Welcome to Penang Hill - the peak of Penang Island offering many activities and attractions all year round.

Discovered and established by the British in the late 1700s, Penang Hill is one of the oldest colonial hills in Southeast Asia.

1700s
The earliest mode of transport up to the hill was by Sumatran pony or sedan chair attached to a pair of bamboo carrying poles (called a “doolie”) hand carried by 4 to 8 porters.

1800s
Penang Hill is a repository of bungalows featuring a fusion of British colonial and modern Asian architecture dating back to the early days of the British settlement and the 1800s in Penang. The oldest building, Convalescent Bungalow was built in 1803. Since then, many other opulent bungalows were built such as Bel Retiro, Richmond and Fernhill Bungalow which remain standing today.

1900s
The Penang Hill Funicular Railway was the second mode of transport constructed in 1901 and completed in 1905. However, it was rendered ineffective, due to technical faults. A second railway was commissioned in 1909, and works for the second line started in 1914 with a budget of 1.5 million Straits Dollars. On 1st January 1924, the 2,007 meters long funicular railway was officially opened by then Governor of Straits Settlement, Sir L.N. Guilmard. The last upgrade was in 1977, before a complete overhaul of the system in 2010.

2011
The current 4th generation system was commissioned in 2011, spanning the 1,996 meters track in approximately 5 minutes, making it the fastest, steepest and longest funicular in the region.

Plan Your Trip

Ticketing Counter
Daily: 6.20am - 10.30pm

Train Schedule
Daily: 6.30am - 11.00pm
(Departure time every 30 minutes)

Travel Duration: 5 minutes - 15 minutes
(Non-stop) (Substation stops)

Trains stop at substations every half-hour except during peak season.

Train Fare
Kindly visit www.penanghill.gov.my for latest train fares.

Multi-storey carpark

How to get here?
• Taxi / Car (Multi-storey carpark available)
• Rapid Bus - 204 (From Jetty / Komtar to Bukit Bendera)
• Hop-On-Hop-Off bus - City Route (Stop Number 03): 9.00am - 8.00pm (20-30 minutes interval)

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Rise early and catch the first train up the hill and you will be rewarded with a magnificent glimpse of the sunrise on clear days or feel the cotton-like mist floating in the air on cooler days.

With a total of 6 peaks and the highest standing impressively at 833 meters (2,733 ft) above sea level, Penang Hill offers the best look-outs in Penang. Enjoy a spectacular 180° view of George Town from the Sky Walk and Sky Deck as you bask amidst the breezy atmosphere.

As dusk sets in, watch George Town light up, providing a magical ambience against the evening sky. At Penang Hill, it is always an unforgettable, refreshing and enriching experience. And if you wish to linger around the hill till late, the last train down is at 11pm.

Apart from the fantastic view, immerse yourself in the lush greenery as you take a leisurely pace along the trails. As flora and fauna thrive in abundance all over the hill, discover exotic plants such as the Monkey Cup and Slipper Orchid, some of the most sought after plants in the world.

Explore the undulating greens as nature greets you along the nature walk trails. From neatly paved paths to adventurous bypaths, there’s so much more to discover at Penang Hill!

Escape the hustle and bustle of the city and rejuvenate in the cool temperature ranging from 18°C to 26°C. The serenity at the peak will melt away your stress, keeping you calm and relaxed as you breathe in the pristine oxygen-rich air.

Marvel at the heritage ambience of picturesque antiquated pre-war colonial-style bungalows and buildings nestled among embracing trees. Feel the surreal charms and sensation of the European countryside in the lush rainforest like no other.

On your lucky day, spot some of the rare animals such as the Dusky Leaf Monkey, Black Giant Squirrel and Greater Racket-Tailed Drongo in the tropical rainforest of Penang Hill. They can be spotted occasionally during mid-mornings and late afternoons.

The Giant Black Squirrel is one of the largest squirrels in the world.

Spot the cute Dusky Leaf Monkey with its trademark “spectacle”.

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