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Langkawi - isle of enchantment

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#### MAIN ATTRACTIONS

**Cable Car:** Langkawi, for years, told the story of Mahsuri to all those who visited the island. Now, it has another tale - the story of Gunung Machinchang. Take the cable car ride to know more. From the peak, visitors will have a view of the whole island, Datai Peninsula, Andaman Sea and the southern Thai islands of Ko Terutai and the coastline of the southern Thai province of Satun.

**Eagle Square:** The square is Langkawi's most prominent landmark for visitors arriving by sea. Situated near Kuah jetty, the main attraction is the magnificent statue of a reddish brown eagle majestically poised for flight. According to folklore, Langkawi derived its name from the eagle or 'helang'. In old Malay, kawi is reddish brown. Langkawi means reddish brown eagle. The square is beautifully landscaped and features scenic ponds, bridges, covered terraces and restaurants.

**Galeria Perdana:** The gallery houses the awards, souvenirs and gifts received from world leaders, statesmen as well as Malaysians by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad. Dr Mahathir believes the collection belongs to the people of Malaysia and Government.

**Laman Padi Langkawi:** The history, heritage and development of padi growing are displayed here. It also functions as the industry's information and knowledge dissemination centre. Exhibits include artifacts, charts and photographs. Visitors have the opportunity to participate in padi planting.

**Makam Mahsuri:** This shrine was erected in honour of Mahsuri, a fair maiden who was unjustly accused of adultery. According to legend, she bled white blood at her execution as a sign of her innocence. In her dying breath, she laid a curse on the island that it would remain barren for seven generations.

**Air Hangat Village:** Another legend of a raging battle which resulted in a hot spring to be created.

**Underwater World Langkawi:** The marine showcase features both fresh and salt water fish and other forms of marine life. This is a must-see attraction.

**Oriental Village:** Overlooking the beautiful Burau Bay, the village is a unique shopping, cultural and culinary destination. It was designed to provide a new concept in resort duty-free shopping.

**Kampung Buku Malaysia:** This is the only book village in Southeast Asia, and is part of the International Book Villages and Book Towns movement.

**Pulau Payar Marine Park:** The marine park teems with a fascinating diversity of marine life.

**Tasik Dayang Bunting:** Nestled amidst lush forested hills on an island south of Langkawi, the Lake of Pregnant Maiden is the largest lake on the island. The outline of hills and rocky outcrops on one side of the lake resembles the shape of a pregnant woman lying on her back.