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MESSAGE BY MATTA PRESIDENT

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Every journey begins with a single step — as it is for us at the Malaysian Association of Tour and Travel Agents (MATTA), and for the thousands of visitors who take their first step into the MATTA Fair.

What started as a member-focused platform to connect Malaysians to the world has, over time, grown into something much larger and deeply rooted in the heart of the travel and tourism industry. The MATTA Fair is where you make your travel dreams come to life, and where our MATTA members build partnerships.

This 56th edition marks our largest MATTA Fair to date, featuring over 1,750 booths across three levels of MITEC. This scale reflects more than growth — it represents the commitment and tireless efforts of our members and partners. Through our membership with the Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC) and the launch of our MATTA Eco-Tourism Sustainable Initiative (MESTI), we aim to equip members with the tools to protect Malaysia's natural and cultural treasures for generations to come.

At the heart of the MATTA Fair lies our mission to drive the holistic development of tourism, both inbound & outbound. MATTA is proud to serve as a trusted gateway for both directions. This year, we are also proud to introduce pickleball as part of our Fair, further supporting Malaysia's niche and growing sports tourism market.

This Fair also brings together valued sponsors and new collaborations — from "Experience Kedah" as Malaysia's Favourite Destination, Macao as the International Favourite Destination, to Malaysia Aviation Group (MAG) as our Official Airline Partner & Premier Sponsor, RHB Bank as Exclusive Platinum Sponsor, and the High Commission of India in Malaysia as our valued sponsor. MATTA Fair remains more than just an exhibition; it is a platform built by members, for members, to create meaningful opportunities and lasting business connections.

As we continue to chart new paths and strengthen our ecosystem, both at home and abroad, I encourage everyone to explore, engage, and be part of the journey at this edition of the MATTA Fair. Together, we will open doors to the world — and welcome the world to Malaysia.

Wishing all of you, members and visitors, a great MATTA Fair and may this Fair bring many meaningful partnerships and dreams to life.

Warmest regards,
Nigel Wong

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3D2N STAY IN DELUXE ROOM SEA VIEW WITH BREAKFAST AT LOTUS SEA VIEW FOR 2 PERSONS

3D2N STAY IN CHALET WITH BREAKFAST AT MUTIARA TAMAN NEGARA RESORT FOR 2 PERSONS

3x DAY TRIP TO UNESCO HERITAGE NIAH CAVES DAY WITH LUNCH AT IBAN LONGHOUSE FOR 2 PERSONS

2D1N STAY IN SEAVIEW VILLA RESORT ROOM AT JSK MANTANANI ISLAND RESORT FOR 2 PERSONS
COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHER TWIN ISLAND PACKAGE AT JSK BORNEO REEF FLOATING ISLAND FOR 2 PERSONS

2x 2D1N STAY IN STUDIO ROOM WITH BREAKFAST AT BAYOU LAGOON PARK RESORT FOR 2 PERSONS

3x 2D1N STAY IN FAMILY VILLA WITH BREAKFAST AT TASIK VILLA INTERNATIONAL RESORT PORT DICKSON FOR 4 PERSONS

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2D1N STAY IN DELUXE ROOM AT THISTLE PORT DICKSON RESORT FOR 2 PERSONS

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2D1N STAY IN ROOM SUPERIOR ROOM WITH BREAKFAST AT KINTA RIVERFRONT HOTEL AND SUITES IPOH FOR 2 PERSONS

COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHER AFTERNOON TEA AT WXYZ ALOFT KUALA LUMPUR SENTRAL FOR 2 PERSONS

COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHER SUNSET DINNER CRUISE FOR 2 PERSONS

5x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO THE BERJAYA TIMES SQUARE THEME PARK FOR 6 PERSONS

2x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO LEGOLAND THEME PARK FOR 5 PERSONS

6x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO THE DREAM FOREST LANGKAWI FOR 5 PERSONS

10x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO THE BREAKOUT ESCAPE GAME & SPY GAME FOR 4 PERSONS

10x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO THE HAUNTU MALAYSIA FOR 2 PERSONS

10x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO THE TREETOP ADVENTURE FOR 2 PERSONS

5x COMPLIMENTARY VOUCHERS TO THE HABITAT PENANG HILL FOR 2 PERSONS

COMPLIMENTARY GIFT SETS TO THE BENTONG FARM FOR 5 PERSONS
COMPLIMENTARY GIFT SETS TO FARM IN THE CITY FOR 5 PERSONS

Explore unique travel experiences

EVERY journey tells a story, and every story deserves a fresh start. As Parlo Tours celebrates its 50th anniversary this year, the travel company is rebuilding travel with heart by offering exclusive deals to help you find the perfect travel plan.

Experience the breathtaking beauty of China's Huanglong National Park, where the surreal and vibrant landscapes will leave you in awe.

The picturesque scenery of Hallstatt Village in Austria will make you feel as though you're stepping into a postcard.

Embark on an unforgettable adventure with Parlo Tours and explore the icy wonders of Lake Baikal in Russia.

Exclusive journeys, unique itineraries

> ***Adriatic:***
Experience the fun and excitement of oyster farming, dine in Bled Castle Restaurant – the cliff-perched Medieval castle with stunning views – and visit Plitvice Lakes National Park, a Unesco Natural World Heritage site and one of the largest and oldest national parks in Croatia.

> ***The Dolomites:***
Explore the stunning Dolomites in the Eastern Alps, like the renowned Tre Cime di Lavaredo mountains and Lake Misurina, the largest Alpine lake in the mountain range at 1.754m above sea level. Travellers can also visit Swarovski World to admire the sparkling creations of famous artists.

> ***South America:***
Visit three countries in the Western Hemisphere (Brazil, Argentina and Peru) and explore two New Wonders of the World – the iconic Christ the Redeemer statue and the Inca citadel, Machu Picchu. You can also discover the Perito Moreno glacier, one of the most beautiful in the world, with panoramic background views of the Andes.

> ***Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan:***
Learn unique and ancient Kazakh traditions and cultural activities at Huns Ethno Village near Almaty, and enjoy a spectacular show with specially trained hawks when you visit the nearby Falcon Farm.

> ***Southern Xinjiang:***
Explore the picturesque Panlong Ancient Road, one of the world's largest shifting-sand deserts at the Taklamakan Desert, and China's westernmost town, Kashgar City, which experiences the country's latest sunset.

Popular choices

> ***Switzerland:***
Excursion to the "Top of Europe" at Jungfraujoch and the Glacier 3000 peak, as well as hopping aboard the GoldenPass Panoramic Train and indulging in wine-tasting activities.

> ***Lake Baikal:***
Experience dog sledding and the icy kiss of the fabled Lake Baikal while creating lasting memories during an ice picnic lunch at Olkhon Island, with exclusive photo and video opportunities.

> ***Eastern Europe:***
Visit the Auschwitz concentration camp, experience the Vintage Car Tour in Prague and visit Austria's oldest village, Hallstatt.

> ***Spain and Portugal:***
Experience authentic Flamenco performances, enjoy the traditional social event of a mini bullfight at Finca El Castanar and visit the Alhambra Palace in Granada, a fortress that housed the Moorish monarchs.

> ***Morocco:***
Experience a 4x4 Jeep ride in the Sahara desert, marvel at the striking blue walls in Chefchaouen and visit the intricate "maze city" of Fes el-Bali.

> ***Caucasus:***
Visit the ninth-century Sevan Monastery, take an adventure ride to Mud Volcano and Mount Kazbegi, and visit the Gobustan National Park Museum and Gobustan Rock Art cultural landscape.

> ***Ningxia:***
Enjoy a one-night sailboat tent camping experience, a four-wheel-drive experience at Tengger Desert and other activities such as wine tasting and desert stargazing.

> ***Inner Mongolia:***
Delight in a specially arranged stay at the 5A-rated tourist spot, Xiangshawan Lotus Resort Hotel, with visits to the Ordos Grassland and Yellow River (Qin Jin) Grand Canyon.

> ***Kyushu Discovery:***
Watch wild dolphins from a cruise, explore the land of Japanese myths and legends at Takachiho Gorge and experience relaxation at the Obama Onsen foot bath and Beppu sand bath.

> ***Best of Korea:***
Explore Udo Island, the Aegibong Peace Ecological Park – situated in the only free zone on the Korean Peninsula – and watch the burlesque-styled Nanta Show, known for its comedic culinary antics, acrobatic feats and use of kitchen utensils as percussion instruments.

Experiences matter

Beyond simply revisiting your favourite destinations, Parlo Tours is curating enhanced experiences and deeper connections to make every journey more meaningful, enjoyable and personalised for travellers.

This is offered via personalised travel photography to capture breathtaking moments at destinations such as the Dolomites, Lake Baikal and Tibet.

Adding to the enjoyment is the inclusion of immersive activities like getting hands-on with DIY Korean chilli paste, trying on a traditional Hanbok in Korea, enjoying seasonal fruit-picking in Japan, painting your own Russian nesting doll and indulging in wine-tasting experiences.

English-speaking tour in China

Travellers can experience an exclusive English-speaking tour in China, where they can step into history on the ancient path of the legendary Silk Road and explore the cultural treasures of Xi'an.

Travellers can also embrace nature's magic and be awed by the beauty of Jiuzhaigou's crystal-clear lakes, Zhangjiajie's ski-high sandstone columns, the wild charm of Northern Xinjang and the serene landscapes of Yunnan.

For urban-inspired adventurers, travellers can explore the dynamic vibes of Chengdu and Chongqing, where tradition meets modern flair.

Travel your way with Flexi-Go

For those who prefer a more flexible travel experience, Parlo Tours' Flexi-Go packages offer free and easy ground arrangements across South-East Asia, Australasia and beyond.

Luxury on the high seas

Set sail on an international luxury cruise with Royal Caribbean and experience entertainment, activities and relaxation like never before.

Parlo Tours offers a variety of airfare promotions, free-and-easy ground tours and affiliations with Europamundo Vacations.

Don't miss out on these incredible offers – your dream vacation is just a visit away!

Exclusive travel deals at MATTA Fair

Visit Parlo Tours at MATTA Fair 2025, held at Malaysia International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MITEC) from April 18-20.

Parlo Tours is located at Booth 2A13 on Level 2.

Visitors are encouraged to drop by and grab exclusive travel deals with savings of up to RM5,000 per couple, with limited-edition gifts.

Whether you're planning a leisure vacation, family holiday or an adventurous expedition, Parlo Tours is ready to help you find the perfect travel plan.

■ For more information, call 03-2726 6088 or visit *www.parlotours.com.my*

Take in the mesmerising autumn hues of Naejangsan National Park in South Korea.

Experience the vibrant beauty of Shibazakura blossoms in Hokkaido, with the iconic Japanese torii adding a touch of cultural elegance.

Jet set for less with the best deals

THIS weekend, your adventure awaits at MATTA Fair 2025. From April 18 to 20, travel enthusiasts and holiday seekers are welcomed to the Malaysia International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MITEC) in Kuala Lumpur for the largest travel fair in Malaysia. Don't miss out on the excitement of MATTA Fair 2025!

And guess who's back with even bigger and better deals? None other than Apple Vacations, one of Malaysia's top tour operators, renowned for its exceptional service and curated travel experiences. This year, Apple Vacations returns to MATTA Fair with a showcase of premium travel packages across Asia, Europe, Africa, Australia, and even high-seas adventures.

The booth will be packed with exclusive promotions, value-added freebies and limited-time offers, including:

> Early-bird discounts of up to RM4,000 per couple

> Exclusive premium luggage giveaways for customers who place deposits (T&Cs apply)

> Free consultation from experienced travel consultants

> Tour previews, updates and deals streamed live on Facebook for remote fans

Fly direct, explore more

Apple Vacations will highlight their highly sought-after charter flight tours – especially to Japan and China – perfect for those who want to avoid connecting flights and spend more time enjoying their destination.

For Japan lovers, look out for Apple Vacations' long-running charter flights to Hokkaido and Tohoku, where winter wonderlands await.

Think powdery ski slopes, relaxing open-air hot springs, fresh seafood markets, and iconic snow festivals.

These trips are a dream come true for snow lovers, families, and onsen enthusiasts – but they sell out fast, so early booking at MATTA Fair is a must.

Also in the spotlight is their latest Urumqi charter flight series, offering three immersive routes through Xinjiang – Northern Xinjiang, Southern Xinjiang and the Silk Road.

This part of China offers jaw-dropping landscapes that shift between sun-scorched deserts, ancient Silk Road towns and snow-capped alpine lakes.

The region's cultural richness and scenic variety make it a must-visit and the convenience of direct flights makes it even more attractive.

Autumn vibes and visa-free delights

As we move into the second half of the year, travellers can also start planning for Apple's signature autumn departures to Japan, South Korea and China.

These destinations are especially popular now, thanks to relaxed visa-free travel policies that are driving a new tourism boom.

Imagine strolling under crimson-red beech trees in Shirakawa-go, Japan, capturing golden blooms in Jeju Island, South Korea or wandering the amber forests of Hemu Village in China's Xinjiang during the peak of fall foliage.

With comfortably cool temperatures and vibrant landscapes, these destinations are ideal for honeymooners, photographers and family travellers alike.

Discover the charm of Reine, a quaint fishing village on Norway's Lofoten Islands, where stunning landscapes and tranquil waters offer the ultimate retreat.

Looking beyond Asia – worldwide wonders await

For travellers ready to go further, Apple Vacations offers unforgettable journeys across Europe, Africa and Australia.

Nature lovers will be thrilled with the chance to visit the Swiss Alps or Alaska's icy fjords, while those drawn to wildlife can embark on a safari through Kenya, where they might spot the iconic Big Five roaming the savannah.

For something totally unique, the Australian Outback offers surreal desert landscapes and Aboriginal cultural experiences under starlit skies.

Cruises of a lifetime

Apple Vacations is also making waves with their extensive cruise packages.

Whether you're a first-time cruiser or a seasoned sailor, there's something to float your boat:

> Disney Cruises sailing from Singapore in 2026 – a dream come true for families

> Princess Cruises to Alaska, Scandinavia and the Caribbean

> Eco-conscious voyages with Havila Cruises

> Global peace and cultural learning aboard Peace Boat, a one-of-a-kind cruise around the world

Cruises offer the perfect blend of relaxation, luxury and sightseeing – all in one floating resort. And with Apple Vacations' expertise, you're in good hands from port to port.

Muslim-friendly tours

Apple Vacations proudly caters to Muslim travellers with thoughtfully planned Muslim-friendly tours.

These include halal meals, prayer-friendly accommodations and itineraries considerate of religious obligations.

Popular routes include Japan, South Korea and even Kazakhstan, where stunning landscapes meet Islamic heritage.

A journey for every traveller

Whether you're planning a fun-filled family holiday, a romantic escape for two, a solo adventure, or a relaxing getaway with friends, Apple Vacations has the perfect package for you.

With thoughtfully crafted itineraries for all ages and travel styles – from cultural explorers to nature lovers – every journey promises comfort, excitement and unforgettable memories.

So don't miss out – visit Apple Vacations at MATTA Fair 2025 to explore the best in travel deals, destinations and once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

■ Visit Apple Vacations' booth at 2J01, Hall 7 and 8, Level 2 at MITEC from April 18 to 20, call 03-2705 8299 or check out the full range of tours at *www.applevacations.my*

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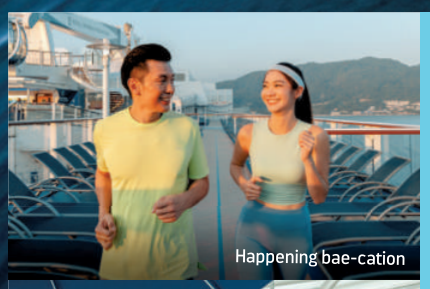
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Singapore Departures
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Dec 8, 15, 18, 21
2026 Jan 5, 16, 19, 26
Feb 2, 9, 12, 15, Mar 3, **6**, 9
Port-of-call **Penang**
FROM **RM1488*** After discounts

4-NIGHT PENANG & PHUKET GETAWAY
Singapore Departures
2025 Oct 23, 30, Nov 6, 13, 20, 30
Dec 4, 11, 24
2026 Jan 8, 12, 22, 29
Feb **5**, 23, 27, Mar 12
Ports-of-call **Penang, Phuket**
FROM **RM2188*** After discounts

5-NIGHT SPICE OF SOUTHEAST ASIA
Singapore Departures
2026 Feb **18**
Ports-of-call
Penang, Phuket (Overnight)
FROM **RM3288*** After discounts

8-NIGHT BALI ADVENTURE
Singapore Departures
2025 Dec **28**
Ports-of-call
Celukan Bawang, Benoa, Lombok
FROM **RM5288*** After discounts

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2025 Jun **4**
Port-of-call **Nagasaki**
FROM **RM2088*** After discounts

4-NIGHT FUKUOKA GETAWAY
Shanghai Departures
2025 May 10, Jun **15**
Port-of-call **Fukuoka**
FROM **RM1988*** After discounts

4-NIGHT OKINAWA GETAWAY
Shanghai Departures
2025 May 14, **27**, 31
Port-of-call **Okinawa (Naha)**
FROM **RM1888*** After discounts

5-NIGHT JAPAN GETAWAY
Shanghai Departures
2025 May **5**$^{-+}$, **18**$^{+-}$, Jun 19$^{-\#}$, 24$^{+\#}$
Ports-of-call
Kumamoto^{+}, Nagasaki$^{\#}$, Kagoshima^{-}
FROM **RM2088*** After discounts

7-NIGHT JAPAN ADVENTURE
Shanghai Departures
2025 Jun **8**
Ports-of-call
Kobe (Overnight), Osaka, Tokyo (Yokohama)
FROM **RM5188*** After discounts

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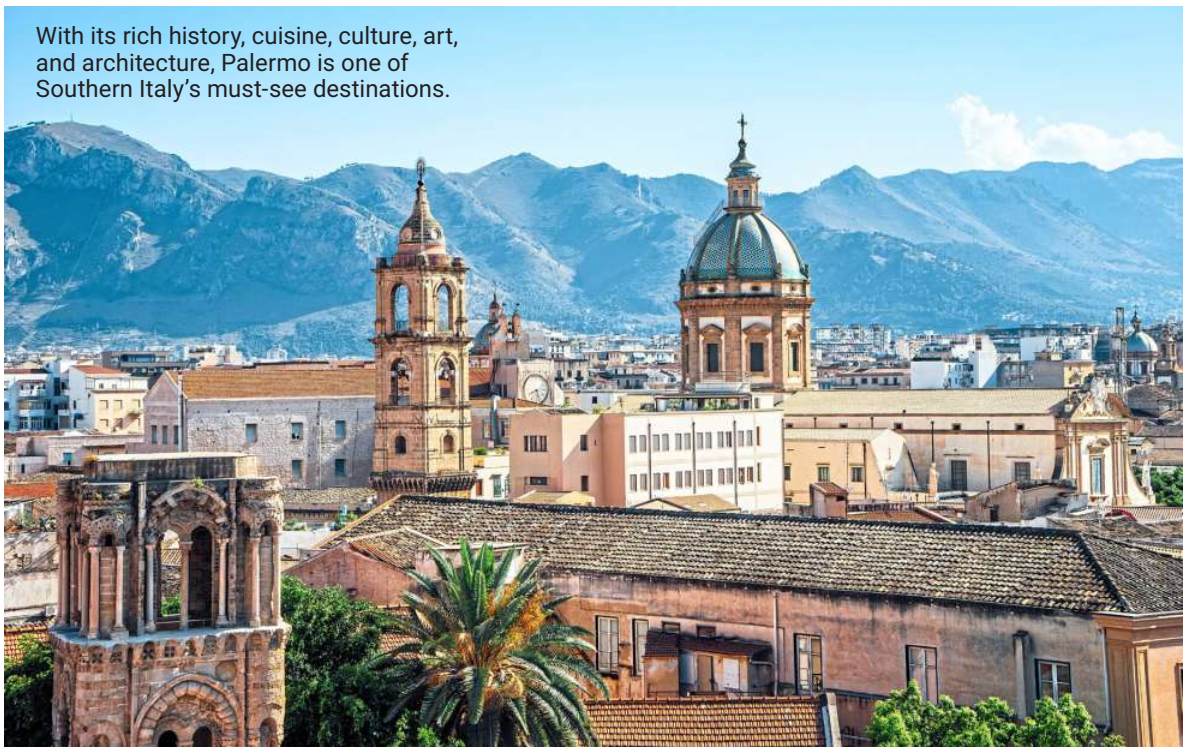
*Prices quoted are in Malaysia ringgit and are based only on the cruise fare. Taxes, gratuities and port fees of RM510 to RM1950 apply to all guests and are subject to change. All above prices are after discounts based on the lowest promotional category of the featured departure dates per person on a twin-sharing basis. **ADDITIONAL 5% OFF 1ST AND 2ND GUEST:** Offer provides additional 5% off cruise fares for first and second guest on balcony and below stateroom bookings for Ovation of the Seas sailings departing on or from 9 Oct 2025 to 12 Mar 2026, excluding sailing dates 24 Dec 2025, 18 and 23 Feb 2026. Valid for new bookings only from 17 to 22 April 2025. **ADDITIONAL USD100 ONBOARD CREDIT:** Offer provides additional USD100 onboard credit per stateroom for Spectrum of the Seas sailings departing from 5 May to 9 Dec 2025, excluding sailing dates 14 Sep, 1, 25 Oct and 23 Nov 2025. Valid for new bookings only from 17 to 22 April 2025. **3RD AND 4TH GUEST FREE:** Offer provides free cruise fare only for third and fourth guests for Spectrum of the Seas sailings departing on or from 5 May to 24 Jun 2025, Valid for new bookings only from 17 to 22 April 2025. **2ND GUEST AT 60% OFF:** Offer applies to Ovation of the Seas sailings departing on or from 9 Oct 2025 to 12 Mar 2026 and 17 Apr 2026. Applicable for second guest booked in the same stateroom and only applies for selected staterooms. **KIDS CRUISE FREE:** Offer provides free cruise fare only for third and fourth guest who are 12 years old or younger on Ovation of the Seas sailings departing on or from 9 Oct 2025 to 12 Mar 2026 and 17 Apr 2026, excluding sailing dates 24 Dec 2025 and 15 to 18 Feb 2026. **5% SENIORS' SPECIAL:** Offer provides additional 5% discount to the cruise fare only for first and second guests who are 55 years old or above on Ovation of the Seas sailings departing on or from 9 Oct 2025 to 12 Mar 2026 and 17 Apr 2026. Taxes, gratuities, port fees and expenses are additional and applicable to all guests. All the above information is correct at time of print, subject to availability and change without prior notice. Port location may vary according to sail date. Other terms apply. For more information, please visit www.RoyalCaribbean.com.



With its rich history, cuisine, culture, art, and architecture, Palermo is one of Southern Italy's must-see destinations.

Top picks for global exploration

Explore the Unesco-listed Mont-Saint-Michel in France's Normandy region and delve into the rich history of its striking hilltop abbey.

Croatia's Plitvice Lakes National Park, a Unesco World Heritage site, is filled with breathtaking lakes, cascading waterfalls and scenic trails.

Journey to the heart of Peru and uncover the ancient secrets of Machu Picchu, one of the Seven Wonders of the World, with Trafalgar's South American tour.

MALAYSIAN travellers are setting their sights on some of the most captivating destinations around the globe.

According to 2025 booking patterns of Trafalgar customers in Malaysia, there is immense interest in perennial favourites in Europe alongside up-and-coming destinations such as South America.

This MATTA Fair, Malaysian travellers can explore these top destinations and more with Trafalgar and its sister brands and enjoy diverse and enriching experiences on their holidays.

MATTA Fair exclusive savings and early bird rebates are up for grabs over the travel fair period.

Here are the top five destinations that are capturing the hearts and imaginations of Malaysian adventurers, as identified by European Expert, Trafalgar.

Croatia

Croatia's stunning Adriatic coastline, historic towns, and beautiful islands make it a top pick for Malaysian travellers.

Dubrovnik, known as the "Pearl of the Adriatic," offers a glimpse into medieval history with its well-preserved city walls.

The Plitvice Lakes National Park, with its cascading waterfalls and lush greenery, is a natural wonder.

Experience Croatia's blend of cultural heritage and natural wonders, and meet friendly locals like Matea Botaro to gain a deep appreciation for Croatian hospitality as you enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest experience on Trafalgar's 11 Day Balkan Delight.

Spain and Portugal

Spain continues to be a favourite among Malaysians. What's not to love? From the architectural wonders of Barcelona and the historic streets of Madrid to the flamenco rhythms of Seville and the beaches of San Sebastian in the north, Spain offers a diverse range of experiences.

The country's culinary delights, including tapas and paella, add to its allure. Spain is visited together with its equally charming neighbour Portugal.

A captivating 13-day journey awaits on Trafalgar's "Highlights of Spain and Portugal" tour. Starting and ending in Madrid, you'll explore iconic landmarks like the Alhambra Palace in Granada, Seville Cathedral, the pilgrimage centre of Fatima, and the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon.

The tour includes a special "Be My Guest" experience at a family-run stud farm in Alentejo, offering unique insights into local customs and traditions.

Italy

See a different side of Italy and experience the allure of the south of Italy. Trafalgar's 10-day Southern Italy and Sicily tour starts in Rome and ends in Palermo, taking you through iconic sites like Pompeii, the idyllic Isle of Capri and the cobbled streets of Erice in western Sicily, a famous hilltop medieval town with stunning views of the sea.

France

Discover the charm of France reminiscent of the elegance seen in classic French films. The 13-day Best of France tour begins and ends in Paris, taking guests through iconic sites like the Eiffel Tower, the Pont du Gard, and the glamorous French Riviera.

You'll explore the historic streets of Lyon, the sun-kissed charm of St Tropez, and the royal splendour of Monaco.

The tour includes Trafalgar's signature "Be My Guest" experience at a family-owned farm near the famous Chateau de Villandry.

And with Trafalgar's "Stays with Stories", our guests will step back in time experiencing exceptional moments staying at the regal 16th and 17th century Chateau de Beauvois.

South America

Beautiful people and equally stunning scenery, colour and culture – expect nothing less on Rio's gorgeous beaches, your launch pad to a South American tour through vibrant capitals, national parks, and the Inca heart of Peru.

See the must-see sights including Machu Picchu and the massive Iguassu Falls. Experience the beauty of tango, meet a master Quechua weaver, and visit a family-run gaucho ranch for an energising event of food, drink, music, dance, and horseback riding demonstrations, all on Trafalgar's 16 Day South America Revealed.

As you plan your travels for 2025, take advantage of the exciting promotions available this MATTA Fair. Enjoy up to 25% off per person, RM600 flight rebate per couple, and RM250 MATTA bonus rebate per couple.

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Magical escapades across icy frontiers

GOLDEN Tourworld Travel (GTT) looks northward with three tour destinations where you, as a traveller, can have the chance to view a spectacle unique to the polar regions: auroras.

Its packages to Iceland, Europe – specifically Scandinavia – and Russia, will give Malaysians opportunities to experience a northern exposure.

Explore the Vatnajokull Glacier for stunning views and spectacular vistas.

Iceland

GTT's two packages to Iceland span 12D/9N – a summer package starting June 3, Sept 23 and Oct 12 , while for winter, Nov 4. Both will fly British Airways (BA) to Reykjavik, Iceland, via London, United Kingdom, from KLIA.

The summer itinerary highlights a guided hike on Iceland's largest ice cap, the Vatnajokull Glacier, for unique and breathtaking vistas.

Other visits include an amphibian boat tour in Jokulsarlon Lagoon, viewing basalt rock columns of Studlagil Canyon and the Gullfoss waterfall, among other attractions.

The winter programme also visits Vatnajokull, this time for a glacial cave tour. Other attractions are whale watching at Husavik, soaking in the geothermal waters of the Sky Lagoon and visiting the popular tourist stopover of a DC-3 plane crash site, among others.

Scandinavia and the Arctic

These three packages bring travellers to encounter the Arctic and all its wonders. Fly Emirates from KLIA to Oslo, Sweden, via Dubai, United Arab Emirates, before heading up north to Kirkenes, then Vardo and Utsjoki in Norway and Finland for these 10D/8N packages.

Highlights of GTT's Scandinavian Aito package will take you to the Kirkenes Snow Hotel, a sustainable king crab factory visit in Vardo, where you will dine Michelin-style with star chef Tor Sivertsen serving up Viking Sushi and king crab lunch. Enjoy a reindeer sleigh ride, a jaunt to Santa Claus Village in Rovaniemi, Finland, and more.

Your stay in Aito Igloo and Spa Resort comes with a lake-side view, with a sauna hut visit and thermal suite facility visit, also riding a husky sled through the Lapp wilderness.

The Arctic Kelo package visits the same spots at the above and more – but will also include a stay in the Kelo-Glass Igloo, where, if conditions allow, you can behold the Northern Lights.

The Aito-Sampo package also includes the Aito highlights, except the Kelo-Glass Igloo stay. It however, swaps that for the Sampo Arctic Icebreaker cruise through frozen Arctic waters.

The itinerary for Scandinavia starts on Sept 11 and Oct 8, for the Arctic it is Dec 11 and 15, while for Aito-Sampo cruise, the dates are Dec 29 and Jan to Feb 2026.

Russia

GTT's planned trip to Russia is considered the most value-for-money of its trip as it integrates the sights and experiences that still gives you the Arctic feel.

For 10D/7N you will fly from KLIA to Moscow via Dubai on Emirates Airlines, then to Murmansk up north and

Brave the Arctic chill and float in icy waters on the Sampo cruise in the Gulf of Bothnia.

Teriberka – considered the last village on the Earth just 20° off the North Pole and considered the most Instagrammable village in Russia.

Some of the activities to look forward to are a visit to Russia's largest departmental store GUM and Manezh Square mall in Moscow. In Murmansk, visit Europe's indigenous Saami tribe in their village and experience reindeer-sleigh and husky-sled rides, as well as a chance to zoom on snowmobiles.

Take a cable car ride up the top of Mount Aykuaivenchor for a chance to sight the Northern Lights above the surrounding Khibiny mountains. For dog lovers, you will love the visit to a Husky Park.

At St Petersburg, history buffs can make an excursion to Peterhof for the Grand Palace, commissioned by Peter the Great as a response to the Palace of Versailles in France, then to Pushkin for Catherine the Great's palace, among many other attractions.

This package is available for December 2025 through to February 2026.

■ For more information, visit GTT at booths 2N-01, on Level 2 Hall 8 at MATTA Fair, April 18-20, 10am to 9pm.

By staying alert and prepared, you can fully enjoy the adventures a big city offers while minimising risks.

Street-smart tips for trips abroad

WHEN visiting a large city, safety should always be a top priority. To ensure you have a memorable and secure trip, keep these essential tips in mind.

By staying aware and prepared, you can fully enjoy all the adventures a big city has to offer while minimising risks.

Plan your excursions wisely

Every city has specific areas where extra awareness is beneficial and should be approached with caution. Familiarise yourself with these locations on your map for a safer experience.

Ask the concierge at your hotel or friendly locals at a cafe for helpful insights.

Blend in seamlessly

Avoid carrying large, obvious tourist items or wearing clothing that clearly marks you as a visitor. Opt for attire similar to what the locals wear.

Keep your hotel card for safety

Grab a business card from your hotel – it's a simple way to avoid confusion. If you ever feel lost or uneasy, just show it to a taxi driver and get back safely, no mix-ups with similar-sounding hotels.

Avoid "off the beaten track"

The friendly stranger promising unbeatable deals might be genuine or leading you into a trap.

Avoid shortcuts and steer clear of isolated areas. If it's out of public view, it's not worth the risk.

Keep your cash out of sight

Withdraw cash from an ATM in discreet locations and store it in different places – your money belt, a pocket, or a hidden pouch.

This way, if you do fall victim to pickpocketing, you'll only lose a portion of your cash.

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Royal Caribbean International will homeport Ovation of the Seas in Singapore for the 2025-2026 season.

Cruise into adventure and relaxation

RENOWNED cruise line Royal Caribbean International has unveiled its much-anticipated plans for Singapore's 2025-2026 cruise season, and they're shining the spotlight on *Ovation of the Seas*.

This extraordinary vessel blends the thrill of adventure with the luxury of a world-class resort, promising an experience that's nothing short of unforgettable.

From October 2025 to March 2026, this award-winning Quantum Class ship will set sail on a thoughtfully curated selection of three- to eight-night itineraries across South-East Asia, inviting travellers to rediscover the region's most enchanting destinations.

Ovation of the Seas boasts thrilling experiences like the FlowRider surf simulator, alongside a host of other exciting attractions.

Guests can enjoy panoramic sea views from the North Star, a jewel-shaped capsule on board Ovation of the Seas.

Short and sweet

Shorter three- and four-night getaways offer a taste of the region's vibrancy.

Explore Penang's historical architecture and the street food scene in the heart of George Town, a Unesco World Heritage Site, or head to Phuket for its picturesque beaches.

For a longer escape, extended sailings beckon – like a five-night cruise with an overnight in Phuket to explore its lively night markets. Alternatively, opt for an eight-night escape to Indonesia, offering a blend of culture and adventure amid the waterfalls and temples of Celukan Bawang in Bali, and the natural beauty of Lombok.

"*Ovation* is a ship packed full of adventure, and with the new season's line-up of holidays, friends and families can choose to holiday their way between short getaways to Penang and Phuket and longer sailings to Indonesia or with nights out in Phuket," said Royal Caribbean International senior vice-president Angie Stephen.

"Singapore is the gateway to explore many of Asia's most loved destinations, and it's the combination of all the region has to offer and the unparalleled Royal Caribbean experiences that has made South-East Asia a central part of tens of thousands of memorable holidays over the course of 15-plus years. And that will only continue for years to come," she added.

Ship of wonders

Life aboard *Ovation of the Seas* is an invitation to explore, unwind, and indulge. For those craving jaw-dropping views, the North Star – a jewel-shaped glass capsule that rises 300 feet above sea level, offers breathtaking panoramic vistas.

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Pack smart for optimal comfort

IF you're planning a truly relaxing getaway, here are a few things to keep in mind while packing.

Avoid packing new items

Steer clear of packing anything new, as it can invite Murphy's Law of Travel: if something can go wrong, it likely will. For instance, new shoes might give you blisters, and that new blouse could turn see-through when the temperature rises. Wear each item at least once before adding it to your luggage bag.

Always pack a hat

A soft hat will keep you warm if temperatures suddenly drop and cool if the sun comes out. Plus, it's a great way to hide messy hair if you haven't found a good hairdresser.

Buy a universal adapter before your trip

Purchase a universal adapter before you travel – because if you wait, you'll end up hunting one down in a tiny shop miles away. And remember to pack your camera and phone chargers, too.

Bring a reusable water bottle

Locals know where to find affordable water, but in touristy areas, you might end up paying a premium. Save money and stay hydrated by carrying a bag with a clip to keep your bottle handy and hassle-free.

Pack a small first aid kit

Include a few adhesive bandages, antiseptic cream, muscle relief ointment, anti-diarrhoea medication, and pain relievers – these items can be real lifesavers.

Keep in mind that bringing medications to foreign countries can be complicated, so make sure to keep everything in its original packaging and check the rules on what's allowed at your destination.

Enjoy exceptional dining and entertainment onboard

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When it comes to indulging in food, *Ovation of the Seas* offers guests a gastronomical adventure with over 20 eateries to choose from.

Enjoy casual favourites like Sorrento's Pizza and SeaPlex Dog House, or indulge in elevated fare at Wonderland, the Japanese-fusion favourite Izumi, and the seaside-inspired charm of Fish & Ships.

As night falls, the ship transforms into a hub of world-class entertainment. At Two70 – a multi-level venue fusing live performance with state-of-the-art technology, guests are immersed in productions that blend aerial artistry and robotics into a truly spectacular show.

More adventures await

South-East Asia dazzles with its rich culture and natural beauty, but just as enticing is Royal Caribbean International's action-packed 2026-2027 cruise season.

Setting sail from Shanghai and Hong Kong, *Spectrum of the Seas* will offer two-to-nine-night getaways to some of Asia's most iconic destinations, including Tokyo, Osaka, Mount Fuji, Okinawa, Nagoya, and Hakodate in Japan; Busan and Jeju in South Korea, as well as Da Nang and Hue in Vietnam.

The adventure begins in China from May 2026, with bookings for these newly announced sailings now open on Royal Caribbean's website.

Ready to set sail on your adventures? Head to the MATTA Fair at MITEC from April 18-20 to discover a world of possibilities with Royal Caribbean International as their sales representatives highlight an array of exciting offerings at these designated booths:

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