

# Negeri Sembilan

Negeri Sembilan is situated in the west of Peninsular Malaysia. It is about 50km south of Kuala Lumpur and spreads over an area of 6,645 sq km. Its name literally means nine states as the state once consisted of nine districts.

The state is known for its Minangkabau culture, which is preserved by the Adat Perpatih, an age-old matrilineal social system. It is also synonymous with the unique Minangkabau architecture, which features unique upswept roof designs. A flourishing urban centre, it has several historical and cultural landmarks that are easily accessible from its capital, Seremban.

Discover the beauty of Negeri Sembilan, the home of ancient traditions!

Places of Interest:

- Port Dickson – popular getaway has one of the longest beaches in Malaysia. Sun-kissed and fringed by swaying coconut trees and casuarinas, the Teluk Kemang and Blue Lagoon beaches are ideal for a wide spectrum of beach activities and water sports like parasailing, canoeing, yachting and speed boat rides. Relaxing spa treatments can be enjoyed at larger resorts nearby. Before you leave, enjoy a lovely meal of seafood as you watch the sun set against the Straits of Malacca.
- The Royal Museum Seri Menanti – Witness the ingenuity and creativity of ancient craftsmen in this architectural masterpiece, which was built without the use of nails or screws. Constructed at the turn of the 20th century, it was the official residence of the royal family until 1931. This former

palace has 99 pillars, each soaring 65 feet, representing the 99 warriors of various clans. In 1992, it was turned into a museum, which showcases the regalia of the Negeri Sembilan Royal Family as well as exhibits such as costumes, ceremonial weaponry, bed chambers and documents on the Royal Lineage.

- Rembau Museum
- State Museum
- Lukut Museum – History enthusiasts should make a trip to the historical town of Lukut and visit its main attractions, the Lukut Museum and Fort. Here, you can read about Lukut's golden era as the capital of the tin trade or pore over artefacts from the Nassau shipwreck, a Dutch East India battleship, which sank off the coast of Port Dickson in 1606. Further away, are the ruins of the Lukut Fort. It was built in 1847 to protect the town's booming tin trade. Other attractions here include the legendary 'poisoned well' that is believed to be used to punish criminals in the ancient days.