

TOURIST TRAVEL GUIDE

STAYING SAFE AS A TRAVELLER IN MALAYSIA

Tourists flock from all over the world to visit our beautiful country, Malaysia. While most will leave for home with wonderful memories, cases of unfortunate incidences are not uncommon, yet they are not inevitable either. As tourists make for easy targets for street crimes (they tend to stand out and carry large amounts of cash); keeping these tips in mind could help you avoid potentially bad situations.



PRIVACY IS KING

Keep your itinerary and accommodation details safe where strangers have no access. But do leave a copy with a trusted friend or family member back home.



MAKE USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Download useful travel and taxi apps such as MyTeksi (www.mytekxi.com) or Taximonger (www.taximonger.com) for safer and hassle-free journeys.



DIGITALISE YOUR PASSPORT

Take a picture of your passport or other important documents. In the event that you lose these, you'll have a back-up in your phone to rely on.



SAY 'NO' TO FANNY PACKS

Not only are they a fashion no-no, they're too easily accessible by thieves. Use a money belt instead; hide it under your clothes so it lies flat against your body.



LOCALS KNOW BEST

Consult the hotel staff on the safety in your area and ask for directions beforehand. Knowing your bearings helps you be alert of your surroundings.



DO A HEADCOUNT

Always keep an eye on your travel partners. Determine a safe place to meet beforehand in case someone gets lost, especially if travelling with children.



WALLETS FOR DIFFERENT OCCASIONS

Separate your money in 'dummy wallets', one for going out and another back in the hotel safe. Carry only what you need or split it with a travel partner.



EMERGENCY NUMBERS ON SPEED DIAL

Store the contact details and address of your relevant embassy or consulate in your phone, as well as the Kuala Lumpur Tourism Police – Hotline (HQ) +603 2149 6590, Enquiries +603 2149 6593.