

## Pantai Kerachut - Turtle Hatchery

DURATION: 6 HOURS

CAPACITY: Groups of 80 persons

REMARKS: Best time to watch the hatchings is in the month of June & July

Famous for its seasonal meromictic lake, Pantai Kerachut is a popular picnic and camping site and famous turtle hatchery. Collecting of the turtles' eggs is prohibited. Pantai Kerachut is the only beach where the Green Sea Turtle *Chelonia mydas* can be spotted. It is believed that the Green Turtle only migrate here for nesting as extensive algae are



not known and found around Penang Island. It is one of the largest sea turtle and the Penang National Park will ensure the continuity of the turtles visit.

Bats and birds and monkeys are common at this island. The calls from a pair of resident stock billed kingfisher in the evening occasionally break the monotonous beating waves and chirping birds. Wild boars and mouse-deers are quite common during low tourist seasons.

### ENCHANCEMENTS

- ▶ Picnic lunch by the beach
- ▶ Trek Pack (towel, insect repellent, disposable binoculars and sunblock)
- ▶ CSR program – turtle conservation