George Town Walking Tour

This walk will give you a glimpse of George Town’s cultural mix: English, Indian, Malay, Baba-Nonya and Chinese.

Start Penang Museum
Distance 1.5km
Duration Three to four hours

1 Begin at the Supreme Court and the statue of James Richardson Logan, advocate for non-whites during the colonial era.

2 Stroll along the waterfront, passing the vast padang (field) and grandiose architecture of the City Hall and Town Hall.

3 Along Lr Gereja is the impressive Pinang Peranakan Mansion, the former digs of one of George Town’s great Baba-Nonya merchant barons.

4 Check out Art Lane, a 2018 addition to George Town’s ever-growing collection of public artworks.

5 Stroll past restored shophouses until you reach Cheah Kongsi, home to the oldest Straits Chinese clan association in Penang.

6 You can't fail to miss Little Children on a Bicycle, the most popular of the street-art works by Lithuanian artist, Ernest Zacharevic.

7 On the corner of Lebuh Cannon & Armenian is the Hokkien clanhouse Yap Kongsi, originally built in 1924 Straits eclectic style and today painted light green.

8 Duck into the magnificently ornate Khoo Kongsi, the most impressive kongsi in the city.

Take a Break... Pause for an excellent coffee at China House (p111).

Classic photo: Khoo Kongsi – don’t leave without one.