

# “Mai Aman”



## Places of Interest

Situated on 30 acres of lush green spurs of hills, valleys and forested ridge, this humble and homely accommodation is located 35km south of Sabah's capital city, Kota Kinabalu. A 40-minute leisurely drive will take you through green landscapes to Kampung Gana in the district of Papar.

Within this village is a quaint abode called Mai Aman, a place named after a much-loved school teacher from the 1950s. Mai Aman a serene getaway from the buzz of the city and a popular destination for those wanting a taste of the simple and peaceful 'kampung' life.

Your time here will be a fun yet relaxing treat – breathe in the fresh air, listen to the sounds of birds chirping in the trees while you sit back by the pond and wait for your fishing rod to hook a fish. Once you've caught one or two, you can ask the kitchen staff to cook it for your dinner or put it on the barbecue yourself! Maybe you should try the 'Vutod' or sago grubs, a local delicacy. Mai Aman is especially known to prepare these just so you can have a taste.

On days when you fancy a little activity, sign up for the buffalo ride, a considerably delightful experience, or trek through the nearby jungles and look out for traditional herbs, exotic plants and maybe encounter one or two of Sabah's wild creatures. The Mai Aman grounds also has an orchard of local fruit trees, so if you're lucky enough you might have a taste of fresh *cepedak*, *tarap*, jackfruit, *dahit* (wild durian) or *bambangan*. If it rains at night, venture out with a torchlight and go frog-catching! Edible frogs like the 'bongkok Taiwan' (*Hoplobatrachus rugulosus*) are known to hop around the compounds of Mai Aman.

Guests can choose from a few types of rooms to stay in at Mai Aman, from double or twin-sharing rooms to hostel-type rooms. Future plans are already in the making at Mai Aman, partnering with Carey Real Estate (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd. to transform Mai Aman into semi-retirement homes that would consist of 2 and 3-bedroom units with living space and kitchenettes. These homes would have access to on-site healthcare amenities and facilities. Mai Aman would also consist of villas with state-of-the-art facilities and amenities for modern living, in line with its ambition to develop into integrated, eco-friendly, resort-style living units, specifically for the Malaysia My Second Home (MM2H) project.

But for now, Mai Aman is a hideaway for those seeking to sample the basic, quiet, stress-free Kampung life-style.

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