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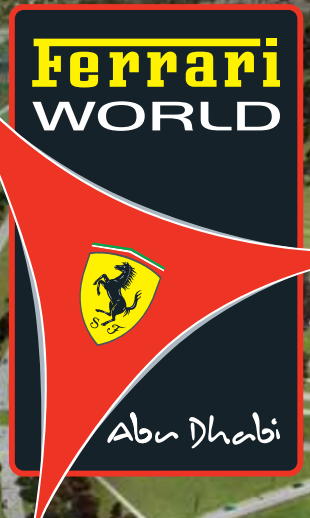
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@ ABU DHABI



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the heart of Eurasia!

Mt. Kinabalu

World's most
accessible mountain

GROUP TOUR : 1 Malaysia Muhibbah Series to Beijing

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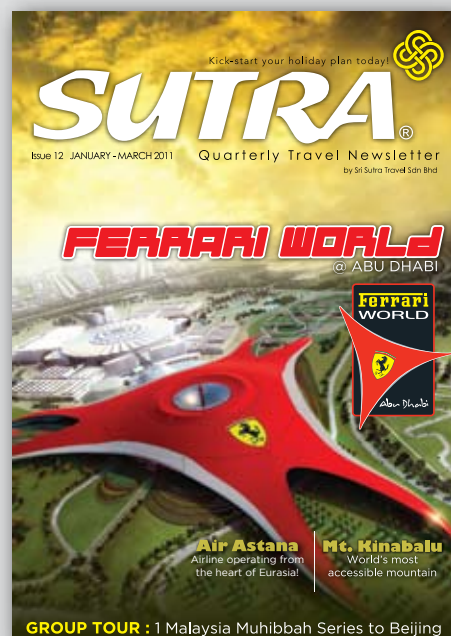
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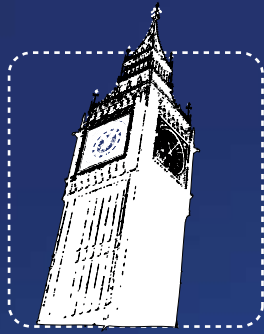
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AIRFARE BIG DEALS!



Istanbul

& many more!



Jakarta



RETURN FLIGHTS

Phuket
Bandung
Denpasar
Phnom Penh
Saigon
Beijing

FROM RM 257 per person
FROM RM 315 per person
FROM RM 449 per person
FROM RM 462 per person
FROM RM 584 per person
FROM RM 1169 per person

Dubai
London/Rome/
Paris/Amsterdam/
Frankfurt

FROM RM 1362 per person
FROM RM 2975 per person*



* minimum 2 person



London
Paris

FROM RM 2315 per person
FROM RM 2315 per person



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Istanbul
Alamathy

FROM RM 2316 per person
FROM RM 2685 per person

Note

- All airfares quoted are subject to change and will not be guaranteed until ticketing and subject to seat availability upon booking.
- All airfares quoted are **EXCLUDING** of taxes and other surcharges and penalty applies.



Jakarta

FROM RM 211 per person



Phuket

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MOUNT KINABALU

WORLD'S MOST ACCESSIBLE MOUNTAIN

Mount Kinabalu, Sabah is the place where you could see spectacular sunrise from above the clouds (13,435 feet/4095 meters above sea level). The tallest mountain between New Guinea and the Himalayas is protected as Kinabalu National Park, a World Heritage Site that hold 4500 species of plant including the gigantic Rafflesia, 326 species of birds (including the spectacular Rhinoceros Hornbill), 100 mammalian species identified and the orangutan.

The peak is known to be one of the most accessible mountains in the world. It has different gradient slopes for different physical strength. No specialized mountain climbing skills are required to ascend it. There are two main starting points for the climb: the Timpohon Gate, and the Mesilau Nature Resort. Accommodation is available inside the park or outside near the headquarters. Hot food and beverages, hot showers and heated rooms are available at Laban Rata Resthouse. The best time to come to Mount Kinabalu is during the dry season from February to April, when the weather is much more satiable. The temperature ranges from comfortable 20-25 degrees Celcius at the main park to more freezing near the top (depending on the weather).

■ For further information on Kota Kinabalu packages and booking enquiries, please call your friendly Travel Designer at 03-4026 6677 or email us at csd_stz@sutra.my

3D2N Kota Kinabalu 3 in 1

- Hotel accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Tours and sightseeing
- Return airport transfer to hotel

(Min 2 to go)

FROM
RM 868
PER PERSON

Booking / Selling Period
31 MARCH 2011

Jom
Cuti-cuti
1 Malaysia



3D2N KUCHING 3 in 1 *Borneo Escapade*

(Min 4 to go)

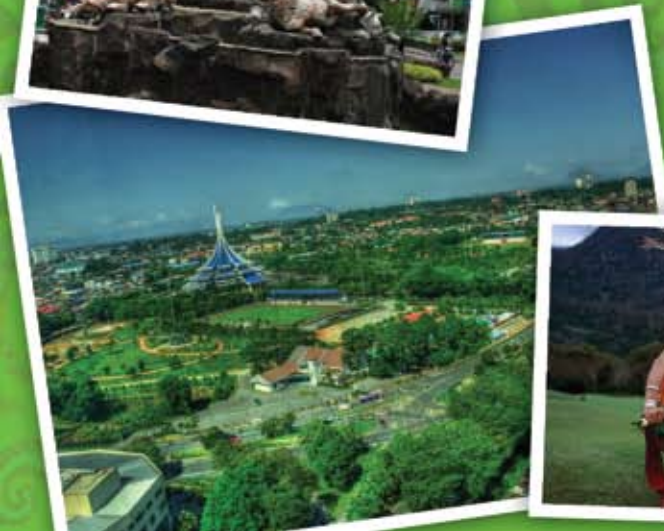
- Hotel accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Tours and sightseeing
- Return airport transfer to hotel

Booking / Selling Period
31 MARCH 2011

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From
RM

298
per person

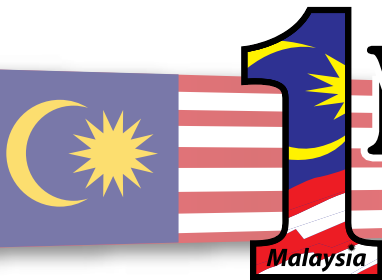


6D4N BEIJING TOUR

- Return air tickets KUL-BJS-KUL
- 04 nights accommodation (Twin Share)
- Meals as per itinerary (Halal)
- Tour & transfer as per itinerary
- All entrances fees as stated in itinerary
- Return airport transfer
- English Speaking Guide

Departure date: **22 February 2011**

FROM
RM1558
PER PERSON



MUHIBBAH

series



9D7N TURKEY CRADLE OF THE CIVILIZATION

- 7 nights hotel accommodations
- Tours and sightseeing as specified in the itinerary
- Return airport transfer to hotel
- English Speaking Guide
- Air Ticket KUL/IST/KUL by MH

Departure date: **03 & 23 March 2011**

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RM4468
PER PERSON

Experience

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Australia Gateway!

min 2 person

4D3N Melbourne Tour
4D3N Perth Discovery Tour
4D3N Gold Coast
4D3N Sydney Tour

From RM
per person
1208
1348
1358
1358

Naturally New Zealand



min 2 person

3D2N Auckland
3D2N Christchurch
5D4N Auckland Thermal Wonder Special

From RM
per person
1248
1098
3078

Irresistable Indonesia

min 2 person

3D2N Medan Free & Easy
3D2N Bandung Free & Easy
3D2N Jakarta Free & Easy
5D4N Bromo/Batu/Tretes/Surabaya

From RM
per person
168
318
338
1538

min 4 person

4D3N Bandung Shopping & Charter
4D3N Jogjakarta-Solo Tour
4D3N Jakarta/Puncak/Bandung Tour

698
778
808

Joyful Korea

min 4 person

5D3N Seoul Symphony
(Seoul/Everland/Nami Island/MBC Studio)

5D3N Seoul Ski Experience
(Seoul/Nami Island/Ski Tour)

From RM
per person
2248

2488

Historical Cambodia

min 4 person

3D2N Siem Reap
4D3N Siem Reap - Phnom Penh

From RM
per person
518
898

Inspiring india

min 2 person

6D4N Delhi-Agra-Jaipur
8D6N Kerala Tour

From RM
per person
1158
2048

Spectacular Jordan



min 2 person

3D2N Jordan Delight

From RM
per person
1078

Spellbinding Egypt



min 2 person

3D2N Cairo Tour
5D4N Cairo - Alexandria Tour

From RM
per person
988
1738

Hypnotic Dubai

min 2 person

5D4N 5 in 1 Package with Great Value
5D4N Do Buy Dubai Shopping Festival
5D4N The Best of New Dubai
5D4N Best of Dubai + Abu Dhabi
(feat. Ferrari World)

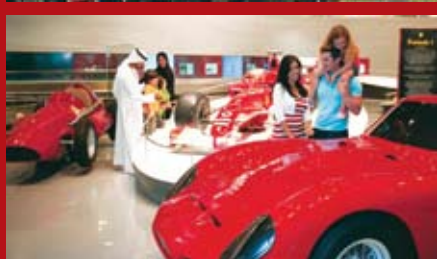
From RM
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2318
2458
4038

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ABU DHABI

THE MANHATTAN OF THE MIDDLE EAST

Year-round sunshine, pristine beaches, spectacular sand dunes and pulsating cosmopolitan lifestyle await every guest in Abu Dhabi. Such idyllic setting cuddles this emirate known around the world for its massive oil reserves and majestic mosques with towering minarets. These, combined with the distinct Arabic hospitality and mystique - and world-class infrastructure - make Abu Dhabi an excellent destination both for the experienced and novice travelers.



NEWEST ATTRACTION

FERRARI WORLD, ABU DHABI

TRIBUTE TO FERRARI ENTHUSIAST

Ferrari World Abu Dhabi, recently open its door to the public on 27th October 2010, is the world's first ever Ferrari theme park and largest attraction of its kind. It will be an intense multi-sensory experience and a must-visit for enthusiasts, fans and families. The Park pays tribute to the passion, excellence, performance, technical innovation that Ferrari has established over the years and represents today. Its iconic sleek red roof is directly inspired by the classic double curve side profile of the Ferrari GT body, spanning 200,000 m2 and carrying the largest Ferrari logo ever created.

Ferrari World Abu Dhabi will host a number of attractions, including rides for children of all ages, providing the complete Ferrari experience: over 20 state-of-the-art attractions, each designed to bring to life a different part of the Ferrari story, including the world's fastest rollercoaster, travelling at speeds exceeding 200 km/h and emulating the thrilling sensation of being in a Ferrari F1 car, or the G-force experience taking passengers on an adrenaline-pumping ride up over 62 m, through the roof and back down again.

The Park is located on Yas Island - set to become a global tourist destination with a wide range of accommodation and entertainment facilities - on the North East side of Abu Dhabi's mainland. Abu Dhabi, at the crossroads between Europe, Asia and Africa, was chosen as the ideal location to build the Ferrari theme park, motor sports being extremely popular in the United Arab Emirates. Ferrari World Abu Dhabi will offer a unique and intensely fun way, together with a wide variety of Italian delicacies and of course unique shopping experiences.

OTHER PLACES OF INTEREST:-

MAGNIFICENT SHEIKH ZAYED GRAND MOSQUE

The majestic Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque is probably the most imposing religious and national landmark in Abu Dhabi to date. It is also arguably one of the most important architectural treasures of contemporary UAE society - and one of the most beautiful in the world - initiated no less by the late president HH Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, who is fondly thought of as the father of the UAE.



EMIRATES PALACE HOTEL - EPITOME OF LUXURY

Emirates Palace is most aptly named as it is built like an Arabian Palace. It is probably Abu Dhabi's most Middle East's one of the most luxurious hotels. The architecture of the hotel is worth giving a look. It is made of 114 domes topped by mosaic glass tiles and crowned by gold finials. Spread over 200 hectares of manicured gardens; the hotel is located on the beguiling beach equipped with leisure facilities.

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+ FULLDAY TOUR ABU DHABI + FERRARI WORLD PACKAGE

Travel period from :

01 Dec '10 till 30 Apr '11

Selling period from :

01 Dec '10 till 30 Apr '11

FROM

RM 4038

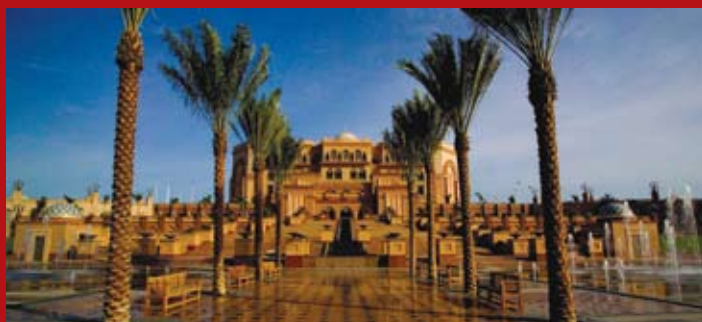
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HERITAGE VILLAGE

Heritage Village is an authentic replica of a Bedouin encampment before oil wealth struck the area. Mud-brick houses, a traditional mosque, shopping in a traditional souq, taking a camel ride and watching a demonstration of the sport of falconry are highlights of the village.



SHOPPING

5D4N DO BUY,
DUBAI SHOPPING FESTIVAL

Travel period from :
04 Jan'11 till 20 Feb'11
Selling period from :
01 Dec'10 till 15 Feb'11

FROM
RM **2318**
PER PERSON

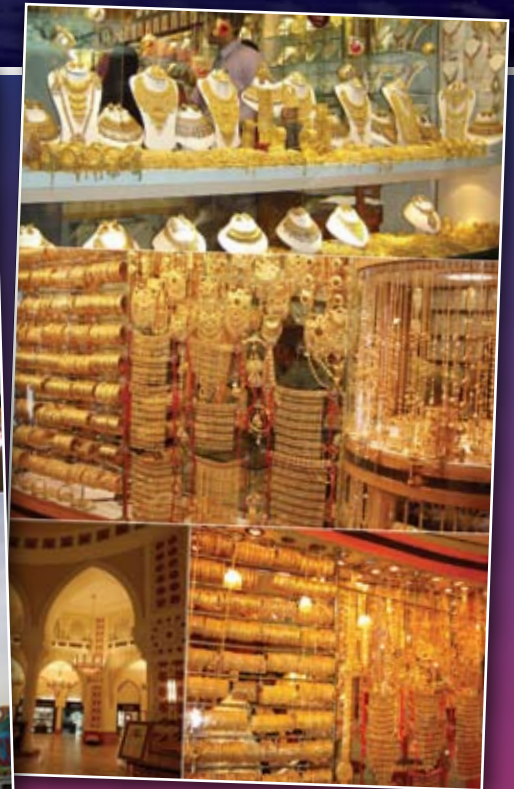
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DUBAI

PEARL OF THE PERSIAN GULF

The words 'first, tallest, deepest, most expensive, lavish, outlandish' could have been created for this city. Where else would you find a seven-star hotel, visit a series of 200 man-made islands in the shape of the countries of the world, shops at the world's largest shopping mall, or climb the world's tallest building?

DUBAI IS THE RIGHT PLACE TO VISIT!!



DO BUY, DUBAI SHOPPING FESTIVAL (DSF) IS BACK!!

FROM 20TH JANUARY TILL 20TH FEBRUARY 2011

The annual Dubai Shopping Festival (DSF) has emerged as a mega tourist event in Dubai since its start in the year 1996. The inaugural DSF attracted around 1.6 million shopping crazy crowd from across the world. The number of shopping lovers increased to over 3.35 million in 2009 who spent an staggering 9.8 billion Dirham, making Dubai Shopping Festival as the leading shopping event in the world. The 2011 Dubai Shopping Festival is expected to give much needed boost to Dubai tourism industry and the retail sector.

DUBAI GLOBAL VILLAGE'S

From its humble beginnings in 1996 as a small site by the Creek where little kiosks sold products from different countries, Dubai Global Village has grown into a huge crowd-puller. Dubai Global Village is now the star attraction of the Dubai Shopping Festival (DSF), an open-air extravaganza which attracted 4.5 million visitors in 2008. Huge pavilions from around 40 countries are at the heart of Dubai Global Village, bringing together diverse world cultures selling native food, goods and handicrafts. There are some real treasures too, including fantastic cottons from China, nuts from Syria, honey from Yemen, carpets from Iran, textiles from India and furniture from Morocco. Dubai Global Village is a must-see, but do be prepared for a fair amount of walking.

DUBAI GOLD SOUK
- 'THE CITY OF GOLD'

World famous Gold Souk is Dubai's Gold Souk, where narrow streets are lined with shop windows glinting with ornaments made in 22 and 24 carat gold. Along the slightly larger lanes of the gold souk, each shop window is crammed with gold necklaces, rings, bangles, ear rings and brooches. Gold prices here are among the lowest in the world. Most jewellery is 24 carat and none is less than 18 carat. Haggling about the price is like a tradition. Take your time and plan 2 to 3 hours for your visit. The best time is the late afternoon. Usually, the shops are open until 10:00 pm. The initial unsureness in bargaining gets lost pretty quickly, and you will really enjoy "haggling" about your favorite piece.

Air Astana

Airline operating from the heart of Eurasia!



Air Astana already exists for more than 8 years on the market of airline industry and demonstrates a steady growth and high operational activity rates. Air Astana means high standards of safety, hospitality and convenience from the heart of Eurasia, no wonder the national airline is a business card of Kazakhstan.



Air Astana was incorporated in late 2001. Its maiden flight was on 15th May 2002 from Almaty to Astana, the capital of Kazakhstan. The inaugural was attended by President Nursultan Nazarbayev and Sir Richard Evans, representing the two shareholders, the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and BAE Systems PLC of the UK. These shareholders remain committed partners in the airline, with the government holding a 51% share through its Samruk-Kazyna National Welfare Fund, and BAE Systems PLC holding 49%. Air Astana is a full member of the International Air Transport Association and is the only airline in Kazakhstan with EASA Part 145 aircraft maintenance certification.

✈ Growing the fleet

Today the airline operates a fleet of 22 western aircraft with an average age of 7 years for its jet aircraft. Its passengers are served by 3,000 highly-qualified staff, the majority of whom are from Kazakhstan, supplemented by experienced foreign personnel. Since autumn 2005 the Air Astana team has been headed by Peter Foster, an airline executive with more than 25 years' experience, who reports to the Board of Directors.

Air Astana recently placed an order for new Airbus 320 family aircraft, is introducing the Embraer E190 for regional services in addition to the Boeing 757-200 and Boeing 767-300ER fleet and aims to grow its fleet to 34 aircraft by 2014 and to 63 aircraft by 2022.





Intensive flight map and the growth dynamics of the flights frequency

Within more than 8 years of the operating activities the airline have gained extensive map of domestic and international routes. Geography of Air Astana flights continues to expand. Today's Air Astana route network counts 23 domestic and 28 international flights.

"Air Astana was rated as one of the best airlines in Eastern Europe by Skytrax earlier this year and continues to grow in strength and reputation as Central Asia's leading carrier. Our new services from Almaty and Astana to destinations in Russia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan destined to prove popular with government, business and leisure travellers, more and more passengers will have the opportunity to conveniently connect to Air Astana's award winning long-haul services from Almaty to major cities in Asia, Europe and the Middle East," said Peter Foster, President of Air Astana.



Improving service for passengers

Simultaneously with the increase of the fleet and the development of the route network, Air Astana leads a systematic work to increase the level of in-flight service and the introduction of new products for business and economy classes. In 2010, KCTV, personal entertainment system with a large selection of new movie products, audio programs and video games was introduced for business class passengers. During November and December 2010, aircrafts Boeing 757 were equipped with new Sleeper Business Class seats, fully reclinable to close to 180 degrees and representing the very latest in premium class seat technology. When combined with our friendly crews, new menus and the KCTV entertainment system, we hope you will agree that Air Astana's Sleeper Business Class now matches the very best business class travel experience the industry has to offer.



Air Astana is the Official Carrier of the 7th Asian Winter Games 2011 and looks forward to welcoming visitors to this world class sporting event in Kazakhstan!



FAMILY REUNIONS IN CALENDAR..

CHINESE NEW YEAR

Chinese New Year (CNY) is celebrated on the first day of the Chinese Lunar calendar when close families, far and near meet to rejoice and rekindle the good times, where lion dances take centre stage to welcome prosperity amidst loud bursts of firecrackers, where mandarin oranges are as abundant and conspicuous as the giving and receiving of red coloured packets called ang pow, albeit only from the married folks to the single ones. It is also a time where debts are settled while the mahjong players vowed to reap some fortune in the name auspicious contention. To the elders, it is a time of prayers and offerings to be made for their beloved ancestors and for revitalising resolutions often made in favor to become a better person.

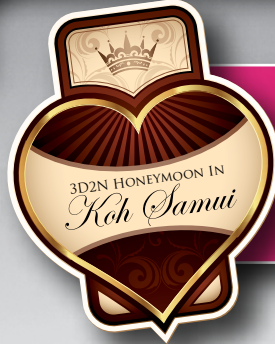
The typical Chinese family commence early preparations to welcome the biggest anticipated festival of their community by shopping for new clothes enduring compulsory scarlet hues and patterns, decorations depicting bountiful luck and generous prosperity and longevity (eg lanterns, banners, panels inscribed with traditional calligraphic characters bearing themes of happiness, plenty of festive foodstuffs, as well as the usual spring cleaning activities, where larger families seem quite providing. During CNY eve, family members return home for the reunion dinner and stay up all night in adherence to shou sui (believed to bring one's parents longevity) by playing mahjong. When morning appears, the mood becomes more customary and ceremonial with candles being lit, incense burned, wearing new apparel and greetings of "Kong Hee Fatt Choy" or nian nian you yu (may every year be filled with extras) are made and exchanged with binding clasped fists.





- Accommodation at Honeymoon Suite
- 2 x Verandah Brunch for 2 person
- 2 Candlelight Dinner for 2 person
- Round Island Tour by Land (2 Hours)
- Aromatic Grandeur Bouquet Flower, Tantalizing Chocolate, Sparkling Juice & Special Memento
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per couples



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- Daily Breakfast
- Return Airport transfer
- 90 Min of SPA (60 min Massage + 30 min Jacuzzi)

from RM **1078**
per couples

P/s : i love you



Valentine Day

Be it a dreamer or a practical minded person, no one escapes cupid's bow! Love and romance have a way of its own even in this busy world. You might just wake up one morning realizing that you are in love with your best friend or the girl next door. Ways of love are always unknown, yet they have an unspoken charm of its own. So now, when you know that you have been struck by our beloved Cupid, its best to learn how to express it. Every lover has had their share of love letters and flower bouquets. Write a romantic note to your lover with some famous love quotes and seal it with love. Plan a romantic date or set up a candle light dinner for your girlfriend. Sharing love poems randomly would show that you remember him/her even on a regular day.

Rekindle your love life by taking your sweetheart on beautiful romantic vacations. Plan your second honeymoon to the most pristine and adventurous places in the world. Take a break from your hectic schedule to feel the same passion and love with your partner and enjoy the romantic holiday trip.

The Lady with numbers

Puan Suhaiza Bt Zainal Abidin is one of Sri Sutra's longest and loyal serving employees. She possessed a Diploma in Banking Studies from UiTM. Started her career with Sri Sutra Travel Sdn Bhd at Dayabumi as an Accounts Executive in May 02nd 1997 and being promoted to Senior Finance Executive in the year 2007.

Prior to working with this company, she was an Accounts Officer with Mayban Finance Bhd for more than 10 years. In other words, her knowledge in Accounting is UNDOUBTABLE.

In addition, she is the sole insurance license holder for this company. Her current main task / mission is to ensure Sri Sutra is having "sufficient fund" at all times to cover the company's fixed and variables expenses, especially, in organizing the BSP settlement and Company's expenditure. To do this she prepares Cash Flow Movement on daily basis.

A straight forward and outspoken person. She will stand for the truth outright. Loves jokes and cheerful but no hanky-panky. This leads to have a harmonious environment in Account Department with her colleagues.

Married with 3 children, 2 boys and the youngest is a girl of 4. To be a mother and a career woman at the same time is a very tough role to play. To bring-up excellent children and to go through life nowadays requires a lot of sacrifices of energy and times. But all those barriers and tiredness can be overcome with great patience and loves.

During weekends, reading and keeping the house clean and tidy is her hobby. She could "take-care" of the house and will go through with the children's homework for many hours.

Pn Suhaiza had gone through the "good and bad" moments while serving for the last 13 years but she still stand tall and continue to contribute her very best effort for Sri Sutra Sdn Bhd to survive and successfully go through the current adverse market particularly in Travel Industry and Economic Downturn.

Suhaiza Zainal Abidin
Senior Finance Executive



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Victory Arab Street

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Price range: RM5-RM10

Dining options: Reservations, Takeout

Business Hours : 8:30 am-10:30 pm

The Hefty Special Kuey Teow Goreng

Doli Kuey Teow Goreng

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Price range: RM4.50 – RM10

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Happy Jack's Gourmet Burger @ WANGSA MAJU

Shabistan Restaurant , Sec. 5 Wangsa Maju (behind NZ Curry House)

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Business Hours : 6:30 pm - 1:00 am. Closed on Wednesday

Fish Curry Head Lover !

Bangsar Fish Head Corner

Lrg Ara Kiri 3, Lucky Garden, Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur

Price range: depend on size portion.

Business Hours : 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Closed on Sundays



"JHUM MALI-MALI"

1 MALAYSIA MUHIBBAH SERIES

Contributed : Hashim Hamzah



DAY 1 –WEDNESDAY 22ND DEC, TEMP (-11 DEGREES C)

As we board off the plane into Beijing International Airport in the misty break of dawn with full of expectations of snow instead, gusty winds and unbearable temperature of minus 11 degree below zero pounded us. My first lifetime winter experience as a dream comes through setting foot on mainland China. The civilization that gave mankind gunpowder and noodles and the Italian copied it.

Our tour started off from the center of Beijing City, the Tiananmen Square when in spring of 1989, became the site of largest pro-democracy movement in China in the 20th century. Lying at the center of Beijing, the Forbidden City was the imperial palace, now known as the Palace Museum, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. Until 1924 when the last emperor of China was driven from the Inner Court, fourteen emperors of the Ming dynasty and ten emperors of the Qing dynasty had reigned here. As my fingers stiffen to the cold winter gale we walk all the way through the palace complex to our awaiting bus. Lunch was at a restaurant called A Fun Ti Restaurant specializes in Xinjiang Uygur traditional cuisine. We didn't get the chance to join the fun as the belly dancers perform only on dinner show. After a hefty lunch we check into the City Inn Hotel next to The Happy Valley Beijing theme park. After a good two hour of rest we all continue our tour to watch the a superb acrobatic show. Undeniably and amazing show indeed and after dinner we head back to the hotel.

DAY 2 – THURSDAY 23RD DEC, TEMP (-11 DEGREES C)

Our first visit for the day was to the Jade and Crystal factory located almost adjacently to each other. Next we headed to the Cloisonne "Jingfa" brand factory, the biggest in China, then after a fulfilling lunch at the restaurant called "Golden Palace".

After Zohor prayer we roll out to Ju Yong Guan area to climb up the "THE GREAT WALL". Built since the 5th century BC through the 16th is said to be the only man made feature visible from earth space orbit. The view from atop one of the wall tower was magnificently breathtaking.

DAY 3 – FRIDAY 24TH DECEMBER, TEMP (- 9 DEGREE C)

Arrived Hutong for the bone shaking trishshaw sight seeing ride into old Hutong residential areas around the Forbidden City. Later a visit to the silk factory. The men perform their Friday prayers at the Nandouya Street mosque. At the pearl factory a lady who speaks fluent Indonesian demonstrated to us how fresh water pearls of Kunming are extracted. Later a short stop at the "Tea house" for a refreshing sip of some exotic Chinese tea. As dusk set we headed to the 1500 meters long Beijing cosmopolitan busiest shopping street of Wangfujing with a daily flow of one million visitors, so they say.



DAY 4 – SATURDAY 25TH DEC, TEMP (-6 DEGREES C)

Its Christmas Day and a morning walk at the Qianmen Street start our 4th day tour is the second pedestrian thoroughfare in the Chinese capital, after Wangfujing Street. Then the National Centre for the Performing Arts (NCPA) and colloquially described as The Egg, the Beijing National Stadium called the Birds Nest, one of the biggest steel structure that seat 91,000 spectators. The popular Sunny Gold Street Market is popular among tourists is definitely worth a visit, especially if you are looking for clothes or accessories. The Silk Street (aka Xiushui Market) a 35,000 sq meter seven floors with three levels of basements houses 1,700 retail vendors is a shopping haven for tourist. Malaysians? You will stumble into them on every corner.

DAY 5- SUNDAY 26TH DEC TEMP (-5 DEGREES C)

Finally a day to rest but some decided to do some last minute shopping at the Silk Street Market, while others stay back at the hotel recuperating. I could not resist the temptations and tagged along to the Silk Market. In the evening everyone's busy packing all their shopping goodies for the return trip as I stand in front of the hotel entrance reminiscing those last few days wondering will I ever return here again?. I realized that China is so vast that some of the local Beijing folks has not even venture out beyond their own city borders. I guess I'm blessed to have the opportunity to cross beyond on to a faraway land and its Beijing China in winter. "Jhum Mali Mali" his gathering call in 'bahasa' by our Chinese tour guide Mr. Water is so funny that we always imitate him every time he utters those words....what a jovial lass he is. I'm beginning to imagine riding a horse in spring on the grassy plain of the Mongolian 'Steppes'..... jus make my wish...you'll never know it might come through.

DAY 6TH - MONDAY 27TH DEC (TEMP..IT DOESN'T MATTER ANYMORE)

"Ladies and gentleman this is your captain speaking we are now approaching Kuala Lumpur International...."



6 Tips that will make your holiday more safer and enjoyable

It is always a great experience to go to different countries. You will be able to experience different cultures, and you will also have the chance to take a look at some of the most beautiful sights in the world. However, you should always remember that you always have to think that safety first when traveling should be your top priority.

Planning holidays or travels is not just about planning which places you should visit, but it is also about being prepared for things that may occur. So, here are some travel safety tips that you should always keep in your mind in order for you to have a more enjoyable and safer vacation.

① Transportation is the first thing that you should plan ahead on. You need to remember that even when you are still in your own country, airports and bus stations are notorious for pickpockets and robberies. Always remember that you should always keep your important travel items with you at all times.

② Have your luggage clearly marked in order to avoid letting someone take it by accident. Also, instead of using cheap luggage, always go for quality pieces and well-known and reputable brands. By doing so, you will never worry about your luggage breaking or suddenly springing open in the middle of the airport terminal.

③ When you arrive in your destination country, always ask which taxis are safe to ride in. You can check this with a police officer or from the information desk at the airport. Also, never share taxis with stranger. And, when it comes to public transportation, avoid it late at night, especially if you are not sure where you are going.

④ Whenever you are checking in to hotels, make sure that the hotel you checked-in is located in a good area. Always take note of the emergency exits and never open

your hotel room door to any strangers and never invite people you just have met in your hotel room. Also, use the hotel room door lock and chain during the night.

⑤ Clothing is another thing that you should plan on to have a safe trip. The key to traveling safety is by never looking like a tourist. Always mix with the public in terms of style. Never ever wear any expensive accessories, such as gold necklaces, expensive watches, rings, and other affluent items. Never put anything that you can afford to lose in your pockets or purse. If you can, try buying a small bag that you can wear close to your body. A small bag the size of a wallet that can be worn as a necklace is a great idea. A belt bag can also provide you with security and peace of mind.

⑥ Avoid using cash at all times. As much as possible, always use your credit card. And, when it is time for you to pay, never leave your eyes on your credit card. Accompany the waiter to the cashier when paying with a credit card to make sure that your card doesn't get swiped with a credit card copier.

Remember these things and you can be sure that you will have a lot of fun on your travels. By keeping safety on your top priority when traveling, you can be sure that you and your travel companions will have a great time during your vacation or your holiday wherever it may be.

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INBOX

First letter

Dear En. Hashim

With great companion and lot of laughs, picturesque views, acquaintance to the treasured Balinese culture and history, complete with the tourist guide personal touch, exceptional services and attentiveness to small details, our trip to Bali recently was definitely a splendid and enjoyable ones. Not only we have good holidays, we have now good friends!

Thank you Sutra!

Zaiton

Group leader: MRCB Bali Trip 5-8 August 2010

Second letter

Salam

Dear Myra,

The trip was fun, I enjoyed everything. The accommodation was good and totally satisfied. The best place to eat would be the last restaurant (if not mistaken Dragon restaurant) and also Halal @ Saigon.

For the trip, I was enjoying visit Chu Chi Tunnels and Mekong River, it's really made my day. Our tour leader are friendly and fun, thanks a lot Myra! :) Overall the trip was fun and hopefully there will be a lots of places to be visited in Vietnam..

Zalina Lokman

Third letter

Salam,

My trip to Europe was fantastic! There is nothing to say about this tour. It was the most fun and most interesting trip I have ever done. Thank you Travel Designer, you really know what to do. Job well done.

By Fairuz



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