



# RIDE TO KUKUP

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Rides to Johor are easy to do and offer a sense of adventure on riding overseas. This two-day one-night trip to Kukup on 5 August 2023 was a much-awaited event particularly since pandemic travel restrictions were lifted. Indeed, participants enjoyed the ride and the get-together at the chalet, sharing the sumptuous seafood meals and enjoying karaoke, or simply chilling out in the comfortable chalet. Especially appreciated were the city comforts of air-conditioning, good wifi connection, a karaoke system, massage chairs made available in rustic stilt chalets over a mangrove shore.



Early morning start



Sungai Pulai Bridge



On the go

Our journey started with a morning weather that was simply perfect complete with just a slightly overcast sky, allowing our trip leaders to set a good pace. The wide roads and the landscape were breathtaking. After breakfast at Johor city centre, we rode along Danga Bay, passing Istana Bukit Serene, the royal palace and official residence of the Sultan of Johor, marked with a giant replica of the Royal Crown.

One of highlights of this ride was to check out the direct route to Kukup, via the road bridge flyover Sungai Pulai. Before this bridge route was opened, cycling to Kukup requires a detour to Pekan Nanas, a little town that is up North away from the direction to Kukup. The new route was a joy to ride. It provides shorter access to Kukup with great scenic view and light vehicular traffic.

We all arrived Kukup in good time and all ready to enjoy the hospitality, facilities and meals offered by the chalet operator. From a casual walk in the village and chitchats with the village locals, we also caught a glimpse of the changes in Kukup - development of properties for tourism and the transformation of Kukup from a fishing village to fish farming.



Chowtime!