



Balung River Eco Resort

Whether organizing a family trip or the next annual company conference, consider the Balung River Eco Resort in Tawau for a completely different experience. Instead of opting for the usual beachside or countryside accommodation, why not take the unique opportunity to experience plantation life in the comfortable ambience of this eco resort?

Set amidst the Balung River Estate's 3,500 acres with the pristine tropical rainforest of Tawau Hills Park as the backdrop, Balung River Eco Resort is a perfect getaway for holidaymakers and an increasingly popular venue for group meetings or corporate outings. According to the Manager, Mr. Aru, they are receiving more and more bookings from corporate groups not only from Sabah but around Malaysia as well. "I think the appeal of the resort is that you are surrounded by nature and there is a very relaxing ambience here. There is also so much to do, not only for the participants, but for their family members as well," he says.

Visitors can indulge themselves with a myriad of activities during their stay. Learn more about agriculture and the methods involved in processing the various crops found here. Join the interesting guided tours and briefings on the numerous plantation crops such as oil palm, cocoa, pepper and coffee to name a few. It also prides itself on being a developer of large-scale teakwood and arenga pinnata (sugar palm) plantation. See how the sugar palm is cultivated and processed into edible sugar. A very interesting experience! Also found here are an abundance of fruits, from the local favourites (bananas) to more exotic species, such as the dragon fruit and abiu.

The chalets are built with river stones and local timber, giving it a rustic feel. Tastefully furnished and air-conditioned, the rooms are comfortable and clean, ensuring you have a pleasant stay. If you feel like having a dip, you can drop by the swimming pool, located a short distance from the chalets, or you can venture to the cataracts of Balung River. Some ends of the river are quite deep so inexperienced swimmers need to take caution. Freshwater fishing is also a popular leisure activity at a man-made pond. The fishes reeled in can be cooked to your liking by the resort chefs. Even your dining experience will prove to be a unique one at the resort's restaurant as the vegetable dishes and fruit desserts are prepared from freshly harvested garden produce.

The eco resort also has a golf putting green, mountain biking trail, camping site and provides a city tour of Tawau Town. At the end of the day, make your way to the Tower Deck to get a panoramic view of the surrounding plantation or go bird watching. Whether you wish to relax or explore and experience plantation life, Balung River Eco Resort promises an unforgettable experience.

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