time.

Photo: KYTan/shutterstock

Address: 965 Jalan Pantai Chenang, Mukim Kedawang, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 8am-4pm

Phone: +60 12 292 8102

Internet: panjipanji.com

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Langkawi's nightlife is not quite as vibrant as that of the mainland's urban centres, but you can still spend some quality time on one of the island's many bars and disco pubs. The tropical atmosphere and beach vibes make for a perfect chill-out evening or a night of dancing on the

beach. There are plenty of clubs to choose from, so you will never run out of places to enjoy your stay in Langkawi.

The St. Regis Bar



The St. Regis Bar is a sophisticated club with a refined and characteristic decor, and an ample selection of wines and cocktails. The bar has

beautiful carvings on the walls and fossil wood tables that, together with dance performances and live music, make this place unique and intriguing.

Photo: Cristi Lucaci/Shutterstock.com

Address: Jalan Pantai Beringin, Langkawi

Phone: +60 4 960 6666

Internet:

www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/lgkxr-the-st-regis-langkawi

Rhu Bar



Bar and lounge with a Middle-Eastern vibe, located inside the Four Seasons resort in Tanjung Rhu. It offers a wide range of beers, wines and

liquors, as well as Turkish water pipes. On top of that, its position is perfect to enjoy a magnificent sunset on the beach.

Photo: Pikul Noorod/Shutterstock.com

Address: Four Seasons Resort Langkawi, Jalan Tanjung Rhu, Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-midnight

Phone: +60 4 950 8888

Internet:

www.fourseasons.com/langkawi/dining/lounges/rhu_bar

The Roadhouse Kitchen at Bam-Boo-Ba



Good place to chill out and enjoy a match or a live band. The Bam-Boo-Ba is a simple yet welcoming outdoor bar that offers a tasty menu and good cocktails as well as live events or board games to keep you entertained.

Photo: Africa Studio/shutterstock

Address: Jalan Teluk Baru, Pantai Tengah, Langkawi

Phone: +60 12 345 8778

Internet: www.instagram.com/Bambooba.lgk

Email: bambooba.langkawi@yahoo.co.uk

One Love Reggae Bar & Cafe



A popular spot frequented by locals and tourists alike, One Love captures you with a nice, open air dance floor, good music and an ample

selection of beers and cocktails. Whether you want to chill out or dance your shoes off, this is the place to go.

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Address: Cenang View Hotel, Jalan Pantai Cenang, Langkawi

Phone: +60 12 369 7350

Internet: www.instagram.com/onelovelangkawi

Email: onelovelangkawi@live.com

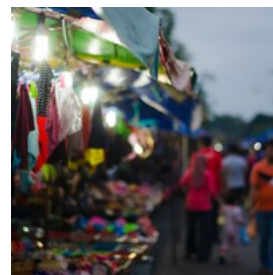
SHOPPING



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Langkawi is a paradise for shopping. The archipelago was given duty-free status by the Malaysian government, which means that you can find almost anything at bargain prices. Duty-free shops are everywhere around Langkawi island, from the tiny souvenir shops along the streets to the big department stores in Pantai Cenang and Kuah. Do not forget to visit one of the night markets if you want to have a taste of the local culture and buy some cheaper items and foods.

Night Markets



Night markets are held every day in different locations throughout Langkawi island. In the various stalls along the streets you will find

cheap items such as bags, watches, t-shirts, DVDs, as well as local street food. Not only are night markets a great opportunity to explore the local culture, they are also a great way to taste the local cuisine without hurting your wallet. The most important night markets are found in Kuah every Wednesday and Friday, and in Padang Matsirat every Sunday.

Photo: Mohd Izwan Awang/Shutterstock.com

Address: Pulau Langkawi

Opening hours: Daily 17.00-22.00

Oriental Village



The Oriental Village is an open-air shopping complex and themed tourist site located on the western side of Langkawi island. It hosts several

attractions, including animal exhibits, museums, souvenir shops and a lake in the centre. Here you will also find ticket booths for the Sky Cab and Sky Bridge.

Photo: Guido Amrein Switzerland/Shutterstock.com
Address: The Oriental Village, Burau Bay, Langkawi
Internet: panoramalangkawi.com/oriental-village

Langkawi Saga Shopping Centre



One of the biggest shopping centres on the island, Langkawi Saga is a duty-free mall specialised in wines and liquors. They also offer a

good choice of chocolate and kitchenware at reasonable prices.

Photo: nd3000/Shutterstock.com
Address: Jalan Pandak Mayah, Langkawi
Phone: +60 4 969 8001
Internet: langkawisaga.com.my
Email: info@langkawisaga.com

Atma Alam Batik Art Village



If you love fine art and beautiful handcrafted items, then this place is absolutely worth a visit. Atma Alam specialises in the production of batik, a

traditional wax-resist textile dyeing, and sells beautifully decorated clothes, bags, scarfs and

other handmade souvenirs such as oil paintings. They also offer classes where you can learn the art and paint your own batik.

Photo: Prarinya/Shutterstock.com
Address: Padang Matsirat, Langkawi
Opening hours: Daily 10.00-18.00
Phone: +60 4 955 2615
Internet: atmaalam.com
Email: info@atmaalam.com

Cinnamons Bar (Pantai Cenang Bar & Gift)



CinnamOn's Gift is a charming gift shop and bar in Pantai Cenang, offering a variety of local handcrafted items, jewellery, and souvenirs,

as well as wine and cocktails. With affordable prices and a wide range of products, including necklaces, bracelets, and colourful batik, it's the perfect place to find the right souvenir to bring home after your holiday in Langkawi.

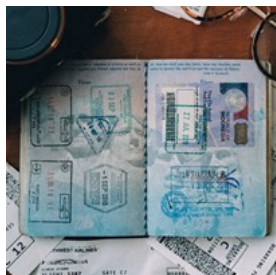
Photo: Budiman B Daud/shutterstock
Address: Jalan Pantai Cenang, Langkawi
Opening hours: Daily 4pm-midnight
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Email: cinnamonslgk@gmail.com

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Passport / Visa

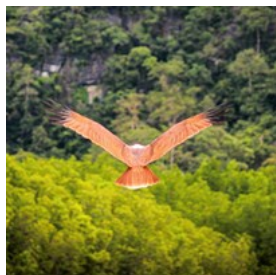


Travellers need a passport or an internationally recognised travel document in order to enter Malaysia. The documents must be valid for more than six months from the date of departure. Furthermore, certain nationals require a visa, while others are granted one upon arrival (VOA, Visa on arrival).

Photo: ConvertKit/unsplash

Internet: www.imi.gov.my/index.php/en/main-services/visa/visa-requirement-by-country

Best Time to Visit



Malaysia is hot and humid year-round, with average temperatures ranging from 24°C to 34°C. The Langkawi archipelago, and the west coast in general, experience monsoon weather from April to November, with the period from September to November being the rainiest. Most tourists prefer to visit the islands during the dry season, roughly between January and March,

because of the sunny days and clear sky. For this reason, prices are generally higher in this period and the main beaches and attractions are packed with tourists. Mid season (April-August) is a good deal, as most resorts and shops offer discounts and the place is quieter, while the climate is still enjoyable. The period between September and November is generally avoided because it's rainy season, but do keep in mind that you can still get sunny hours and good weather, and that the temperatures don't go much lower than 27-28°C.

Photo: Ramzi Bezzoudji/unsplash

Langkawi International Airport (LGK)



The Langkawi International Airport (LGK) is the main hub in the archipelago and the preferred way to get to Langkawi. From here it is

possible to take a taxi or rent a car. You can find taxi counters near the exit where you can buy coupons (taxi fares are fixed depending on the destination), as well as local and international car rental companies such as Avis, Europcar, Hertz, and Sixt.

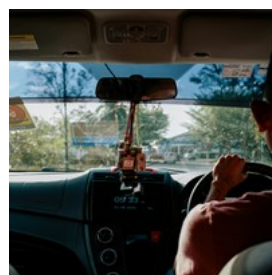
Photo: Hongwei FAN/unsplash

Address: Langkawi International Airport, Langkawi

Phone: +60 4 955 1311

Internet: www.langkawiairport.com

Taxi



Since there is no public transportation in Langkawi, taxis are the best solution for moving around. Taxis don't have meters but rather have

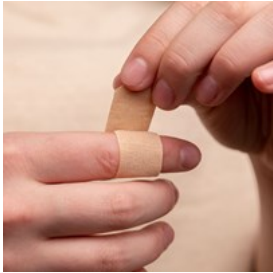
fixed fares that vary depending on the

destination. You can buy coupons at the airport and take a taxi outside the terminal.

You can order an official Langkawi Airport Taxi by phone

Photo: Eirik Skarstein/unsplash
Phone: +60 4955 1800
Internet: www.langkawitaxi.com

Pharmacy



Langkawi is well provided for in terms of medical facilities and pharmacies. The oldest pharmacy on the island is Joe's Pharmacy in Kuah, but you can find others in the main tourist areas as well.

Photo: Diana Polekhina/unsplash
Address: Joe's Pharmacy, 111 Main Road, Kuah, Langkawi
Phone: +60 4 966 0180

Post

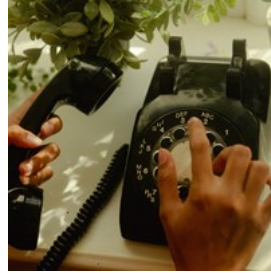


There are two main post offices on Langkawi Island, one located in Kuah (next to the Langkawi Fair Shopping Mall), the other in

Padang Matsirat.

Photo: Simona Sergi/unsplash
Address: Pejabat Pos Padang Matsirat, Jalan Lapangan Terbang, Kampung Padang Mat Sirat, Langkawi
Internet: www.pos.com.my
Email: care@pos.com.my

Telephone



Country code: +60
Langkawi area code: (0)4

Photo: Wesley Hilario/unsplash

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: Idysshah/pixabay

Population
96,700

Currency
Malaysian ringgit (MYR or RM), plural: ringgit.
1 ringgit = 100 sen

Opening hours
Most shops are open from 10am to 7pm, but some have longer opening hours like 8am–10pm. Malaysia is a Muslim country, which means that shops generally close on Friday, but some (Chinese or Indian) may still be open.

Internet
www.langkawi.com
naturallylangkawi.my

Newspapers
New Straits Times: www.nst.com.my
The Star: www.thestar.com.my
The Sun: www.thesundaily.my
The Edge: www.theedgemarkets.com

Emergency numbers
Emergency: 999
From mobile: 112

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