Note: The area code for all telephone numbers in Sibu and its surroundings, unless otherwise stated, is 084 from outside the area and +6084 from overseas. All addresses are 93500 Sibu unless otherwise stated.

Sibu is the largest port and commercial centre in the Rejang Basin and the gateway to Central Sarawak. Located at the confluence of the Rejang and Igan Rivers, approximately 130 km from the South China Sea, Sibu is a thriving modern town with a vibrant centre and a bustling, crowded waterfront.

To visitors, Sibu feels more down-to-earth than relaxed Kuching. There is still something of the pioneer style about the town, and its people are direct, plain-speaking and assertively friendly. Of course, their smiles may be partly due to the belief that Sibu has more millionaires per capita than any other city in Borneo.

The mighty Rejang, almost a mile (1,600 km) wide, is the dominant feature of the town, and a room with a river view is highly recommended for vibrant impressions of waterfront life. The river is a source of constant activity, with ocean-going vessels manoeuvring delicately between speeding express boats, battered river launches and tiny sampans. Rejang sunsets can be truly spectacular.

Sibu is not only fascinating in its own right; with its excellent road, air and river transport links it is also the ideal jumping-off point for exploring the whole Rejang Basin, from the coastal town of Mukah to the furthest reaches of the Upper Rejang, over 600km upriver.

People

The residents of Sibu are predominantly Foochow Chinese, originating from the Fuzhou region of southern China, and the town is often referred to as New Fuzhou. However Sibu’s ethnic mix is as varied as anywhere else in Borneo, with smaller proportions of other Chinese dialect groups - as well as Malays, Melanaus, Ibans and Orang Ulus - making the town their home.

History

Until the beginning 19th century, Sibu was a sleepy trading settlement in the lower Rejang area, named for the rambutan fruits (buah sibau in the Iban language) that grew locally. The only significant population was a Melanau village at nearby Kampung Nangka.

Sibu’s transformation began in 1901 with the arrival of Foochow settlers from southern China, led by the Reverend Wong Nai Siong. Rev. Wong, a Methodist missionary sought to find a safe haven for his followers, who were subject to religious persecution in China. He petitioned Charles Brooke, the 2nd Rajah of Sarawak, who offered land in the Lower Rejang to develop Sarawak’s agriculture. The first batch of 72 pioneers arrived in 1901, and by 1903 over 1,000 Christian Foochows had made their homes in Sibu. They were later followed by sizeable groups of Henghuanas and Cantonese during the 1st World War period.

The early Chinese settlers planned to cultivate rice, but found that the soil was unsuitable for profitable rice farming and turned their attention to pepper, rubber and gambier (a sticky resin formerly used in place of rubber). Despite famine, fever, floods and other hardships, the early settlers eventually made their new home a success. They were capably led by the determined Rev. Wong, ably assisted by the Hoovers, an American missionary couple who played a major role in the development of Methodism in Sarawak.

By the mid-1920s Sibu had the appearance of a fully fledged town. However disaster struck in 1928, when a major fire destroyed almost all of Sibu’s predominantly wooden buildings. The hearty settlers simply picked up their tools and built the town all over again, but Sibu was once more devastated, this time by Allied bombing, during the WWII Japanese Occupation. Hundreds of local people were killed, not only by the bombing but also by savage Japanese repression of the local Chinese community, who were firm supporters of Chinese independence.
Sibu’s recovery began in the early 1950s, with the advent of mechanised logging. The town became the principal centre for the timber industry in Sarawak, and huge fortunes were made. From the 1960s to the late 1980s Sibu boomed along with the timber trade, and downstream industries such as sawmilling, plywood manufacturing and even shipbuilding were established. From the early 1990s onwards, the timber industry in Sibu began a gradual decline as more sustainable logging practices were introduced and timber quotas imposed. However the town continued to grow thanks to its strategic importance as the major port and commercial centre for the entire Rejang Basin.

**ATTRACTIONS**

Sibu’s **Town Centre** is very compact and easily covered on foot. The narrow crowded streets are crammed with shops selling everything from native handicrafts to designer fashions, and there seems to be an old fashioned coffee shop on almost every corner. The following attractions are all within easy walking distance of the town centre and all major hotels.

**Sibu Central Market**, on Jln Channel opposite the Express Boat Passenger Terminal, is the largest and most interesting daily market in Sarawak. By combining the former wet market and the native Lembangan market in clean and hygienic new surroundings, Sibu Municipal Council has created a visual feast for visitors. Highlights are the Iban ladies selling exotic fruits, jungle produce and handicrafts, and the Chinese poultry sellers who offer live chickens and ducks neatly wrapped in tubes fashioned from old newspapers.

The **Rejang Esplanade** is an attractively landscaped promenade stretching from the Express Boat Terminal to the Kingwood Hotel, and includes the Hill’s Association Playground. Courting couples, anglers, al-fresco diners and sightseers flock here every evening to enjoy the riverfront scenery and view the Swan Statue, the emblem of Sibu.

The vibrant **Night Market** (Jln Market, between Jln Lintang and Jln Bengkel) sets up every afternoon around 5 pm and operates until 10 pm or later. The stalls offer household goods, footwear, fashion items, and of course food. Cakes, steamed buns, satay, pastries, dumplings and many other kinds of local delicacies are on sale here, with shoppers happily snacking as they wander from stall to stall.

The **Sibu Town Square**, at 32 acres, is the largest urban square in Malaysia. Attractively landscaped, it is regularly used for concerts and cultural activities, and is also the venue for the annual Borneo Cultural Festival (see Events, page 98).

Still the tallest building in Sarawak (for the time being), the 28-storey **Wisma Sanyan** is located next to the square. It dominates the Sibu skyline and houses the town’s largest retail shopping mall.

Sibu’s **Gateway**, located on Jln Kampung Nyabor and includes illuminated fountains, an open air stage, and **Lin’s Garden**, which features the second of Sibu’s two swan statues, guarded by the 12 signs of the Chinese Zodiac.

The **Tua Pek Kong Temple** (Jln Temple) is the oldest and best preserved Chinese temple in Sibu. The adjacent 7-storey **Goddess of Mercy Pagoda** was added in 1987, and is said to be one of the most perfectly proportioned pagodas outside Mainland China. Visitors are welcome to climb its many steps to enjoy spectacular views of the Rejang and the Sibu Waterfront, especially at sunset.

The **floating supermarkets** that service the village and longhouse communities along the Rejang and its tributaries berth opposite the Tua Pek Kong Temple on Jln Temple. Their colourful paintwork, with advertising sponsors’ logos, provides an attractive and unusual photo opportunity.

Traditional **Malay Kampungs** (villages) can be found within easy walking distance at Jln Kampung Datu. They combine an interesting mix of architectural styles, from modern brick and concrete to traditional wood and attap, and the villagers are very welcoming, often inviting visitors into their homes. The kampungs also offer attractive photo opportunities, as many of the waterside houses are built on stilts above the river.

Sibu’s **Heritage Centre**, on Jln Central houses a fine collection of antiques, artefacts and photos, cultural exhibits on the various ethnic groups of the Rejang, and displays tracing the history of Chinese migration to the Rejang Basin. Open Tue – Sun 9 am – 5 pm. Admission free.

The **Lau King Howe Hospital Memorial Museum** in Jln Pulau was the principal hospital for the entire Rejang Basin until the opening of Sibu General Hospital in 1994. Named for its main benefactor, a local philanthropist, it
The elegant and modern Masland Methodist Church in Hoover Square, JalanPulau, is the direct descendant of the church founded by American missionary Rev. James Hoover, the father of Sarawak Methodism, in 1905.

The equally modern and imposing Sibu Mosque (Masjid an-Nur) in Jalan Masjid features a gilded dome and freestanding minaret, as well as the Sarawak Heroes Mausoleum, where the remains of executed anti-secession freedom-fighters Rosli Dhobi, Morshidi Sidek, Awang Ramli Amit Mohd Deli and Bujang Suntong are interred.

AROUND SIBU
Bawang Assan is an Iban settlement of 8 longhouses dating from the 18th Century, about 40 minutes from Sibu by boat or road. It is particularly appealing to visitors for two reasons; firstly the longhouses range from the very traditional to the quite modern, so visitors can get a good idea of how longhouses have evolved to keep pace with the times; and secondly, many of the resident can speak excellent English and are superb interpreters of their culture. 13 families from the 8 longhouses are delighted to welcome visitors, offering day trips and overnight stays, with visitors accompanying the locals in their daily activities, such as padi planting and fishing. Contact Mr Marcathy Gindau, Tel: 014 5828105, email: bawangassan@gmail.com, Mr Tuah Chad, Tel: 013 8327923, Mr Afred Ngelambung, Tel: 019 8193579 or Ms Susana Panyau, Tel: 013 5611045, for guided tours and overnight stays. For transport call Mr Broken, Tel: 019 8361134 or Mdm Uban, Tel: 019 4389749.

Bukit Aup Jubilee Park is a 24-acre cluster of low hills with a lookout tower offering views of the surrounding plantations, longhouses and the Igan River. The tower, located on the park’s highest peak (59m), is often visited by local Ibans bringing offerings to a benevolent spirit, the Naga Bari, which is believed to help people in need. There are picnic huts, a canteen, a suspension bridge over a small lake which is good for photo opportunities, and jogging and walking trails. Open daily 8 am - 6 pm. Admission free. Take a taxi (15 min) or Teku Bus 2 or 3.

The Sungai Merah Heritage Walk visits the site of the earliest Chinese settlements in Sibu, Sungai Merah (Red River), an old bazaar about 10 minutes by road from the town centre. The pleasant walking trail along the river front (the water really is red, changing occasionally to yellow!) leads through a quaintly landscaped park to the Wong Nai Siong Memorial Garden, erected in honour of the town’s principal founder and featuring a bronze statue of the missionary leader. The walk concludes with the James Hoover Memorial Park, commemorating the renowned Methodist missionary and educator who worked with Sibu’s pioneering Foochow immigrants from 1903 to the 1930s. Take a taxi or Sungai Merah Bus 1A.

Yu Lung San Tien En Si Temple Complex. Km 26, Jalan Sibu-Bintulu. Also known as the Jade Dragon Temple, this sprawling new temple complex, the largest in Southeast Asia, features four main “dians” or devotional halls. Its mission is to bring together devotees of Buddhism, Taoism and Confucianism to worship together. Its distinctive and detailed architecture make it a photographer’s paradise. Take a taxi. Bintulu-bound buses also stop here.

ACCOMMODATION
Accommodation ranges from budget hostels to luxury international hotels. The premises listed below are located in the central area and within easy walking distance of tourist attractions. Star ratings are shown where applicable, but many hotels do not apply for rating. Room rates are shown in bands as follows. Many properties have rooms in more than one band.

Band A : RM Under RM 50
Band B : RM 50 - 149
Band C : RM 150 - 299
Band D : RM 300 plus

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International/Business Class Hotels
Kingwood Hotel (4*), 12 Lorong Lanang 4, Tel: 335888. kingwood-sibu.blogspot.com. Band C-D
Premier Hotel (3*), Sarawak House Complex, Jln Kampung Nyobor, Tel: 322322. www.premierh.com.my. Band C-D
EATING OUT

Sibu is a paradise for gourmets, particularly cost-conscious ones. It has some of the best value food in all of Malaysia, especially fresh river fish and prawns and top quality seafood. A wide variety of restaurants and coffee shops offer the visitor considerable choice of different Malaysian and international cuisines, so only a small selection can be listed here. But remember it’s the local dishes that make eating out in Sibu so memorable and economical.

Sibu Specialities

Kam pua mee is Sibu’s signature dish, thin noodles tossed in pork lard and served with slices of roasted pork or minced pork balls, served either with or without a thin broth and accompanied with chilli sauce and soy sauce. Mee sua (longevity noodles), another Foochow favourite, is a rich herbal soup containing fine vermicelli noodles and large chunks of boiled chicken. Both can be found in coffee shops all over town.

Konpia is Sibu’s answer to the bagel. Roasted tandoori style, these fresh bread rolls are served in a variety of ways. One of the most popular konpia outlets, Mr & Mrs Yeo’s Stall, Lorong Tiong Hua 26 (15 mins walk from town centre or take a taxi) serve them in a rich pork broth with slices of stewed pork - be prepared to wait for a table, mornings only.

Fresh dabai, delicious savoury fruits resembling olives in appearance, and to some extent in taste, are usually sold by Iban ladies at the Central Market. These need to be briefly soaked in hot water to soften them before serving - a hotel room kettle will do nicely. A wide variety of other tropical fruits are also available at the market, including exquisite pineapples from Sarakei and unique green oranges from Bintangor.

Coffee Shops

Coffee-shops are found on just about every street corner, and serve thick Borneo coffee sweetened with condensed milk, as well as a huge range of other drinks. Food offered usually includes local noodle dishes, chicken rice, and mixed rice or nasi campur.

Food Centres

These are the most popular eating places. There is always a wide selection of value-for-money stalls and you can select food from as many as you like.

Sibu Central Market, 1st floor. Over 30 mostly Chinese stalls serving almost every kind of local dish imaginable, mostly from 6 am to lunchtime, but some are open in the evening.

Jin Market Food Stalls, near Premier Hotel. Variety of Chinese stalls, plus Malayan stalls offering curries, mee jawa (spicy noodles in a thick sauce) and rotti canai.

Kampung Bandung Food Court & Taman Selera MUC, Jin Jasmim, take a taxi. Offers a variety of Malayan seafood including the popularikan ponggang maskot belacan (fish barbequed with prawn paste), satoy and many others.

Pusat Mara, Sibu Plaza building, Jin Mission, opp. AmBank. Malay and Malayan food stalls offering popular breakfast dishes, then later freshly cooked nasi kompru and home made umai (see page 61). 7 am - 9 pm.

Taman Seleran Harmoni, off Jin Awang Ramli Amit (take a taxi). Open air food court with dozens of Malayan stalls offering a selection of local delicacies. One stall serves delicious sup beef (beef tendon soup) and the cendol (a popular Malaysian dessert) is the best in town. Open 5 pm - late.

Chinese & Seafood

Sibu has plenty of upmarket Chinese restaurants, serving a blend of Foochow, Cantonese and Shanghainese cuisine. Notable ones include Ming Ziang Restaurant (Kinigwood Hotel), Golden Palace Restaurant (Tanahmas Hotel), Gold Hope Restaurant (Satok House), Blue Bird Splendid Restaurant (Level 5, Wisma Sanyan), Golden Happiness Restaurant (Jin Chengal), Yi Pin Lou Restaurant (20-32 Mission Road), New Capitol Restaurant (46 Jin Kampung Nyabor) and Belin Restaurant (155-159 Jin Kampung Nyabor).

David Bak Kut Teh, 3 Jin Central, serves generous portions of bak kut teh, stewed pork ribs with special herbs cooked in a claypot, morning to early evening.

Hai Bing Seafood, 31 Jin Maju, opp. Rejang Esplanade, has a good selection of reasonably priced local seafood, dishes and friendly, efficient service.

Esplanade Seafood, Rejang Esplanade, has a good selection of local seafood and a varied of simple western dishes.

Kheng Hock Cafe, 49 Jin Maju, facing Rejang Esplanade. This popular and very friendly cafe serves local noodle dishes and steamed buns and dumplings in the morning, tasty barbecued pork and duck for lunch and superbly cooked seafood (especially the soon hock fish) in the evenings, all at very moderate prices.

Min Kong Cafe, Jin Bank, is famous for its delicious prawn noodles (RM20), and also serves other local specialities. Open daily, lunchtimes and evenings.

New Capitol Restaurant, opp. Premier Hotel. Not to be confused with the more upmarket New Capitol, serves tender Hainanese chicken rice all day long.

Restoran Bahagia (Jin Wong Nai Siong) serves robust local dishes lunchtimes and evenings (the claypot beef is particularly good) and is open 24-hrs for noodles, fried rice and other light meals.

Sri Meranti, 1 Jin Hardin, is a Chinese Muslim seafood outlet. Their steamed tapah fish is perfectly cooked and the fish head curry is famous throughout town. Evenings only.

Japanese

Akatasuke Animate, 8 Lrg Sena, off JinPedada. Japanese fast food and steamboat restaurant, with an Anime theme. Take a taxi.

Sushi Tie, Jin Pedada, behind Rejang Medical Centre. A very reasonably priced Japanese eatery with a good selection of authentic dishes.


Malay

Malay food stalls can be found in many Japanese coffee shops, serving halal food with their own crockery and cutlery. See also Taman Seleran Harmoni, Pusat Mara, Kampung Bandung Food Court & Taman Seleran MUC and other listings in Food Centres, above.

Kasturi, 18 Jin Tunku Osman, is Sibu’s leading Malay/Melanau restaurant, serving spicy curries and Malay style seafood, as well Melanau dishes such as tebelan crackers and umai (see page 61).
PAYUNG CAFE, No.20F Lanang Road (behind Kingwood Hotel), serves a variety of local, Indonesian, Malay and Nyonya dishes.

Islamic Nyonya Kafe, 141 Jln Kampung Nyaboh, serves a variety of tasty Malay food and is justly famous for the largest roti canai in the Rejang Basin.

WESTERN

McDonalds, KFC and local chain Sugar Bun are all represented in Sibu, and can be found in the major shopping malls. Sugar Bun also has an outlet on Jln Pedada with an attached gelateria (ice cream parlour). Malaysian fusion and cake franchise SecretRecipe is at Lorong Pahlawan 9. For more upmarket western dining, the best bet is to choose from the coffee houses in Sibu’s leading hotels or the outlets listed below.

Ark Café, Rejang Esplanade, has a fine river front location and serves a variety of western, local and Thai dishes. Evenings only.


Café Café, 10 Jalan Chiew Geok Lin (near pagoda), serves an interesting mix of western and Nyonya dishes.

The Little Roadhouse (see below).

Cineplexes

King’s Tripolex, Sarawak House Complex, includes a traditional widescreen large cinema. Tel: 321166.

Star Cineplex, 6 Jln Ramin, Tel: 334552.

Sibu is an excellent place to buy Borneo arts, crafts and curios. Particular items to look out for are Iban pua kumbu (hand-woven rugs), wooden hornbill carvings used in rituals and, and silver jewellery, Orang Ulu beadwork and woodcarving, and Penan blowpipes and mats. The best places to get a good bargain are the Sibu Central Market and Night Market stalls, where you are usually buying direct from the producer. Also try Chop Kian Huat, 8 Jln Tukang Besi (entrance on Jln Market.), which has a good selection of Iban silver jewellery, and Chai Chiang Store, 5 Jln Central. Visitors travelling by road should check out the Durin Handicraft Shop, a one-stop handicraft centre for the Central Region, 35 km from town a few minutes from the Durin Bridge exit.

For more general shopping, the main malls in town are in the lower floors of Wisma Sanyan, and the Sarawak House Complex on Jln Kampung Nyaboh. The best bookstore is probably Premier Bookstore in Wisma Sanyan. Budget fashions and household goods can be found at the Night Market, and in dozens of small shops around town. More malls can be found outside the old town centre, including Delta Mall (Jln Pedada), Medan Mall (Jln Wong King Huo) and Star Megamall (Jln Tuank Abdul Rahman).

Sports & recreation

All major hotels have fitness centres. There are public swimming pools at Jln Delta and Bukit Lima Sports Complex (take a taxi). Good jogging trails can be found at the Sungai Merah Heritage Walk, Bukit Aup Jubilee Park and Kutien Garden in Bukit Lima Forest Park (take a taxi).

Hotels, travel agents and fishing tackle shops can arrange fishing trips, either fishing for Borneo masheer (empurau) on the Rejang and its tributaries or deep sea game fishing (esp. marlin) off the coast near Mukah.

If your idea of fun is running through humid jungle, getting covered in mud, sweat, bites and scratches (and recovering over a few drinks afterwards), the Sibu Hash House Harriers would love to have you. An excellent way to make new friends, the Sibu Hash runs every Sunday at 4pm. Contact Mr Ham at Kheng Hock Café (Tel: 324391).

The 18 hole, par 72 Sibu Golf Club is open to non-members on weekdays. Visitors must have an affiliation with a recognised club and/or a verifiable handicap.

Contact Kelab Golf Sibu, Mile 10½, Oya Road, 96008 Sibu. Tel: 338900.

Sibu Superbowl is located at 1 Lorong 2, Jln Perpati, off Jln Wong King Huo, Tel: 331111.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Banks & Money Changers: The following is a list of centrally located banks and money changers. Banks open Mon-Fri 9.30 am-3.30 pm.

AmBank, Jln Tunku Osman & next to Tanahmas Hotel.

CIMB Bank, 10 Lorong Kampung Datu 5.

Hong Leong Bank, 133-137 Jln Kampung Nyaboh.


Maybank, 35-39 Jln Kampung Nyaboh.

Public Bank, 3 Jln Central.

RHB Bank, 31 Jln Tuanku Osman.

Standard Chartered Bank, 25 Jln Tukang Besi.

Yewon Money Changer, 8 Jln Tukang Besi.

Doctors, Dentists & Hospitals: There are a number of clinics around the centre of town. Consultation and simple medication is usually around RM 30-50. Hu’s Dental Surgery (18 Jln Persiaran Brooke, Tel: 332226) and Ling Wang Hong Dental Surgery (13 Jln Bengkel, Tel: 325482) are conveniently located for visitors.

Sibu Hospital is at 51/2 Mile, Jln Ulu Oya (take a taxi, Tel: 276666). A cash deposit, insurance card or credit card will be required for in-patient treatment. Sibu’s two private hospitals, Rejang Medical Centre (29 Jln Pedada, Tel: 330733) and Sibu Specialist Medical Centre (25A-25F Jln Persiaran Brooke, Tel:238800) are both modern, well equipped and centrally located.

Laundry and Dry Cleaning: Mr Dobi, 5 Jln Bindang, Tel: 324820 for collection/delivery. Sky Laundry, 4 Jln Kampung Datu 2, Tel: 330205. Speed Queen Laundry, 53 Jln Pedada (Pusat Tanahwang), Tel: 345053.

The main post office is at the corner of Jln Kampung Nyaboh and Jln Wong Nai Siong. Open Mon-Sat, 8 am - 6 pm. Most hotels offer internet access, and many restaurants and pubs have Wifi for customers. Charges may apply.

Useful Telephone Numbers

Central Police Station ( Jln Kampung Nyabor Opp. Sarawak House) 322222

Immigration, Federal Complex, Jln Awang Ramlit 336591

UP THE REJANG RIVER

The Rejang, Malaysia’s longest river at over 530km, is a unique travel experience. The river and its tributaries are lined by hundreds of villages and wooden longhouses, home to a kaleidoscope of ethnic groups, each with their own distinct culture. A journey up the Rejang introduces the visitor a different side of Sarawak – a glimpse of raw landscape and a river that is constantly alive with boats and people. For adventurous travellers, this is what Borneo is all about.

Most travellers begin their journey in Sibu, using express boats (see page 64) to travel upriver to Kapit or other small towns along the way. These unique torpedoes shaped craft thunder upriver at quite remarkable speeds of 30 knots (55km/h) or more. From the window you can see the wide variety of traffic on river - from small dugout canoes to barges weighing hundreds of tons as well as dozens of modern and traditional longhouses, surrounded by spectacular jungle scenery.

People of the Rejang

Chinese people of various dialect groups (mostly Foochow and Hokkien) are found in all the towns and riverine settlements of the Rejang. However once you leave the major towns, the bulk of the Rejang’s population are indigenous.

The lower Rejang (Sibu to Kapit) and its tributaries are Iban territory. The Iban, formerly known as Sea Dayaks, are famous for their head-hunting past, their massive ironwood longhouses, their ornate body tattooing, their wonderful weaving skills, and of course their potent rice wine, tuak, which is always offered to visitors.

Above Kapit and the Pelagus Rapids, the people are mostly Orang Ulu (literally “upriver people”), the collective name for a number of smaller groups including the Kayan, Kenyah, Kajang, Lakan, Ukit and Punan. Also former-head-hunters, they live in even more imposing longhouses than the Iban. However their arts and crafts are very different; they are famous for woodcarving and beadwork, spectacular keliring or totem poles, and the music of a haunting, mandolin-like instrument - the sape. Tattooing and body ornamentation are prominent; older oran ladies

Entertainment

The Queen, Jln Tukang Besi. This exotic cocktail lounge where tone deaf singers and karaoke novices will feel comfortable. Socialising in Sibu is also done in restaurants and coffee shops.

Green Lounge, RH Hotel. Plush musiclounge with quality livebands.

K-Pop Karaoke, Tanahmas Hotel. Upmarket cocktail lounge with open karaoke and private karaoke rooms.

Kaban Lama, Persiaran Brooke. Friendly Iban karaoke bar with occasional live music.

Little Roadhouse, 4 Jln Causeway. Friendly upstairs pub with a pleasant balcony area for observing the street life below. Also serves inexpensive steaks and other local and western dishes.

MC Karaoke Pub, 20 Jln Sanyan, is where the local darts fanatics hang out. Prepare to make friends and lose heavily.

Pelangi, Jln Wong Nai Siong, above Sarawak Hotel. Scruffy but cheap and friendly Iban karaoke pub, where tone deaf singers and karaoke novices will feel welcome.

The Queen, Jln Tukang Besi. This exotic cocktail lounge attracts a friendly and diverse clientele.

Sangkai Temuai, Jln Tukang Besi. Upmarket Iban karaoke transforms into a bouncing dance club after midnight.
cannon, due to a cannon presented by Rajah Sir James Brooke which can still be seen in the village.

Accommodation
All addresses are 96700 Kanowit, Sarawak, Malaysia. Telephone dialling code is +6084 from overseas and 084 within Malaysia.

Harbour View Hotel, 63 Jln Kuku, Tel: 753188. Band A-B.
Kanowit Hotel, 85 Jln Kuku, Tel: 752155. Band A-B.

There is a homestay programme at the nearby Rumah Benjamin Angki longhouse. Contact the Tuai Rumah (headman), Tel: 013-8823076 Email ben_8845@yahoo.com for further details or call Kanowit District Office, Tel: 752939. www.kanowito.sarawak.gov.my.

SONG
The small town of Song, just over 2 hours from Sibu by express boat, is the jumping off point for visiting Iban longhouses on the Katbas and Bangkit rivers. The Capitol Hotel can usually arrange transport and a guide.

Please note that many of the traditional wooden longhouses in the area are being replaced by modern concrete structures, so check with the Song District Office for the latest situation, Tel: 777221.

Accommodation
All addresses are 96850 Song, Sarawak, Malaysia. Telephone dialling code is +6084 from overseas and 084 within Malaysia.

Capital Hotel, 8 Song Bazaar, Tel: 777264. Band A.
Katbas Inn, 7 Song Bazaar, Tel: 777332. Band A-B
Mesa Inn, 31 Song Shoplot, Tel: 777777. Band A.
Sukaramai Inn, 44-45 Song New Town, Tel: 777686 Email: teo_su_ing@hotmail.com. Band B.

KAPIT
The bustling upriver town of Kapit (pop. 15,000) is the jumping-off point for the Middle and Upper Rejang and Baleh Rivers and the best place to organise a visit to one of the Iban longhouses of the Lower Rejang. Despite its small size, Kapit is the commercial and administrative centre of the Kapit Division (a vast hinterland comprising the Kapit, Song and Belaga Districts of almost 39,000 sq km with a population of around 150,000), so there is always plenty to see and do.

Attractions
Fort Sylvia is a 19th Century fort whose whitewashed walls and ironwood shingled roof are home to a mini-museum and handicrafts centre managed by the by Tun Jugah Foundation. It houses a fine collection of ethnic arts and traditional artifacts, heirloom jars, brass cannons and historical documents, and a collection devoted to the life of the late Tun Jugah ak Barieng, Paramount Chief of the Rejang Iban and one of Sarawak’s foremost independence leaders. Open Tue - Sun 10 am - 12 noon and 2 pm - 4 pm.

The Civic Centre Museum next to the Lake Garden has an interesting set of exhibits on the ethnic groups of the Rejang Basin, as well as some fine watercolours of riverside towns and villages, and a relief map showing all the longhouses in the area. Open Tue - Sun 8 am - 5 pm.

Accommodation
Medium Class Hotels
Greenland Inn, Lot 463-464 Jln Teo Chow Beng, Tel: 796388. Band B-C.
New Rejang Inn, Lot 104 Jln Teo Chow Beng, Tel: 796600. Band B.

Budget Hotels
Ark Hill Inn, Jln Penghulu Gerinang, Tel: 796168. Band A-B.
Dragon Inn, 467 Jln Teo Chow Beng, Tel: 797435. Band B.
Dung Fang Hotel, Lot 516, Jln Temenggong Jugah, Tel: 797999. Band A-B.

Fully Inn, 105 Jln Temenggong Jugah, Tel: 797366. Band A-B.
Hiap Chiong Hotel, 33, Jln Temenggong Jugah, Tel: 796314. Band A-B.
Kapit River View Inn, 10 Jln Tan Sit Leong, Tel: 796405. Band B.
Orchard Inn, 64 Jln Airport, Tel: 796325. Band B
Well Inn, 40 Jln Court, Tel: 760609. Band B

Eating Out
For a small town, Kapit has a great selection of eating places. Local river fish are a popular delicacy, especially the hugely expensive empurau (Borneo masheer), although more economical fish such as topah and soon hock are almost as tasty, as are the huge Rejang river prawns.

Good air conditioned restaurants include Orchard Restaurant (64 Jln Tiong Ung Hong, 9 am - 11 pm, excellent local pork dishes), Chong Seng Restaurant (Jln Airport opp. Meligai Hotel, halal cuisine) and Tekam Cafe (adjacent to Meligai Hotel, halal cuisine). Local seafood can be found at Ah Kau Restaurant (Jln Berjaya), and Hock Bing Seafood (off Jln Temenggong Jugah past Chinese temple). The Ung Tong Bakery on Jln Airport is good for sandwiches, buns and continental breakfast.

Coffee shops are located all over town, serving local variations on standard Sibu and Kuching noodle dishes, as well as economy rice (at lunchtimes). Muslim food can be found at Malay stalls in many coffee shops, as well as Malindo Café in Harmony Mall, Binggas Café in Jln Temenggong Jingga, and the wide variety of food stalls at Taman Selera Emmurau food court (5 pm - late). One dish unique to Kapit is deep-fried roti canai, which can be found at the Malay stall on the 1st floor of the Gelanggang Kenyalang building.

Entertainment
Nightlife in Kapit is focused around coffee shops and dozens of karaoke pubs. Many of these outlets are dedicated to entertaining an all-male clientele, but locals will know which are more family oriented and welcome female guests.

Shopping & Essentials
The main shopping centre is Kapit Square, where visitors can find the post office, essential supplies, pharmacies and medical clinics. There are also a number of banks with ATMs located around town. The lively Teresang Market (wet market) on Jln Temenggong Jugah has a colourful selection of stalls selling all kinds of exotic jungle produce. For handicrafts, try the market stalls, as well as Sula Perangka and Lai Lai Handicraft on the 1st floor of the nearby Gelanggang Kenyalang market and Rozy Stationery (2nd floor, MARA building). The Kapit Heritage Office has a comprehensive database of local craftpeople - email for a copy. If you would like a traditional iban tattoo, check out Robert’s Tattoo Art, 1st floor Gelanggang Kenyalang (disposable needles are used). There are several cybercafes in town - cellular phone connections are either slow or voice only.

Longhouses Near Kapit Town
For day visitors, the most conveniently located longhouses are Rumah Bundong and Rumah Jandok, traditional wooden longhouses 10 km and 15 km from town respectively. Visitors are also welcome to stay overnight with local families. Vans leave regularly from Jln Airport, no introduction is required.

Further afield, there are longhouses on the main Rejang River, as well as the Baleh and the Mijong and their tributaries. A homestay programme at Rumah Lulut on the Sungai Tisa involves both traditional and modern longhouses. Rumah Garie on the Sungai Baleh is famous for its pau kumbu, traditional Iban woven textiles, and has even been accredited with the Japanese ‘G-mark’ for good design. Rumah George involves a boat ride through the notorious Pelagus Rapids. Rumah Penghulu Jampi on the Baleh is the birthplace of the legendary Iban warrior turned statesman Temenggong Koh. Rumah Bangkok on the Mijong is a very traditional longhouse that is just starting to attract visitors.
All of the above require an overnight stay, usually with a host family. Alice Chua Travel, Jin Airport, can make the necessary arrangements. Tel: 789788 Email atta_kpt@yahoo.com. Longer trips requiring a lot of planning include Long Singut, a very remote Kenyah (Orang Ulu) longhouse on the Baleh, and expeditions to the remote peak of Batu Tiban, described in Redmond O’Hanlon’s book Into The Heart of Borneo. The Kapit Resident’s office keeps a register of licensed nature guides and an up-to-date list of longhouses that accept visitors -email for details.

The Pelagus Rapids: Until the introduction of powerful modern engines, and generous amounts of dynamite used by British Army engineers in the 1960s, only the most courageous or foolhardy boatmen would brave the mighty Pelagus Rapids. The rapids divide the Rejang into lower and upper sections, and previously passengers would disembark, proceed on foot through the forest, and join another boat at the other side. Nowadays express boats and speedboats with reinforced hulls glide through the rapids with ease, but it is still a heart-stopping experience for the first-time visitor.

The Kapit Resident’s Office is on Level 9 & 8 of the State Government Complex on Jalan Bletah. Tel: 796230. www.kapitiro.sarawak.gov.my. Open 8am - 5 pm Mon - Fri; closed Friday lunchtimes from 11.30 am to 2.15 pm. Take a van from Teresang Market. The helpful staff can provide detailed visitor information.

Permits for Onward Travel: Foreign visitors require a permit from the Resident’s Office for all destinations upriver from Kapit (Rejang or Baleh rivers). The permit is issued immediately, is free of charge and is valid from one to two weeks. Visitors to the Baleh area should be accompanied by guides.

BELAGA

The Upper Rejang, beyond Pelagus, is home to the Orang Ulu or “Upriver People”. The riverine settlement of Belaga is the last major trading post on the Rejang, and a good base for arranging visits to the Kayan and Kenyah longhouses situated further upriver. Due to the remote and rugged terrain, visitors travelling beyond Belaga are advised to inform the Belaga District Office, Tel: 461315, www.belagado.sarawak.gov.my, about their travel plans. For licensed nature guides, call Hamdani, Tel: 019-8865770, Daniel Levoh, Tel: 013-8486351 or enquire at Belaga District Office.

Bakun Hydro Dam and Reservoir: This huge hydroproject has created a hydro reservoir as large as Singapore. The lake has not yet been developed for tourism but some local families are operating homestays on their floating houses - see below. The imposing dam and hydropower plant are a restricted area and may only be visited by prior appointment. Contact Sarawak Hidro Sdn Bhd, Tel: 03-7932 2310 Email: admin@sarawak-hidro.com.

The Belanum Floating House-Stay, Tel: 017-855394 Email: liashra@yahoo.com, offers four 4-bed rooms on a jelutong (floating house) on the lake. The river nearby has a swimming hole with a natural massage effect. Boat trips can be arranged to various parts of the lake as well as angling trips for highly prized fish such as empurau and semnah. Access is via Sungai Asap (see below).

Sungai Asap is the main resettlement area for the various Orang Ulu communities displace by the Bakun hydropower project. One of the 15 modern longhouses here, Uma Belor, offers homestay accommodation. Visitors can experience farming activities, learn to cook local food, see how the local ‘burak’ rice wine is made, and of course sample it. Other attractions include exquisite Kayan handicrafts - their colourful beads, woodcarvings, paintings and fascinating burial houses - as well as the chance to hear a sare recital by a master musician. Contact Mr Luhat Tugau, Tel: 017-855394, Email liashra@yahoo.com, or the Sungai Asap Sub-District Office, Tel: 013-8303383. The hosts can arrange transport from Belaga or Bintulu.

Accommodation

All addresses are 96900 Belaga, Sarawak, Malaysia. Belaga’s telephone dialling code is +6086 from overseas and 086 within Malaysia.

Belaga Hotel, 14 Belaga Bazaar, Tel: 461244. Band A. Sing Soon Hing Hotel, 15 Belaga Bazaar, Tel: 461257. Band A. Sing Soon Huat Hotel, 26-27 New Belaga Bazaar, Tel 461307. Band A-B

Note: During the dry season (July - September), express boats may not be able to reach Belaga and access is only by road (from Bintulu).

THE MELANAU HEARTLAND

The Melanau number around 140,000, and make up roughly 6% of Sarawak’s total population. They inhabit the coastal regions to the west of the Rejang Estuary to the town of Bintulu and are traditionally fishermen and sago growers. They formerly lived in massive “tall houses” as protection against pirates (a fine replica can be seen at Sarawak Cultural Village near Kuching), but nowadays live in kamplungs (villages) of individual wooden houses similar to those of the Malays.

The majority of Melanau are Muslim, with a significant number of Christians, and a small minority still practise the traditional religion of Liko, meaning “people of the river”. An interesting Liko practice is the use of wooden effigies, called berbohay and berayun, for healing rituals. Although the Melanau have been influenced by the Malays, they are very proud of their distinct culture, and are noted for their religious tolerance, with Muslims, Christians and Liko adherents living happily side-by-side.

MUKAH

The bustling town of Mukah is the administrative centre for the whole Mukah Division, a coastal region covering almost 7,000 sq km with a population of over 120,000. The population is primarily Melanau (55%) and Iban (35%) with small numbers of Chinese, Malays, Bidayuhs and others. Mukah and its surrounding kamplungs (villages) are the historic centre of Melanau culture and the location of the exuberant Kaul Festival (see page 98). The town played an important role in Sarawak’s history, as the Brooke Rajahs and the Brunei Sultans competed with one another to control the valuable sago trade in the 19th Century. An old smokeshack in the centre of town is one of the few surviving relics of this period.

Sights to see in Mukah include the bustling fishing harbour in the old town; the ancient water village at Kampung Tellian (3km from town - bus or taxi), where visitors can see traditional boat builders at work and trains of sago logs being towed along the narrow rivers; the vibrant cultural centre at Lamin Dana (see below); and the colourful Tua Peik Kong Temple. On a more modern note, the Divisional Mosque and the Civic Centre in Mukah’s new town centre both feature multi-coloured corrugated roofs which are modelled on the terendak, a sun hat made of sago palm leaves which is the principal icon of Melanau culture. Mukah is accessible by road or air. See Travel Connections for full details.

Lamin Dana is a delightful combination of visitor’s lodge and cultural centre, built in the style of a traditional Melanau tall house and hidden amongst the wooden houses of Kampung Tellian beside a small river. It also provides authentic Melanau meals, and offers activities such as boat trips, mangrove tours and bicycle band B. For accommodation and tours, contact GreatTownTravel (see page 65).

Food and Drink

Mukah’s signature dish is umai, a spicy salad of raw marinated fish with shallots, lime juice and chillies. It was invented by Melanau fishermen who were reluctant to cook aboard their fishing boats because of the risk of fire. Other local favourites - not for the squeamish - include sago worms (actually sago-trunk-dwelling beetle larvae), and lameh, caterpillars that have recently spun their chrysalis. The last two dishes are hard to find in restaurants, but can be obtained at the town market and are often served in Melanau homes.

Both the Old Town and the New Town are crammed with Chinese coffee shops and Malay restaurants serving a variety of popular Malaysian dishes, and a number also offer freshly grilled fish wrapped in banana leaves and coated with sambal belacan (shrimp paste relish). More up-market outlets include the air-conditioned JS Seafood and the Riverside Seafood Restaurant, both located near to the Tua Peik Kong Temple. For authentic Melanau food, including superb umai, visitors should head for Nibong House, on Jalan Orang Kaya Setia Raja opposite the Civic Centre.

DALAT

The small riverside town of Dalat makes an interesting half-day outing from Mukah, or a stopover if you are travelling by speedboat to or from Sibu. Tamam Poket Dalat, the small landscaped park beside the Oya river, has as its centrepiece the finest Melanau keiligdong (sacificial burial pole)
still in existence. The kelidieng or jeruinei, a hollow belian (Borneo ironwood) tree trunk decorated with ornate carvings, was used in ancient rituals to ward off disasters. Should the community be threatened, a young maidan was placed inside the pole and given only drinking water until she finally passed away. This sacrifice would appease malicious or angry spirits and thus avoid disaster. Interestingly, the cross in the altar of nearby St Bernard’s RC Church is also made in the form of a kelidieng, to give Christ’s sacrifice a Melanau cultural context.

Just across from the church is one of the Melanau Heartland’s rare treats. Relax Corner is a multi-cultural open-air café and watering hole where local Christians and Muslims sip their beer or coffee (according to faith) and exchange friendly banter with occasional visitors in a delightful riverside setting until surprisingly late. Amongst the new shophouses across the road from the riverfront are a number of Chinese coffee shops, as well as Taku Café, a Melanau restaurant serving traditional dishes.

Between the few blocks of shophouses is a small clump of nunok trees, which are believed to be the homes of animist spirits. Upon closer inspection you can see a number of traditional animist, Buddhist and Taoist altars next to the trees.

The Dalat speedboat service is easily the most interesting way to reach the Melanau Heartland from Sibu. After about an hour on the wide and stately Batang Igan, the speedboat slows its engines and stops at picturesque water villages along the way before emerging at Dalat. See page 64. Onward stopping at picturesque water villages along the Julau road, the speedboat slows its engines and approaches the town’s most famous tree, Keladieng (8 treasures) soup, said to be excellent for blood circulation and restoring energy. Most Chinese herbalists and sundry shops stock it at around RM 5 per packet.

About 30 minutes drive from Sariekei, the Sebangkoi Deer Farm produces not only venison, but also deer horn for the Chinese medicine trade, which can be worth as much as RM1,000 per kg. Visitors are welcome by appointment; call Mr Ting Sing Fee, Tel: 654573.

The nearby Sebangkoi Forest Park has some nice forest trails leading to a small waterfall. The adjacent Sebangkoi Country Resort has picnic spots and a resthouse with accommodation.

Rumah Nyuka is an imposing and well-preserved 45-door Iban longhouse constructed entirely from Belaina wood, located about an hour’s drive south of Sariekei. The 300-plus inhabitants run a homestay programme which includes farm visits, as well as optional treks to nearby jungle waterfalls. Contact Mr Ikau Aji, Tel: 019 4687518, or Greatown Travel (see below).

Kampung Sungai Buloh in Pakan, about an hour from Sariekei on the Julau road, is the starting point for the 45-minute trek up Bukit Sibau to visit the tomb of Rentap, the greatest of the Iban independence leaders, who opposed White Rajah rule from 1853 until his death in 1870. Further along the Julau road, Julau itself offers the historic wooded Fort Brooke at Nanga Meluan and a number of fascinating Iban longhouses, including the ornately decorated Rumah Juma Sawing, Rumah Ngumbang (famous for its handicrafts) and Rumah Selil with its nearby waterfall. Contact Greatown Travel (see below) or Great Holiday Travel (see page 65).

Greatown Travel (see page 65) run tours to Sariekei and its agricultural attractions, including Sebangkoi Deer Farm, Sebangkoi Country Park, dragon fruit orchards, pineapple farms, pepper gardens and orange orchards. Greatown can also arrange trips to the Rejang Songket Factory at Kampung Rejang, to see songket weavers in action, as well as the smoked prawn (sesar unjur) processing industry at Kampung Belawai.

**Accommodation**

All addresses are 96100 Sariekei, Sarawak, Malaysia. Telephone dialling code is +6084 from overseas and 084 within Malaysia.

**Greatown Inn** (see page 65), Jln 40, Tel: 655559. Band B. Payang Puri Hotel, Jln 2-1 Merdeka, Tel: 651216. Band A-B. Rejjang Hotel, Jln 1 Jln Berjaya, Tel: 652693. Band A-B. Sariekei Hotel, Jln 1 Jln Wharf, Tel: 651122. Band B. Sebangkoi Country Resort, 23km, Sariekei-Kuching Road, Tel: 019 8772928. Band A-C.

**Southern Hotel**, Jln 40, Tel: 651167. Band A. Tanjung Manis Hotel, Jln 24, Tel: 651188. Band B. Wawasan Hotel, 09-72 Jln Masjid Lama, Tel: 653199. Band B.

**Eating Out**

Sariekei’s Chinese coffee shops and Malay restaurants serve simple noodle dishes and tasty snacks. More demanding diners can try the excellent seafood and venison offered by Hung Kiew Kee Restaurant, Golden Happiness Restaurant (both on Jln Masjid Lama) and Oriental Restaurant (Oriental Hotel, halal). Fast food fans will find KFC and Sugar Bun on Jln Masjid Lama.

**BINTANGOR**

This small market town, 105km by road from Sibu, is famous for its unusual green oranges - although the peel is deep green, the sweet flesh inside is orange coloured and fully ripe. The town can be covered in foot in about an hour, taking in the colourful fruit and vegetable market and the Bintangor orange statue. The coffee shops in town are renowned for their excellent rojak, a spicy Malaysian salad of fruits and vegetables.

**Accommodation**

All addresses are 96500 Bintangor, Sarawak, Malaysia. The telephone dialling code is +6084 from overseas and 084 within Malaysia.

TRAVEL & TOUR CONNECTIONS

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AIR - Malaysia: MAS connects Sibu with Kuala Lumpur (1x daily) and Kuching (2x daily). Advance booking fares are available. Air Asia operates regular flights between Sibu and Kuching (2x daily), Kuala Lumpur (5CT, 5x daily) and Johor Bharu (1x daily). SMASwings operates ATR72 turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprops from Mukah to Kuching (3x daily) and Miri (4x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2x daily), as well as 19-seat DHC-6 Twin Otter turboprop services connecting Sibu to Kuching (5x daily), Miri (4x daily), Bintulu (2x daily) and Kota Kinabalu (2...
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