

# Iban Longhouse

The iban longhouse tour at Batang Ai is a unique experience to be cherished. Lemanak River is about four hours' drive from Kuching. Visitors will get an opportunity to journey upstream along the river on a wooden longboat, before arriving at the longhouse where many interesting activities await. Be awed by a blowpipe demonstration, see how rice is cooked in bamboo tubes and watch a traditional native dance.

Batang Ai is the site of the 24,040ha Batang Ai National Park. it is home to the endangered gibbons, orang utans and hornbills. Just outside the park is the fivestar Batang Ai Longhouse Resort, offering longhouse-style accommodation with all the trappings of modernity.

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# Niah National Park

Millions of bats and swiftlets, numerous historical sites, ancient tombs and a primary rainforest come together to enchant visitors at this national park. Sprawling over 3,238ha, Niah National Park enjoys great popularity among history lovers and researchers for its archaeological significance. The Great Cave here was inhabited by prehistoric men nearly 40,000 years ago. Among the relics unearthed include Neolithic paintings and Paleolithic artefacts. Another attraction is the Painted Caves, where depictions of human-like figures were found near an ancient burial site. Niah National Park is accessible from Miri and Bintulu. it is situated about 109km from Miri or 131km from Bintulu.

Must do:

- Explore the forest trails
- Visit the iban longhouse nearby
- Enjoy a boat ride
- Explore the Great Cave to see the excavation sites
- Visit Niah's famous Painted Cave