

# WAY OUT EXPERIENCES

## Programme Details



Programme Code	BWS12 (different dates for BWS12a and BWS12b)
Programme Name	Orangutan & Pygmy Elephant Adventure
Introduction	<p>Enter the mysterious canopy of the tropical rainforest of Borneo and experience the adventure thrills of boating up the meandering Kinabatangan; Feel the adrenalin high of spotting a wild orangutan teaching her baby to swing through the trees, then observe quietly from a river bend a herd of pygmy elephants swimming across a tributary; Discover endemic species of endangered animals and tribal plants of names you can't even pronounce; Engage with the fathers, mothers and children of the community as you learn their lifestyles...</p> <p>This programme presents you with the best of Borneo while you personally contribute towards its conservation.</p> <p>Join our team and make a difference for the beautiful flora and fauna found in this unique area called the Corridor of Life; Partner the State Government, WWF and other NGOs working on the ground to reforest critical wildlife areas; Collaborate with the community living within this natural wonder to ensure our next generations will see, experience and protect the Jewel of Mother Earth.</p>
Programme Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Carry out habitat restoration at the Lower Kinabatangan floodplains where flora and fauna are abundant but threatened by diminishing habitat;</li> <li>- Conduct wildlife population density data gathering under the auspices of the Sabah Government;</li> <li>- Observe and appreciate the orang-utans, pygmy elephants and other endangered species, understand their life cycles and the intricate biodiversity roles;</li> <li>- Work with the local community and students in conservation;</li> <li>- Raise awareness on responsible living and travelling among tourists, local community and students;</li> <li>- Understand the threats to the habitat and the wildlife and to make a personal impact, bringing positive change.</li> </ul>
Project Site	Lower Kinabatangan, Sabah, Malaysia
Duration	12 days

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End Date	18 <sup>th</sup> of each month (BWS 12b) 24 <sup>th</sup> of each month (BWS 12a – March/April 2010 only) 30 <sup>th</sup> of each month (BWS 12c)																								
Available Placement Months	<p>YEAR 2010</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>X</td> <td>January</td> <td>X</td> <td>May</td> <td>X</td> <td>September</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X</td> <td>February</td> <td>X</td> <td>June</td> <td>X</td> <td>October</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X</td> <td>March</td> <td>X</td> <td>July</td> <td>X</td> <td>November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X</td> <td>April</td> <td>X</td> <td>August</td> <td>X</td> <td>December</td> </tr> </table>	X	January	X	May	X	September	X	February	X	June	X	October	X	March	X	July	X	November	X	April	X	August	X	December
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Accommodation Details	<p>Project site: Room-sharing with other participants. Cold water showers.</p> <p>Sepilok/Sandakan: Dormitory accommodation.</p>																								
Itinerary	<p><u>Day 1 (D)</u> Self transfer to Sandakan dormitory accommodation. Welcome dinner &amp; introduction to programme at 1900.</p> <p>Option of private airport/hotel transfer : Additional charges at RM50.00</p> <p><u>Day 2 – Day 10 (B, L, D)</u> PROJECT DAYS</p> <p>After breakfast, transfer to Project Site.</p> <p>PROJECT DAYS are days where participants will contribute towards conservation via habitat restoration and community development. Some of the possible activities include: Wildlife Population Density Data Collection, Habitat Restoration, Education Programme, Community Development.</p> <p>Data collection includes the wildlife observations along the river and collection of important population data. Community and Education programmes involve interaction with the community and the students of the village. Tree planting and maintenance activities are very important to connect fragmented forest in the area to encourage healthy orang-utan and pygmy elephant populations.</p>																								

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	<p><u>Day 11</u> (B, L)                  Depart from project site by land to Sepilok Orang-utan Rehabilitation Centre and visit Rainforest Discovery Center. After lunch, visit Sepilok Rehabilitation Center Sepilok for afternoon feeding session. Check into dormitory accommodation.</p> <p><u>Day 12</u> (B)                  Check out and self transfer to Sandakan Airport.                  (Suggested departure time: before 1700 hours.)</p> <p>Option of private hotel/airport transfer : Additional charges at RM50.00</p> <p>Optional: travel to Kota Kinabalu or Turtle Islands on own cost and arrangements</p> <p>Note: Changes to the activities will occur subject to weather conditions, school calendar, community and project requirements. Some or all of the above activities may or may not be included on your itinerary. Other conservation activities not mentioned above may also be included on your itinerary subject to weather conditions, community and project requirements</p>
<p>Inclusions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Meet and greet at Sandakan dormitory accommodation Sabah, Malaysia;</li> <li>▪ 11 nights in designate accommodation;</li> <li>▪ English speaking facilitator;</li> <li>▪ All activities included in "Project Days";</li> <li>▪ Conservation contribution;</li> <li>▪ All overland and river transfers as per itinerary;</li> <li>▪ All meals as per itinerary;</li> <li>▪ Entrance fees to Sepilok and Rainforest Discovery Centre.</li> </ul>
<p>Not Included</p>	<p>Airfare, visa application, camera fees, insurance, individual transfers and any items not stated in the list above.</p>