

Notable Rail Journeys – Far East Orient



One departure : OCTOBER 2 - 2017

State Cabin FROM \$8,759NZD (per person)

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Day 1 - Arrive Singapore

Please make your way to the Raffles Hotel, where overnight accommodation in an elegantly furnished Courtyard Suite has been reserved for you. The rest of the day is at your leisure – to discover the old world charm of this Grande Dame with a visit to the hotel's museum, or take a stroll in its tropical garden of gingers, palms, ferns and frangipani trees.

Day 2 - Depart Singapore

Enjoy breakfast at leisure in the charming Tiffin Room and explore Singapore for the rest of the morning. From 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm, Eastern & Oriental Express staff are on hand to assist you with the check-in arrangements for the train. Be welcomed by stewards in exquisite Thai uniforms; their hands pressed together in a gracious wai - a promise of the journey to come. A cool drink is served as you settle into your luxurious cabin. The whistle blows and the train trundles off towards the Causeway bridge into Malaysia.

Day 3 - Kuala Lumpur & Overnight at Cameron Highlands

After breakfast, the Eastern & Oriental Express arrives at the impressive Indian Mughal-style Kuala Lumpur Railway Station, built in 1885. Enjoy this lively capital city with your choice of morning tours.. Return to the train after your selected tour and savour lunch on board as we depart KL, climbing past rubber and oil palm plantations towards Malaysia's emerald hued uplands. Upon arriving at Tapah Station, disembark the train for the coach transfer to the Cameron Highlands. Relax on the two-hour scenic drive over rolling hills and through dense jungle where you may spot tiny settlements of the Orang Asli, Malaysia's indigenous people. Dinner is served at The Dining Room of the Resort.

Day 4 - Cameron Highlands

After breakfast, you may choose to visit the famed BOH (Best of Highlands) tea plantation for a guided tour of the factory with opportunities to sample a variety of aromatic brews. Or, join the resort's naturalist, Mr S. Madi, on the Jim Thompson trail through the Cameron Highlands jungle to discover the flora and fauna of this tropical gem. Mr Madi, a Highlands native, may even share his personal take on Jim Thompson's disappearance. Enjoy lunch at Gonbei Restaurant where you have the choice of a Western or Japanese menu.

After lunch, depart from the resort by coach to Ipoh Station to re-board the train.

Day 5 - Penang

Butterworth Station is our morning stop on the mainland, where you will disembark from the train to board the transfer to the island of Penang. Several excursions are available. Back on board the E&O for lunch, we pass rice fields with limestone outcrops on the horizon, as we continue towards the border town of Padang Besar, where Malaysia meets Thailand. Immigration and customs formalities are conducted here while passengers remain onboard the train. Crossing into Thailand.

Day 6 - Huay Yang

The early morning brings you to the small rural community of Huay Yang, located about 300 km south of Bangkok in the province of Prachuap Khiri Khan on the east coast of Thailand. Hop on to the local song thaew for your ride to the pier in the village of Baan Huay Yang. This is a small fishing town and features charming scenery of gently swaying coconut palms on miles of white beaches surrounded by majestic mountains. Following a stroll through a fishing village, you will be transferred across to the island of Koh Chaan. Here you can enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of a beach club setting and spend the morning snorkelling or sunbathing. Return to the E&O in the afternoon, with the rest of the day is at leisure as the train continues travelling north. This is our final night on the train and dinner is a formal affair.

Day 7 - Bangkok

Arrive and disembark in Bangkok as the on-board team wave you goodbye and wish you a pleasant onward journey.

General information

Inclusions:

Travel and overnight accommodation onboard train

One night pre-departure complimentary hotel stay

Breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

House Beverages are included with lunch and dinner - a beverage menu is also available for alternate/premium beverages (additional costs apply)

Tea, coffee and mineral water in compartment

Sightseeing tour of Penang and River Kwai for those travelling to Singapore to Bangkok or v.v.

Most excursions indicated in each itinerary are inclusive. Optional excursions will be at an additional cost

Onboard accommodation

There are 2 grades of compartments and all include facilities such as a 24 hour steward service called by a bell, hairdryer, personal safe and international electric sockets. All cabins are fully air-conditioned and provide bottled mineral water, fresh fruit and flowers, bathroom amenities, 'welcome' newsletter, E&O magazine and stationery pack. Regardless of cabin grade, all passengers receive the same level of high quality service Orient-Express is renowned for.

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