

Mini Adventure Tour, 2D1N



This tour is a perfect combination of some really amazing mountain biking experience, jungle trekking, sleeping overnight at a village resthouse right next to the most beautiful river, and more! The route takes you through the foothills and valleys of Mount Kinabalu where you may not see a single tourist. This is one of the purest ways to see and interact with this magnificent place. The mystique and commanding presence of Mount Kinabalu throughout this tour provides a vista that changes almost almost every minute.

Rough Itinerary

(Timings to be used as guidelines only)

Day 1 – We pick you up from your hotel in KK at an agreed time and drive to Mt Kinabalu National Park where we will begin the ride. It starts with a 4.5 km cruise on the main road, downhill to our first turn off onto gravel. There is then a 3 km of gorgeous descent before reaching a sealed road which takes you into the Kiau Valley. We then ride along the side of a river for 17 km with excellent views of the jungle-clad valley and Mount Kinabalu.

When we get to the end of the ride-able trail, we put the bikes onto the truck and from here we follow the river on foot for 5kms. During the jungle trek**, we make a few river crossings until we arrive at the paddy fields of Kampung Tambatuan where we overnight in the village community homestay. There are comfortable dorms and a huge veranda facing the granite walls of the western flanks of Mt Kinabalu. In the evening, there will be a sit-down local dinner and a chat through the day's thrills while the team service the bikes and get ready for the second day's adventure.

Day 2 – This is a full day in the saddle. We head north on mostly gravel roads for 25 km, stopping to swim in cool rivers and entertain the bemused locals. There are lots of cool drinks supplied by the support vehicle along the way. The ride finishes at the town of Taginambur, a quiet town where tourists are rarely seen. Taste the local cuisine at a local restaurant for lunch before head back to Kota Kinabalu.

** Trekking will be cancelled if there is: Thunderstorm/Flash flood/Land slide/Any unforeseen circumstances. Trekking will be replaced to another ride extension at the beginning of the ride or to the homestay village or both.

Pre-requisites

An adventurous spirit – this is off the tourist trail so don't expect many facilities along the way. Be prepared for physical exertion, you may be riding up to 40km per day and it can be hot and humid. A good level of fitness or an incredibly resilient sense of humour.

Reasonable biking skills.

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Recommended Packing List

Riding shorts & trainers/sneakers (no sandals while riding please!), water bottle, raincoat, hangloves, sunglasses, suncream, insect repellent, personal medication, a change of clothes for the evening, towel, camera/mobile phone, personal bag which will be carried in the support vehicle, riding gloves, hydration backpack or a daypack.

Price

From RM1300/person

This includes good quality mountain bikes with disc brakes, cycling helmet, drinking water and isotonic drinks, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and 1 breakfast, transfers from/to KK, one night shared rooms at a resthouse/homestay at Kampung Tambatuan, your bike guide (cum chef), snacks, a first aid kit, a support vehicle, a little wine and beers (please limit your alcohol intake as Day 2 is a long and usually humid day!).



