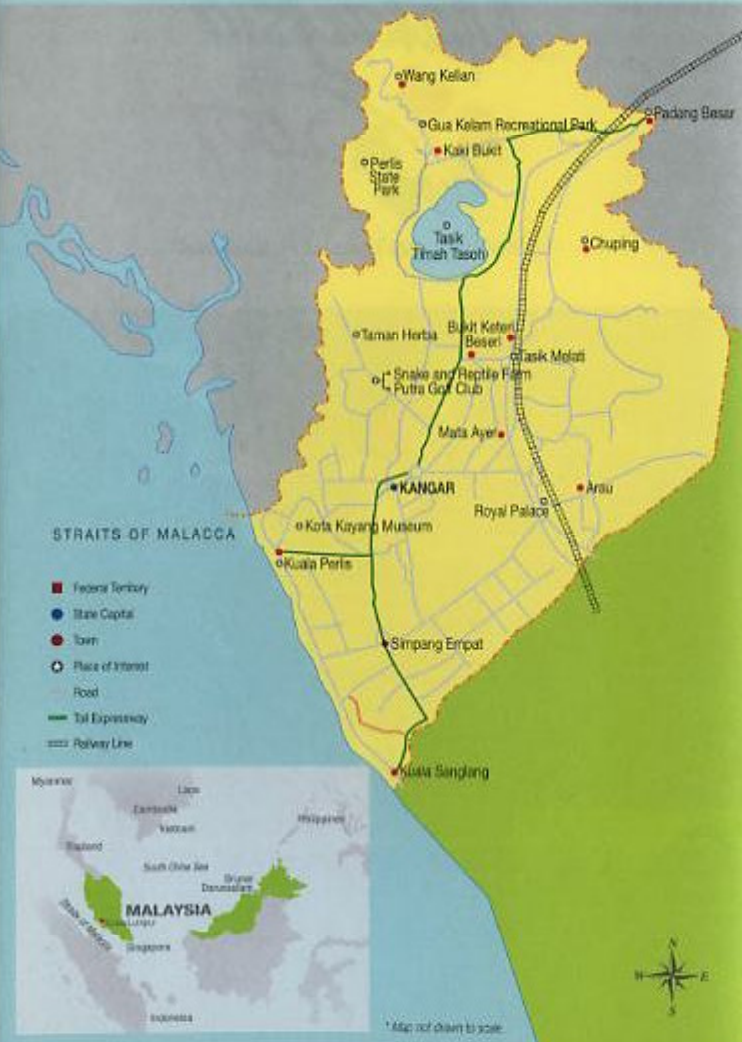


Malaysia Welcomes The World



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Welcome to Perlis

Perlis, the northern gem, exudes natural beauty and is characterised by sprawling paddy fields. Predominantly agricultural, its historical background is marked by ancient archaeological discoveries and its multiracial society is a fascinating amalgamation of Malays, Chinese, Indians and Thais as it shares a border with Thailand.

There are several natural attractions that make this state unique such as the Perlis State Park and Gua Kelam. However, there's a lot more to Perlis. For those who love cities and towns with a relaxed pace of life and a little history on the side, Kangar, the state capital, has historic buildings such as the Syed Alwi Mosque while the Royal Palace and Royal Mosque are located in the Royal town of Arau. Visitors can select their accommodation from among various hotels and budget inns located in the city and major towns.

Places of Interest

Perlis State Park The park provides the perfect setting for activities such as caving, bird watching, jungle trekking and hiking. Species of animals such as the Stumped-tail Macaque and plants like ginger, ferns and balsams endemic to the state are found here. Visitors can stay in hostels and chalets or camp at the designated site. Those intending to visit are required to obtain permission from the Perlis State Park management.

Gua Kelam Recreational Park Situated within Kaki Bukit town, the highlight of this park is Gua Kelam, a 370-metre limestone cave which is filled with interesting stalactite and stalagmite formations. This well-lit cave is believed to have been hollowed out from a limestone massif by an underground stream over many eons. Located nearby is Gua Kelam II which is suitable for more experienced cavers.

Gua Wang Burma The Wang Burma Cave has unique and challenging chambers and shelters a large population of insects, bats, toads and other cave inhabitants. It is located north near the Bukit China Granite and tucked between Gua Kelam and the Perlis State Park. Those intending to visit are required to obtain permission from the Perlis State Park management and engage the services of a ranger or qualified guide.

Wang Kelian Sunday Market Wang Kelian is a popular market situated along the Thai-Malaysian border. A myriad of goods such as handicrafts, tableware and clothing are available here. Visitors can visit the market without the use of passports, provided that they remain within the market area.

Kuala Perlis The major ferry terminal for visitors departing for Langkawi is located at the mouth of the Perlis River. The major activity found here is fishing and many superb seafood restaurants can be found in this small fishing town.

Taman Herba Adjacent to the Bukit Air Recreational Park, on 12ha of land is the Herb Garden. Opened in 1998, this ethno botanical museum now contains over 1,000 species of herbs, spices and other medicinal plants of local and foreign origin. Here, visitors can learn about their uses and how to care for such plants as well as purchase them.

Padang Besar Located along the border, this bustling town is a shoppers' paradise where one can choose from a wide variety of produce, handicrafts and clothing. It is also a major stopover along the rail route between Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand.

Chuping Sugar Cane Plantation Named after Bukit Chuping, a limestone hill, the landscape here is dominated by 8,000ha of lush sugar cane plantations. The seemingly endless expanse of greenery is truly a sight to behold. Those intending to visit are required to obtain written permission from the Perlis sugar factory.

Snake and Reptile Farm The farm was formerly a research facility set up to develop serums for snakebites, it has open air enclosures as well as closed exhibits and is home to over 20 species of snakes, crocodiles and monitor lizards.

Tasik Timah Tasoh Lake Timah Tasoh is located along Sungai Korok, about 2.5km below the confluence of Sungai Timah and Sungai Tasoh. It is frequented by visitors who come to the lake to enjoy beautiful sunset views.

Tasik Melati This picturesque man-made lake is the ideal place for boating and is favoured as a picnic spot. It is also frequented by joggers as there's a good jogging track with ample rest areas.

Royal Museum The museum houses a collection of royal regalia such as headgears, Malay daggers, tiaras as well as swords which are used during royal ceremonies. Also highlighted here is the history of the Perlis Royal family. Those intending to visit are required to obtain permission from the Arau Palace officials.