



# MALAYSIAN BORNEO: FACT FILE

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## COUNTRY FILE



### WHERE IS BORNEO?

Southeast Asia

### CAPITAL CITY

Kota Kinabalu (State of Sabah)

### OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Malay

### TYPICAL FOOD

Rice, noodles and curries

### CURRENCY

Malaysian Ringgit (MYR)

### CLIMATE

Tropical and humid, temperatures ranging from 23°C to 32°C

### TIME ZONE

Malaysia Standard Time (MST),  
UTC +8 hours

### NATIONAL SPORT

Badminton



## WHY DO WE WORK IN BORNEO?

### Deforestation and habitat loss

Malaysia has one of the world's highest deforestation rates due to its palm oil industry, with an estimated loss of 1.3% of forest cover each year. We contribute to projects aiming to restore important nature to conserve ecosystems and support biodiversity.

### Social and economic issues

Indigenous groups are among the most marginalised groups in Malaysian Borneo. With the school drop-out rate as high as 50% for indigenous children, and 25% of indigenous households in Sabah living below the poverty line, our work aims to improve lives for people in rural areas through infrastructure building projects.

## DID YOU KNOW?



- ✓ Mount Kinabalu in Sabah is one of Southeast Asia's highest mountains at 4,090 metres.
- ✓ Borneo has over 100 endemic species, such as pygmy elephants and proboscis monkeys, meaning you won't find them anywhere else!
- ✓ Borneo is an island shared by three countries - Malaysia, Indonesia and Brunei. We work in the state of Sabah in Malaysian Borneo.

## CONTRIBUTE TO THE UN'S GLOBAL GOALS

