



Exterior | Eastern & Oriental Express



MALAYSIA

ESSENCE OF MALAYSIA (TOUR CODE: 12966)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Singapore

TRAVEL PERIODS

Nov 2023 - Feb 2024

EXPERIENCE

Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Packages

From Singapore through Kuala Lumpur, Langkawi and Penang, this is the voyage of a lifetime. Embark on an enchanting escape offering the perfect blend of relaxation on board and inspiring exploration off the train - a magnificent journey that includes snorkelling, island exploration and fascinating cultural tours.

Highlights

- Three nights aboard the Eastern & Oriental Express in a Pullman cabin
- A cruise to Langkawi's best snorkelling spot (Pulau Payar Marine Park)
- A tour to Penang Island with choice of excursions
- Retreat to the piano bar for a refreshing nightcap
- Head to the Observation Car to enjoy the breeze and the ever-changing views
- After a night of revelry, retire to your private cabin, decorated with intricate marquetry, delicate fabrics and vintage charm

A story 30 years in the making, the Eastern & Oriental Express has been narrating adventures since its inaugural journey from Bangkok to Singapore in 1993. After American businessman James B Sherwood purchased the luxury train carriages in Japan, these were remodelled in Singapore with elegance, echoing the spirit of ancient Indochina.

The signature cream and green exterior gives way to polished wood-panelled corridors and silken furnishings with a hint of multiple Asian designs. Once inside, take your seat at the Bar car where a jazz-club ambience reigns with music lingering in the air, while stewards serve champagne and signature cocktails.

Today, the Eastern & Oriental Express takes you on a grand journey in Southeast Asia to capture the heart of Malaysia.

INCLUSIONS

- Three nights aboard the Eastern & Oriental Express in a Pullman cabin
- Dedicated 24-hour steward service
- Daily four-course dinner: Seasonal table d'hôte menu, including coffee, tea and petits fours
- Daily continental breakfast served in your cabin
- Daily three-course lunch and afternoon tea
- All house wines, house spirits and local beer is included throughout the journey. Premium drinks and drinks ordered to your cabin are an additional charge
- Arrive in style to the most dynamic cities, stopping for inspiring excursions throughout Malaysia

ITINERARY

Day **1**

Singapore to Malaysia

Board the handsome green and gold carriages of the Eastern & Oriental Express at Woodlands Station, Singapore, and settle into your air-conditioned cabin. Cherrywood panelling, Malaysian embroidery and Thai silks create the perfect sanctuary.

Admire the lush passing landscapes as your steward serves an exquisite afternoon tea in your cabin.

Soon, evening falls and it's time to dress for dinner. Savour the flavours of locally inspired specialities in the Dining Car, followed by engaging entertainment on board.

Lunch, Dinner



Day **2**

Kuala Lumpur to Langkawi

During breakfast in the dining car, soak up the vistas as the train courses past the rice paddies and timeless rural villages of western Malaysia. After lunch, alight at Alor Setar station for a 25-minute boat trip to Langkawi's Pulau Payar Marine Park, renowned for its vibrant underwater life, from parrot fish and angel fish to moray eels and grouper.

Here, guests will be provided with a luxury picnic set and have an array of options to choose from. Unwind with wellness experiences such as a massage, meditation and tai chi, try paddle boarding and snorkelling or stride off on an island walk.

With a friendly welcome from the locals and access to a bar for cocktails and a BBQ, this is a true glimpse of paradise.

Returning to the train, an evening of lively celebrations with local entertainers awaits in the Piano Bar, accompanied by a delicious dinner.

Overnight onboard The Eastern & Oriental Express

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **3**

West Coast Line Butterworth

Today you arrive in Penang Island, Malaysia's cultural melting pot, where you have a choice of excursions.

The first is a discovery of the culinary art of Peranakan cooking, where you will visit a spice shop and traditional grocery stores to purchase herbs and vegetables, before trying your hand at making some enticing local dishes. The second suits those with a passion for culture and art, taking you to Georgetown Old Quarter to see stunning temples, a contemporary studio and an opera and puppet house. Lastly, you can choose to explore independently. Armed with a map, a tri-shaw and a driver, navigate Georgetown's picturesque streets at your own pace. Your driver will take you anywhere you want to go, from grand attractions to hidden corners. Rejoin the train at Butterworth for lunch and a leisurely afternoon on board.

A final celebratory evening beckons with irresistible cuisine, entertainment and company. If you're still up shortly after midnight, you'll glimpse Kuala Lumpur as the train passes through.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 4

Johor to Singapore

Enjoy breakfast in your cabin or the Dining car as you travel through the southernmost state of Johor, known for its beaches and rainforest. Soon afterwards, the train crosses the strait to Singapore, where you disembark with your magical memories.

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

The Eastern & Oriental Express

UPGRADE AVAILABLE

A paradise of vintage charm, the twin bed setting of the Pullman cabins dazzles and delights. Relax onto plush seating by day as your cabin is flooded with light, courtesy of the two large windows. After the stars emerge, enjoy upper and lower berths cosy with crisp linens. Pullman cabins are fully air-conditioned and fitted with ensuite shower and WC.



Room Upgrades

State Cabin

The light, airy State Cabins of the Eastern & Oriental Express connect you to the passing landscapes outside. Recline in spacious elegance by day; toast the day's adventures with a nightcap before settling into two single lower-level beds at night. Marvel at the unique designs of the State Cabins, as Malaysia rushes by. State cabins are fully air-conditioned and fitted with ensuite shower and WC.



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Presidential Suites

The Presidential Suite offers supreme space with extra luxury touches and a large bathroom with enhanced amenities. Use the Wi-Fi onboard and set the ambience with your own music as you recline in the plush seating area. Presidential Suites are fully air-conditioned and fitted with ensuite shower and WC.



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package (Entrance tickets to sites and museums)