

# BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

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Brunei Darussalam is located north-west on the north coast of the little island of Borneo in Southeast Asia.

Total land area is 5,765 square kilometres (km<sup>2</sup>) and a coastline of 161 kilometres.

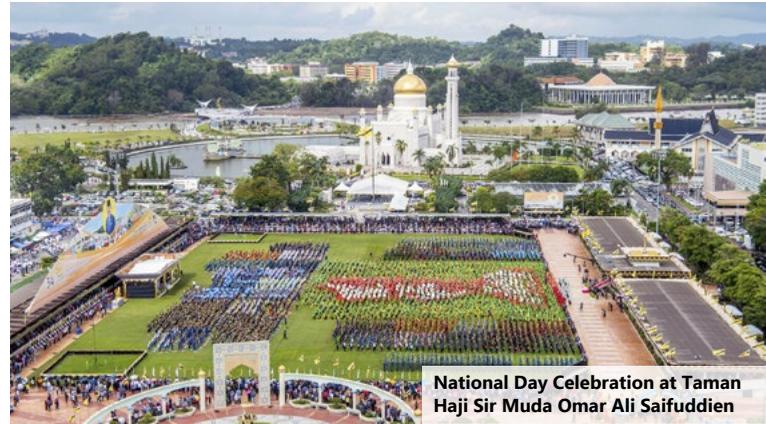
Brunei is divided into four districts; Brunei-Muara (570 km<sup>2</sup>), Tutong (1,166 km<sup>2</sup>), Belait (2,727 km<sup>2</sup>), and Temburong (1,306 km<sup>2</sup>).

You can find more information on Brunei Darussalam on **InfoDeptBN**, such as various publications (Malay and English), the Pelita Brunei E-Paper, Brunei Diary, Prayer Times, Job Vacancy adverts, Photo and Video Gallery, and many more.



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National Day Celebration at Taman Haji Sir Muda Omar Ali Saifuddien



## Capital

The capital of Brunei Darussalam is Bandar Seri Begawan (100.36 km<sup>2</sup>); located in the Brunei-Muara District.

## Population

Brunei Darussalam has a population of 421,300 people (BDKI 2017).

- Brunei-Muara District: 293,300 people (the most populous);
- Belait District: 69,600 people
- Tutong District: 48,300 people
- Temburong District: 10,100 people



The majority of the populations are Malays, followed by Chinese and other races.

## Climate



Brunei has an equatorial climate all year round, with temperatures ranging between 21.3°C and 34.8°C with relative humidity and total rainfall of 3,797.4 millimetres (BDKI 2017).



## Time Zone

Brunei Darussalam is eight hours ahead of the Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+8).



## Official Religion

Islam is the official religion of Brunei. Other religions such as Buddhism and Christianity are also present.



## Official Language

The official language of Brunei Darussalam is Bahasa Melayu (Malay), though English is widely spoken. Other languages include Chinese (various dialects), Tamil, Iban and Dusun.



## Currency

The currency in Brunei Darussalam is the Brunei Dollar (BND).



## Main Industry

Oil and gas has been the nation's main fuel for the economy since its first commercial find in Seria, Belait District in 1929 by British Malayan Petroleum Company. Aside from that, agricultural and service industry provides an alternative contribution to the country's economy.



## Vegetation

70% of the country's total land area is covered by forests of different types such as Mangrove forest, Mixed Dipterocarp forests, and Peat swamp forest.

## Ministries

Brunei adopts the absolute monarchy system where the Sultan is the head of state and also the head of government.

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam is the 29<sup>th</sup> monarch in line of succession, which dates back to the 14<sup>th</sup> century. Today, he is one of the longest reigning monarchs in the world.

Prime Minister's Office  
Ministry of Defence  
Ministry of Finance and  
Economy  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
Ministry of Religious Affairs  
Ministry of Primary  
Resources and Tourism

Ministry of Health  
Ministry of Development  
Ministry of Energy,  
Manpower and Industry  
Ministry of Education  
Ministry of Transport and  
Infocommunications  
Ministry of Culture, Youth  
and Sports

## Wawasan Brunei 2035

Wawasan Brunei 2035 or Brunei Vision 2035, is a collective aspiration of the whole nation for its people to:

- be highly educated, skilled and accomplished
- have a high quality of life
- and have an economy that is both dynamic and sustainable

## SPN21

Brunei Darussalam's education system is known as 'Sistem Pendidikan Negara Abad Ke-21' (National Education System for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century) or SPN21. The implementation of SPN21 is particularly timely in today's fast changing technology and it aims to meet the social and economic challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and equip students with 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.





Brunei International Airport

## Ways to get to Brunei

### Air



#### **Brunei International Airport (BWN)**

Brunei International Airport is the nation's sole airport. The airport is located in Berakas, just about 10 to 15 minutes away from most hotels around the capital.

### Land



#### **Kuala Lurah Immigration Control Post:**

Just about 25 minutes from the capital, this control post is a gateway connecting Brunei Darussalam to the Malaysian town of Limbang, Sarawak.

#### **Labu Immigration Control Post:**

This control post located in Temburong District is a gateway connecting to the Malaysian city of Kota Kinabalu, Sabah to Brunei Darussalam.

#### **Sungai Tujoh Immigration Control Post:**

People coming from Miri, Sarawak can pass this gateway which connects to Belait District in Brunei.

### Sea

#### **Serasa Terminal:**

The ferry service connects Malaysia's Federal Territory of Labuan to Serasa Terminal in Muara Town of Brunei, which is about 25 minutes from the capital. The trip takes about an estimated time of 45 minutes to an hour.



#### **National carrier**

Royal Brunei (RB), formerly known as Royal Brunei Airlines (RBA), is Brunei Darussalam's national carrier established on November 18, 1974. It is an independent corporation wholly owned by the Government of Brunei Darussalam.

RB provides scheduled services across Asia, the Middle East, Australasia and the United Kingdom. As an added convenience to its passengers, the airline has codeshare agreements allowing passengers to coordinate flights for seamless travel to a wider choice of destinations. RB now operates a fleet of six Airbus A320 and four Boeing 787-8 with more in the coming years.



Women and Children's block,  
Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Saleha Hospital



## Medical Services

### Hospitals and Clinics

The Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Saleha (RIPAS) Hospital is the main referral hospital. It is about 5 to 10 minutes' drive from the capital. In 2014, RIPAS opened its Women and Children's block.

Government hospitals and health centres are also available widely throughout the nation. There are also private clinics and hospitals available in Brunei, such as the Jerudong Park Medical Centre; Gleneagles JPMC Sdn. Bhd.; and Pantai Jerudong Specialist Centre, which houses The Brunei Cancer Centre (TBCC), Neuroscience & Stroke Rehabilitation Centre (BNSRC), Maxillofacial, Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Centre (MFPRSC).



## Electricity

Electrical Supply – Voltage is 240V 50Hz, British Standard three-pin system.



## Newspapers

Pelita Brunei is the official government newspaper in Brunei whereas Media Permata and Borneo Bulletin are the leading privately-run newspapers. There are also a number of foreign newspapers (Chinese) such as Sin Chew Daily News and See Hua Daily News, as well as online news companies such as The Scoop and The Bruneian.



## Telecommunication

The country telephone code is +673. To make direct international calls in Brunei, dial 00 followed by the country code, area code and the number.

There are various telecommunications services offered in Brunei Darussalam by three service providers; Telekom Brunei Berhad (TelBru), DST Communications Sdn. Bhd. and Progresif Cellular Sdn. Bhd.

Mobile phone networks; DST Communications Sdn. Bhd. and Progresif Cellular Sdn. Bhd., have roaming agreements with most countries.

Services for DST Communications Sdn. Bhd. and Progresif Cellular Sdn. Bhd. are available at the arrival hall of the Brunei International Airport.



Bank Islam Brunei Darussalam (BIBD)



## Banks

In Brunei Darussalam you can find a number of international and regional banks. There are three local banks in Brunei namely Bank Islam Brunei Darussalam (BIBD), Baiduri Bank Berhad, , and Perbadanan Tabung Amanah Islam Brunei (TAIB).

All major credit cards such as Visa, MasterCard, American Express and China UnionPay are widely accepted in hotels, selected restaurants and shopping complexes.

ATM cards affiliated with the international Plus or Cirrus systems are accepted at most ATMs throughout the country.



## Radio and Television

There are three television channels namely RTB Perdana, RTB Aneka and RTB Sukmaindera; and five radio networks run by the government through the Department of Radio and Television Brunei (RTB). Meanwhile, there are also radio networks owned by private telecommunication companies and online radio such as Kristal FM, Progresif radio and UBD FM. Foreign channels are also available through private cable television network Kristal-Astro.

## Getting around Brunei



### Taxi

Taxis are mostly available in the capital of Brunei and Brunei International Airport. There is a surcharge fee for taxi rides from 6.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. For taxi reservations, please contact: 222 2214, 222 6853 or 718 1643.

For inquiries on destination fares, you may call the Land Transport Department at 245 1979/80/81 during office hours.



### Bus

There are six bus routes operating around Bandar Seri Begawan; the Central Line, Circle Line, Eastern Line, Southern Line, Western Line, and Northern Line. The buses are colour coded to represent which route it takes. All of these bus routes will start and end at the main bus terminal in the capital. Bus fare is BND 1.00 every per stopover and operates from 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. daily. Buses heading to towns in other districts other than in Brunei-Muara, such as Tutong, Kuala Belait and Seria, depart from the bus terminal located at the multi-storey car park on Jalan Cator in Bandar Seri Begawan.



### Water Taxi

Water Taxis are the most common means of transportation to and around Kampong Ayer (known as the Water Village). You can hail for a water taxi at jetties situated along the Brunei River.

Regular boat services to Temburong District are also available which operates from 7.45 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily and the ticket for adults cost BND 7.00 each for a single journey.



Water taxis



## Dart - Brunei's first ride booking app!

You can book a ride via your phone through the Dart application. You can choose from different options such as metred taxi service or a car and driver by the hour.



## Islamic Etiquette in Mosques

When visiting mosques in Brunei Darussalam, visitors must follow some proper etiquette; women should cover their heads, shoulders, and knees. Men must also cover their knees. Some mosques provide robes and shawls for visitors. Shoes must be removed outside the mosque, before entering. Mosques are usually closed for non-Muslims on Thursday and Friday, and during prayer times.



## Smoking

Effective from the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2012, smoking in Brunei is prohibited in all enclosed public areas and work places. Other non-smoking areas include sidewalks near business premises and within a six metre radius of smoke-free buildings, as well as all means of public transport.



## Alcohol

Sales and public consumption of alcoholic beverages are forbidden. Non-Muslims passengers over the age of 17 years may bring in two bottles of liquor equivalent to two liters and 12 cans of beer for personal consumption. This must be declared to customs upon arrival.



Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Mosque



Jame' 'Asr Hassanil Bolkiah Mosque

## Places of interest

### Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Mosque

One of the most magnificent mosques of Southeast Asia which dominates the city centre of Bandar Seri Begawan. The mosque was completed in 1958 and named after the 28<sup>th</sup> Sultan, the late Sultan Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, who is referred to as the 'The Architect of Modern Brunei'. Located at the heart of capital, the mosque is the country's most recognisable landmark.

Besides this mosque, anchored in a lagoon is a replica of a 16<sup>th</sup> century 'mahligai' or royal barge, where religious ceremonies such as Al-Quran reading competitions were staged during the 1960s and early 1970s.



Ash-Shaliheen Mosque



Kampong Ayer (Water Village)

## Jame' 'Asr Hassanil Bolkiah Mosque

The largest mosque in Brunei Darussalam and built in 1994 to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanil Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, the 29<sup>th</sup> Sultan's reign to the Throne. With its intricately ornamented minarets and shimmering golden domes clearly visible along the main route into town from the airport, it towers over landscaped terrain dotted with fountains. This mosque is located in Kampung Kiarong.

## Ash-Shaliheen Mosque

Built with Moroccan Moorish and Andalusian architectural concept, it was inaugurated by His Majesty the Sultan and Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam by performing the first Friday prayer in the mosque on July 13, 2012. This mosque is located in the Prime Minister's Office Building Complex, Jalan Kumbang Pasang, Kampung Melabau.

It is the first mosque in Brunei built with retractable roofs with an inner courtyard area decorated with Moroccan mosaic and a fountain made of marble as well as copper lamps from Morocco. The mosque covers an area of 2,100 m<sup>2</sup> and it can accommodate about 700 congregates at a time.

## Kampong Ayer (Water Village)

Centuries-old where it is the largest settlement area based on water. It has six mukims namely Saba, Sungai Kedayan, Peramu, Burung Pingai Ayer, Tamoi and Sungai Kebun.

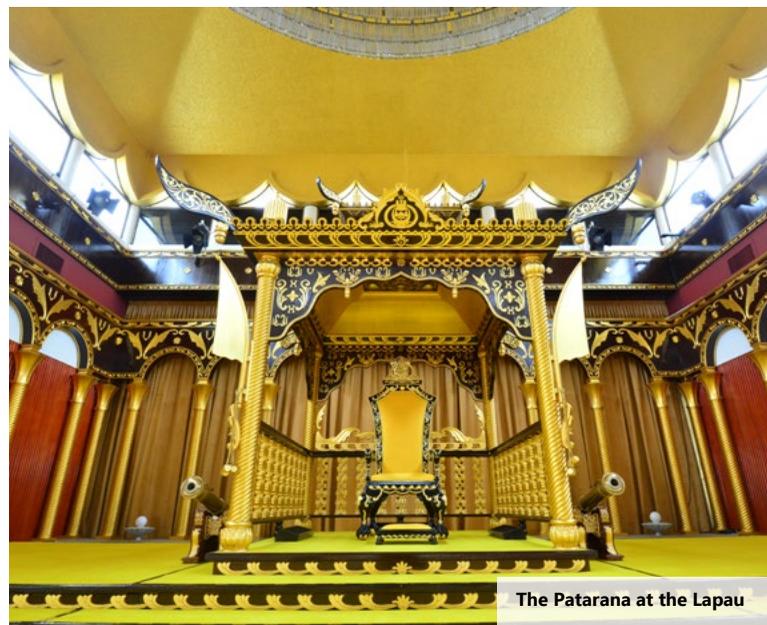
Kampong Ayer, the country's historical attraction and the world's largest water village is home to more than 30,000 people. It is a place where houses on stilts were built on the Brunei River where the houses are joined by a maze of inter-connecting wooden walkways.

Modern facilities such as schools, clinics, police stations and mosques are provided for residents living in Kampong Ayer. Water taxis are the most efficient and popular means of transportation to travel across the Brunei River to the mainland.

## Lapau

Another magnificent building within Bandar Seri Begawan also known as the Royal Ceremonial Hall. They form a sprawling complex featuring a blend of traditional Malay and western architecture.

The Royal Ceremonial Hall which contains the Patarana (Throne) and where numerous solemn ceremonies are held, is beautifully decorated in exquisite gold motifs. It was here on August 1, 1968 that His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was crowned as the 29<sup>th</sup> ruler of Brunei.



The Patarana at the Lapau

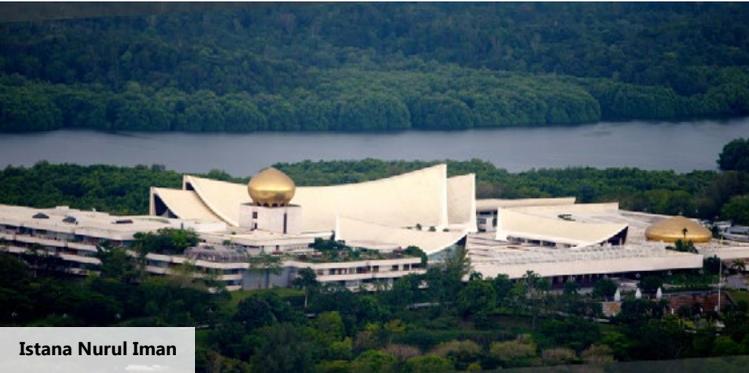
## Istana Nurul Iman

The largest residential palace in the world and the home of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam. With its golden domes, vaulted roof and riverside setting, the palace is a spectacular subject for photography.

The palace is open to the public during Hari Raya Aidilfitri or Eid Mubarak, where residents and visitors have the opportunity to personally greet His Majesty and members of the royal family.

## Malay Technology Museum

Offering an insight into the kind of tools ancient Bruneians used for their daily routine particularly for the cottage industry. The museum features goldsmith techniques, boat-making, fishing, brass smith, and woodworks, as testaments to the ingenuity which earlier generations utilised available materials and resources.



Istana Nurul Iman



Malay Technology Museum



Royal Regalia Museum



Brunei Darussalam Maritime Museum

## Brunei Darussalam Maritime Museum

Located about 15 minutes' drive from Bandar Seri Begawan in Kota Batu, the Brunei Maritime Museum is for those with a nautical interest. With an architectural design representing a ship, this museum features and exhibits more than 13,000 artefacts discovered in 1997, from a shipwreck which set sail from China, believed to be from either the late 15<sup>th</sup> century or 16<sup>th</sup> century. These artefacts were meant to be exchanged with Brunei local products. Porcelains and ceramic potteries from China, Viet Nam and Kingdom of Thailand obtained from the shipwreck are displayed in the galleries of the museum.

## Royal Regalia Museum

Strategically located in the heart of Bandar Seri Begawan, the Royal Regalia Museum, formerly known as the Royal Regalia Building, was established in 1992 to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam's Accession to the Throne. The building houses ceremonial regalia including the royal chariot, gold and silver ceremonial armoury, the traditional jewel-encrusted coronation crowns and a replica of the throne used by His Majesty on state occasions.



The Kampong Ayer Cultural & Tourism Gallery (KACTG)

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Located just across from the downtown area of Brunei's capital, Bandar Seri Begawan, the The Kampong Ayer Cultural & Tourism Gallery (KACTG) was officially opened on August 19, 2009. Offering tourists an attractive touch-screen information display, five mini galleries containing background information on Kampong Ayer, as well as a number of showcased photographs and museum artefacts.

Handicraft displays, live craft making demonstrations, and a souvenir kiosk will allow visitors to bring back memories and mementos of their Kampong Ayer experience. The KACTG is a new landmark for Bandar Seri Begawan and a point of pride for Kampong Ayer residents.



Making of 'kain tenunan' demonstration at the Brunei Arts & Handicrafts Training Centre

## Brunei Arts & Handicrafts Training Centre

Established in 1975 with the objective to preserve the skills of producing local handicrafts, the centre until today has produced many graduates who later are mostly involved in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) mainly in producing local handicrafts like 'kain tenunan tradisional Brunei' (woven cloth), songkok (tradition headgear), and brass-making products. The centre has a gallery that displays several handicrafts made by the students where some exhibits are for sale.



One of the food stalls at Pasar Pelbagai Barangan Gadong

## Pasar Pelbagai Barangan Gadong

Also known as the Gadong night market or Pasar Malam, it is open daily from 4 p.m. until midnight. It offers various types of cooked food ranging from local to western dishes at affordable prices. Also available are fresh fruits, vegetables and some clothing items.



Tamu Kianggeh Complex

## Kianggeh Tamu Complex

An open-air market located on the banks of Kianggeh River in Bandar Seri Begawan and has been around since the 1960s. The market commenced on June 1, 2016 after a major renovation with intents to provide cleaner, healthier and comfort for all merchants and customer with wider areas.

With a more modern and organised infrastructure covering 4,450 m<sup>2</sup>, the new complex has five building blocks that provide a total of 147 benches to accommodate merchants who use permanent plots on a daily basis and 164 benches for merchants on Fridays and Sundays.

## The Mausoleum of Sultan Bolkiah

Situated at Jalan Kota Batu facing the Brunei River, the tomb of Sultan Bolkiah, the fifth Sultan of Brunei lies within the mausoleum. Sultan Bolkiah was one of the greatest Sultans of Brunei, known as Nakhoda Ragam which means 'The Singing Captain'. During his rule, Brunei's sovereignty extended over the whole of the coastal kingdom of Borneo. The mausoleum, therefore, commemorates the golden age of Brunei.

## Health Promotion Centre

Located about 10 minutes' drive from the Capital, the centre was officially opened by His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam on November 13, 2008. This centre consists of modern exhibits that features health related items. Besides viewing the modern, attractive and innovative exhibitions, interactive activities are also available.

## Oil and Gas Discovery Centre

Located in Pekan Seria, Belait District, where it was set up by the Brunei Shell Petroleum, the centre aims at promoting science, engineering and technology education.

## Billionth Barrel Monument

Located in the Belait District, the monument celebrates the production of its billionth barrel of oil by Seria Oilfield. The monument was built in 1991 and was commemorated by Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July 1991.



Activities held at Bandarku Ceria



## Leisure

### Bandarku Ceria

A programme which commenced on October 2, 2016. This programme was initiated by the Government of His Majesty Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam through several ministries and agencies as well as relevant authorities with the intention to promote a healthy lifestyle for the public. Bandarku Ceria takes place in the Capital. This programme is operative every Sunday from 6 a.m. until 11 a.m. in the morning and is also a 'Car Free' zone.

Apart from that, it also aims to strengthen family institution, reduce carbon footprints and provide opportunities for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).



Oil and Gas Discovery Centre (OGDC)



Jerudong Park Playground and Waterpark



## Jerudong Park Playground and Waterpark

The one and only biggest amusement park in Brunei Darussalam located in Kampung Jerudong. It was first opened in 1994 and after renovation, launched its phase 2 on July 29, 2017.

Jerudong Park Playground Phase 2 now has eight new interesting rides; Scary Drop, Telekombat, 4D Simulator, Ice World Arctic Rapids, Eco-Adventure Kingdom, Kids Play Indoor Playground and The Pirate Ship as well as 30 more rides being one of the biggest attractions in Borneo.

## Taman Mahkota Jubli Emas

Inaugurated by His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam on October 22, 2017, the park was named in conjunction with the Golden Jubilee Celebration of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam's Accession to the Throne. The park has an area of 11 hectares and is one of the projects under the 10<sup>th</sup> National Development Plan (RKN10).

The park has transformed the landscape of Bandar Seri Begawan into a more modern, dynamic and attractive city and is one of the significant landmarks around the capital becoming the focus of visitors including foreign tourists.



Taman Mahkota Jubli Emas





Berakas Forest Recreational Park

## Berakas Forest Recreational Park

199 hectares wide and situated along the Muara-Tutung Highway, the park is just 10 kilometres away Bandar Seri Begawan. Here you can witness the sun-dappled pathways, sheltered picnic spots and barbeque facilities towards the soaring observation tower, and the tang of salt air hovers in the shadowy green 'keranga' and casuarina forest that tumbles to the edge of the nearby South China Sea.

## Taman Persiaran Damuan

Situated next to Istana Nurul Iman is where visitors can get the best view of the palace. Taman Persiaran Damuan offers a scenic park along the riverbank of Jalan Tutong, and it is also a popular spot for joggers. Other distinctive decorations are the six outdoor sculptures by ASEAN artists.

## Tasek Merimbun Heritage Park

Located in Tutong District, about one hour and 15 minutes' drive from Bandar Seri Begawan, the park aims to provide a safe haven for protected wildlife to breed, preserve flora and fauna and to provide a base for scientific research and study. For those interested in botany or bird watching, there is a jungle trail to explore. The park was declared as one of the ASEAN National Heritage Sites on November 29, 1984.



Tasek Merimbun Heritage Park

## Luagan Lalak Forest Recreational Park

Luagan Lalak Forest Recreational Park is a popular park located about 25 kilometres from Sungai Liang. It covers an area of roughly 270 hectares within the Labi Hills Forest Reserve. It features an alluvial freshwater swamp where during the rainy period, it fills up like a lake and during the drier spells, the valley will be covered with sedges mainly of Lepironia species. There are shelters, footpaths and a 200-metre wooden walkway.

## Rimba Garden Central

With an area of 4.8 hectares, Rimba Garden Central (RGC) offers a wide range of plants and garden supplies. Visitors can stroll through the array of vibrant colourful plants and flowers such as orchids, sunflowers, dahlias and succulents and many more, which are also available for purchase, as well as a selection of fresh produce such as lettuce, mint leaves, etc. A team of experienced horticulturists and a pathologist from RGC will gladly assist you and provide plentiful advice on gardening.



Luagan Lalak Forest Recreational Park



Flowers sold at Rimba Garden Central

## Ulu Temburong National Park

Extending over 500 km<sup>2</sup> of undisturbed rainforest, the park covers most of the southern part of Temburong District. Visitors can observe the rainforest's diverse treetop ecosystem using a 250 metre high canopy walkway, which gives visitors a panoramic view of one of the oldest rainforests in the world.

## Bukit Shahbandar Forest Recreational Park

A popular recreational park located along the Muara-Tutung Highway. It is set in a 70-hectare of undulating landscape providing a challenge for even the most dedicated joggers, hikers and bikers. An observation tower gives a bird's eye view over the whole terrain from this huge park. Located in Jerudong, the park has become synonym among sports lovers as it has nine hills for adventurous hiking.

## Bukit Patoi Recreational Park

Also known as Perdayan Forest Recreational Park, and is located on the eastern part of Temburong. There is a nice 300 metres wooden trail that takes visitors to the peak of Bukit Patoi which is 310 metres above sea level that offers views of the Lawas Basin.

## Pulau Selirong Forest Recreation Park

One of the amazing forest parks in Brunei Darussalam. It is situated in the outer southeast-ward reach of the Brunei Bay and covers a total area of 2,566 hectare of largely pristine mangrove forest. This park is accessible only by means of commercial motorised boats.



The Empire Hotel and Country Club

## Hotels and Apartments

### Brunei-Muara District

#### The Empire Hotel and Country Club

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#### The Rizqun International Hotel

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www.starlodgebrunei.com

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www.parkviewhotelbn.com

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Ulu Temburong National Park

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www.bruneisentosahotel.com

**The Swiss Hotel Apartment**  
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www.swisshotelkb.com

**V-Plaza**  
Tel: (+673) 334 7868  
Website: www.v-plaza.com.bn

**Garden Sentral Hotel**  
Tel: (+673) 333 8333  
www.gardensentralhotel.com

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Tel: (+673) 334 7277  
www.tatplacekb.com

**Keoja Hotel**  
Tel: (+673) 334 7733  
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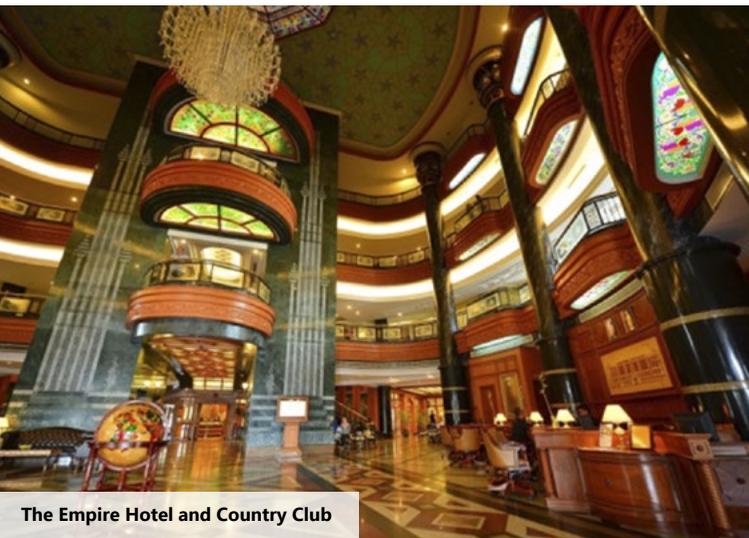
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**Sumbiling Eco Village**  
Tel: (+673) 242 6923  
www.sumbiling.com

**Freme Rainforest Lodge**  
Tel: (+673) 223 4280 / 322 8171  
www.freme.com/bruneitours

**Ulu Ulu National Park Resort**  
Tel: (+673) 244 1791 / 6812  
www.ululuresort.com

**Trandie Brunei**  
Tel: (+673) 223 1570 / 881 1179  
www.trandiebrunei.com



The Empire Hotel and Country Club



Mangrove Paradise Resort

## Brunei Homestays

A number of locals in Brunei rent their houses as homestays for visitors to stay during their visit. Here is a list of homestays in Brunei:

Kunyit 7 Lodge Water Village  
Easybox Homestay  
Whistler Lodge Brunei  
EZ Lodgings

Other homestays can be found on the Airbnb website.

## Shopping Centres

### Bandar Seri Begawan

Yayasan Sultan Haji Hassanah  
Bolksiah Complex  
Mabohai Shopping Complex

### Gadong

The Mall  
Gadong Centrepoint  
Abdul Razak Complex  
Galleria YMRM

### Kiulap

Seri Q-lap Mall  
Seri Kiulap Complex  
Setia Kenangan Complex  
Shakirin Complex  
Lim Eng Ming Complex  
Regent Square

### Beribi

Annajat Complex  
Sumbangsih Mulia

### Sengkurong

Hua Ho Mall, Tanjung Bunut

### Kg Jaya Setia

Airport Mall  
Times Square Shopping  
Centre  
Citis Square  
BT Haji Uthman Complex

### Serusop & Delima

Delima Square  
Nazmi Textile Mall, Delima  
Hua Ho Mall, Manggis  
Aman Hills Shopping Centre,  
Manggis

### Batu Satu

Plaza Athirah  
Plaza Abdul Razak  
Mohammad Yussof Complex

### Belait

Seria Plaza  
KB Sentral Shopping Centre  
Supa Save Panaga

### Tutong

Petani Mall  
Central Mall  
Halim Plaza

### Temburong

Kompleks Utama  
Bumiputera

Prayer rooms and  
breastfeeding rooms can  
be found in most shopping  
complexes.

## Kids Playground

A number of playgrounds are available for families with young children;

### West Park Kiddieland 1 & 2

Bgn Abd Razak, Gadong  
Tel: (+673) 823 9328

### Jungle Gym

Seri Q-Lap Complex, Kiulap  
Tel: (+673) 223 6000

### Fun Blocks

Hua Ho Manggis Mall,  
Manggis  
One Menglait Industrial  
Park, Menglait  
Tel: (+673) 724 6555

### Funzania

Eng Ho Complex, Gadong  
Tel: (+673) 837 8775

### Adventureland Bon Appetit

Bangunan PSI, Tungku  
Tel: (+673) 244 9009

### Times Zone

Times Square, Kg Jaya Setia  
Tel: (+673) 233 0323

### Miftah Daycare (Baby Spa)

Spg 291, Jln Muara, Manggis  
Tel: (+673) 864 8338

### Qidiaku

Citis Square, Kg Jaya Setia  
Tel: (+673) 234 2621





Aman Hills Bowling

## Swimming Pools

Hassanal Bolkiah National Stadium Swimming Pool Complex

Anggrek Desa Swimming Pool

Tarindak Swimming Pool, Royal Brunei Polo and Riding Club

Tutong Aquatic Centre

## Diving

### Dive Tribe Borneo

#14, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Block A, Bangunan Hj Ahmad Awg Hassan, Kiulap  
Tel: (+673) 873 7317

### Poni Divers

Serasa Watersports Complex, Serasa Beach  
Tel: (+673) 277 1778

### Oceanic Quest Company

#6, Spg 46, Jln Perusahaan, Kg Serasa  
Tel: (+673) 277 1190

## Bowling Centres

### Utama Bowling Centre

Jln Laksmana Abdul Razak, Batu Satu

### Grand Seria Bowling Centre

Jln Tengah, Seria

### Aman Hills Bowling

Aman Hills Shopping Centre, Manggis

## Cinemas

### Times Cineplex

Times Square Shopping Centre, Kg Jaya Setia  
The Empire Hotel and Country Club, Jerudong  
Berjaya Complex, Tutong  
KB Sentral, Kuala Belait

### The Mall Cineplex

The Mall Shopping Centre, Gadong

### Aman Hills Cineplex

Aman Hills Shopping Centre, Manggis

### Arena Cineplex

Seri Q-Lap Mall, Kiulap

## Golf Courses

### Royal Brunei Airlines Golf Course

RBA Golf Club, BSB  
Tel: (+673) 234 3724

### The Empire Golf and Country Club

The Empire Hotel and Country Club, Jerudong  
Tel: (+673) 241 8888

### Royal Brunei Golf and Country Club

Jerudong Park, Jerudong  
Tel: (+673) 261 1582

### Pantai Mentiri Golf Club

KM 15 1/2, Jln Kota Batu  
Tel: (+673) 279 1021

### Panaga Golf Club

Jalan Utara, Kuala Belait  
Tel: (+673) 337 3142

## Must-try food in Brunei

Try out some of these Bruneian delicacies during your stay:

### Bamboo Chicken

Marinated chicken cooked in bamboo cane.

### Ambuyat

A dish made from the interior trunk of the sago palm.

### Nasi Katok

Rice and fried chicken served with chili paste.

### Pulut Panggang

Beef or prawn stuffed glutinous rice and wrapped inside a Pandan leaf.

### Penyaram

One of most popular traditional cakes of Brunei.



Penyaram

## Restaurants

Brunei has many world-known food-franchises available but here's a list of restaurants to try in Brunei;

### Fine Dining:

Pantai Restaurant, The Empire Hotel  
Atrium Café, The Empire Hotel  
Dynasty Restaurant  
Tarindak D'Seni  
The Horizons Seafood Restaurant

### Western:

Jazz Bar and Grill  
Fratini's Restaurant  
Rack and Brew  
Alter Ego

### Indian:

Le Taj  
Bombay Palace Restaurant and Catering  
Tandoor.com  
Kausar Café  
Delhi Darbar Restaurant and Catering

### Japanese:

Kaizen Sushi  
Excapede Sushi  
Genki Teppanyaki and Restaurant  
Misato

### Korean:

Kimchi Restaurant Korean BBQ  
Sarang Korea Restaurant  
Koryo Restaurant  
Seoul Garden

### Asian:

Pondok Sari Wangi  
Aminah Arif  
KTM Seafood Restaurant  
Aneka Rasa  
Nur Wanita

### Coffees and Cafes:

Two Sons Coffee  
Beanery & Co.  
Brew Café & Bakery  
The Collective Wildflower Café  
Roasted Sip Coffee Roasters  
The Crema Cofee

### Food Delivery:

Most fast food restaurants offer delivery service with minimum charge and specified areas.



His Majesty's Royal Birthday Celebration Performance



National Day Field Performance

## National Celebrations

Brunei has many world-known food-franchises available but here's a list of restaurants to try in Brunei;

### His Majesty's Royal Birthday – July 15

Perhaps the most anticipated national celebration in Brunei, there will be plenty of things going on during the day itself and the following weeks. The main celebration will happen in Taman Haji Sir Muda Omar 'Ali Saifuddien where the public will get a chance to wish His Majesty a happy birthday.

### National Day - February 23

While Brunei gained Independence on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1984, the national day is annually celebrated on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February. Visiting the capital on the day is a must as the main celebration occurs in Taman Haji Sir Muda Omar 'Ali Saifuddien where there will be colourful performances done by national troops, uniformed personnel, students and other local organisations.



Come and greet His Majesty and royal family members during the Istana Nurul Iman Open Palace

## Istana Nurul Iman Open Palace - 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Hari Raya Aidilfitri

During the joyous Hari Raya Aidilfitri celebration, the Istana Nurul Iman opens to visitors from all walks of life, races and religion, to come and greet His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri as well as other members of the royal family.

It is an annual tradition which is normally held for three days and has been implemented more than three decades. The visit to the Palace during this festive season is a golden opportunity that is rarely found in other places.

## Royal Brunei Armed Forces anniversary - May 31

On this day, people celebrate the formation of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces, formerly known as Royal Brunei Malay Regiment back in 1961. Aside from being a public holiday, there will also be a military parade in the city that the public can attend and watch.

Aside from that, Brunei Darussalam also celebrates a wide variety of other festivities such as: New Islamic Year (Hijrah), Maulidur Rasul, Isra' Mikraj, First Day of Ramadan, Nuzul Al-Quran, Hari Raya Aidilfitri, Hari Raya Aidiladha, New Year (January 1<sup>st</sup>), Chinese New Year, and Christmas. These days are announced as public holidays.



## Emergency Numbers

- Ambulance** - 991
- Police** - 993
- Fire & Rescue** - 995
- Search & Rescue** - 998

## Other Handy Contact Numbers

- General inquiries - 123
- Directory enquiries - 113
- Flight Info - 233 1747 / 233 6757
- Taxi services - 222 2214 / 222 6853 / 718 1643
- Health line - 238 4234
- Search & Rescue Centre (Sea & Air) - 233 2600

### Medical Services

- RIPAS Hospital - 224 2424 or 223 2188
- Jerudong Park Medical Centre (JPMC) - 261 1433 / 261 2612 (emergency)
- Tutong Hospital - 422 1010
- Kuala Belait Hospital - 333 5331/2
- Temburong Hospital - 522 1526 / 522 1255 (emergency)

### Airlines

- Royal Brunei Airlines - 221 2222
- Air Asia - 233 3045
- Malaysian Airlines - 222 4141/2, 222 3074
- Singapore Airlines - 224 4901/2 or 222 7253
- Cebu Pacific Air - 224 3800/1 or 222 2666  
222 7965 / 223 9888



## Talk like a Bruneian!

How are you?	Apa khabar?
Good morning	Selamat pagi
Good afternoon	Selamat petang
Good night	Selamat malam
Thank you	Terima kasih
You're welcome	Sama-sama
What is your name?	Siapa nama awda?
Excuse me	Maafkan saya
Yes	Ya
No	Tidak
How much?	Berapa?
Where is the toilet?	Di manakah tandas?
I want to go to...	Saya mahu pergi ke...
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Drink	Minum
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