KENONG RIMBA PARK
A Scenic Valley Traversed By Rippling Mountains

Kenong Rimba Park (rimba means jungle in Malay) is located at the fringe of Taman Negara on its eastern and northern boundaries. This green precinct covers a sprawling 128 square kilometres of Pahang's tropical rainforest.

Immerse yourself in the tranquillity of this park – well known for being one of the best wildlife reserves in Malaysia. Take a slow boat down the river, explore the jungle trails and seek out the myriad wonders of nature.

Kenong Rimba Park is home to pockets of limestone caves, which have become the destination of spelunking enthusiasts. The crystal clear waters that flow through the park and high cascading waterfalls are exotic backdrops to a large array of flora and fauna.
ABUNDANT FLORA & FAUNA

Heighten your senses as you traverse the forest and see if you can identify the myriad unique species of flora. Exotic and sometimes rare genera of orchids cling and thrive on the mammoth trunks of trees like a big brother caring for a sibling – such is the complementary nature of life in the wilds. Spot the tallest recorded tree in the rainforest – the Tualang (Koompasia malaccensis), which often reach a height of 150 feet or more. Another giant of the forest is the ficus tree, which often times are found tightly-wrapped around other trees.

CAVES GALORE

Many of Kenong’s caves remain undiscovered and unexplored despite the numerous expeditions launched into the area over the years.

It is such state of pristineness that makes spelunking in the area a very attractive proposition, given the fact that the interior of the caves may change from time to time due to the ravages of weather.
Legend has it that the dug out shape of Gua Batu Tinggi was formed when a boat carrying the King’s messenger along Kenong River from Pekan was turned into stone.

GUA BATU TINGGI

Home to a variety of exotic orchids, Gua Batu Tinggi is one of the most popular caves in Kenong Rimba Park. The boat-like interior is a sight to behold. Its proximity to other caves makes a visit worth the effort.

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WHERE TO STAY

At Kenong Rimba Park, you can get comfortable accommodation and decent chalets at reasonable prices at the Jungle Lodge or choose to camp at designated sites. There are also many lodges and inns in Kuala Lipis for a comfortable stay at reasonable prices.

Sungai Relau – Merapoh (Western access)
The 60-bed hostel in Kuala Juram, Taman Negara Sungai Relau, Merapoh costs RM10 per person. The camping ground can accommodate 50 campers at any one time. Each camper is charged RM1. The 4WD transportation from Sungai Relau to the hostel in Sungai Juram costs RM7.50 per person for a single journey.

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GETTING THERE
Kuala Lipis is 180 km from Kuala Lumpur and 250 km from Kuantan. If you drive, take the Kuala Lumpur-Karak Highway and turn left to Bentong and proceed through Raub. And if you are from Singapore, you could board a train direct to Kuala Lipis. To go to Kenong Rimba Park, take a 20 minute boat ride from Batu 9 jetty or an hour boat ride from Kuala Lipis. By land it is 15 kilometers through Felda Kechau with four wheel drive.

TRANSPORTATION

Note:
A qualified and registered guide must accompany any visitor entering the park. They are responsible for submitting visitors’ registration forms to the Kuala Lipis District Forest Office prior to entering the park.
Kenong’s complicated cave complex is every adventurer’s dream. The different and inexhaustible formation of caves in the area is all but legendary.

ROUGHING IT OUT
The rugged terrain in and around the Kenong area has opened up opportunities for newer pursuits, including a 4-wheel drive challenge, motor cross, cub cross, and All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) endurance tests.

HIRE A GUIDE
Always bring along a reliable guide, who can be hired from the Tourist Office situated at Kuala Lipis Railway Station or from caving clubs. Many of Malaysia’s caves are unmapped and even an experienced caver should not go exploring alone.
INCHING THROUGH

Depending on the type of caves you pick to visit, some are relatively easy to tackle, while others may require you to master the art of body contortion! The darkness of the caverns needs to be suitably lighted up, so always bring along reliable backup torch lights and extra batteries.

Sightings of wildlife are unpredictable; therefore it is highly advisable to hire the expertise of a knowledgeable guide to increase your chances of catching a glimpse of the elusive denizens of the forest.

BE PREPARED

It is important that you map out the area you wish to explore and prepare adequate supplies for your trip. Double check your equipments before venturing into cave or abseiling. Plan how much lighting you will need and bring along the necessary supply of carbide to light your way. A kilogram of carbide can sustain you for approximately six to eight hours.
EXPLORING THE DARKNESS

The profusion of caves and subterranean rocky formations makes caving (or spelunking) a popular activity around these parts. Barring the fragility of age, all you need is enthusiasm and a spirit of adventure. Climbing the Kesong Valley range will uncover more interesting caves. Some notable caves in the park include **Batu Tanga cave**, **Batu Tangkup cave** and **Batu Telahup cave**. You can also drift down the Kenong River by a dugout canoe to enjoy the refreshing riverscape.

AIR TERJUN LATA KENONG

Kenong Rimba Park covers approximately 128 sq kilometres southwest of Taman Negara.

Besides caving, visitors can also enjoy the beautiful Lata Kenong waterfall, famed for its cascading waters that gushes over seven rocky levels into a pool – making it a great spot for swimming. Cast a line and try your luck at fishing too!
A HISTORICAL TOWN

The town of Kuala Lipis evolved at the confluence of the Lipis River and Jelai River. Due to its strategic location, the town grew into a prominent trading and commercial centre in the state. So prominent was the town that the British, who came to Pahang since 1827, made Kuala Lipis the state capital in 1891, and remained so until 1955 when Kuantan, the present state capital took over the honors.

Now, though no longer a bustling trading centre, it remains as the administrative centre for the District of Lipis, one of the largest districts in Pahang.

HERITAGE TRAIL

During the days of the British, Kuala Lipis was a thriving town and trading centre. This was due to its strategic location. Today, all that has passed, but the legacy of its heyday lives on in the grand buildings and other relics scattered about town. The District Office, Clifford School, and the Pahang Club are some of the more noticeable remnants from the colonial era. There’s a heritage and historical gallery of Lipis displayed in the Tourist Information Centre (TIC).

A small, yet significant structure that is not to be missed is the ‘0’ milestone, located near the post office. It is believed that the measurement of road distances in the district during the time of British rule started from this point.
RIVER RAFTING
Rafting – activity that can be arranged on demand – whole length of Pahang river or short journeys.

GET DIRTY
Watch seasoned dirt bikers get dirty and try your hand at motor-cross riding at Kampung Kemahang Hilir, known for having one of the best tracks for mountain bikes and dirt trails for extreme sports.
JUNGLE TRAILS AND BIRDWATCHING

There are several beautiful jungle trails within the park. Here, nature lovers are able to appreciate the natural beauty of the park, endowed with vast treasures of exotic flora and fauna. From Merapoh, it is another way to reach Gunung Tahan.

A NATURE AND ADVENTURE ESCAPADE

Kuala Medang Homestay, a typical traditional Malay village located in hinterland of the state amidst fast flowing rivers, rapids and verdant pristine jungles virtually untouched, is a perfect hideaway for tourists who seek a different style of vacation.

The villagers are warm and friendly, and many are still traditional farmers; hence their well-deserved ranking as one of Malaysia's top homestay experiences.