ZIPAIR Fare and Itinerary Comparison

Refined Points | Kingsley | Snapshot 21 November 2026, approximately 00:40-01:20 MYT. One adult, taxes included. Optional extras stated separately. December has shorter booking lead times. Aircraft and schedules can change.

ZIPAIR direct - all four combinations

Outbound / return	20-25 Jan 2027	8-13 Dec 2026	24-29 Dec 2026
Standard / Standard	RM1,658.46	RM3,609.68	Standard return unavailable
Full-Flat / Standard	RM3,778.46	RM5,624.68	Standard return unavailable
Standard / Full-Flat	RM3,290.90	RM5,079.14	RM6,207.24
Full-Flat / Full-Flat	RM5,410.90	RM7,094.14	RM8,452.24

The MYR booking flow prices each sector separately. January Standard / Full-Flat outbound RM679 / RM2,799; return RM979.46 / RM2,611.90. A standalone Narita-origin search showed the same return amounts. Christmas Standard home was unavailable in the direct search.

Full-service return observations

Carrier and cabin	20-25 Jan	8-13 Dec	24-29 Dec
Cathay Pacific Economy	RM2,914 direct	~RM3,395 seller	~RM4,189 seller
Cathay Pacific Business	~RM9,752 seller	~RM10,789 seller	~RM14,069 seller
Singapore Airlines Economy	~RM4,872 seller	~RM7,024 seller	No SQ-only quote verified
Singapore Airlines Business	~RM12,838 seller	No all-Business quote verified	~RM18,982 seller
Malaysia Airlines Economy	~RM3,629 seller	~RM4,144 seller	~RM5,794 seller
Malaysia Airlines Business	~RM14,517 seller	~RM15,188 seller	~RM18,916 seller

Cathay January Economy Light was reconfirmed direct: RM1,800 fare + RM716 surcharges + RM398 taxes and fees = RM2,914. Other full-service figures are rounded seller observations, with US$1 = RM4.1148 at the 20 November Bank Negara reference. SQ direct verification was blocked. MH January direct handoff did not reproduce the seller offer. Missing inventory is left unpriced.

January Sector Schedules

All times local. +1 means next calendar day. The named carrier operates every sector in its row. Economy / Business means that cabin on every sector in that quote. Regional recliners can be sold as Business.

ZIPAIR nonstop	Local schedule
ZG62 Kuala Lumpur T1 to Narita T1	01:10 → 09:00, same calendar date, 6h 50m
ZG61 Narita T1 to Kuala Lumpur T1	16:50 → 23:40, same calendar date, 7h 50m

January itinerary	Outbound · 20 Jan	Return · 25 Jan
Cathay Economy and Business	CX732 KUL 02:55 → HKG 07:00 (A321neo), CX526 08:15 → NRT 13:10 (A350-900). 1h 15m connection, 9h 15m total.	CX527 NRT 14:25 → HKG 18:55 (A350-900), CX733 21:40 → KUL 01:35 +1 (A321neo). 2h 45m connection, 12h 10m total.
Singapore Airlines Economy	SQ107 KUL 11:05 → SIN 12:20 (A350-900 long-haul), SQ634 14:05 → HND 21:40 (A350-900 medium-haul). 1h 45m connection, 9h 35m total.	SQ637 NRT 10:00 → SIN 16:30 (787-10), SQ126 18:30 → KUL 19:40 (A350-900 medium-haul). 2h connection, 10h 40m total.
Singapore Airlines Business	SQ125 KUL 20:35 → SIN 21:55 (A350-900 medium-haul), SQ638 23:55 → NRT 07:30 +1 (787-10). 2h connection, 9h 55m total.	SQ635 HND 22:55 → SIN 05:20 +1 (A350-900 medium-haul), SQ106 08:25 +1 → KUL 09:30 +1 (A350-900 long-haul). 3h 05m connection, 11h 35m total.
Malaysia Airlines Economy and Business	MH70 KUL 09:30 → NRT 17:30 (A330-900neo), 7h nonstop.	MH71 NRT 21:45 → KUL 05:00 +1 (A330-900neo), 8h 15m nonstop.

Cathay A350-900 Tokyo legs have 1-2-1 lie-flat Business. A321neo KL feeders have 2-2 recliners. SQ January Tokyo legs use 787-10 and medium-haul A350-900 Regional Business. Long-haul-configuration A350 feeders are labelled separately. The primary January MH quote uses A330-900neo.

25 January one-way Economy home seller observations: CX527 / CX733 about RM2,057, MH71 about RM2,942, or MH89 09:45 NRT to 16:55 KUL on A330-300 about RM3,329. Pairing the first two with the RM2,799 ZIPAIR bed gives about RM4,856 / RM5,741 before ZIPAIR optional extras. Each independent ticket has its own fare and reference.

December Sector Schedules

A next-day arrival can shorten the holiday. Cathay A330-300 has multiple layouts, so that type alone does not establish a bed. Christmas SQ Tokyo legs use 777-300ER Business, distinct from January Regional Business imagery.

December itinerary	Outbound	Return
8-13 Dec · Cathay Economy and Business	CX760 KUL 13:35 → HKG 17:45, CX524 01:25 +1 → NRT 06:30 +1 (both A330-300). 7h 40m connection, 15h 55m total.	Economy CX527 NRT 14:25 → HKG 18:55 (A350-900), CX733 21:40 → KUL 01:35 +1 (A321neo). 2h 45m connection, 12h 10m total. Business CX501 NRT 21:35 → HKG 02:00 +1 (A350-900), CX723 08:30 +1 → KUL 12:30 +1 (A330-300). 6h 30m connection, 15h 55m total.
8-13 Dec · Singapore Airlines Economy	SQ107 KUL 11:05 → SIN 12:20 (A350-900 long-haul), SQ634 14:05 → HND 21:40 (A350-900 medium-haul). 1h 45m connection, 9h 35m total.	SQ635 HND 22:55 → SIN 05:20 +1 (A350-900 medium-haul), SQ104 07:05 +1 → KUL 08:15 +1 (737 MAX 8). 1h 45m connection, 10h 20m total.
8-13 Dec · Malaysia Airlines Economy and Business	Economy MH70 KUL 09:30 → NRT 17:30, 7h. Business MH88 KUL 23:25 → NRT 07:15 +1, 6h 50m. Both A330-300, nonstop.	MH71 NRT 21:45 → KUL 05:00 +1 (A330-300), 8h 15m nonstop.
24-29 Dec · Cathay Economy	CX724 KUL 17:50 → HKG 22:05, CX500 15:25 +1 → NRT 20:20 +1 (both A330-300). 17h 20m connection, 25h 30m total.	CX549 HND 16:00 → HKG 20:15 (777-300ER), CX733 21:40 → KUL 01:35 +1 (A321neo). 1h 25m connection, 10h 35m total.
24-29 Dec · Cathay Business	CX732 KUL 02:55 → HKG 07:00 (A321neo), CX526 08:15 → NRT 13:10 (A350-900). 1h 15m connection, 9h 15m total.	CX501 NRT 21:35 → HKG 02:00 +1, CX723 08:30 +1 → KUL 12:30 +1 (both A330-300). 6h 30m connection, 15h 55m total.
24-29 Dec · Singapore Airlines Business	SQ127 KUL 21:50 → SIN 23:25 (737 MAX 8), SQ012 09:20 +1 → NRT 17:05 +1 (777-300ER). 9h 55m connection, 18h 15m total.	SQ631 HND 08:30 → SIN 15:00 (777-300ER), SQ128 19:55 → KUL 21:05 (737 MAX 8). 4h 55m connection, 13h 35m total.
24-29 Dec · Malaysia Airlines Economy and Business	MH70 KUL 09:30 → NRT 17:30 (A330-900neo), 7h nonstop.	MH89 NRT 09:45 → KUL 16:55 (A350-900), 8h 10m nonstop.

Extras and Planning Assumptions

Item	Figure or assumption
January ZIPAIR packages	Return Value RM217.30 per person, with 30 kg bag, standard meal and advance seat selection. Outbound Value RM230. Both directions add RM447.30. Separate return bag JPY7,000, about RM181 at RM2.5842 per JPY100. Outbound bag RM200.
Same-flight upgrade	Standard with return Value RM1,875.76; Full-Flat out / Standard home with return Value RM3,995.76. Difference RM2,120. Sleep sensitivity for one / two / three assumed extra hours: RM2,120 / RM1,060 / RM706.67.
Flexibility and blanket	ZIPAIR base fares generally exclude voluntary changes and refunds apart from eligible unused taxes. Paid Flex Biz cancellation is a future ZIPAIR voucher under its rules. Amenity kit with blanket JPY4,000. Cathay Light change RM300 + difference; cancellation RM600. Essential +RM405.
Trip.com Standard	Any-payment passenger form RM1,653 including RM259 taxes and fees, 7 kg hand baggage, no checked bag. Return bag +RM269, total RM1,922. FPX display RM1,621. Lowest offer split the sectors into separate bookings.
Trip.com premium label	Business-labelled any-payment form RM5,594 including RM395 taxes and fees, 7 kg hand baggage, no checked bag. FPX display RM5,483. Explicit ZIP Full-Flat confirmation remained missing. Direct Full-Flat both ways RM5,410.90.
Display currency	Direct Standard return MYR1,658.46 or US$407.66 when selecting dollars, about RM1,677.44 at reference FX. A display does not prove final settlement currency.
Ueno model	Hotel standard check-in 15:00. ZIPAIR hotel arrival ~11:15; Cathay ~15:20; MH70 ~19:35; SQ634 ~23:20. Sightseeing between 10:00 and 20:00 gives 51h45 / 45h25 / 48h30 / 40h respectively. Immigration, train waits and local access are estimates.
Hotel break-even	Hybrid minus Cathay airfare RM1,081.76 solo, RM2,163.52 for two sharing one room. With equal transfers and unchanged airfare, that is the extra room cost needed to erase the gap. RM450 room equals RM450 per booking or RM225 per person for two. Earlier flights require a new quote.
After ZG61	ERL full schedule: T1 00:35 / 01:05 to KL Sentral 01:10 / 01:40. Last train gives 85 minutes from 23:40 scheduled landing. Maintenance notice found 23-25 November. Check actual service for 14 / 30 December and 26 January 2027.
ERL fares and car threshold	December adult RM55 / child 6-15 RM25. From 1 January 2027 RM65 / RM29. Under six free. Advance purchases can retain prevailing fare. Two adults + six-year-old RM159 + assumed RM25 onward car = RM184. Solo RM65 + assumed RM20 onward = RM85.