

**HOROSCOPE**

**Virgo** Aug 22 – Sept 21  
**ALTHOUGH** you made a number of important decisions around the time of the Virgo New Moon on Sept 5, you've had to rethink many of them. Straightforward as they seemed then, both circumstances and your priorities have changed. Waste no time worrying where you went wrong. Regard these as a trial run.

**Libra** Sept 22 – Oct 22  
**THERE'S** good reason you've been sidestepping an especially tricky issue. But now the circumstances are changing and the pace is picking up, which leaves you no time for diplomacy. Ask what others intend to do, then explain what you have in mind. Only once the facts are clear should you begin to negotiate.

**Scorpio** Oct 23 – Nov 20  
**YOU'RE** good at spotting the little lies others tell themselves as a way of escaping bad situations. Now that there's a need to discuss one particular issue they've been avoiding, you'll have to delve into these. Despite your knack for dealing deftly with such matters, you will find it very challenging.

**Sagittarius** Nov 21 – Dec 20  
**YOU** may still be hoping you'll find a clever way to avoid facing one particular situation. But not only is that unlikely, the odds are good it will get worse. Discuss this with those whose judgement you trust. Not only will this clarify your thinking, they'll have exactly the kind of advice you need.

**Capricorn** Dec 21 – Jan 19  
**FACTS** may be facts. The misunderstandings indicated by the clash between Mercury and the precise Pluto positioned in your sign, are worrying. However, between now and the time certain plans are turned into lasting arrangements, these and any other conflict will be dealt with, and for good.

**Aquarius** Jan 20 – Feb 18  
**EXCITING** as the ideas or offers that came your way recently were, you're still wary. This is not due to the actual arrangements and so everything seems too simple. That's no surprise, since the superb alliance between Mars and your ruler Uranus indicates events that are better than you conceive possible.

**Pisces** Feb 19 – March 19  
**THOSE** who're so self-obsessed they don't even notice the struggles of others puzzle you. Yet judging by the intense emotions triggered by this Thursday's Pisces Full Moon, you'll need to put your own needs before those of others. The resulting insights could transform your life.

**Aries** March 20 – April 18  
**YES**, you've good reason to speak frankly, with certain individuals. Judging by the current wrought up mood, others are feeling just as annoyed with you. Raise issues and discussions could turn into pointless battles. Wait until the mood's calmer and you'll make your point but without tiresome drama.

**Taurus** April 19 – May 19  
**JUDGING** by the recent powerful alliance between your ruler Venus and the planet of vision, Neptune, you've a strong sense of what's next and what you should do to make it happen. Experiencing those feelings and acting on them are two different things. Still, it's worth trusting what your instincts tell you.

**Gemini** May 20 – June 19  
**IF** you respond to the connection between your ruler Mercury and Uranus by making impulsive decisions, it won't be the first time. Due to these accent breakthroughs, sudden plans could free you from persistent restrictions or introduce you to something new and wonderful.

**Cancer** June 20 – July 21  
**BEING** ruled by the Moon, you'll be more aware of the growing influence of this Thursday's emotionally intense Full Moon. Knowing that, encourage others to discuss feelings as they arise. Yet also, bear in mind that they may be somewhat overwrought, so could be more dramatic than the situation merits.

**Leo** July 22 – Aug 21  
**FEW** things annoy you more than those who waste time on minute dilemmas but manage to ignore far more serious difficulties. The real problem is that they've no idea how to approach these more complex matters and are hoping they'll find somebody to advise them. That person might be you.



# Get to know Malaysia better

> Host Ezra Zaid shows us 10 things we may not be aware about our country

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**IF** you think you know everything there is to know about Malaysia, then think again.

Did you know that the KTM building was actually built to withstand snow? Or that Malaysia is home to the biggest cockroach infestation in the world? And Mt Kinabalu is home to the highest suspension bridge in the world?

Well, you can join host Ezra Zaid who will take you on a journey around the country to discover some interesting aspects that you may or may not know on History channel's *10 Things You Don't Know About Malaysia* this Malaysia Day.

Ezra was previously best known for hosting *That Effing Show* on YouTube and as a presenter on BFM 89.9.

During an interview session with the people behind this documentary, we found out why this programme needed to be made and why it meshes with the History channel's own theme.

Chris Humphrey, the director-producer at A+E Networks Asia (the people behind History), explained: "We have done it with the US and revolved it around people like Franklin Delano Roosevelt (the 32nd president of the United States), for example: 10 things you did not know about him."

He said that both Asian and US markets are different, and it was easier to do this type of series around Malaysia rather than focus on one specific person.

"We have a big audience here and we have doubled the time.



(left and top) Ezra unveiling the hidden facts about Malaysia on History this Monday.

Shows like this is usually half-an-hour long but this is a one-hour show."

Harun Rahman, who is the director, producer and editor at Novista Sdn Bhd (the company that produced this documentary), said that they spent six months doing research before shooting began for the documentary.

"There were many things we found that most people didn't know about Malaysia. Then we had to decide which was visually interesting and sell it to the broadcaster."

Harun added that they had to also verify the authenticity of every detail and fact they unearthed.

Ezra said Malaysians have great stories to tell, adding that this show is for Malaysians. He said: "We don't know enough about our own backyard. I think viewers will be surprised by the [things we discovered] about the KL railway station.

"This is just one of the many aspects of our history, architecture and natural history that we are not paying enough attention to.

"By putting a spotlight on it, it gives us a peek into our history as well as about those involved in the making of our country."

Harun added that he hopes people will look at Malaysia differently once they watch this documentary.

"Malaysians don't seem to care much about history. They forget and don't learn from it.

"I hope people will have a clear and more in-depth view of things after watching this show."

Humphrey added his own hopes that the audience will realise that history can be entertaining too.

As for Ezra, he said he wants people to look at our history and say Malaysia is pretty cool.

"There is no need to add any more to it or try to gloss over things to make a pretty package. "Sometimes, the warts and dirty bits are equally a part of our history as well."

*10 Things You Don't Know About Malaysia premieres on History (Astro channel 555) and History HD (Astro Beyond channel 575) on Monday at 9pm.*

**TV1**

- 7.30am Selamat Pagi 1Malaysia and Jubli Emas 50 Tahun Sarawak Merdeka Dalam Malaysia (live)
- 10.30am Cerita Malaysia
- 12.30pm Felda
- 2pm Cahaya Cinta
- 3.30pm Misi 8 Sekawan
- 4.05pm Jejak 1609
- 6pm Pak Sako
- 7pm National Geographic
- 8.47pm 50 Tahun Sabah Maju Jaya Dalam Malaysia (live)
- 10.05pm Seiring Jalan

**TV2**

- 9am Storm Hawks
- 9.30am Gromiti
- 10am Roh Semberani
- 1pm Hello on Two
- 2.30pm Inspirasi Varsiti
- 3.30pm Langit Yang Sama
- 4.30pm Terms of Endearment
- 6.30pm Wind Chucker
- 7pm 88 Kopitiam
- 9pm Roda-Roda KL
- 10pm Masam Masam Manis
- 12.30am Camelot

**TV3**

- 11am Bonda
- 11.30am Spice Routes
- 1pm Jiwa & Lara
- 2pm Love in Paris
- 3pm Korban Kasih
- 5pm Sabah Road Trip
- 5.35pm Music Box
- 6pm Boboiboy
- 6.30pm Kiteretsu
- 7pm Cinta Jannah
- 9pm Majalah 3
- 10pm Pak Deris Jambal

**NTV7**

- 10.30am Total Drama Action
- 11am Bella 2013
- Noon Babyfaced Beauty
- 1.30pm We are Family
- 4.30pm Golden Ferris Wheel
- 6pm Malaysia Day Special
- 6.30pm Footprints in Malaysia
- 7.30pm Just For Laughs Gags
- 8.35pm Who's Still Standing
- 9.30pm Cafe 96°C
- 11pm Lives of Omission

**8TV**

- 11.30am A Place Called Home
- 2pm Battle For Money Special
- 4pm Eve's Diary
- 4.30pm 8 E-News 2013
- 5pm Malaysiaku 2013
- 6pm Family Harmony
- 7pm Romance in the Palace
- 8.30pm The Legend of Kublai Khan
- 9.30pm NCIS: LA
- 10.30pm Criminal Minds
- 11.45pm What If

**TV9**

- 10am Bonda
- 11am Dalam Setiap Sujudnya
- 12.30pm Bayu Cinta Luna
- 4.30pm Penguins of Madagascar
- 5pm SpongeBob SquarePants
- 5.37pm Binar Bening Berlian
- 6.37pm Upin & Ipin
- 7pm Dunia Eicak
- 7.30pm 15 Minutes to Fame
- 8.30pm Friday I'm in love
- 10.30pm Tanah Merah
- 11.30pm Rosalinda

**Flying McCoy**



**Real Life Adventures**



**Malaysia Through the Decades**

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL, 9PM:** This special documentary takes viewers on a trip through the decades since independence to find out how much this country has achieved over the years. Among the people interviewed are former prime minister Tun Mahathir Muhammad (pix), cartoonist Datuk Lat and singer Yuna.