

Trip : Puteri Harbour (Johor Bahru, Malaysia)



Destination : Puteri Harbour, Nusajaya, Malaysia

SG Clearance : Western Immigration (Sisters Island)

Destination Clearance : CIQ at Puteri Harbour Marina

Marina Access : Puteri Harbour Marina <http://www.puteriharbourmarina.com/>

Recommended Hotel/s : Traders Hotel, Legoland Hotel




About the Location : Puteri Harbour is located in one of the fastest growing areas in Johor Bahru – the Iskandar Region. Below are some of the things to do:

Activities	Description
Hotels	Traders hotel (within Puteri Harbour), Legoland hotel, Airbnb
For Kids	Hello Kitty Land, Bob the Builder, Legoland,
For Golfers	Horizon hills
For Shoppers	JB, Bukit Indah, JPO
Makan places	Bukit Indah, Geylang Patah, Puteri Harbour (below)
Foot Massage	JB, Bukit Indah
Water sports	Boat chartering, fishing, evening cruises, mangrove adventure...




Getting There

Directions:

-  From One Degree 15 Marina (est 10 mins)
-  Depart from RSYC Marina (est 35 mins)
-  Western immigration to Puteri Harbour Marina (est 1.5 hrs)

Important Notes :

1. Perform port clearance for Singapore 3 days prior to trip
2. Call Puteri Harbour to book berth 3 days prior to trip. Inform them of your ETA
3. Make your way to western immigration
4. Turn your VHF to channel 16 and request for immigration clearance
5. Once cleared make your way to Puteri Harbour
6. Distance is about 25 NM which will take < 1.5 hrs if you are traveling at 20 Knts
7. Radio Puteri Harbour when you arrive to get the allocated berth number
8. Order fuel in advance if you need fuel to depart PH
9. **Be aware of land reclamation  activities at the Johor side. They may not show up on the GPS**
10. **Arrive before 4pm to be able to clear immigration**



Ballpark Costs

Elements	Cost	Recurring
Cost of Boats	S\$400- S\$500/day*	Depending on # of days
SG Port Clearance	S\$50	One time
MY Port Clearance	0	
PH Admin Fee	RM50	One time
PH Berthing Fee	RM50	Per day
Hotel Fees (Traders)	RM400-700	Per day
Fuel	S\$250 (est)	2 way per boat
Food	RM20-100	Per person per meal

Other Information

Metrics	Remarks
Distance	25-28 NM from Western Immigration
Travel time	2.5 hours inclusive of immigration clearance
Total Pax	6-9 inclusive of skipper
Average Speed	20 Knts
VHF Channel	17



TBSA's Take On Puteri Harbour

This is one of my favourite places to visit. The Marina is in excellent condition, the staff are friendly and efficient and the overall experience of visiting the place is simply amazing. For families with kids, Legoland is just a stone's throw away and for shoppers, there is JPO about a 20 min drive away. You can get taxis quite easily around the hotel. And for foodies, there is a huge selection of hawker and food centres near-by in the town of Bukit Indah. I have my favourite sea food restaurant that doubles up as a fantastic breakfast place in the morning. Prices are cheaper than Singapore and the food is fresh and tasty.

In the town of Bukit Indah, you will also be spoilt for choice at the number of foot and body massages services available (clean ones of course). You get the really big 3-4 storey complexes down to the small mom and pop shops. I would go for the big ones.

Couple of areas to take note of:

1. Plan early – you need to make arrangements for port clearance in Singapore and check berthing availability in PH
2. Arrive before 4pm at PH. You do not want a situation where the CIQ is closed and you can only clear immigration the next day
3. Book your hotel always. Traders hotel may be fully booked on certain days so make sure you have a reservation before leaving Singapore
4. Do not trust your GPS fully along the johor straits. There had been a huge amount of land reclamation recently so the GPS sonar charts may not be updated. Always keep to the Singapore side when traveling along the straits.