

If you can't go out, why not travel the world from home?


This week we travel to Malaysia

Geography

Malaysia is a Southeast Asian country known for its delicious food and coastal tourism. The country's capital is Kuala Lumpur. The whole country is divided into East Malaysia and West Malaysia. The two regions are separated by the South China Sea. Malaysia is known as The Land of Beautiful Islands. Learn more [here](#).




The Monster Flower

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The leafless plant, Rafflesia of Malaysia, is also known as the monster flower. Its fleshy flower is the largest known flower in the world, often growing to about 3 feet (1 meter) across and weighing as much as 24 pounds (11 kilograms). Can you draw, paint or even make one?


Wau Kites

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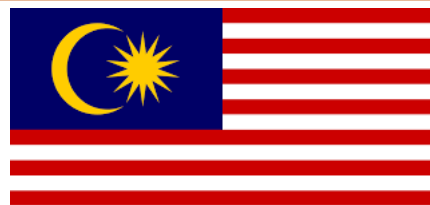


Wau or Kite in Malay is a uniquely designed Malaysian kite that has flown since times past. It is called 'Wau' because the shape of its wing is similar to an Arabic letter (pronounced "wow"). One legend says that farmers used the kites as a type of flying scarecrow in the fields, another says that the humming sound made by the kites lulled their children to sleep, so they could work with little interruption. Click [here](#) to find out how to make your own kite.

Orangutans

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Orangutans are great apes native to Indonesia and Malaysia. The orangutan is one of humankind's closest relatives – in fact; we share nearly 97% of the same DNA! The word orangutan comes from the Malay words, "orang hutan", meaning "human of the forest". Click [here](#) to listen to a story about orang-utans.



Find out more...

- What is the capital of Malaysia?
- Take a look inside the world's largest cave passage [here](#).
- Malaysia is one of [17 megadiverse countries](#) on Earth. What can you find out about Malaysia's wildlife?
- The smelliest fruit in the world grows in Malaysia. What is it called?

There are no limits to what you can discover!

Language

While Malaysia's main language is Malay, it is reported that there are 137 languages spoken in the country. Here are some Malay phrases used to greet someone:

1. **Hello/Hai** (Hello/Hi)
2. **Apa khabar?** (How are you?)
3. **Selamat pagi** (Good morning)
4. **Selamat tengahari** (Good afternoon)
5. **Selamat petang** (Good evening)
6. **Selamat malam** (Good night)
7. **Selamat tinggal/Babai** (Goodbye/Bye)

Learn to count to 10 in Malay [here](#)