

## Tourism Malaysia New York January 2011 Newsletter

### Latest News

Malaysia Wins Best Stand Design Overall Award At EIBTM 2010

Malaysia - Top Choice For Business Travellers

Charter Flights Bring In More Finnish Tourists



### Eco Tourism

Malaysia is an amazing country with countless abundance of biodiversity. It is not surprising to find that 75 percent of Malaysia's land area remains forested, with 60 percent virgin rainforest, unchanged for millions of years. The country is bestowed with numerous natural attractions such as amazing and diverse flora and fauna, white sandy beaches, exotic marine aqua life, dense rainforests and the oldest and largest caves in the world. Experience a huge range of outdoor activities, such as caving, hiking, jungle trekking, white water rafting, rock climbing, bird watching, river cruising and much more. [More](#)

### Tour Packages

#### 20 Days Borneo Wildlife Tour by International Expeditions

**Departure:** June 2011

**Price:** From USD 6,498

For the wildlife and nature enthusiast, a Borneo tour is a true source of inspiration. The fascinating, giant flowers of the rafflesia, jewel-like bird-winged butterfly and "man of the woods" - the orangutan - are just the beginning to an unfinished list of the rich biodiversity found in these ancient forests. Visit us at our website [www.ietravel.com](http://www.ietravel.com)

#### Photographic Tour to Borneo

**Departure:** July 2011

All-inclusive land. Highlights feature the Mulu Show Caves, Sabah & Sarwak wildlife reserves, Iban Longhouse visits, Wildlife River Safari, jungle lodges & luxury hotel, services of professional photographer & professional tour guide throughout. (\* expires 31 January 2011)

Price based on 4-6 persons double occupancy from USD \$2,991.

contact us at 212-537-6298 or visit us at [www.junglejaunts.com](http://www.junglejaunts.com)

## Events & Festivals

### International Surfing Competition

7-9 January, 2011

Sun, sea and surf! Cherating Beach beckons surfers with its fabulous wind, waves and views. The monsoon season is a fantastic time for action and adventure. This event is held at Cherating, Kuantan, Pahang. [More](#)

### Malaysia 4th Chocolate Fair 2011

7 - 9 January, 2011

The 4th Malaysia Chocolate Fair will feature a PRO & CON: The Professional Section will cater for the serious culinary chef, the chocolatier, bakers etc. The Consumer Section will showcase our highly successful Malaysia Chocolate Fair with new and exciting local & international brands of chocolate plus lots of our favorites. [More](#)

### Royal Langkawi International Regatta

11 - 15 January, 2011

Catch the live action as yachts from various countries contend on the high seas! This prestigious event draws the participation of yachtsmen and sailors from across the region. [More](#)

### Gathering of the Tribes

14 - 16 January, 2011

The three-day exposition will include tribal rituals and liturgies, lectures and talks by Lars Krutak; of the hit TV series 'Tattoo Hunter,' and Nicholas Bryan Entarei, Iban master weaver. Visitors can sample exotic food, immerse themselves in tribal music performances, or shop at the tribal bazaar for unique pieces of Sarawak jewelry. [More](#)

### Thaipusam

20 January, 2011

This day of penance and thanksgiving for Hindu devotees is held in honor of Lord Muruga or Lord Subramaniam. The festival is best experienced in Kuala Lumpur where the deity's jeweled chariot is led in a mass procession through the streets of the city, culminating at the Batu Caves in Selangor. [More](#)

### Le Tour de Langkawi 2011

23 January - 1 February, 2011

Asia's premier cycling event, Le Tour de Langkawi 2011 is back! The race will go through seven states of Kelantan, Terengganu, Pahang, Johor, Melaka, Negeri Sembilan, Selangor and two Federal Territories; which are Putrajaya and Kuala Lumpur. [More](#)

## Tourist Tidbits : The Kinabalu Dragon's Gem

The majestic Mount Kinabalu, rising from the mist with its rugged terrain and rich biodiversity has always been a significant feature in the lives and legends of the early KadazanDusun. The most famous legend to emerge from this community is of the Kinabalu dragon that possessed a Butiza or luminous jewel that he used as a toy. It is said that on moonlit nights people could see this bright gem being tossed again and again on the dragon's forked tongue.... [More](#)

**facebook**

Become Fan of TourismmalaysiaNY

**myspace.**

Follow us on MySpace

**twitter**

Follow us on Twitter

Copyright 2009 Malaysia Tourism Promotion Board - 120 East 56th Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY, 10022.

Internet Marketing by Yajur Solutions