**Malaysia & Brunei: Off the Beaten Track**

**TAMAN NEGERI PERLIS**
Home to a vast systems of caves and Malaysia’s only semideciduous forest, rich in wildlife, this small and remote state park runs for for 36km along the Thai border.

**DABONG**
Lined with flowers, trees this attractive village, reached by the Jungle Railway, is an excellent exploration base of Kelantan’s interior including the amazing waterfalls in the Gunung Stong State Park.

**PULAU LANG TENGAH**
This idyllic, tiny island off the northeast coast of Peninsular Malaysia, is a good diving base and with just three resorts, is quieter and less-developed than neighbouring islands such as the Perhentians.

**KENONG RIMBA STATE PARK**
A far less visited alternative to Malaysia’s premier national park, this sprawling area of lowland forest rises to the limestone foothills bordering Taman Negara itself.

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Accessed from the town of Bekok in Johor, this forest offers trekking routes, campsites and waterfalls and gently cascading rivers in which you can swim.

**PULAU BESAR**
Said to resemble a pregnant woman laying on her back in the sea, this small, placid island, 10km off the southeast coast of Melaka, was once a retreat for Muslim mystics.

**PULAU SELIRONG RECREATIONAL PARK**
At the northern tip of Brunei’s Temburong District, this 25-sq-km mangrove-forested island is an untamed habitat for proboscis monkeys and flying lemurs.

**KUCHING WETLANDS NATIONAL PARK**
This seaside park’s majestic mangroves are a habitat for monkeys, fireflies, estuarine crocodiles and countless varieties of fish and prawns. Snub-nosed Irrawaddy dolphins can be spotted in the offshore waters.

**IMBAK CANYON CONSERVATION AREA**
Laying deep in the heart of Sabah you need to be on a tour to access this 25km-long canyon lined with pristine rainforest and hemmed in by immense sandstone cliffs.

**PULAU BESAR**
Not far from the Kalimantan border, deep in Murut country, this 600m jungle-topped limestone outcrop, riddled with caves, is a bucket-list challenge for rock climbers.