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Yogyakarta Travel Guide

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The History Of Yogyakarta

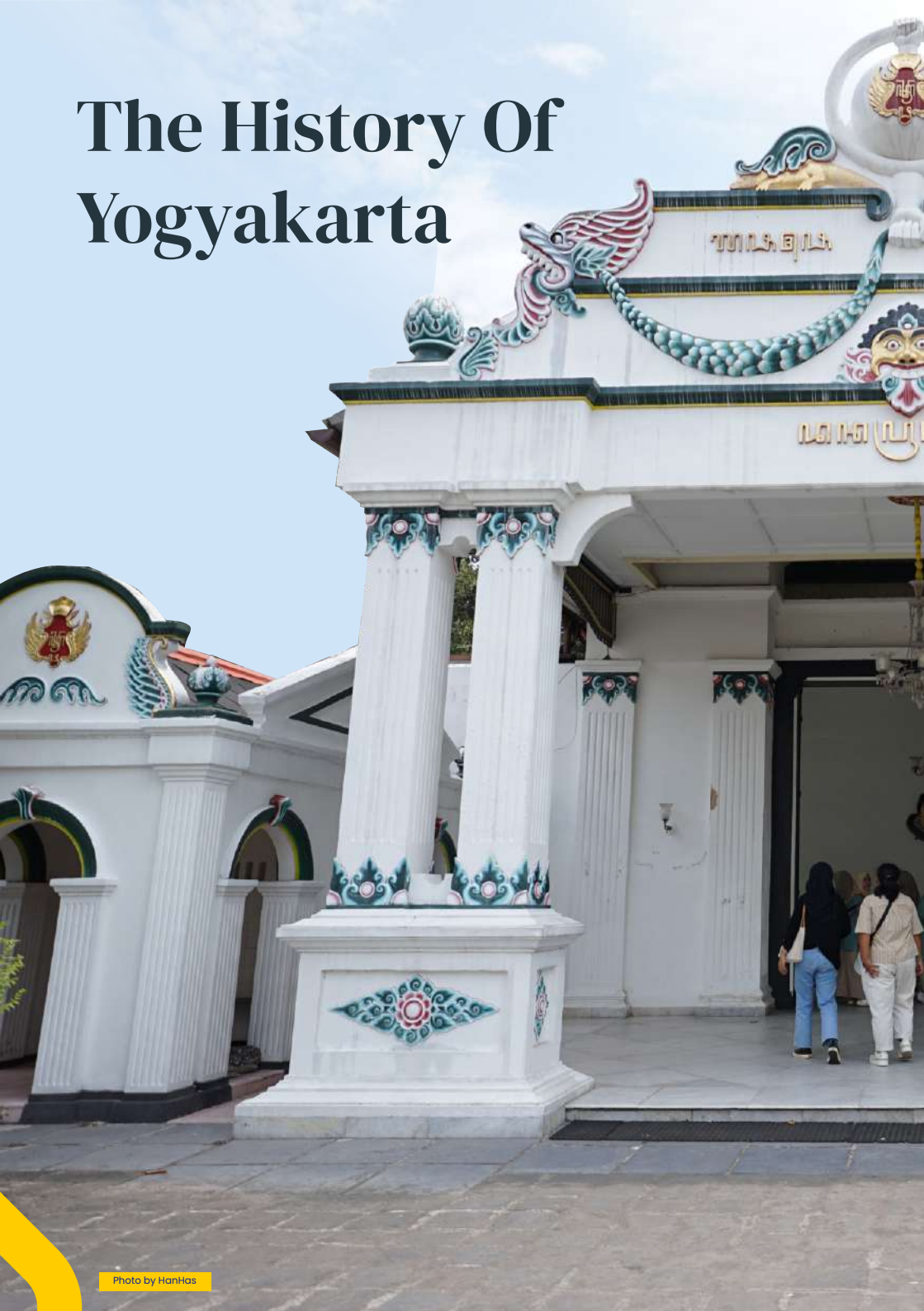






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The History Of Yogyakarta

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Yogyakarta's history is steeped in tradition and royal influence. Founded in 1755 by Sultan Hamengkubuwono I, it became the seat of the Yogyakarta Sultanate. Over the centuries, Yogyakarta has played a key role in Indonesia's cultural development, preserving Javanese traditions and royal customs that continue to shape the city today.

Founding & Royal Heritage



Photo of Sultan Hamengkubuwono X & Gusti Kanjeng Ratu Hemas

Yogyakarta's founding dates back to 1755 when Sultan Hamengkubuwono I signed a treaty with the Dutch East India Company. The agreement established Yogyakarta as the seat of the Sultanate of Yogyakarta, separate from the rest of Java, which was under Dutch control. This royal heritage is still evident in the city's architecture, arts, and the presence of the Sultanate's royal family, who remain influential figures today.





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Yogyakarta Now

Today, Yogyakarta is a modern city that has successfully integrated its rich cultural heritage with contemporary development. Despite rapid urbanization, the city has preserved its traditional Javanese lifestyle, making it a hub of arts, culture, and academia. Yogyakarta is also recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage list, the Yogyakarta Philosophy Axis is recorded with the name The Cosmological Axis of Yogyakarta and its Historic Landmarks.



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People of Yogyakarta

The people of Yogyakarta are known for their hospitality, warmth, and strong sense of community. The city has a unique cultural atmosphere that makes everyone feel at home. The population is predominantly Javanese, with a deep connection to the traditions of the Sultanate, which influences both everyday life and special ceremonies.

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CENTRAL JAVA PROVINCE
PURWOREJO REGENCY

CENTRAL JAVA PROVINCE
MAGELANG REGENCY

SLEMAN REGENCY

KULON PROGO REGENCY

BANTUL REGENCY

INDIAN OCEAN

LEGEND

Kabupaten / District	Kecamatan / Sub-district	Desa / Village	Batas Provinsi / Province Boundary	Batas Kabupaten / District Boundary	Jalan Raya / National Road	Jalan Provinsi / Provincial Road	Jalan Kabupaten / District Road	Jalan Lain / Other Road	Jalan Kereta Api / Railway	Sungai / River	Danau / Waduk / Lake / Water Reservoir
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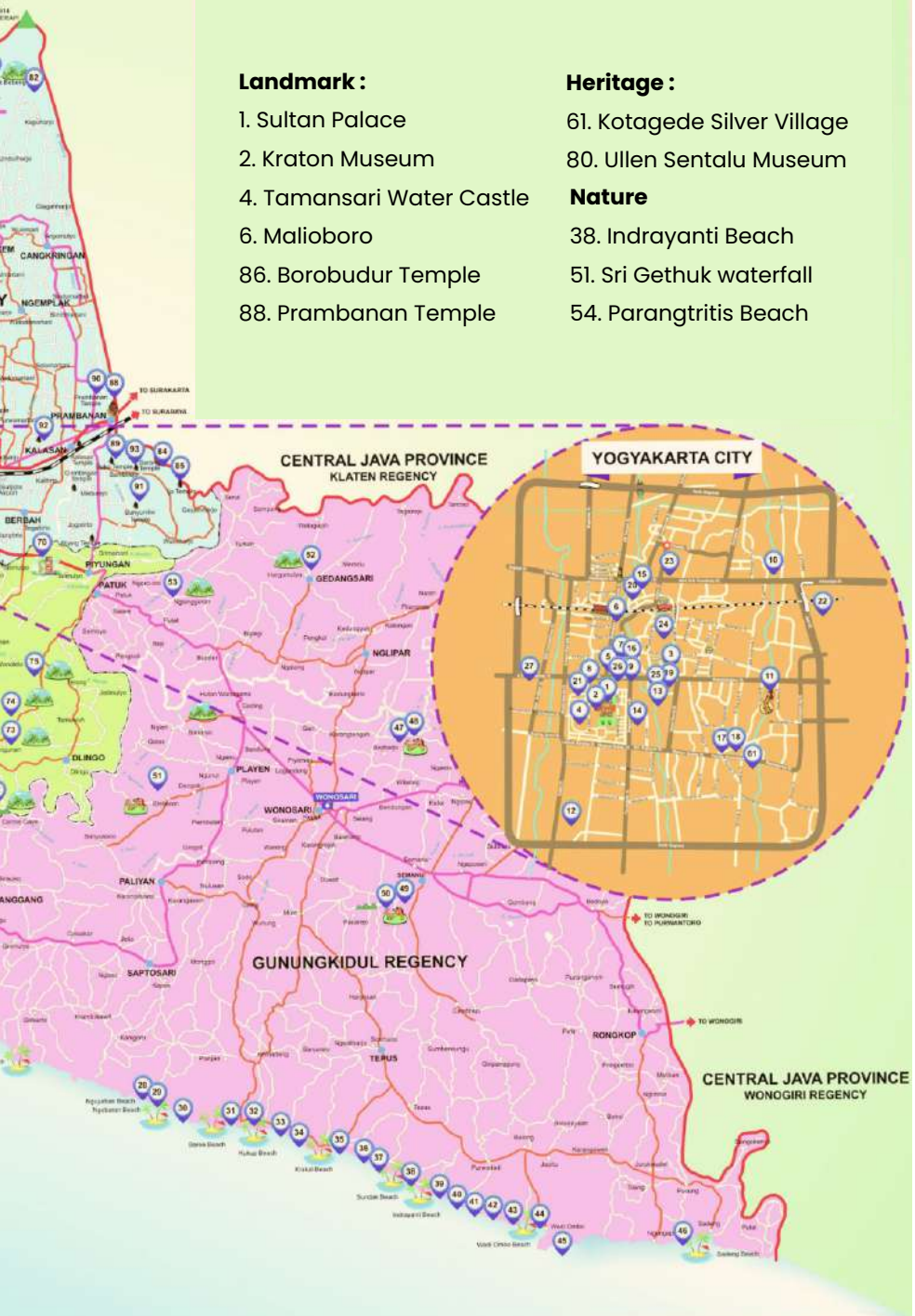
1. Sultan Palace
2. Kraton Museum
4. Tamansari Water Castle
6. Malioboro
86. Borobudur Temple
88. Prambanan Temple

Heritage :

61. Kotagede Silver Village
80. Ullen Sentalu Museum

Nature

38. Indrayanti Beach
51. Sri Gethuk waterfall
54. Parangtritis Beach



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Get To Know Yogyakarta







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Easy Way To Go To Yogyakarta

Writer : Ghama R | Bahrul | Chesya

For your information : Yogyakarta often called **Jogja, Yogya, and Jogjakarta.**

Jakarta To Yogyakarta

Air Transportation

- Direct flights are available from Soekarno-Hatta Airport (CGK) and Halim Perdanakusuma Airport (HLP) to Yogyakarta International Airport (YIA) and Adisucipto Airport (JOG). Flight duration is approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes.
- Airlines: Garuda Indonesia, Citilink, Lion Air, AirAsia, Batik Air.

Land Transportation

- **Train** : Routes from Gambir or Pasar Senen Train Stations to Tugu or Lempuyangan Train Stations in Yogyakarta. Executive trains such as Argo Lawu and Taksaka take around 6.5–7 hours.
- **Bus** : Executive and economy buses are available, with travel times of approximately 10–12 hours.
- **Private Vehicle** : Via the Trans-Java Toll Road, road travel takes around 8–10 hours.



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Bali (Denpasar) To Yogyakarta

Air Transportation

- Direct flights from Ngurah Rai International Airport (DPS) to YIA.
- **Flight duration** is approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- **Airlines** : Garuda Air, Lion Air, Citilink, Batik Air.

Land Transportation

Bus and Ferry: Travel from Denpasar via the land route (via Gilimanuk-Ketapang) takes approximately 18–20 hours to reach Yogyakarta.



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Bandung to Yogyakarta

Air Transportation

Direct flights from Husein Sastranegara Airport (BDO) to YIA take about 1 hour. However, flight availability can be limited.

Bus: The Bandung-Yogyakarta route takes 10–12 hours.

Land Transportation

Train: Executive trains such as Lodaya from Bandung Station to Tugu or Lempuyangan Stations, with a journey time of 7–8 hours.

Private Vehicle : Via the Cipali Toll Road and the Trans-Java Toll Road, road travel takes approximately 8–9 hours.



Surabaya to Yogyakarta

Air Transportation

- Direct flights from Juanda Airport (SUB) to YIA take about 1 hour.
- **Airlines:** Garuda Indonesia, Lion Air, Citilink.

Land Transportation

- **Train:** Trains like Sancaka run from Gubeng Station to Tugu or Lempuyangan Stations, with a travel time of about 5–6 hours.
- **Bus:** Bus trips take approximately 7–9 hours.
- **Private Vehicle :** Via the Trans-Java Toll Road, road travel takes around 5–6 hours.



Malang to Yogyakarta

Air Transportation

Direct flights from Abdul Rachman Saleh Airport (MLG) to YIA are available, but schedules are limited.

Land Transportation

- **Train:** Executive trains such as Malioboro Ekspres from Malang Station to Tugu or Lempuyangan Stations, with a travel time of 6–7 hours.
- **Bus:** Travel time via bus is approximately 8–10 hours.

Medan to Yogyakarta

Air Transportation

- Direct flights from Kualanamu International Airport (KNO) to YIA take approximately 3 hours.
- **Airlines:** Lion Air, Citilink, Batik Air.
- **Land Transportation**
- Land travel is rarely undertaken due to the long distance, which requires more than two days.



Airport Train



The Yogyakarta Airport Train connects Yogyakarta International Airport (YIA), located in Kulon Progo, to Tugu Yogyakarta Station in the city center. This train provides a fast and comfortable service for passengers traveling to or from Yogyakarta.

Route:

- **Departure:** Yogyakarta Airport Station (located inside YIA)
- **Destination:** Tugu Yogyakarta Station (the main station in the city center)

How to Access the Yogyakarta Airport Train from YIA to Yogyakarta City

Steps to access the Airport Train from YIA:

1. From YIA to the Airport Train Station:

- After arriving at Yogyakarta International Airport (YIA), head towards the Yogyakarta Airport Train Station, which is located about 10-15 minutes' walk from the main terminal.
- Clear signage will guide you to the train station, which is located in the airport area.
- At the station, you will find comfortable facilities such as ticket counters, automatic ticket machines, and waiting areas for passengers.

2. Book a Train Ticket:

- Tickets can be purchased in several ways: Official Apps: You can purchase tickets through official apps like KAI Access, or other ticket booking apps like Tiket.com or Traveloka.

- Ticket Counters and Machines: Tickets can also be bought directly from ticket counters or through automatic ticket machines at the YIA station.
- Ticket Price: The price of a one-way ticket are IDR 20,000 and IDR 50,000, depending on the service type and travel time.

3. Train Departure Schedule:

- The Yogyakarta Airport Train operates every day with regular departure intervals, usually every 30 minutes to 1 hour.
- The first train departs from Yogyakarta Airport Station around 04:30 AM, and the last train departs around 08:00 PM. It is advisable to check the latest schedule through the app or official website, as operating hours may vary.
- The travel time from Yogyakarta Airport Station to Tugu Yogyakarta Station is around 35-40 minutes.


4. On the Train

- After your ticket is validated, you can either wait in the waiting area or board the train directly.
- The Yogyakarta Airport Train is equipped with comfortable facilities, including air conditioning, clean seating, and convenient amenities for passengers.

5. Arriving at Tugu Yogyakarta Station


- Once you arrive at Tugu Yogyakarta Station, you will be in the city center of Yogyakarta, close to various hotels, restaurants, and famous tourist spots such as Malioboro.
- From this station, you can continue your journey to other destinations in Yogyakarta by taking a taxi, public transportation (angkot), or using ride-hailing services (such as Gojek).

Using The Kai Access App Procedure




1

Install KAI Access App in play store or app store




2

Log in the KAI Access and Choose "Airport"




3

Choose the origin "Yogyakarta International Airport" and destination "Yogyakarta" for the Yogyakarta Station




4

Choose the train according to the departure time.



5

Fill in your personal biodata



6

Choose Pay

Currency & Payment



Yogyakarta uses Indonesian Rupiah (IDR). Common banknotes are 1,000 to 100,000 IDR, and coins range from 100 to 1,000 IDR.

Cash Transactions

Cash is widely used, especially in traditional markets, small shops, street vendors, and local transport like becak. Smaller businesses may not accept electronic payments, so carry cash in smaller denominations.

ATMs & Banks

ATMs are common in tourist areas, malls, and convenience stores, and most accept international cards (Visa, MasterCard, Cirrus) for IDR withdrawals. Be aware of withdrawal limits and potential bank fees.

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Credit & Debit Cards

Major establishments accept credit and debit cards (Visa, MasterCard), but smaller shops often prefer cash.

Currency Conversion Tools

For current exchange rates to Indonesian Rupiah (IDR), use online tools like XE.com or mobile apps like Currency Converter to help ensure fair rates when exchanging currency.

Money Changers

In Yogyakarta, most money changers primarily handle popular currencies like USD, EUR, and SGD. Less common currencies, such as Czech koruna (CZK), may not be available. It's best to check in advance or convert to a more common currency before exchanging it to IDR. Some trusted locations for currency exchange in Yogyakarta include:

Scan to Visit
Money changer





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Weather In Yogyakarta

Yogyakarta enjoys a tropical climate, with temperatures ranging from 26°C (79°F) to 32°C (89°F) year-round, offering a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Here's what to expect:

- **Dry Season (April–October):** Sunny, less rain, ideal for outdoor activities.
- **Rainy Season (November–March)**
: Heavier rains, especially December– February.

Best Time to Visit

- **May–September:** Drier, cooler, and perfect for sightseeing.
- **Rainy Season:** Fewer tourists, quieter experience.

Travel Tips

- **Clothing:** Wear light, breathable cotton clothing, and use sunscreen.
- **Rain Gear:** Bring an umbrella or raincoat if visiting during the rainy season.
- **Hydration:** Carry water to stay hydrated, especially on hot afternoons.
- **Check Forecast:** Monitor weather updates to plan your outings.
- **Apply sunscreen :** even when it is cloudy

Temperature & Rainfall In Yogyakarta

2023	Temperature in Yogyakarta Municipality		Average Monthly Rainfall
	Average		
	(°C)	(°F)	Days
January	26	79	18
February	26	79	17
March	26	79	17
April	27	80	13
May	27	80	9
June	26	79	7
July	25	77	7
August	25	77	4
September	25	77	4
October	27	81	7
November	27	81	13
December	27	81	17

- Most rainy days are in January, February, March and December.
- On average, January is the most rainy with 18 days of rain/snow.
- On average, July is the driest month with 3 rainy days.
- The average annual number of rainy days is 134.

Source: weather-and-climate.com

Information Data:
Source: The Agency of meteorology, climatology and geophysics





The Time Zone

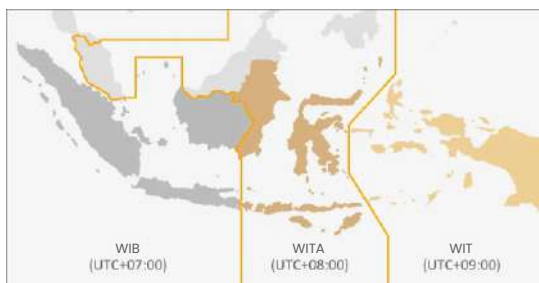
Traveling across time zones can be an exciting part of your adventure. **In Yogyakarta, Indonesia, the city follows Western Indonesia Time (WIB), UTC+7.** Stay on top of time differences with other countries to better plan calls, meetings, or stay in touch with home.

Knowing these time zones helps you organize your communication and activities, ensuring a smoother travel experience. Don't forget to use apps like World Clock to check real-time differences!

Time Zone in Indonesia

Indonesia, as the largest archipelago in the world, has time zone differences that reflect its vast geographical expanse. The time zones in Indonesia are divided into three main regions based on their geographical location from west to east: Western Indonesia Time (WIB), Central Indonesia Time (WITA), and Eastern Indonesia Time (WIT).

- Western Indonesia Time (WIB) – UTC+7. Covers Sumatra, Java, West Kalimantan, and Central Kalimantan.
- Central Indonesia Time (WITA) – UTC+8. Includes Bali, Nusa Tenggara, Sulawesi, and East Kalimantan.
- Eastern Indonesia Time (WIT) – UTC+9. Encompasses Maluku and Papua regions.



Source : www.roamindonesia.com





Being Local



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Enjoy A Fun Ride With Gojek

Hop on Gojek and let the fun begin—explore the vibrant streets of Jogja with ease and excitement! Your adventure starts the moment you ride

writer : Hannan

For travelers visiting Yogyakarta for the first time, Gojek offers an easy and convenient way to navigate the city like a local. As Indonesia's leading on-demand app, Gojek provides reliable transportation through services like GoRide (motorbike taxi) and GoCar (car taxi), making it simple for tourists to reach popular attractions and hidden gems across Yogyakarta. Whether you're heading to Malioboro Street for shopping, exploring the temples of Prambanan, Gojek makes transportation smooth and affordable.

In addition to transportation, Gojek offers other valuable services that

add comfort and flexibility to your Yogyakarta experience. With GoFood, you can explore Yogyakarta's culinary scene right from your hotel or Airbnb, enjoying local delights like gudeg, bakpia, or sate klathak without stepping outside. You can also use GoSend for quick delivery needs, perfect for sending souvenirs or essentials across the city conveniently.

For tourists, Gojek is not just about transportation but also about convenience and savings. New users can enjoy exclusive discounts, making it even

easier to explore Yogyakarta without breaking the bank. From quick trips to the city center to scenic drives around the outskirts of the city, Gojek provides a simple, reliable, and budget-friendly way to discover everything Yogyakarta has to offer. Gojek services—including GoRide, GoCar, GoFood, and more—ensuring that tourists can experience the best of the city with ease and affordability. By giving foreign visitors an accessible and cost-effective option for travel, dining, and deliveries, Gojek aims to enhance their experience while encouraging more frequent use of Gojek services during their stay.

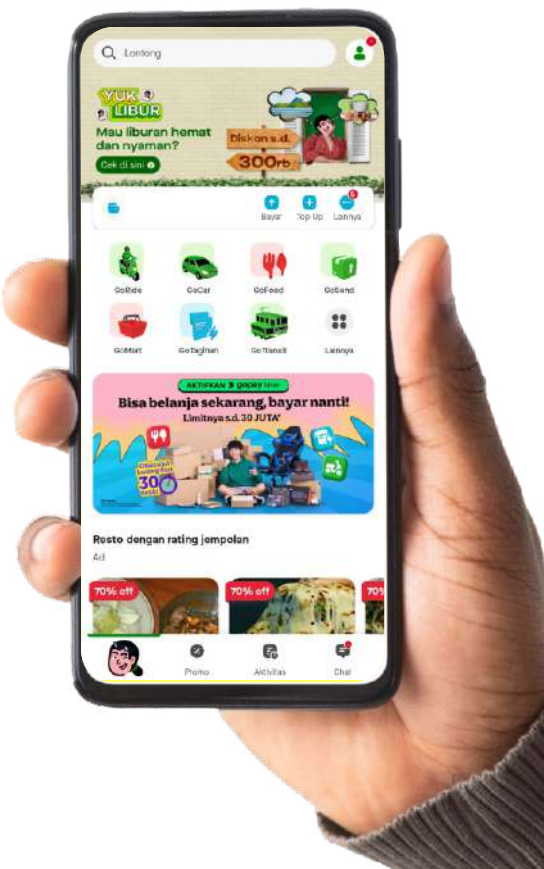


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Useful App To Install

Ticket Booking for Transportation (Flights, Trains, Buses)



Traveloka

- **Function:** Book flights, trains, and buses. Also offers holiday packages.
- **Advantages:** User-friendly interface, flexible payment options, and frequent discounts or promotions.



Tiket.com

- **Function:** Book flights, trains, and buses.
- **Advantages:** Detailed search for local and intercity train routes, particularly popular routes like Jakarta-Yogyakarta.



RedBus

- **Function:** Book bus tickets for land travel to from Yogyakarta.
- **Advantages:** Focuses on bus services with various operators and classes.



Access by KAI

- **Function:** The official app of PT KAI for train ticket bookings.
- **Advantages:** Real-time information on train schedules and options for rescheduling or refunds.



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Accommodation Booking



agoda

- **Function:** Book hotels, lodges, and villas.
- **Advantages:** Competitive prices for a variety of accommodations, including local homestays and guesthouses.



Booking.com

- **Function:** Book hotels and apartments.
- **Advantages:** Flexible payment options, including pay-on-arrival, ideal for international travelers.



Airbnb

- **Function:** Rent houses, apartments, or unique accommodations like traditional villas.
- **Advantages:** Focuses on local experiences and unique stays, perfect for travelers seeking cultural immersion.



OYO

- **Function:** Book budget-friendly accommodations.
- **Advantages:** Economical pricing with many options in central Yogyakarta.



Power Up Your Devices

Plug Types You'll Find

Yogyakarta uses Type C and Type F plugs. If your devices use a different plug type, be sure to bring an adapter for seamless charging.

Voltage Compatibility

Yogyakarta operates at 220V/50Hz. Most international devices work without issue but check to ensure your electronics are compatible.

Handy Tips for Devices

Pack a universal adapter and power bank to stay connected on the go. Be sure to check if your devices are compatible with the local voltage!

Where to Find Adapters

Adapters can be found at electronic stores like Jogjatronik or in larger shopping centers such as Malioboro Mall. They are also available for purchase online.





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Emergency Contact List

Yogyakarta Public Safety Center (0274) 420118 free call center **119** Whatsapp **08112979400**

- **Tourist information center:** (0274) 566000
- **Immigration office:** (0274) 489165
Website:
<https://jogja.imigrasi.go.id/en/>
- **Ambulance:** 118
- **Police:** 110
- **Fire brigade:** 113
- **SAR National Access:** 115
- **SAR Yogyakarta:** (0274) 587 559
- **National Earthquake Information:**
(021) 6586 6502
- **Indonesia Red Cross (PMI):**
(0274) 372176

Hospital

- **dr. Sardjito Hospital**
 - Jl. Kesehatan No.1, Sekip, Sinduadi, Mlati, Sleman, Yogyakarta 55281
 - Phone: (+62) 274 587333
 - Emergency Contact: (+62) 274 631190
- **JIH (Jogja International Hospital)**
 - Jl. Ring Road Utara No.160, Condongcatur, Depok, Sleman, Yogyakarta, Indonesia
 - Phone (24-hour hotline): +62 274 4463535
 - Website: rs-jih.co.id



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Motorcycle Rental

Motorcycle Rental in Yogyakarta: A Practical and Economical Choice

Renting a motorcycle in Yogyakarta is one of the best ways to explore the city and its surroundings. With numerous attractions scattered across the region, from the city center to rural areas, a motorcycle offers the flexibility to move around easily and cost-effectively. It's no wonder that many travelers, both local and international, choose motorcycles as their primary mode of transportation while in Yogyakarta.

Advantages of Renting a Motorcycle

Renting a motorcycle provides numerous benefits for travelers. With a motorcycle, you can avoid traffic jams, especially in busy areas like Malioboro. Additionally, motorcycles allow easy access to places that are difficult to reach by car such as narrow village roads or paths leading to hidden beaches in southern Yogyakarta. The rental cost is also much lower compared to renting a car, making it an economical choice for budget-conscious travelers.



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Prices and Types of Motorcycles

The cost of renting a motorcycle in Yogyakarta varies depending on the type of bike and the rental duration. For standard automatic motorcycles like the Honda Vario or Yamaha Mio, rental prices range from IDR 70,000 to IDR 100,000 per day. If you prefer a larger motorcycle like the Yamaha NMax, the cost can go up to IDR 150,000 per day. For travelers staying longer, weekly rental options are available at more affordable rates, ranging from IDR 400,000 to IDR 1,000,000 depending on the type of motorcycle.

Rental prices typically include a helmet and a raincoat, but fuel is the renter's responsibility. Therefore, ensure you refuel before starting your trip.

Rental Process

Renting a motorcycle in Yogyakarta is straightforward. You can find rental services

around Malioboro, Prawirodaman, or book online via apps or social media.

- Required documents usually include an ID card (KTP) or passport and a valid driving license (SIM C for locals or an international driving license for foreigners).
- Before signing the rental agreement, it is essential to inspect the motorcycle.
- Check the brakes, lights, and fuel gauge to ensure they are functioning properly.
- Take photos or videos of the motorcycle's condition to avoid issues when returning it.

Motorcycle Rental Recommendation

Haimotor.id

address : Jl Pasar Kembang, Sonosutan,
Gedong Tengen, Kota Yogyakarta,
Daerah Istimewa Yogyakarta
Contact : +62 812-3014-4010



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Bike Rental

Bicycle Rental in Yogyakarta: An Eco-Friendly Way to Explore the City

Renting a bicycle in Yogyakarta is an environmentally friendly and enjoyable way to discover the city. With the peaceful atmosphere and numerous attractions easily accessible, cycling provides an exciting alternative for tourists who want to explore at a relaxed pace.

Some recommended places to visit by bike include:

- Malioboro Area: Cycling along this street offers a different experience, especially in the early morning when it is less crowded.

- Alun-Alun Kidul and Alun-Alun Utara: Enjoy the traditional atmosphere while cycling through these expansive public squares.
- Village Tourism: Villages like Mangunan, Kalibiru, or Kasongan offer bike routes with stunning views of nature and local culture.
- Borobudur Temple: Around the temple area, there are bike routes that allow you to enjoy the countryside atmosphere.

The cost of renting a bicycle in Yogyakarta is quite affordable, depending on the type of bike and rental duration:

- Standard City Bike:
Daily: IDR 80,000–100,000
- Mountain Bike
Daily: IDR 150,000–250,000

Bike rental recommendation

Jogjabike

Jl. Ps. Kembang No.3 A, RW.001,
Sosromenduran, Gedong Tengen,
Telepon: 0811-2545-432





Basic Culture & Language





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Javanese Culture & Traditions

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Javanese culture is a blend of old traditions, religious practices, & royal influences. Deeply rooted in history, it reflects the harmonious integration of Hindu-Buddhist beliefs, Islamic teachings, and indigenous animistic traditions, creating a unique cultural tapestry. The strong influence of Javanese kingdoms, such as Mataram & Majapahit, has shaped

its art, architecture, and social customs. From wayang kulit (shadow puppetry) and gamelan music to intricate batik patterns and ceremonies, Javanese culture continues to honor its past while adapting to modern influences, showcasing a rich heritage that values balance, respect, and harmony

The Sultanate Of Yogyakarta & The Royal Family

The Sultanate of Yogyakarta has a unique position in Indonesian governance. The Sultan of Yogyakarta still serves as the head of the province, a position passed down through generations. The Sultan and the royal family are deeply respected and play an important cultural & ceremonial role. The Keraton (Royal Palace) remains the epicenter of Javanese culture, where royal traditions, events, & rituals continue to be observed.

Local Life & Community Spirit

In Yogyakarta, community is everything. The locals (called Yogyanese) are known for their friendly, welcoming nature. Local life is characterized by small neighborhood interactions, where people gather for traditional ceremonies, community events, and mutual aid. The people of Yogyakarta continue to honor their ancestors' customs while embracing modernity, creating a harmonious balance between tradition and contemporary life



Photo by HanHas



Local Culture You Need To Know

Writer : Ghama R | Bahrul | Chesya

- **Respect Local Traditions and Culture:** Be polite and respectful towards the local people. Yogyakarta has a rich culture, and kindness is highly appreciated here.
- **Dress Modestly:** When visiting sacred places like temples or mosques, make sure you show respect and use modest clothes covering your body.
- **Enjoy Local Food Politely:** Don't miss out on trying local dishes like gudeg, bakpia, and more! When eating, use the provided utensils if available, and enjoy the experience respectfully.
- **Dispose of Trash Properly:** Always use trash bins when you have waste. Yogyakarta takes cleanliness seriously and keeping the streets clean helps maintain its beauty.
- **Ask Before Taking Photos:** Some people and places may not want to be photographed, so always ask for permission before snapping any photos.
- **Be Careful in Traffic:** Yogyakarta's traffic can be busy, so be careful when crossing streets. Use the sidewalk when walking, and follow traffic rules if you're using a motorbike or car.
- **Learn a Few Local Words:** Try using simple words in Indonesian or Javanese like "terima kasih" (thank you) or "permisi" (excuse me). The locals will appreciate it!



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Basic Words

Yogyakarta's vibrant streets welcome you with warm smiles. Indonesian is widely spoken, and Javanese adds a unique local charm. Learning a few simple phrases in both languages can make interactions more meaningful. Quick Language Guide

English	France	Germany	Indonesia	Java
Hello	Bonjour	Hallo	Halo	Halo
Thank you!	Merci!	Danke!	Terima kasih	Matur nuwun
Your welcome!	De rien!	Gern geschehen!	Sama-sama	Sami-sami
Sorry	Désolé(e)	Entschuldigung	Maaf	Nyuwun pangapunten
Excuse me!	Excusez-moi!	Entschuldigen Sie bitte!	Permisi	Kulo nuwun
How much does it cost?	Combien ça coûte ?	Wie viel kostet es?	Berapa harganya?	Pinten reginipun?
Where is the restroom?	Où sont les toilettes ?	Wo ist die Toilette?	Di mana kamar mandi?	Pundi kamar mandi?
Good evening	Bonsoir	Guten Abend	Selamat Malam	Sugeng dalu
Enjoy your meal	Bon appétit!	Guten Appetit!	Selamat Makan	Sugeng Dhahar
Delicious	Délicieux	Lecker	Enak	Enak



Culinary, Coffee & Gastronomy


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Culinary Delights of Yogyakarta: A Diverse and Flavorful Experience

A Culinary Journey with a Side of Jogja's Finest



Yogyakarta, a city steeped in culture and charm, offers an array of fascinating experiences, from its rich heritage and natural beauty to unforgettable culinary adventures. Food plays a crucial role in reflecting the diversity of traditions and the warmth of its people. The city offers a wide range of culinary delights, from traditional market snacks to modern dishes that tantalize the taste buds, making it a paradise for food lovers.



1. Sweet and Savory Flavors

Yogyakarta's culinary identity is defined by its signature sweet and savory flavors. One of the most iconic dishes is Gudeg, a dish made from young jackfruit simmered in coconut milk and palm sugar, offering a gentle sweetness. Another beloved treat is Bakpia Pathok, a sweet pastry filled with green bean paste. Beyond sweet treats, savory dishes like Sate Klathak, a skewered goat meat served on iron rods, highlight the city's culinary versatility. Yogyakarta's street food also features various traditional snacks such as Klepon, Gethuk, and Jenang, often found at local markets or during cultural festivals. These foods showcase the rich culinary traditions passed down through generations.

2. Halal-Friendly Cuisine

The majority of Yogyakarta's population is Muslim, and this is reflected in its culinary offerings. Most restaurants, warungs, and street vendors ensure that their ingredients adhere to halal standards, making it easy for Muslim travelers to enjoy the local cuisine with peace of mind. However, some international restaurants, especially those in star-rated hotels or tourist areas, may offer non-halal options

and alcoholic beverages, so it's important to check before dining.

3. A Blend of Nature, Culture, and Culinary Experiences

Yogyakarta is renowned for its breathtaking natural beauty and cultural heritage, and its culinary scene complements these offerings. The warm atmosphere, the hospitality of the locals, and the diverse food choices make Yogyakarta one of Indonesia's top culinary destinations. For visitors, Yogyakarta is more than just a place to eat—it's a place where food tells stories, reflects traditions, and encapsulates a rich tapestry of flavors.

Conclusion:

A Culinary Journey Like No Other

Yogyakarta is a city where food is not just sustenance but an essential part of its cultural fabric. Whether you're indulging in traditional dishes or savoring modern twists on local flavors, the culinary scene in Yogyakarta promises an unforgettable experience. This city is a must-visit for anyone eager to explore the heart of Indonesia's rich food heritage.





Global Chain Food

1. KFC, McDonald's and Pizza Hut

In Yogyakarta, KFC, McDonald's and Pizza Hut are the top choices for fast food lovers. All three are scattered in strategic locations such as **Malioboro Street, Gejayan Street, and shopping complexes such as Plaza Ambarukmo.**

KFC is famous for its crispy fried chicken with rice and special sauce, while McDonald's offers a variety of burgers and local dishes such as rice with egg or chili sauce. Pizza Hut comes with a variety of pizzas, pastas and family menus that are perfect for sharing. These places are a favorite of families and students, especially with the attractive promos they regularly offer.

2. Starbucks

Starbucks in Yogyakarta provides a coffee experience with a modern atmosphere. Its branches can be found in shopping centers like **Plaza Ambarukmo and Hartono Mall**, as well as in bustling areas like **Malioboro.**

Menu highlights include specialty coffees such as Caramel Macchiato, various frappuccino variants, and a selection of snacks such as croissants and sandwiches. With free WiFi and a cozy interior design, Starbucks is often a place to work, relax, or simply enjoy some free time with friends.

3. Burger King

At Hartono Mall, one of the fast-food restaurants that is the main attraction is Burger King. This place offers mainstay menus such as Whopper Burger, Chicken King, and meal packages that come with fries and drinks. The signature grilled meat flavor sets Burger King apart from the rest, while the large portions are perfect for refueling after shopping or enjoying the mall atmosphere.

4. J.Co Donuts & Coffee

If you're looking for a casual hangout with sweet treats, J.Co Donuts & Coffee at Jogja City Mall is the answer. Donuts with creative toppings such as Alcapone and Tiramisu are always a favorite, accompanied by a cup of delicious Jcoccino. J.Co also offers frozen yogurt as a healthy dessert option. This place is the perfect location to spend time with friends or family.





Vegan Restaurants In Yogyakarta

Pengilon: A Reflection of Healthy Living in Yogyakarta

True to its name, derived from the Javanese word for "mirror," Pengilon embodies the philosophy of "you are what you eat." Nestled in the serene northern countryside of Yogyakarta, this restaurant offers a haven for healthy food enthusiasts. Pengilon specializes in balanced yet flavorful meals featuring vibrant salads like Protein Tuna Salad and Mushroom Quinoa. mains, the Signature Ayam Pengilon a combination of chicken, mushroom sauce, & fresh salad stands out.

Prices range from 27,000 IDR – 52,000 IDR (1.5 USD – 4 USD), making it an accessible choice for wholesome dining.

Open Hour: Everyday 10 AM – 8 PM

Location: Jl. Shinta No.8, Karang Moko, Sariharjo, Kec. Ngaglik, Kabupaten Sleman, Daerah Istimewa Yogyakarta 55581

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Pengilon Restaurant**



Fairy Kale Vegetarian

Fairy Kale Vegetarian, located in Yogyakarta, offers a variety of healthy vegetarian dishes, focusing on locally sourced organic ingredients to cater to health-conscious customers. The menu is designed to provide a delicious and balanced dining experience.

Menu Highlights:

- **Signature Salads:** Fresh, vibrant salads that incorporate seasonal vegetables and flavorful dressings.
- **Healthy Wraps:** Filled with a mix of fresh greens, tofu, or plant-based proteins, paired with house-made sauces.
- **Plant-Based Meals:** Creative interpretations of familiar dishes using mushrooms, tofu, and tempeh as protein sources.
- **Smoothies and Juices:** Freshly blended options featuring tropical fruits and vegetables for a refreshing treat.
- **Desserts:** Options include plant-based sweets like chia pudding and banana-based ice cream.

The restaurant is known for creating a cozy, welcoming atmosphere, perfect for vegans and those exploring plant-based diets. The pricing ranges from affordable to moderate, making it accessible for a variety of budgets. Fairy Kale's attention to sustainability and nutrition reflects its commitment to both health and environmental responsibility.

Open Hour: Everyday 10 AM – 9 PM

Location : Jl. Dewi Sartika No.17, Terban, Kec. Gondokusuman, Kota Yogyakarta, Daerah Istimewa Yogyakarta 55223

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Fairy Kale Restaurant



Veganissimo: A Plant-Based Culinary Haven in Yogyakarta

Yogyakarta, often referred to as the cultural capital of Indonesia, offers an eclectic mix of local delicacies and international cuisines. Among the diverse food offerings, plant-based or vegan cuisine has gained popularity, catering to those looking for healthier and more sustainable dining options. One of the standout spots for plant-based lovers in the city is Veganissimo, a unique restaurant nestled in the Priwulung area.

Location and Ambiance:

Veganissimo's architecture is a charming blend of traditional and modern, featuring bamboo structures that evoke a rustic, rural vibe. The restaurant offers a warm and inviting atmosphere, complemented by beautiful views of the surrounding natural landscape. This serene setting makes it an ideal spot for enjoying a peaceful meal, especially during the rainy season.

Menu Highlights:

Veganissimo serves a range of dishes made from plant-based ingredients, including Indonesian favorites and international dishes with a vegan twist.

- **Vegan Mie Ramen**

Although ramen is traditionally not a diet-friendly dish, Veganissimo's take on it is a healthier version. This vegan ramen features fresh vegetables and plant-based ingredients, making it a suitable choice for those looking to control their calorie intake without sacrificing taste. It's perfect for a cozy meal on a rainy day.

- **Kue Wortel**

A well-known dish in Singapore, kue wortel is made from grated radish (daikon) and rice flour. It's naturally gluten-free and packed with fiber and vitamins B and C. This dish is an excellent choice for those on a diet, as it helps regulate blood sugar levels and provides long-lasting satiety.

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Bubur Chakwe

Bubur Chakwe is a comforting, hearty dish that's perfect for breakfast or when you're feeling under the weather. This dish, typically made with rice porridge and crispy fried dough, is high in fiber and provides an energy boost to kickstart the day. Its versatility makes it an ideal choice for people following a plant-based diet, as it absorbs the flavors of any vegetables or plant proteins added, making each meal a unique experience.

Why Veganissimo is a Top Choice:

Veganissimo offers more than just food; it provides an experience rooted in sustainability and health-conscious dining. By focusing on plant-based ingredients, the restaurant caters to those who are mindful of their dietary choices, especially during moments like Ramadan, when people often seek healthier alternatives to traditional heavy meals. The restaurant's commitment to offering international flavors while staying true to plant-based principles makes it a great option for both local and international visitors to Yogyakarta who are seeking delicious and nutritious food options.

Price Range:

The prices at Veganissimo are quite reasonable, with most dishes falling between Rp. 30,000 to Rp. 70,000, making it an affordable and accessible choice for a wide range of budgets.

Whether you're a dedicated vegan or simply looking to explore healthier dining options, Veganissimo in Yogyakarta is definitely worth a visit. With its cozy ambiance, healthy and innovative menu, and focus on plant-based ingredients, it's a fantastic spot to enjoy a nourishing meal.

Open Hour: Everyday 10 AM – 8 PM

Location: Jl. Wisata, Pringwulung, Condongcatur, Kec. Depok, Kabupaten Sleman, Daerah Istimewa Yogyakarta 55281



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Veganissimo Restaurant





Discover Authentic Chinese Flavors at Yogyakarta

Lie Djiong Restaurant

Step into a world of culinary heritage at Lie Djiong, one of Yogyakarta's most iconic Chinese restaurants. Located in the bustling Malioboro area, this restaurant has been serving authentic Chinese dishes for decades, making it a favorite among locals and visitors alike. With its vintage charm and time-honored recipes, Lie Djiong offers an unforgettable dining experience that combines tradition with exceptional flavor. From their signature roasted duck to comforting bowls of noodle soup, every dish at Lie Djiong is crafted with care using the finest ingredients. Whether you're craving crispy spring rolls, Mapo tofu, or a hearty seafood platter, the menu has something to delight every palate.

Pair your meal with their refreshing Chinese tea for the perfect finish. With its warm, nostalgic ambiance and affordable prices, Lie Djiong is not just a meal, it's a journey into the rich culinary traditions of Chinese cuisine.

Location : Jalan Beskalan No.24, Sosromenduran, Gedong Tengen, Yogyakarta (near Malioboro)

Open Hour : Open daily from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Don't miss the chance to experience the best of Chinese cuisine, only at Lie Djiong!

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Lie Djiong Restaurant**





Maow Makan

Specializing in Hainanese chicken rice and other flavorful Chinese dishes, this restaurant has quickly become a favorite for locals and tourists seeking comfort food with bold, satisfying flavors. Located in a cozy spot in Yogyakarta, Maow Makan offers a dining experience that's both delicious and memorable.

The star of the menu is their Hainanese chicken rice succulent steamed or roasted chicken served with fragrant rice cooked in chicken broth and aromatic spices. Pair it with their tangy chili sauce and ginger paste for a burst of authentic flavors. Beyond the signature dish, Maow Makan also serves classics like crispy wontons, hearty noodle soups, and savory stir-fried vegetables. Each dish is crafted with high-quality ingredients and attention to detail, ensuring a delightful meal every time.

Location : Jalan Kaliurang KM 5, Yogyakarta

Open Hours : Open daily from 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM

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Maow Makan Restaurant**





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Warung Kopi Klotok Kaliurang

A Culinary Journey with a Side of Jogja's Finest

A Nostalgic Eatery in the Hills

Nestled in the serene hills of Kaliurang, Yogyakarta, *Warung Kopi Klotok* is a beloved local eatery that has captured the hearts of both locals and tourists. This humble warung offers a nostalgic culinary journey, serving up authentic Indonesian home-cooked dishes alongside its signature *Kopi Klotok*.

The Art of Kopi Klotok

The heart of *Warung Kopi Klotok* lies in its namesake beverage, *Kopi Klotok*. This traditional Javanese coffee is brewed in a clay pot over a charcoal stove, creating a rich, aromatic brew. The distinctive "klotok" sound, which accompanies the boiling process, gives the coffee its name.

A Taste of Home

In addition to its famous coffee, the warung offers a variety of comforting home-cooked dishes. Some of the popular choices include:

- *Sop Sayur*: A hearty vegetable soup filled with carrots, cabbage, and other fresh ingredients.
- *Sayur Lodeh*: A creamy coconut-based vegetable curry with a blend of spices.
- *Telur Goreng Krispi*: Crispy fried eggs, a classic Indonesian breakfast favorite.
- *Pisang Goreng*: Deep-fried bananas, a sweet and satisfying treat.

A Shopping Spree for Jogja's Finest

After indulging in the delicious food, visitors can explore the nearby stalls selling various Jogja delicacies. From the savory tempe mendoan to the sweet and flaky bakpia, there's something for everyone.

A Nostalgic Ambiance

The warung's rustic charm and warm, inviting atmosphere transport diners to a simpler time. The wooden furniture, traditional decor, and scenic views of the surrounding hills create a serene and nostalgic setting.



A Must-Visit for Food Lovers. If you're looking for an authentic Indonesian culinary experience, Warung Kopi Klotok is a must-visit. Its delicious food, affordable prices, and charming ambiance make it a true gem in the heart of Kaliurang.



Open Hours: 7 am – 10 pm

Loc: Jalan Kaliurang No.KM.16,
Area Sawah, Pakembinangun,
Pakem, Kabupaten
Sleman,Yogyakarta





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Warung Makan Bu Ageng

Warung Makan Bu Ageng is a must-visit culinary destination in Yogyakarta, particularly for those who love traditional Javanese cuisine. Located in the Tirtodipuran area, this eatery offers a warm and inviting atmosphere with an interior design that blends traditional Javanese elements with a touch of modern simplicity. Upon entering the restaurant, guests are greeted by wooden décor that exudes a rustic charm and the signature hospitality of Yogyakarta, making everyone feel at home.

The main attraction of Warung Makan Bu Ageng lies in its delicious menu, known for its authentic flavors made with high-quality local ingredients.

One of the most iconic dishes here is the Mangut Lele Bu Ageng, a smoked catfish dish served in a spicy coconut milk broth rich with Javanese spices, creating a unique and unforgettable taste. Another crowd favorite is the Ayam Panggang Bumbu Rujak, a grilled chicken dish with a perfect balance of sweet, spicy, & savory flavors, best enjoyed with warm steamed rice.

Other tempting options include Sayur Asem, a refreshing and flavorful traditional vegetable soup, and Gudeg Bu Ageng, a special version of Yogyakarta's signature sweet stewed jackfruit with a perfectly balanced sweetness and tender texture.

For those who want a bit of everything, the Nasi Campur Bu Ageng is an excellent choice, offering a complete plate of shredded chicken, braised eggs, sambal, and vegetables. To complete your meal, try their signature drink, Es Kunyit Asam, a traditional turmeric and tamarind beverage that is both refreshing and health-boosting.

Warung Makan Bu Ageng is open daily from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM, making it ideal for a relaxed lunch or a family dinner. Conveniently located at Jl. Tirtodipuran No.13, Mantrijeron, the restaurant is easily accessible from various parts of Yogyakarta. If you're near Malioboro, it's only a 10-minute drive away. The restaurant is also close to the South Square (Alun-Alun Selatan), one of Yogyakarta's popular attractions.

Getting to Warung Makan Bu Ageng is hassle-free. You can drive there with available parking for motorcycles and cars. Alternatively, public transportation options such as pedicabs, ride-hailing apps, or local minibusses heading towards the Prawirotaman area are available. If you're staying in the Prawirotaman or Malioboro area, the restaurant is even within walking distance.



With its combination of authentic flavors, convenient location, and cozy ambiance, Warung Makan Bu Ageng is the perfect place to enjoy traditional Javanese dishes. Not only does it satisfy your taste buds, but it also offers a warm cultural experience of Yogyakarta that keeps visitors coming back for more. If you're in Yogyakarta, be sure to stop by and savor the delightful meals at Warung Makan Bu Ageng. You're guaranteed to leave with a full stomach and a happy heart!



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Sipping Coffee in the Sultan's Historic Home

"Coffee culture thrives in this Sultan's historic heaven."

Nestled in the heart of Yogyakarta, Space Roastery 1890 is no ordinary café—it's a living piece of history. Located at Jl. MT. Haryono No.9, in the vibrant district of Suryodiningratan, this coffee shop is housed in Ndalem Pembayun, a building steeped in the legacy of Sultan Hamengkubuwono VII. The café artfully merges the timeless elegance of Javanese architecture with a contemporary coffee culture, making it an

essential destination for coffee lovers and history enthusiasts alike. Stepping into Space Roastery 1890 is like traveling back in time, yet with all the comforts of the modern world. The historic charm of the building is evident in every corner, from its preserved *senhong tengah*—a sacred space in traditional Javanese homes—to its colonial-style details that tell stories of a bygone era. This café doesn't just serve coffee; it serves an experience.



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Open daily from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM, Space Roastery is the perfect spot to start your day with a fresh brew or wind down in the evening with friends. Whether you're an early riser or someone who enjoys late-night coffee moments, this café welcomes you with open arms. Its central location makes it convenient for both locals and tourists exploring Yogyakarta's cultural treasures.

The coffee here is not just a beverage—it's an art form. With a menu featuring premium beans like Halu Pink Banana and Gayo Apple Cider, every sip tells a story of quality and care. For the adventurous, signature drinks like Wedang Bajigur espresso blend local flavors with modern techniques, making each visit an exploration of taste. To ensure every coffee lover finds their perfect match, the café also offers a Testing Station, where guests can sample different beans before purchasing for their home brewing needs.

Space Roastery 1890 is more than a coffee shop—it's a cultural hub. It's the ideal gathering place for coffee connoisseurs, tourists seeking an authentic local experience, & even locals

with fond memories of the building's past life as the Dino game shop. Here, every visit feels like a blend of the old and new, where heritage meets innovation.

As you sip your coffee in the historic ambiance, it's impossible not to feel a connection to Yogyakarta's rich history and vibrant present. The bar, thoughtfully positioned in front of the *senthong tengah*, creates a picturesque backdrop for your coffee moments. Add to this the perks of membership discounts on beans and drinks, and you have an experience that's as rewarding as it is memorable.

In a city that celebrates its past while embracing the future, Space Roastery 1890 stands out as a symbol of that harmony. So, whether you're in Yogyakarta for a brief visit or a long stay, don't miss the chance to sip coffee in a place where history and flavor come together beautifully.



Nostalgic Flavors At Kedai Tjeria 90'

Step into the world of nostalgia at Kedai Tjeria 90' in Yogyakarta, located along Jalan Kaliurang. This unique café blends the charm of the 1990s with a menu that celebrates classic Indonesian comfort foods. With its retro decor and cozy atmosphere, Kedai Tjeria 90' offers an unforgettable experience for both locals and visitors seeking a taste of the past.

The café's interior is filled with vintage items from old-school furniture and '90s posters to vinyl records and memorabilia that transport you straight back to the era. The menu is a tribute to the flavors of the 1990s, featuring beloved Indonesian street foods and snacks like mie goreng, pisang goreng (fried bananas), nasi goreng





(fried rice), and refreshing iced beverages that bring back the familiar tastes of childhood. Every dish is crafted to remind you of simpler times when these flavors were staples in local hangouts and casual dining

Adding to the nostalgia, Kedai Tjeria 90' regularly hosts '90s-themed music nights, where the café's playlist is filled with hits from local Indonesian bands and international pop icons of the time. It's the perfect spot for enjoying food, reminiscing, and listening to familiar tunes with friends, family, or fellow travelers.

Open every day from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Kedai Tjeria 90' is the perfect place to relax, indulge in classic Indonesian dishes, and soak in the ambiance of the '90s. Whether you're craving a comforting snack or a full meal, this café serves up delicious food and a trip down memory lane in the heart of Yogyakarta. Kedai Tjeria 90' in Yogyakarta is a popular café among tourists for its nostalgic '90s ambiance, traditional Indonesian comfort food, and vibrant cultural atmosphere.



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Open every day
10:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Jl. Masjid Al Jihad, Dayu,
Sinduharjo, Ngaglik, Sleman



Nightlife In Yogyakarta







Prawirotaman Nightlife:

The Vibrant Heart of Yogyakarta After Dark

Prawirotaman, often referred to as the "backpacker street" of Yogyakarta, transforms into a vibrant hub of activity as the sun sets. Known for its eclectic mix of cultures and a bohemian atmosphere, this area offers an exciting nightlife scene that caters to a wide range of tastes. Whether you're looking for a lively evening of music and drinks, a cozy spot to unwind, or a culinary adventure, Prawirotaman has something for everyone.

If you're in the mood for something more dynamic, head to Agenda Resto & Vibes on the rooftop of Greenhost Boutique Hotel. This trendy spot offers a modern setting with stylish decor, creative cocktails, and panoramic views of the city skyline. The venue frequently

features DJs or live bands, creating a lively yet sophisticated atmosphere.

Prawirotaman is also a haven for beer enthusiasts, with several bars offering a variety of local and international brews. Oxen Free, a favorite among locals and travelers alike, is known for its extensive drink menu, casual setting, and regular live music events. It's a great place to meet people and enjoy the laid-back charm of Yogyakarta.

For food lover, Prawirotaman at night is a culinary paradise. Street food vendors line the streets, serving everything from nasi goreng and sate ayam to international favorites like tacos and burgers. If you're in the mood for something



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more refined, there are plenty of restaurants offering dishes ranging from traditional Indonesian cuisine to Western and fusion options.

Night markets occasionally pop up in the area, offering an opportunity to shop for unique souvenirs, handcrafted goods, and local snacks. These markets, combined with the live performances often seen on street corners, create a lively cultural atmosphere that's uniquely Yogyakarta.

Transportation to Prawirotoaman is convenient, with easy access by car, motorbike, or ride-hailing services. The area is pedestrian-friendly, making it

ideal for exploring on foot, especially if you want to hop between bars and cafes.

Whether you're a solo traveler, a couple looking for a romantic evening, or a group of friends ready to explore, Prawirotoaman's nightlife offers a memorable experience. With its blend of music, food, drinks, and cultural vibrancy, Prawirotoaman at night is a must-visit destination for anyone wanting to experience the dynamic side of Yogyakarta. It's a place where the city's charm meets a modern, international vibe, creating nights that are both exciting and unforgettable.



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Daytime in Yogyakarta







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Kotagede: The World's Most Beautiful Ancient City

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Kotagede is a historical town in southern Yogyakarta, once the capital of the Mataram Islamic Kingdom, established in 1532 AD. This old city holds rich cultural & archaeological remnants, showcasing a blend of architectural styles & historical influence over centuries. From its early days, Kotagede has embodied the heart of cultural & social exchanges in Java, where architecture reflects both indigenous and Islamic influences. Here, ancient Javanese cosmological concepts were brought to life, designing spaces to harmonize human needs with nature, society, & spirituality.

Each corner of Kotagede carries tales of Mataram's golden era, capturing the city's legacy as the cradle of Yogyakarta's civilization. Walking through its narrow streets feels like stepping back in time, as each home contributes to a living showcase of old Javanese charm. For those interested in culture and craftsmanship, Kotagede also offers beautiful silverwork, showcasing the town's artistry and long-standing heritage. Accommodations in Kotagede range from cozy guesthouses to boutique hotels, offering an authentic feel that complements the town's historical setting.



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Staying here allows guests to fully immerse themselves in Kotagede's atmosphere, with easy access to historic sites and cultural landmarks. Staying in Kotagede also gives travelers the unique advantage of exploring at their own pace, surrounded by the town's quiet and serene ambiance.

Among the architectural gems in Kotagede is the unique site called Between Two Gates, located in the Alun-alun area of Purbayan. This semi-enclosed residential area, flanked by two gates, was popularized by architectural researchers in the 1980s.

The narrow corridor, lined with joglo-style houses, fosters community and reflects social harmony among residents.



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Known as 'Gang Kerukunan,' this communal corridor symbolizes the unity of neighbors who share their land for public access.



Discover Sri Gethuk Yogyakarta's Hidden Green Gem

"Uncover the charm of Sri Gethuk, Yogyakarta's tranquil waterfall sanctuary, where lush landscapes and serene river views invite you to unwind."

Sri Gethuk Waterfall, located in the scenic region of Gunung Kidul, Yogyakarta, is a captivating natural wonder known for its cascading waters and the serene beauty of the surrounding Oyo River. This enchanting waterfall is fed by three separate springs—Ngandong, Dong Poh, and Ngumbul—which combine to create three to five waterfalls depending on the season. With a striking height of about 25

meters, Sri Gethuk is an ideal destination for nature lovers, adventure seekers, and anyone looking to escape the hustle of the city. Reaching the waterfall is an adventure in itself. Visitors can either trek alongside the Oyo River, enjoying the lush reenery and serene river views, or take a short yet exciting raft ride down the river to arrive directly at the falls. This raft ride, which takes only about 10 minutes, offers a unique way to experience the natural beauty of Sri Gethuk, as the raft glides over emeraldgreen waters that reflect the surrounding limestone cliffs and lush vegetation

Refresh under Sri Gethuk's falls!

Once at the falls, visitors can immerse themselves directly under the refreshing cascade, feeling the exhilarating rush of water and enjoying the unparalleled freshness of Sri Gethuk. The crystal-clear river pools beneath the falls provide a serene space for swimming or simply

splashing around, allowing guests to fully experience the natural beauty and rejuvenating waters. This makes Sri Gethuk not only a scenic spot for nature lovers but also a perfect destination for those seeking a refreshing, immersive

"Before you visit, be sure to check the weather forecast and aim to come during the dry season for the best experience."

For a trip to Sri Gethuk, it's essential to prepare your vehicle in top condition, as the journey is relatively long and the route can be quite challenging. Located about 38 kilometers from Yogyakarta city, the road to Sri Gethuk involves some uphill paths and winding routes through limestone hills. Well-maintained roads offer a mostly smooth drive, but the elevation and turns require reliable brakes and stable handling. Proper preparation ensures a safe, comfortable journey to enjoy this beautiful destination and its hidden green landscapes to the fullest.



Creative things & Wellness







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Kota Gede: The Timeless Charm of Silver Craft

Discover the Rich Heritage of Yogyakarta's Handcrafted Silver Art

Writer : Bahrul Bayturrisa

Yogyakarta is renowned for its rich cultural heritage, and one of its most remarkable traditions is the art of silver crafting. This craft, which has been passed down through generations, is a living testament to the skill & creativity of local artisans. At the heart of this tradition is filigree (delicate silver wirework), a technique where fine silver threads are meticulously woven into intricate patterns, creating stunning works of art.

The silver craft in Yogyakarta thrives in the historic district of Kota Gede, a charming area that has been the center of silver production for centuries.

Located just a 15-minute drive from the city center, Kota Gede is home to dozens of silver workshops, each offering a unique glimpse into the artistry behind this ancient craft. In Kota Gede, skilled artisans use traditional methods to transform raw silver into breathtaking jewelry, home décor, and keepsakes.

The hallmark of Yogyakarta's silver craftsmanship is its attention to detail. Every piece, whether it's an intricately designed necklace or a delicate pair of earrings, reflects the beauty of Javanese culture and values.

A Visit to Kota Gede

A visit to the silver workshops in Kota Gede is a truly immersive experience. Here, visitors can watch artisans at work as they shape, engrave, and polish silver into beautiful pieces. For those who wish to learn more, many workshops offer hands-on experiences where visitors can try their hand at crafting their own silver jewelry, making for an unforgettable souvenir.

As you wander through the streets of Kota Gede, you'll find that each workshop has its own unique character. Some specialize in modern designs, while others preserve ancient techniques, creating a perfect blend of tradition and innovation.

Why Choose Silver from Kota Gede?

Purchasing silver from Kota Gede is more than just buying a piece of jewelry—it's about supporting the local artisans and their communities. By purchasing silver crafts directly from the workshops, you're contributing to the preservation of this important cultural heritage. Each piece of silver jewelry or decorative item is a tangible representation of the local culture, crafted with passion and care. Whether you're looking for a special gift or a timeless keepsake, Yogyakarta's silver works offer a blend of beauty, history, & artistry that will leave a lasting impression.



Photo by Ghama Ramadhan



Experience the Charm of Kota Gede

Plan your visit to Kota Gede and immerse yourself in the world of silver craftsmanship. Explore the workshops, meet the artisans, and create your own personal masterpiece. Kota Gede is waiting to share its rich silver heritage with you.



The Rich Artistry Of Pottery At Museumku Gerabah

Writer : Adelia

Located in the heart of Kasongan Village, Bantul, MuseumKU Gerabah Kasongan invites visitors to immerse themselves in the rich artistry of traditional Javanese pottery. Kasongan has long been celebrated as a center for pottery in Yogyakarta, and MuseumKU stands as a tribute to the village's heritage, capturing the skill, creativity, and culture that define

Kasongan's iconic ceramics. Each piece on display tells a unique story, reflecting the generations of craftsmanship passed down through local artisans. Visitors to the museum gain not only an appreciation for the beauty of this pottery but also an understanding of the cultural significance that pottery holds within the community.

MuseumKU offers a curated display of handmade gerabah (pottery) crafted by local artisans. From functional items like jars, pots, and kitchenware to decorative pieces such as sculptures, wall art, and garden statues, each exhibit reflects the unique cultural motifs, colors, and forms of Javanese art. Visitors will see how traditional techniques, such as hand-molding and wood-fired kilns, are still used to create these beautiful, earthy creations. The museum also showcases modern interpretations of pottery, revealing how artisans in Kasongan blend innovation with tradition.

Make Your Own Pottery Here!

In addition to viewing displays, visitors have the opportunity to witness live pottery-making demonstrations and even participate in workshops to try their hand at crafting pottery. Through interactive exhibits, including hands-on activities and virtual guides, MuseumKU aims to provide a complete sensory experience, encouraging visitors to connect with the artistry and process behind each piece. For those interested in taking a piece of Kasongan home, the museum offers a curated shop featuring works made by local artisans. Here, visitors can purchase authentic pottery that reflects the village's time-honored designs and



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MuseumKU Gerabah Kasongan is open daily from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and group tours or pottery workshops can be arranged by appointment. Set in a scenic village known for its pottery studios, a visit to MuseumKU offers an enriching cultural experience for all ages. Discover the enduring legacy of Kasongan's pottery artisans and experience firsthand the skill and dedication that have made this village a hub of Javanese ceramic art



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Experience Natural Freshness In Every Sip Of Herbal Tea

Discover the Magic of Traditional Blends That Relax,
Heal, and Inspire Balance in Your Life

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Every sip of herbal tea is a journey toward harmony. Crafted from natural ingredients such as flowers, spices, and selected leaves, herbal tea not only delivers a soothing taste but also provides health benefits for both body and mind. From afternoon relaxation to gentle morning energy, herbal tea is the perfect companion for every moment. Make this drink a part of your healthy lifestyle and uncover the magic within the simplicity of tradition.

Herbal tea is available at Hamzah Batik, open from 7:00 AM to midnight. It can be enjoyed in the restaurant located on the 3rd floor.



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Enjoy Wellness the Jogja Way: Refreshing Traditional Drinks

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Warm Your Body and Refresh Your Mind
with Jogja's Beverages

Yogyakarta offers a variety of traditional drinks that are not only delicious but also beneficial for both body and mind. Let's explore three signature beverages that can boost your health: Jamu, Wedang Ronde, and Wedang Uwuh.

Jamu: Herbal Elixir with Health Benefits

Experience the Freshness of Natural Ingredients Jamu is a traditional Indonesian herbal drink renowned for its health benefits.

Made from natural ingredients like turmeric, ginger, and tamarind, Jamu is believed to help maintain a healthy body, boost energy, and improve digestion.

Popular Variants:

- Jamu Kunyit Asam: A refreshing combination of turmeric and tamarind, packed with antioxidants.
- Jamu Beras Kencur: A sweet blend of rice and aromatic ginger (kencur) that provides an energy boost.

Where to Try It: Enjoy fresh Jamu from street vendors around Malioboro or visit Jamu Tradisional Bu Tari, which opens every day except Sunday (6:30 AM - midnight).

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Merapi Jeep Lava Tour

Discovering the Power and Beauty of Merapi Through an Adventurous Jeep Tour

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Mount Merapi stands as one of Indonesia's most active volcanoes, with its most significant eruption occurring in 2010. This catastrophic event took a toll on the region, causing hundreds of deaths and the loss of countless livestock. To this day, the remnants of the eruption can still be seen, and the Merapi Jeep Lava Tour takes you right to these historical sites. Highlights include the Museum Mini Sisa Hartaku, the Alien Stone, Kaliadem Bunker, Opak River, Mbah Marijan's House, and the Kali Kuning Water Trek.



The first place that the visitors will visit is Museum Mini Sisa Hartaku, or known as The House of Memory, this museum displays relics left by the eruption, such as houses devastated by lava, skeletal remains of livestock, burnt motorcycles, kitchen tools, and photos of the eruption. The museum serves as a reminder of Merapi's dual nature—majestic yet perilous.

After a visit to The House of Memory, Jeep Lava Tour takes the visitors to The Alien Stone. This large rock, naturally sculpted by the eruption, resembles a human face and stands as a geological marvel and a popular attraction for visitors.

Next is the Kaliadem Bunker, located at the base of Mount Merapi, this bunker was once a shelter during eruptions. Tragically, due to its inability to withstand Merapi's intense heat, it witnessed the passing of two brave volunteers, standing as a solemn reminder of the volcano's power.



These sites can be explored on the Jeep adventure tour, with rates around Rp. 400,000 – Rp. 600,000 per jeep.

Relish the thrill of traversing Merapi's rugged terrain, take in the breathtaking views, and absorb the rich history of Mount Merapi's powerful eruption.



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The Cave Of Pindul

An Impressive Adventure of Rafting in the cave of Pindul

Writer : Stefani Arti

The Cave of Pindul is one of the famous natural tourist attractions in Yogyakarta, located in Bejiharjo Village, Karangmojo District, Gunungkidul Regency. This cave is known for its uniqueness, combining nature tourism with adventure, particularly the activity of cave tubing, which involves floating through the cave on an inflatable tube while following the flow of the underground river inside the cave.



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Visitors can enjoy the dark and stunning atmosphere inside the cave while admiring the beauty of the stalactites and stalagmites within. Additionally, the river water inside the cave is very clear, providing a calming and exciting experience while tubing. The adventure begins by floating down the river with an inflatable tube, making a brief stop at a waterfall. After reaching the riverbank, tourists will be directed to board a pickup truck to head to the cave of Pindul. Tourists will then explore the grandeur of Cave Pindul and enjoy the bustling bats flying across the cave's ceiling.

The Cave Pindul is also equipped with facilities that ensure the comfort of visitors, such as tour

guides, life jackets, inflatable tubes, and other safety equipment.

The access to the cave is quite easy, and it is located not far from the center of Yogyakarta (about 1.5 to 2 hours by car). There are various adventure packages to choose from, ranging from IDR 40,000 to 150,000 per person. Let's come and you are very blond awat at Cave of Pindul. Let's try wonders!



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Pura Pakualaman

Palace of the Kings of Pakualaman

Writer : Stefani Arti

The Pakualaman Palace is located on Sultan Agung Street, Purwokinanti, Pakualaman, Yogyakarta. This palace was built in 1812 by BPH. Natakusuma, who later became KGPAA Pakualam I. The buildings in the Pakualaman Palace were designed by Tumenggung Sasrabahu. Initially, the palace was simple in design, consisting of a pavilion building, an outer garden, and supporting structures.

The architecture of the Pakualaman Palace underwent changes during the reigns of Sri Paku Alam IV, Sri Paku Alam V, and Sri Paku Alam VII. The palace complex was built on an area of 5.4 hectares. The Pakualaman area uses the Javanese spatial concept of "*Catur Gatra Tunggal*" in its spatial planning. Catur Gatra Tunggal refers to four elements that come together as a unified whole in harmony. The four elements forming the "Catur Gatra" in the



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Pakualaman area are the center of governance, which is in the hands of Adipati Paku Alam and is located at the Pakualaman Palace; the center of social activity and interaction between the leaders and the community, which is at Alun-alun Sewadanan (the town square); the center of worship or religiosity, which is at the Pakualaman Mosque. This area also has an economic center, which was originally located at Tanjung Market and

has since been replaced by Sentul Market. Isn't it interesting? You can visit the Pakualaman Palace from 08:00 to 15:00 WIB. When visiting, please avoid wearing revealing clothes or flip-flops, as this palace is the residence of the king, and we must respect its rules. The palace attendants (abdi dalem) will accompany you as you explore the beauty of the architecture and the collections at the Pakualaman Palace. Let's go, wonders!



Wahanarata

Yogyakarta Palace Carriage Museum

Writer : Stefani Arti

The Carriage Museum is located on Jl. Rotowijayan in the Yogyakarta Palace complex. This museum, established since the reign of Sri Sultan Hamengkubuwono VI, houses a diverse collection of horse-drawn carriages owned by the Sultanate of Yogyakarta. The museum presents the history and culture of the Yogyakarta Kingdom, particularly focusing on royal transportation in the form of carriages used by the Sultan and his family for important events and state ceremonies.

This museum houses a collection of 23 horse-drawn carriages, complete with various horse and carriage accessories. Of these, 18 carriages are still used for royal ceremonies. In addition to the carriages and their accessories, there are also horse statues that are interesting to see. The museum features various royal carriages, each with highly detailed designs and deep symbolism. Some of the carriages are used in state events, such as royal processions and official ceremonies. Other collections that can be found here

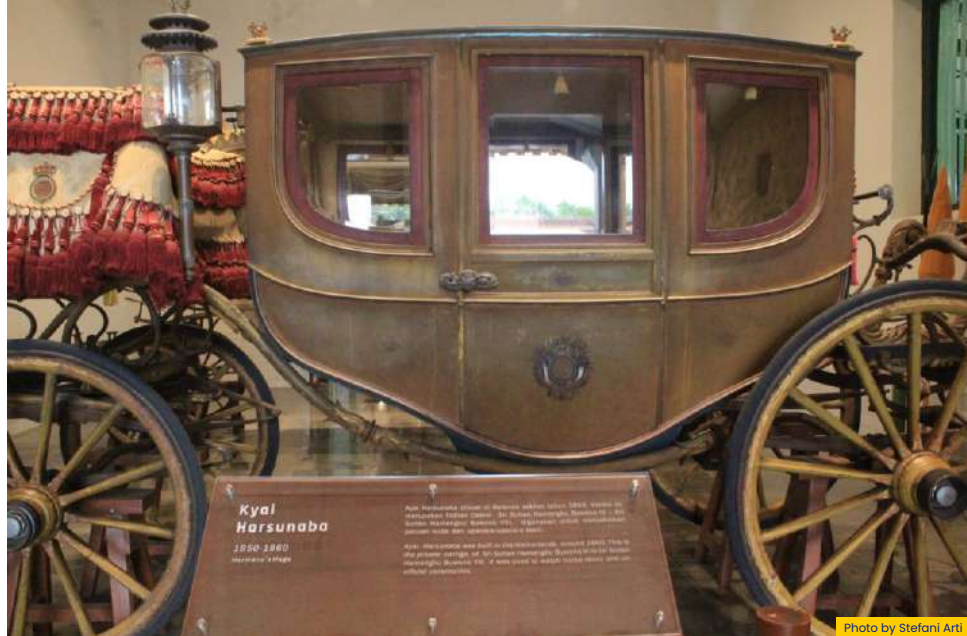


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include royal attire, the Sultan's regalia, and ceremonial equipment.

One of the most famous carriages is the Kyai Tunggul Wulung, which is considered an important symbol of the Sultanate of Yogyakarta and is often used in major events. The museum is open from 08:00 AM to 02:00 PM WIB. Entrance tickets can be purchased for IDR 20,000 for domestic tourists and IDR 30,000 for international tourists.

Come and visit to explore the various royal carriages at the Wahanarata Keraton Yogyakarta. Let's go, wonders!

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Shopping

A warm, inviting boutique interior filled with various goods. Wooden shelves are stocked with colorful books, small toys, and decorative items. A woman in a white t-shirt is looking at a wooden jewelry rack in the foreground, while another woman in a white t-shirt and black apron stands nearby. The space is decorated with hanging plants, a red bucket hat on a mannequin, and a large white sign with the word 'Shopping'.

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A Shopping Paradise & Cultural Heritage in the Heart of Yogyakarta

Writer : Adi Ruswanto

Are you planning a trip to Yogyakarta? Don't miss the chance to visit Beringharjo Market, a legendary shopping destination that has been an icon of the city for over a century. Located in the famous Malioboro area, Beringharjo Market not only offers a wide variety of products but also reflects the rich culture and history of Java.

Rich History and Cultural Significance

Beringharjo Market is one of the oldest traditional markets in Yogyakarta, established in 1925. The name "Beringharjo" derives from "bering," meaning banyan tree, and "harjo," meaning prosperity. This name reflects Sultan Hamengkubuwono I's hope that the market would become a source of prosperity for the people of Yogyakarta. To this day, the market remains a center of economic, cultural, and social activity.

As you step into the market, you'll feel an atmosphere that blends tradition and modernity. The classic architecture of the market, combined with the hustle and bustle of traders and shoppers, creates a unique and vibrant scene.

A Haven for Batik Shopping

Beringharjo Market is the best place to hunt for batik with various patterns, colors, and prices. From stamped batik to hand-drawn batik, everything is available here. Whether you're looking for fabric to sew, ready-made clothing, or batik souvenirs, the market provides a wide range of options.

The batik at Beringharjo Market is not only high-quality but also rich in stories behind its patterns. You can find classic motifs like Parang, Kawung, or Truntum, each carrying deep philosophical meanings.

The friendly vendors here are often willing to share their knowledge about batik with shoppers.

Traditional Cuisine to Satisfy Your Taste Buds

After a shopping spree, you can treat your taste buds to various traditional foods available at Beringharjo Market. From gudeg and pecel to market snacks like klepon and kue lumpur, everything can be enjoyed at very affordable prices. Don't forget to try traditional herbal drinks (jamu) freshly prepared by the vendors. Not only refreshing, but these drinks are also believed to have numerous health benefits.

Unique and Antique Items

Aside from batik, Beringharjo Market also offers various unique and antique items that are great for collections or souvenirs. You can find lurik fabrics, handmade crafts, rattan bags, and vintage items like old cameras and antique jewelry. All these provide a shopping experience that's not only satisfying but also full of surprises.

For antique hunters, the upper floor of the market is a must-visit. Here, you can discover rare items with high historical and artistic value.

Affordable Prices and the Joy of Bargaining



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One of the main attractions of Beringharjo Market is its affordable prices. However, to get the best deals, don't hesitate to bargain. Bargaining at this market is not only part of the tradition but also a fun and interactive experience.

The vendors here are usually open to price negotiations as long as it's done politely. So, make sure to come with a smile and a willingness to engage in conversation.

Strategically Located and Easily Accessible

Beringharjo Market is located in the heart of Yogyakarta, right at the southern end of Malioboro Street. Its strategic location makes it easily accessible by private vehicles, public transportation, or on foot from various nearby tourist destinations.

When visiting the market, you can also explore the surrounding areas, including Malioboro Street, Fort Vredeburg, and the Yogyakarta Palace, all within close proximity.

Tips for Visiting Beringharjo Market

To make the most of your experience, here are some tips when visiting Beringharjo Market:

1. **Visit in the morning:** The air is fresher, and the selection of goods is more complete.
2. **Wear comfortable clothing:** The market can be quite crowded, so ensure you wear clothes that allow you to move freely.
3. **Bring enough cash:** While some shops accept digital payments, most vendors still rely on cash transactions.
4. **Don't hesitate to bargain:** Enjoy the fun of bargaining to get the best prices.
5. **Keep an eye on your belongings:** As the market is quite packed, ensure your belongings are secure and always within sight.

A Market That Lives Throughout the Day

Beringharjo Market is open daily from morning to evening, but its atmosphere transforms at night. Around the market, street vendors begin selling Yogyakarta's signature food and beverages, creating a lively night scene. This is the perfect opportunity to enjoy the beauty of Yogyakarta's nightlife while savoring local delicacies.



Why Is Beringharjo Market a Must-Visit?

1. A Complete Shopping Destination: From batik and souvenirs to antique items, everything is available in one place.
2. Budget-Friendly: Suitable for all budgets, whether you're looking for premium or economical items.
3. Rich in Culture: The market reflects the life and traditions of the people of Yogyakarta.
4. Close to Other Tourist Attractions: You can easily explore various nearby attractions.

So, are you ready to explore the uniqueness of Beringharjo Market? Don't forget to bring home beautiful memories and interesting stories from your journey. Beringharjo Market awaits your visit with the warmth of Yogyakarta and countless unforgettable surprises!





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