

How to get to Kota Kinabalu Malaysia?



Travelling by air is by far the best way to reach Kota Kinabalu. There are many airlines operating from flights from different parts of the world to the Kota Kinabalu International Airport. Some of them are Singapore Airlines, SilkAir, Malaysian Airlines and AirAsia.

Airlines flying to Kota Kinabalu

Currently, there are 16 airlines that fly to Kota Kinabalu. Most flights to Kota Kinabalu are operated by AirAsia, as they connect 18 airports to BKI. That's around 3 times as much as Malaysia Airlines, the second biggest airline in terms of operated flight routes to Kota Kinabalu. Below you can find a list of airlines that operate most BKI flights:

AirAsia is an airline of Malaysia and is Asia's largest low cost airline. The airline group also operates subsidiaries in Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, India and Japan. From its principle hub in Kuala Lumpur, plus other bases in Johor Bahru, Penang, Kota Kinabalu and Kuching, AirAsia operates an extensive network within Malaysia and Southeast Asia. Long haul services to Australia, East Asia, West Asia and the Middle East are operated by its subsidiary AirAsia X.



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Business class flights to Kota Kinabalu

There are 4 airports that have flights to Kota Kinabalu in Business Class. All airports that offer business class flights to BKI are listed below:

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International flights to Kota Kinabalu

Flights from Brunei to Kota Kinabalu, Brunei and Muara is the only city in Brunei with direct flights to Kota Kinabalu. From **Brunei and Muara**, direct flights are offered by Royal Brunei Airlines.

Flights from China to Kota Kinabalu

In China there are several airports with flights to Kota Kinabalu (6 in total).

From **Beijing Daxing**, direct flights are offered by AirAsia. This is a seasonal route that starts in

November and ends in March.

From **Guangzhou**, you can fly non-stop with AirAsia or China Southern.

From **Hangzhou**, you can fly non-stop to Kota Kinabalu with AirAsia. This is a seasonal route that starts in November and ends in March.

From **Shanghai**, the only airline with direct flights is Shanghai Airlines. This is a seasonal route that starts in November and ends in March.

From **Shenzhen** and **Wuhan**, you can fly with AirAsia.

- Flights from Hong Kong to Kota Kinabalu, In Hong Kong, the only airport that has a direct connection to Kota Kinabalu is Hong Kong. From **Hong Kong**, direct flights are offered by AirAsia.
- Flights from Japan to Kota Kinabalu, There is 1 airport in Japan that has a direct connection to Kota Kinabalu, which is Tokyo. From **Tokyo**, direct flights are offered by Malaysia Airlines (Oneworld). This is a seasonal route that starts in December and ends in March.
- Flights from Macao to Kota Kinabalu, In Macao, the only airport that has a direct connection to Kota Kinabalu is Macau. From **Macau**, direct flights are offered by AirAsia. This route is not operational yet but will start in January.
- Flights from Philippines to Kota Kinabalu, Manila is the only city in Philippines with direct flights to Kota Kinabalu. From **Manila**, you can fly non-stop with AirAsia or Cebu Pacific.
- Flights from Singapore to Kota Kinabalu, There is 1 airport in Singapore that has a direct connection to Kota Kinabalu, which is Singapore. From **Singapore**, you can fly non-stop with AirAsia or Scoot.
- Flights from South Korea to Kota Kinabalu, There are 2 airports in South Korea that have non-stop flights to Kota Kinabalu.

From **Busan**, direct flights are offered by Air Busan., From **Seoul**, direct flights are offered by Jeju Air, Jin Air and Tway Air. This is a seasonal route that starts in November and ends in March.

Flights from Taiwan to Kota Kinabalu, Taipei is the only city in Taiwan with direct flights to Kota Kinabalu. From **Taipei**, direct flights are offered by AirAsia.

Domestic flights to Kota Kinabalu

Flights from Malaysia to Kota Kinabalu

There are lots of domestic flights to Kota Kinabalu (BKI). 15 airports in Malaysia have direct flights to the airport.

From **Bintulu Division**, direct flights are offered by AirAsia.

From **Gunung Mulu National Park**, the only airline with direct flights is Malaysia Airlines (Oneworld).

From Johor Bahru and Kota Bharu, you can fly with AirAsia.

From **Kuala Lumpur**, there are 5 airlines that have direct services to Kota Kinabalu, which are AirAsia, AirAsia X, Batik Air, Malaysia Airlines (Oneworld) and Myanmar Airways.

From **Kuching**, you can fly non-stop with AirAsia or Firefly.

From **Labuan**, **Lahad Datu**, **Lawas** and **Limbang**, all direct flights to Kota Kinabalu are operated by Malaysia Airlines (Oneworld).

From Miri, direct flights are offered by AirAsia.

From **Penang**, you can fly non-stop to Kota Kinabalu with Firefly. This is a seasonal route that starts in November and ends in March.

From **Sandakan**, you can fly non-stop with AirAsia or Firefly.

From **Sibu**, the only airline with direct flights is AirAsia.

From **Tawau**, you can fly non-stop with AirAsia or Firefly.

Alternative airports near Kota Kinabalu

Flying to an alternative airport near Kota Kinabalu could give you other options to reach your destination. For example, the possibility to fly with a different airline or alliance, or finding a cheaper airfare. For this reason, alternative airports near to Kota Kinabalu (BKI) are listed below. The closest alternative airports are Labuan (LBU) and Lawas (LWY).

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