



The Datai Langkawi Earns Prestigious Condé Nast Traveler Triple Crown Recognition



Langkawi, Malaysia, 9 June 2026 – Luxury rainforest retreat [The Datai Langkawi](#) has been named as a recipient of the inaugural Condé Nast Traveler Triple Crown — a prestigious new accolade reserved for properties that have achieved all three of the publication’s flagship honours: the Hot List, the Gold List and the Readers’ Choice Awards. This recognition further cements The Datai Langkawi’s reputation as one of Asia’s most sought-after properties.

The Condé Nast Traveler Triple Crown is distinguished by its transparency, editorial integrity and Condé Nast Traveler’s nearly 40 years of authority and trust in travel. More than simply a ranking, the Triple Crown celebrates a rare collection of trophy-winning hotels that have consistently earned the admiration of industry experts, Condé Nast Traveler editors and its highly discerning global audience. These properties represent the very pinnacle of hospitality.

Nestled on the northwest tip of Langkawi, Malaysia, The Datai Langkawi is set within a 10-million-year-old rainforest and overlooking the pristine Datai Bay, rated as one of the top ten beaches in the world. The resort effortlessly blends natural beauty with iconic architecture, offering understated elegance and exceptional Malaysian hospitality. Views out to the Andaman Sea, together with the resort’s surrounding rainforest, offer the perfect backdrop for a tranquil island escape, and the plethora of endemic species invite for morning or evening walks spotting the resident wildlife.

The resort features 121 rooms, villas, and suites, each offering stunning views of the surrounding rainforest or coastline and a seamless connection with nature, comprising The Canopy Collection, The Rainforest Collection and The Beach Collection. Among them is the luxurious five-bedroom Datai Estate Villa, perfect for those seeking ultimate privacy.

Originally conceived by celebrated architects Kerry Hill and Didier Lefort, the resort’s biophilic architecture was designed to foster an intimate connection with nature. Extensive renovations completed in 2017 and 2018 under the direction of Didier Lefort of DL2A refreshed the guest rooms, suites and villas, while introducing a dedicated nature centre to support the resort’s growing sustainability initiatives. The transformation culminated in the resort’s inclusion in Condé Nast Traveler’s 2019 Hot List, completing the trio of accolades

that underpin its Triple Crown distinction, following several Gold List honours and Readers' Choice Awards recognitions nearly every year since the resort opened its doors in the 1990's.

Since opening in 1993, The Datai Langkawi has operated with deep respect for its extraordinary natural environment and the local community. More than three decades later, the resort continues to set benchmarks for sustainable luxury hospitality, demonstrating how travel can be a powerful force for conservation, community development and positive environmental impact. Officially launched in 2020, The Datai Pledge is the resort's tangible, pioneering and transparent initiative based on four interconnected pillars: Fish For The Future, Pure For The Future, Wildlife For The Future and Youth For The Future. Through these, the resort has built a nature-positive and solutions-led model of hospitality that contributes to conservation, community development, and climate action.

For more information on The Datai Langkawi, please visit www.thedatai.com

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ABOUT THE DATAI LANGKAWI

One of the world's most stunning resorts, The Datai Langkawi – a member of Leading Hotels of the World, is situated on the northwest tip of the island of Langkawi in Malaysia. Located in an ancient rainforest rich in wildlife and overlooking the tranquil Datai Bay awarded by National Geographic one of the Top 10 Beaches worldwide, the iconic property enchants with mesmerising nature, visionary architecture, understated elegance, and Malaysian hospitality. All the 121 rooms, villas, and suites at The Datai Langkawi, including the five-bedroom The Datai Estate Villa, offer breath-taking views of the surrounding nature. Elevated among treetops, set in the very heart of the rainforest, and located directly on the coastline, the dining outlets which include the award-winning The Gulai House, The Pavilion, The Dining Room, and The Beach Club, pay homage to the exotic flavours and culinary traditions of the region and beyond.

Facilities include The Nature Centre, an educational facility and home to resident naturalists and marine biologists, and The Spa featuring Ramuan treatments, its own Akar retail range, and Voya facials. Leisure facilities include three pools, a state-of-the-art fitness centre at The Health Club; an array of wellness activities including Pilates and yoga, retail outlet The Boutique, a reserved space to showcase local arts and talents at The Atelier, as well as one of the most scenic golf courses in the world designed by golf legend Ernie Els, The Els Club Teluk Datai. The resort has founded The Datai Pledge in 2020 - a sustainability and conservation programme that supports Langkawi's unique fauna, flora, and communities. All proceeds from The Datai Pledge aid this work and contribute to local non-profit organisation. The Datai Langkawi is managed by Datai Hotels and Resorts Sdn Bhd, a company incorporated to manage and operate hospitality properties in Malaysia and beyond.

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