

Sabah 5D4N Semporna-Islands Hopping & Kapalai Dive Resort

TOUR CODE: 5DSEMIHKDR (Validity: Until 28 December 2023) – **NON-DIVE PACKAGE**

DAY 1: KUALA LUMPUR → TAWAU → SEMPORNA

Welcome to **Tawau Airport**. Meet & greet on arrival by our local representative and transfer to **Semporna** (Seat-in coach basis) hotel for check-in. After check-in, rest of the day is free time at your own leisure & expense. Meals on your own expense. (Walking distance to many restaurants). Semporna is a small township located in the east coast of Sabah. It is a popular gateway to not just island hopping trips to some of the most beautiful islands of the Celebes sea but also the gateway to world famous diving sites such as Sipadan and Mabul island. Semporna is home to the sea gypsies and stilt houses protruding from the sea.



Overnight in Semporna.

DAY 2: SEMPORNA → ISLANDS HOPPING (Breakfast/Packed Lunch)

After breakfast, join one of the below island hopping activities. (Include packed lunch, drinking water, snorkelling gear, conservation fee & jetty fee).

Option 1: Bohey Dulang > Mantabuan > Sibuan Island.

Hike to the peak of Bohey Dulang island to see the magnificent view of the ancient volcano crater. Snorkel in the blue sea of Mantabuan with its majestic backdrop and stroll along the powdery white beach of Sibuan Island.

★**Bohey Dulang Island** is the only island in Tun Sakaran Marine park with a hiking trail. It may take around 45 minutes to hike the steep incline to get the best aerial view from atop the island. At the end of hike, you'll be awarded with a breath-taking view.



Note: Bohey Dulang involves hiking up to the peak to view the ancient volcano crater. Toes covering shoe is a compulsory requirement, else you will not be allowed to climb.

★**Mantabuan Island** is the best spot for sightings of underwater creatures. Despite being the smallest island in Tun Sakaran Marine Park, the volcanically and mostly submerged island is a paradise for divers who seek to see magnificent coral reefs with great visibility.



★**Sibuan Island** is home to the "Bajau Laut" (sea gypsies), who live in small huts on the island's coast.

This island is locally known as 'Battleship Island' for its distinctive shape, and is popular to snorkelers and divers alike due to its largely untouched conditions.



Option 2: Matakang Island > Timba Timba Island > Pom Pom Island.

★**Matakang Island** is home to the first 'Underwater Post Office' in Malaysia, also known as the 'Shipwreck Post', and is connected to Pulau Matakang Kecil (Small Matakang Island) via a narrow sand bank. House reefs surround the whole island where you can easily snorkel or dive. During the months of May to August, you may be lucky enough to spot Hawksbill and green turtles laying their eggs on the beach.



★**Timba Timba Island** is covered with soft, pure white sand. Apart from being known for its wonderful beach, it is also a great place to look for rarer macro marine life that includes cuttlefish, frog fish, crab and occasionally nurse sharks. While turtles can be seen in numbers, other frequent sightings include blue ribbon eels, moray eels, lobster and barracudas.



★**Pom Pom Island** is has rich tropical vegetation and is surrounded by white sand and the turquoise waters of the Celebes Sea. It is on part of this beautiful island that "Pom Pom Island Resort & Spa" finds it home. Pom Pom Island Resort & Spa is a new and exclusive resort located on Celebes Sea (Latitude 04°36', Longitude 118°52'). Geographically, Pom Pom Island is among the few rare islands found on the South China Sea



After the above tour activities, transfer back to Semporna hotel. (Dinner not included). Rest of the day at your own leisure & expense.

Overnight in Semporna.

DAY 3: SEMPORNA ➤ KAPALAI DIVE RESORT (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)

Check-out of the hotel. After breakfast, transfer to **Semporna Kapalai Private Jetty** for the 0930 boat scheduled transfer to **Kapalai Dive Resort** (Seat-in coach basis) for check-in.

(Kapalai Dive Resort, sitting on its sturdy stilts on shallow sandbanks of the Ligitan Reefs. Planned and built in full style as an airy, comfortable, sunny water village with no land in sight but boasting a mile-long sandbank of powdery blindingly white sand where one can sunbathe at complete leisure).



After lunch, assemble for safety briefing & orientation on snorkeling around the resort.

Afternoon snacks available at the restaurant.

Tea, coffee, cordial and water served throughout the day at the restaurant.

Later in the day, dinner will be served at the restaurant.

After dinner, rest of the day is free time at your own leisure & expense.

Overnight in Kapalai Dive Resort.

Rental of snorkeling equipment at your own expense.

DAY 4: KAPALAI DIVE RESORT (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)

After breakfast at resort, enjoy the day activities at your own leisure.

Safety briefing & orientation before proceed to snorkelling activities.

Afternoon snacks available at the restaurant.

Tea, coffee, cordial and water served throughout the day at the restaurant. Lunch & dinner will be provided.

After the above activities, rest of the day at your own leisure & expense.



Overnight in Kapalai Dive Resort.

Rental of snorkeling equipment at your own expense.

DAY 5: KAPALAI DIVE RESORT ➤ SEMPORNA ➤ TAWAU ➤ KUALA LUMPUR (Breakfast/Lunch*)

After breakfast & lunch (*for 1330 boat transfer) at resort, free time at your own leisure until the boat transfer to **Semporna Kapalai Private Jetty** and then to **Tawau Airport** (Seat-in-Coach basis) for your departure flight.

(Semporna hotels: Breakfast available at certain hotels only)

Note: For Islands Hopping Tour:

1. All island hopping tour is subject to permit (ticket) issued by Sabah Parks office in Semporna and has to be done every morning.
2. Sabah Parks implemented new fee to hike up to Bohey Dulang w.e.f 01 January 2023. As this hike is optional, the fee & climbing permit is not included in the package price.

Climbing Fee for Bohey Dulang Island: MYR 20 Per Adult / MYR 10 Per Child.

Mountain Guide Fee Bohey Dulang Island: MYR 50 per guide per climb. Pay on the spot.

Maximum 5 persons in a group (adult or child)). Join up with other fellow climbers to make the head count to maximum number for one Mountain Guide is allowed.

3. During weekends and peak season such as public holidays, there are a lot of people going on island hopping tour and the queue may be long until our company manage to get the permit issued.
4. Standard standby time for Island Hopping tour is 0815 – 0830, however there are occasions when the pick-up will be delayed up to 0900 -0930.

Recommended Boat Schedule Time To/From Sipadan Kapalai Dive Resort:

From Semporna Kapalai Private Jetty: 0930 & 1230.

From Kapalai Dive Resort: 1100 & 1330.

Meals Timing:

Breakfast: 0700 - 1030

Lunch: 1230 - 1400

Dinner: 1900 - 2030

Note: Strictly no outside food & drinks allowed into the Resort