

Minor Hotels Announces Avani Kota Kinabalu in Malaysia

The 352-key premium lifestyle hotel will introduce Avani to Sabah and expand Minor Hotels' Malaysian portfolio



▲ Avani Kota Kinabalu Exterior (Rendered Image)

August 11, 2026: [Minor Hotels](#), a leading global hotel owner and operator, has announced [Avani Kota Kinabalu](#), a 352-key premium lifestyle hotel set to open in Q1 2027. Forming part of The Logg Luyang integrated development by KTI Landmark, the property will introduce the Avani brand to Sabah and expand Minor Hotels' presence in Malaysia.

Avani Kota Kinabalu will cater to leisure and corporate demand in Kota Kinabalu, one of East Malaysia's principal commercial centers and a key gateway to Borneo. Approximately 10 minutes from Kota Kinabalu International Airport, the hotel will provide access to the city's business districts, residential neighborhoods, and visitor attractions.

The announcement supports Minor Hotels' strategy of expanding its lifestyle portfolio in destinations with growing domestic, regional, and international demand. Avani Kota Kinabalu

will also strengthen the group's presence in Malaysia, joining [Anantara Desaru Coast Resort & Villas](#) in Johor, as it continues to pursue development opportunities across Asia.

Developed by KTI Landmark, The Logg Luyang will bring together hospitality, commercial, and lifestyle components within the established Luyang neighborhood. Avani Kota Kinabalu will serve as the development's hospitality anchor, offering accommodation, dining, wellness, and event facilities for hotel guests and the local community.

"Kota Kinabalu is evolving rapidly as a regional business and tourism hub, creating strong demand for a hotel that can move easily between corporate, leisure, and social use," said Winston Gong, General Manager of Avani Kota Kinabalu. "Our focus will be on delivering an efficient, locally relevant guest experience while building a property with genuine appeal to the city's residents."

Designed by Shah Architect, with landscape architecture by SD2 and interiors by INdulse, Avani Kota Kinabalu will feature 352 rooms tailored to business trips, short breaks, and longer stays.

Avani Kota Kinabalu will feature five dining and social venues for hotel guests and the local community. The all-day dining restaurant will serve Sabahan, Malaysian, Korean, and international cuisine, with live cooking stations, local specialties, and a signature Avani Sunday Lunch. A contemporary Chinese restaurant will focus on Sabah Hakka heritage and regional flavors, while the Lobby Lounge will transition from a daytime meeting space into an evening venue serving afternoon tea, as well as cocktails and whiskies.

The Pantry will offer handcrafted bakery items, desserts, and premium coffee for dining in or takeaway. On the rooftop, SEEN Restaurant & Bar will bring the established rooftop dining and nightlife concept to Sabah through globally inspired cuisine, mixology, curated music, and destination-led experiences.

The hotel will also include dedicated meeting and banquet facilities for conferences, weddings, and social events. Leisure facilities will include an infinity pool and AvaniFit gym, with nearby Tun Fuad Stephens Park offering access to outdoor recreation.

Avani Kota Kinabalu will combine accommodation, rooftop dining, wellness, and event facilities within a major integrated development, strengthening Minor Hotels' lifestyle offering in Malaysia and supporting the group's continued expansion across Asia.

For more information about Avani Hotels & Resorts please visit www.avanihotels.com/en.

About Avani Hotels & Resorts

Designed for today's traveler, Avani Hotels & Resorts offers stylish rooms, connected social spaces and relaxed and on-the-go dining that is locally inspired. Balance is central to everything Avani does, providing guests with the right measure of service, fun and privacy. Launched in 2011, Avani's over 40 properties across five continents offer premium city hotels, tropical resorts and retreats in nature with a focus on smart design, upbeat service and good value.

Avani Hotels & Resorts is a Minor Hotels brand and recognizes its guests through one unified loyalty program, Minor DISCOVERY, part of GHA DISCOVERY.

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About Minor Hotels

Minor Hotels is a global leader in the hospitality industry with more than 640 hotels, resorts and branded residences in operation and committed development across 67 countries. The group crafts innovative and insightful experiences through its hotel brands including Anantara, Elewana Collection, The Wolseley Hotels, Tivoli, Minor Reserve Collection, NH Collection, nhow, Avani, Colbert Collection, NH, Oaks, and iStay, as well as a diverse portfolio of restaurants and bars, travel experiences, and spa and wellness brands. With over four decades of expertise, Minor Hotels builds stronger brands, fosters lasting partnerships, and drives business success by always focusing on what matters most to our guests, team members and partners.

Minor Hotels is a proud member of the [Global Hotel Alliance \(GHA\)](#) and recognizes its guests through one unified loyalty program, [Minor DISCOVERY](#), part of GHA DISCOVERY.

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