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# Seafood Dining

## REDEFINED

By Looi Sue Chern

**A**seania Seafood Restaurant's rooftop neon signage says it loud and clear; an unmistakable message, that it's the place with a touch of class to dine in for seafood lovers.

Servings of live and fresh seafood in different cooking styles could not have been better than in Langkawi, an archipelago of 99 islands.

This restaurant inside Aseania Resort and Spa is strategically located at the junction of the popular Pantai Cenang and Pantai Tengah and has a seating capacity for 500 diners with indoor and outdoor dining areas.

Dining there is an experience that every tourist should not miss. It has tables set with a stunning seaview to watch a magnificent sunset on one side and a serene green rainforest waterfall backdrop on the other.

After a massive refurbishment, this restaurant opens on the Mezzanine Floor of Aseania Resort and Spa. There are ample parking bays in the resort compound so diners need not have to jostle for space outside.

Chef Kuan You, an award-winning cook, has more than a few tricks in his sleeves. His secret is to use the freshest of seafood, even live, and preparing them in his own unique ways to achieve excellence in taste. Each dish is so nicely presented that you would want to hold up your camera phone to snap a photo to share.

The signature dishes this restaurant is popular for are the Fried Fish with 3 sauces, Flying



Buttered Prawns, Salted Egg Crab and Cheese Lobster.

The Fried Fish has three sauces to choose from to cater to customers with differing taste and preference, be it sweet, sour or spicy, all available in one dish.

Topping the list of his favourites, Chef Kuan You prides himself with his dish of Cheese Lobster, where he makes use of the tangy taste of cheddar cheese to bring out the freshness of the fried lobster.

Besides, the round table setting in the restaurant also caters for steamboat and grill orders or both for diners with more than two persons. Freshly prepared seafood are the main choices, together with fish balls, crab sticks and fish cakes.

While you dine, a live band will serenade every Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays from 8.00pm to 9.30pm.

It opens daily from 12 noon to 11pm. For reservation, call 04-9552020.





## Cultural Extravaganza Dinner Show

Every top tourism destination worth its salt has a premier Cultural Dinner Show or a Light and Sound Show to shout about.

In Langkawi that is recently voted by the prestigious Vogue Magazine as the 3rd out of the 10 hottest travel destinations 2017, it is the Cultural Extravaganza Show cum Dinner at the Aseania Resort and Spa.

While dining, be bewitched with a splendid dance performance that is matched with a display of colourful traditional costumes of the various peoples and their cultural influence in Asia.

This show performance that has won admiration the world over is brought to you by the former Tourism Minister Tan Sri Kadir Sheikh Fadzir. It was during his ministerial tenure that the popular tune

“Malaysia Truly Asia’ was first coined gained international recognition. Another is the annual colourful CitaRasa dance extravaganza that has become a major event in the country’s tourism calendar.

Some 30 performers break out in traditional dances as they showcase the uniqueness and richness of the dances that trace its origin from the early recorded arrival of Indians in the country, followed by the Chinese, Arabs and the Europeans (read Portuguese, Dutch and English) with their cultural legacies.

The enthralling dance of East Malaysia; head-hunting Ibans of Sarawak with its skillful handling of spear and wooden shield is followed with Sabah’s awesome bamboo dance that showcases perfect foot coordination.

# A TRULY ASIA

By Looi Sue Chern



Next is the amazing Fire Show. It is a gripping performance of fire-eating that promises to mesmerize everyone during the entire two-hour cultural show and not just one but five performers will throw plumes of flames skyward.

By and large, these cultural dances resonate with the theme of the show, which is Malaysia Truly Asia. Guests are invited to take photos with the performers after the finale at the end of the show.

The dining experience is exquisite in itself with the spread of delectable local favourites, Indian & Chinese food, BBQ and Western cuisine. There are the usual soup and salad, pasta and grilled meat, fried rice with beef rendang and freshly grilled (chicken or beef) satay and seafood, shaved ice dessert and a variety of French petit as dessert to round up your dinner that starts from 7pm daily.

Diners can enjoy their buffet dinner by the poolside of the longest swimming pool in Langkawi with the rainforest waterfall as

the backdrop. Protective transparent roofing - that the owners have invested in - means even if it rains, the dinner show will go on.

The resort's air-conditioned Mahsuri International Restaurant and the poolside can hold up to 100 diners for the show. Showtime is from 8.15pm to 10.30pm every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

A live band will serenade guests with ballads, evergreens including reggae, and for those enjoying late night drinks by the poolside.

While for those who are nocturnal and starts their night after 12pm, the resort's stylish Marrakesh musicteque, club and lounge will be the best place to chill out with family and friends in safety and comfort.

Dinner serves from 7pm daily. Show time from 8.15pm to 10.30pm every Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Reservation: +604 - 955 2020

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## DINE DRINK AND DANCE

Guest artists perform every month. Recently, Marrakesh presented the popular Mus May band which has about 60,000 Facebook followers. Vocalists Renee & Amri accompanied by six band members worked the crowd with their rock numbers. The crowd went wild singing and dancing along.

Next, brace yourself for celebrity artists performing here and they are ready to rock you!

Marrakesh, a name coined by the resort, is to fill a gap in the happening scene in Langkawi that lacks an exclusive club that is what a top tourist destination should have. A clean proper place to chill out and be entertained. The club can hold about 200 guests and has two karaoke rooms for private functions.

Marrakesh is where you can enjoy clubbing in safety and comfort. It opens from 7pm till late.

Marrakesh at Aseania Resort & Spa is the latest sensation for music lovers in this world's top island destination of Langkawi.

This latest entertainment outlet, a Musicteque Club & Lounge, is the leading and luxury nightclub that packs the latest pyrotechnic gadgets and moving heads. No club comes close.

The pathway into the club is decked with strings of multi-coloured LED lights raining down on both walls and a glittering chandelier sets the mood for a great party time.

Live performance by resident Sonstate Band and a DJ keep the music flowing; be it R&B, hip-hop, EDM (Electronic Dance Music), or the top 40 hits.

Raving reviews got tourists recommending this club to check out; a great place to hang-out accompanied by an awesome live band and friendly staff.

