EXPLORE PENANG

Best places to visit

Seven memorable stops for heritage, hillside views, coastal scenery and family adventure.

1 George Town heritage area

CULTURE / STREET ART / LOCAL FOOD

Wander through historic streets, discover murals and traditional shops, and make time for a local hawker meal. A great starting point for your visit.

Suggested visit: Half a day

2 Penang Hill (Bukit Bendera)

SCENERY / NATURE

Ride the funicular to cooler surroundings and panoramic island views. Go early for a more relaxed start and leave time to explore the hilltop.

Suggested visit: 3-4 hours

3 Kek Lok Si Temple

ARCHITECTURE / CULTURE

Explore the impressive Buddhist temple complex in Air Itam, known for its pagoda, statues and hillside setting. Wear respectful clothing.

Suggested visit: 1-2 hours

4 Clan Jetties

WATERFRONT / HERITAGE

Walk along the waterfront settlements for a different perspective on George Town. These are living communities, so respect residents and private areas.

Suggested visit: 45-60 minutes

START HERE

For a first trip, prioritise George Town, Penang Hill and Kek Lok Si for a balanced introduction to the island.

Coast, nature & adventure

Add a beach evening, a rainforest outing or a full day of family fun.

5 Batu Ferringhi

BEACH / SUNSET

Enjoy a relaxed seaside evening and sunset views when the weather is clear. It pairs well with a leisurely day exploring the north coast.
Suggested visit: 2-3 hours

6 Penang National Park

RAINFOREST / HIKING

Discover coastal rainforest and nature trails at Teluk Bahang. Check current trail access and park requirements before setting out; carry water and suitable shoes.

Suggested visit: Half a day

7 ESCAPE Penang

FAMILY / OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Set aside a full day for outdoor adventure and water attractions in Teluk Bahang. Check current tickets and activity requirements before booking.
Suggested visit: Full day

Your suggested two-day itinerary

Day 1: George Town heritage streets in the morning, a local lunch, then the Clan Jetties in the afternoon.

Day 2: Penang Hill in the morning, followed by Kek Lok Si in the afternoon. Keep the evening flexible.

Have more time? Add Batu Ferringhi for sunset, or reserve a separate day for ESCAPE or the national park.

Planning notes

Visit durations are planning estimates and exclude travel and queues. Check official opening hours, ticket prices and weather before travelling.

Visitor information: mypenang.gov.my | penanghill.gov.my | PERHILITAN
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