



SOUTH EAST ASIA ITINERARY

HALF SEMESTER EXPERIENCE



DA NANG, VIETNAM

You will spend a week and a half in Da Nang.

Da Nang is one of the fastest growing cities in Vietnam. With close proximity to the mountains, and long stretches of beach on either side of the city. The city itself is a colourful burst of energy combining fast modernisation with the charms of the old town.



Your accommodation: Lighthouse

A cool and spacious hostel just a two minute walk from the beach.

Your co-working space: Enouvo Space

Being one of the co-working space pioneers in Da Nang, Enouvo Space aims to be a space where great ideas are cultivated and nurtured.

What is a co-working space?

Co-working spaces are modern and inspiring places where people come together in a space to work independently on different projects, or in groups on the same projects.

DA NANG TO KUALA LUMPUR

After your time in Da Nang, you will embark on your epic road trip, this time visiting Thailand and Malaysia.

DAY 1 BANGKOK, THAILAND

You will have a short haul flight from Da Nang to Bangkok.

Bangkok is Thailand's capital, a large city known for ornate shrines and vibrant street life.

Accommodation: Bed Station hostel

Meals: None

DAY 2 BANGKOK : MARKET TOUR!

Prepare for a morning of colour, art and passion, as you're driven to the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market in the Ratchaburi province. Harking back to a time when water transport was the primary mode of transportation, the floating market features fresh fruits, flowers, colourful clothing, souvenirs and more along the waterways and on vendor boats. Walk around and check out the many stalls or rent a paddle boat to experience the market from water.

Next stop : Mae Klong railway market. The market is also called; Talad Rom Hoop. Every morning till late, this market springs to life selling a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, seafood, snacks, clothes and accessories. However, what makes the market unique is the fact that a train will run through it 8 times a day, every day. The action at the railway market begins several minutes before the train is due to pass through the market. As soon as the siren signals the arrival of the train everything stops. Shoppers hop off the tracks, and vendors quickly pack their goods and retract their awnings from the train track as the train passes. This process happens quickly since the awning poles have wheels attached. Once the train is gone, its business as usual as if nothing happened.

Accommodation: Bed Station hostel

Meals: None

DAY 3

BANGKOK – SURAT THANI

Today is free at leisure, or choose an optional tour to explore Bangkok. All optional tours will be offered prior to the road trip departure date by your Location Manager. Bangkok tours could include temple & food tour by tuk-tuk, bicycle tour, hidden gems tour and more!

Take an overnight sleeper train from Bangkok – Surat Thani.

Accommodation: Overnight sleeper train

Meals: None

DAY 4

SURAT THANI – KHAO SOK

Pick-up from Surat Thani train station to Khao Sok national park.

Khao Sok National Park is a nature reserve containing dense virgin jungle, tower-like limestone karst formations and the man-made Cheow Lan Lake.

The rest of your day is free for you to explore the national park or book onto an optional tour which could include bamboo rafting, wildlife tour and more!

Accommodation: Khao Sok Jungle Hut

Meals: None

DAY 5

KHAO SOK : LAKE TOUR

Cheow Larn Lake tour!

Explore the incredible scenery and panoramic view of Cheow Larn Lake by long-tailed boat. You will enjoy lunch at Floating Bungalows and will have free time for swimming, kayaking or just relaxing. Later on, you will explore a Coral cave. To get to this cave you will trek through the jungle. Inside the cave you will see Stalactite and Stalagmite which look like coral reefs.

Accommodation: Khao Sok Jungle Hut

Meals: Lunch

DAY 6

KHAO SOK - KOH SAMUI

Pick-up from Khao Sok. Later, take a ferry to Koh Samui where, upon arrival, you will get a transfer to your accommodation.

Koh Samui, Thailand's second largest island, it's known for its palm-fringed beaches, coconut groves and dense, mountainous rainforest.

The remainder of the day is free. Enjoy the beach, explore this stunning island, or take an optional tour which could include snorkelling, water sports, quad biking and more!

Accommodation: Lub D hostel

Meals: None

DAY 7

KOH SAMUI

Today is free for you to explore Koh Samui island. Relax on the beach or in the pool, or you are welcome to book onto an optional tour which could include snorkelling, water sports, quad biking and more!

Accommodation: Lub D hostel

Meals: None

DAY 8

KOH SAMUI

Today is another free day for you to explore the beautiful island!

Accommodation: Lub D hostel

Meals: None

DAY 9

KOH SAMUI

Explore the island, relax at the beach or book an optional tour.

Accommodation: Lub D hostel

Meals: None

DAY 10

KOH SAMUI - SURAT THANI - PENANG, MALAYSIA

Prepare yourself for a full day of travel. You will take a ferry back to Surat Thani followed by a minivan transfer across the border into Malaysia, arriving in Penang. Along the way, passing through scenic countryside.

Accommodation: Tido hostel

Meals: None

DAY 11

PENANG

Penang is a colourful, multicultural capital of the Malaysian island. Listed as a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site in 2008, this paradise has no shortage of cultural sights and natural scenery.

A free day for you to explore Penang or book onto an optional tour which could include a street art tour, cooking class, temple tour and more!

Accommodation: Tido hostel

Meals: None

DAY 12

PENANG : CHENDORAH LAKE HOMESTAY

On arrival in Chendorah Lake, you will be greeted by a lovely local Malaysian family. You will enjoy an evening of eating homemade Malaysian food and getting involved in some local activities.

Accommodation: Suka Suka Lakehouse
Retreat Bungalows

Meals: Dinner

DAY 13

CHENDORAH LAKE HOMESTAY - CAMEROON HIGHLANDS

Wake up early to enjoy kayaking across Chendorah Lake for sunrise. After breakfast, experience the local way of life through a guided village walk.

In the afternoon, you will start your journey to Cameron Highlands.

Accommodation: Traveller Bunker
Hostel

Meals: None

DAY 14

CAMEROON HIGHLANDS - KUALA LUMPUR

Tea Plantation Tour!

Hop into a Land Rover and cruise through the picturesque rolling tea garden towards to the Gunung Brinchang at 6,666 feet about sea level. Listen to your guides 'tea talks' while enjoying breathtaking views of the tea garden.

An interpretive walk with your nature guide's into the Mossy forest through an elevated platform walk will reveal some of the exotic floras on earth, the Pitcher plant, Orchids, Primitive Ferns, Spices and Medicinal Plants.

A short drive down from the mountain will bring you to the Sungei Palas Tea Factory. A factory tour will be conducted before you have some free time at the fine 'Tea House' that offers varieties of tea.

You will start your journey south to Kuala Lumpur. Along the way, pass gurgling jungle streams and stop at Iskandar waterfalls, a popular stopover point.

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

You will spend your final 3 weeks in Kuala Lumpur. The cultural hub and capital of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur is visually defined by the iconic Petronas Twin Towers. Kuala Lumpur is among the fastest growing metropolitan regions in South-East Asia in both population and economic development.

After you've been shown to your accommodation and taken some time to settle in, your Location Introduction will begin!

WHAT TO DO IN KUALA LUMPUR

Batu Caves:

Batu Caves is a 400 million-year old limestone hill with a 100-year old temple incorporated within it.

Petronas Towers:

Hailed as the Twin Jewels of Kuala Lumpur, a visit to KL just is not complete unless you have visited these incredible structures.

Central Market:

The focus for the city's artistic community, Central Market is a Kuala Lumpur cultural landmark.

Perdana Botanical Gardens:

The Perdana Botanical Gardens boast the largest collection of flower gardens and animal parks in Kuala Lumpur city centre.



LOCATION INTRODUCTION

ACTIVITIES

- Arrival meal
- Introduction to your accommodation and co-working space
- Introduction to Kuala Lumpur
- Obtaining local sim cards
- Language crash course
- Exploring the stunning Batu Caves
- Group learning session

Your accommodation: Back Home Hostel

Experience loft-style rooms, dorms and a lush courtyard.

Your co-working space: WeWork

WeWork is a global network of incredible workspaces which are located all around the world.

The semester end:

You are free to depart Kuala Lumpur at any time; airport transfers will be arranged accordingly.

We hope you had an amazing 6-weeks with us!

WHAT'S INCLUDED?



- Accommodation (shared dormitory)
- Global Grad Location Manager
- Airport transfers
- Access to your co-working space

What's not included:

- Return flights from the UK
- Travel insurance
- Visa fee (If required)
- Optional tours/activities
- Personal expenditure

Pre-travel Preparation:

The Global Grad team are here to help you with everything including visa information, booking flights, organising travel insurance, what to pack, and more. Once you have paid your deposit and secured your place on a semester/experience with us, we send you a welcome pack with everything you need to know. In addition to this, you will be invited to a pre-departure meet-up to allow you to get to know us as well as your fellow Global Grads!

*Please note the itinerary may be subject to change





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