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**Gayana**  
Eco Resort



## THE SITUATION

- ☉ In East Malaysia, on Gaya Island, nestled on the edge of the Tunku Abdul Rahman Park, the resort is a 25-minute speed boat ride from Kota Kinabalu, the capital of Sabah. The Malaysia Kota Kinabalu Int'l Airport is 2.5 mi/4 km, 15 minutes from Sabah.
- ☉ Gaya, which has an area of 9.2 square kilometres, is the largest of the National Park islands and boasts 26 kilometres of coastline, which is peppered with beautiful bays and numerous sandy beaches with fine white sand. The island is completely covered with a natural coastal forest, which offers refuge to large variety of plants and animals
- ☉ Quietly, beneath the grandeur of this resort, lays remarkable marine life, home to giant clams and happy clownfish that greet delighted snorkelers and divers on daily excursions.

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

- ☉ The 52 villas on stilts are architecturally built in the traditional and charming Borneo architectural style, are strung along the shoreline, in the shallow waters of the bay. The resort encompasses 3 restaurants and bars, an infinity edge swimming pool, sports and fitness centre, boat house and a Spa.
- ☉ Striking the perfect balance of forward-thinking ecology and indulgent luxury, Gayana Eco Resort pampers both the body and the enlightened soul. At its heart, the resort is about protecting our precious Marine Ecology and the only property with an on-site Marine Ecology Research Centre passionately propagating endangered Giant Clams and restoring natural coral reefs; where guests of all ages participate in restoring vibrant life back to once damaged ocean floors.

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## THE VILLAS

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- ☞ Each of the outstanding 52 villas feature Frette linens, minibar, large showers, 24-hour room service, air-conditioning, complimentary bottled drinking water, LCD satellite television and DVD system, in-room safe, and complimentary WiFi Internet access .
- ☞ **12 Rainforest Villas** with jungle view: (57sqm): are equipped with one bedroom with king size or twin beds, a spacious bathroom decorated in a natural way has a large shower and toilets. Extend the large panoramic window over the balcony a little wider and allow the gentle cicadas lullaby you to sleep. They can accommodate a child or an adult in extra bed.
- ☞ **4 Mangrove Villas** overlooking the mangroves (67sqm): are equipped with one bedroom with king size or twin beds, a spacious bathroom decorated in a natural way has and a large shower and toilets. Offering delightful views from the balcony across the water to the rich tropical mangroves. They can accommodate a child or an adult in extra bed.
- ☞ **10 Lagoon Villas** with lagoon view (65sqm): are equipped with one bedroom with king size or twin beds, a spacious bathroom decorated in a natural way has and a large shower and toilets. From a cosy terrace, view of the beautiful resort, the Mt. Kinabalu or the turquoise waters and a stunning tropical sunset. They can accommodate a child or an adult in extra bed.
- ☞ **18 Ocean Villas** with sea view (76sqm): are equipped with one bedroom with king size or twin beds, a spacious bathroom decorated in a natural way has and a large shower and toilets. An additional attraction of this villa with a direct access to the sea is that breakfast can be delivered via catamaran and served on the terrace. The idyllic backyard of coral reefs and crystal clear waters cascading on the steps makes this suite in a class above the rest. They can accommodate a child or an adult in extra bed.
- ☞ **8 Palm Villas** with sea view (141 sqm): are located in a secluded cluster off the resort's main path, providing a remarkable view of the ocean. Constructed on stilts directly above the water, even equipped with stairs leading directly into the water. Two expansive living areas. The sanctuary, or main living area, is made especially for lounging, and features a glass floor that looks directly into the water. A generous bath with a large tub and a powerful rainshower. A private plunge pool and a daybed on the open deck.

## SOLACE SPA

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- ☞ The **Solace Spa** offers guests native-style massage with therapeutic herbs and aromatherapy oils taken from the depths of the virgin jungles and beyond. Using only renowned brands, the products used are environmentally friendly and perfect for all skin types. From the variety of vitamin-rich fruits and their anti-aging active ingredients, to the richness of marine-based minerals to render a youthful glow, everything is carefully designed to rejuvenate the body and calm the mind.
- ☞ With their high-thatched roofs reflecting the Borneo architectural style, each of the three dedicated spa suites contains private showers and step-up stone enclosed baths. Apart from massages and facials, highly trained therapists also offer reflexology, manicures, and pedicures in two spacious private rooms. The pre- and post-treatment relaxation room has expansive views out across the South China Sea and Mt. Kinabalu on the horizon.

## RESTAURANTS AND BARS

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- ☞ Guests will also benefit from the fresh fish and seafood from the resort's own organic fish farm, which is served in the excellent seafood restaurant "**ALU ALU**". Moreover, a delicious fusion cuisine and wood-oven pizzas in the poolside restaurant "**MACAC**", while the cosy "**LATITUDE LOUNGE**" serves cool cocktails and small snacks between meals to enjoy the sunset over the horizon.

## SERVICES, FACILITIES AND SPORTS

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- ☞ Business centre, concierge, boutique, private transfers from Airport by limo and speedboats, special honeymooners welcome, complimentary Marine Kids Club, Snorkelling, Kayaking, Paddle Boats, infinity pool.
- ☞ PADI dive centre: fully equipped for the needs of both the rank beginner right up to the experienced diver. Home to sea turtles, clown fish, giant groupers, coral fish, trigger fish, and many more colourful species.
- ☞ The MERC: An on-site facility that showcases the product of researches and conservation program efforts. Passionately propagating endangered Giant Clams and restoring vital natural coral reefs..

## LEISURE AND CULTURE

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- ☞ **NATURE WALKS:** to discover the trails of Gaya Island uncovers an exciting variety of tropical hardwood trees, herbs, animal habitats, and forest flowers. Home to hornbills, monkeys, lizards, and curious insects.
- ☞ Discover the local culture and heritage as authentic Borneo experience. Revel in the rich heritage and culture of indigenous tribes through storytelling sessions, culinary, handicraft and art classes or our varied guided activity excursions. The Gaya Street Sunday Fair, Lokawi Wildlife Park, Mari Mari Cultural Village, Rasaria Nature Reserve, Kinabalu National Park.