

KUALA LUMPUR

City Map

OTOP SIGHTS

SRI MAHAMARIAMMAN TFMPI F

This venerable Hindu shrine - the oldest in Malaysia and rumoured to be the richest - was founded by the Pillai family in 1873. For 50 years it was their private shrine until opening to the public in the 1920s. (163 Jln Tun HS Lee: Pasar Seni)



MFNARA KUALA LUMPUR

Located within the KL Forest Eco Park, this 421m telecommunications tower - the tallest in Southeast Asia and seventh tallest in the world - offers an observation deck with exceptional views. (2020 5448; www.kltower. com.my; 2 Jln Punchak; KL Tower)

PETRONAS TOWERS

It's impossible to resist the magnetic allure of the Petronas Towers: the 452m-high structure is beautiful to look at, as well as being the embodiment of Malaysia's transformation into a fully developed nation. (www. petronastwintowers.com.my; Jln Ampang; ₩KLCC)



confluence of the Klang and Gombak rivers, this mosque is an island of serenity, with airy open pavilions shaded by palm trees. (off Jln Tun Perak; Masjid Jamek)

KL BIRD PARK

This fabulous aviary brings together some 200 species of (mostly) Asian birds flying free beneath an enormous canopy. (2272 1010; www.klbirdpark.com; Jln Cenderawasih; KL Hop-On, Hop-Off Bus Tour, ☐ Kuala Lumpur)

MASJID NEGARA

The main place of worship for KL's Malay Muslim population is this gigantic mosque, inspired by Mecca's Grand Mosque and able to accommodate 15,000 worshippers. (www. masjidnegara.gov.my/v2; Jln Lembah

NATIONAL TEXTILES

Housed in this Mogul-Islamic building are darkened exhibition spaces that

help to preserve the delicate textiles on display - there are some beautiful pieces and plenty of explanation of how they are made. (226943457; www. muziumtekstilnegara.gov.my; Jln Sultan Hishamuddin; Masjid Jamek)

MUSEUM

Perdana; Kuala Lumpur



NATIONAL MUSEUM

Housed in a building with a Minangkabau-style roof, this museum is one of the city's best. A major renovation has resulted in four main galleries with interesting, wellorganised displays. (2282 6255; www muziumnegara.gov.my; Jln Damansara; ☐ Hop-On-Hop-Off Bus Tour, ☐ KL Sentral,



KAMPUNG This walk reveal

WAL

A STROLL

Malay village in traditional wood mosque and a S great places to

Start @ Chow K Distance 2.4kn **Duration** 2 hou

ISLAMIC ARTS MUSEUM

The dazzling collection of objects housed here proves that religious devotion can be married with exquisite craftsmanship. The building itself is a stunner, with beautifully decorated domes and glazed tilework on its facade. (22274 2020; www.iamm.org.my; Jin Lembah Perdana; Ruala Lumpur)

MERDEKA SOUARE

The grassy square where Malaysian independence was declared in 1957 is ringed by heritage buildings and dominated by an enormous flagpole and fluttering Malaysian flag. (Dataran Merdeka; Masjid Jamek)

SPEAK LIKE A LOCAL

Hello.

BASICS

You're welcome.

MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

WALKING TOUR

Goodbye. Selamat tinggal. (by person leaving) (by person staying) Selamat jalan.

Tidak. Please. Tolong. Thank you.

Terima kasih Sama-sama

HISTORY BUFFS

Royal Malaysia Police Museum (D16) See homemade guns from Chinese triads and take in the history of Malaysia through policing.

KUALA LUMPUR SHORT LIST

Royal Museum (F19) The former house of the royal family is now open for public viewing.

Sin Sze Si Ya Temple (F14) KL's oldest Chinese temple has a deep devotional atmosphere.

Panggung Bandaraya (F12) KL's most

BARGAIN HUNTERS

KL City Gallery (E14) Get an overview of KL's history and diverse architecture. The admission charge is redeemable against purchases in the gift shop.

Bank Negara Malaysia Museum & Art Gallery (D9) Surprisingly interesting (and free) exhibits on money, including rare coins.

KLCC Park (010) Beautiful trees and views of the towers that don't cost a ringgit.

GETTING AROUND

TRANSPORT



of the KTM Komuter, KLIA Ekspres, KLIA Transit, light rail

central KL on a combination of rail and monorail services.

Monorail Stops in mostly convenient locations; gets very

(LRT) and monorail systems. Though the systems are

poorly integrated, you can happily get around much of









crowded during evening rush hour. Light Rail Transit (LRT) Handy for Chinatown, Kampung

KUALA Legend

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