

# Kuala Lumpur

## Part 2 For Cathy's blog : Kuala Lumpur holiday

**Sunday 20th September, 2026.**

We booked a tour for today : 10 wonders of Kuala Lumpur.

First stop : Batu Caves

There is a Hindu Temple built inside the caves.

You reach the temple (and caves) by climbing 272 steps.



In front of the steps / caves is a 43m statue of Lord Murugan (Hindu god of war, victory, wisdom and youthful vitality).

We (nearly) beat the crowds. It is worth the climb.





**The view back to KL city.**



**Richly decorated Hindu Temple inside the cave.**



**Then it was on to see the batik workshop. Here they are painting in the colours (having already applied the wax).**

**It is a bit like colouring in. Once one colour has been applied, they have to “set” it. The wax stops the colours from running.**



**Beautiful work.**



**Then on to the Thean Hou Chinese Temple (dedicated to the Chinese Goddess of the Sea, Mazu) with the lucky gold coin in the cart and the Chinese animals of the Zodiac in the gardens.**



**The next stop was the National Mosque (Masjid Negara).**

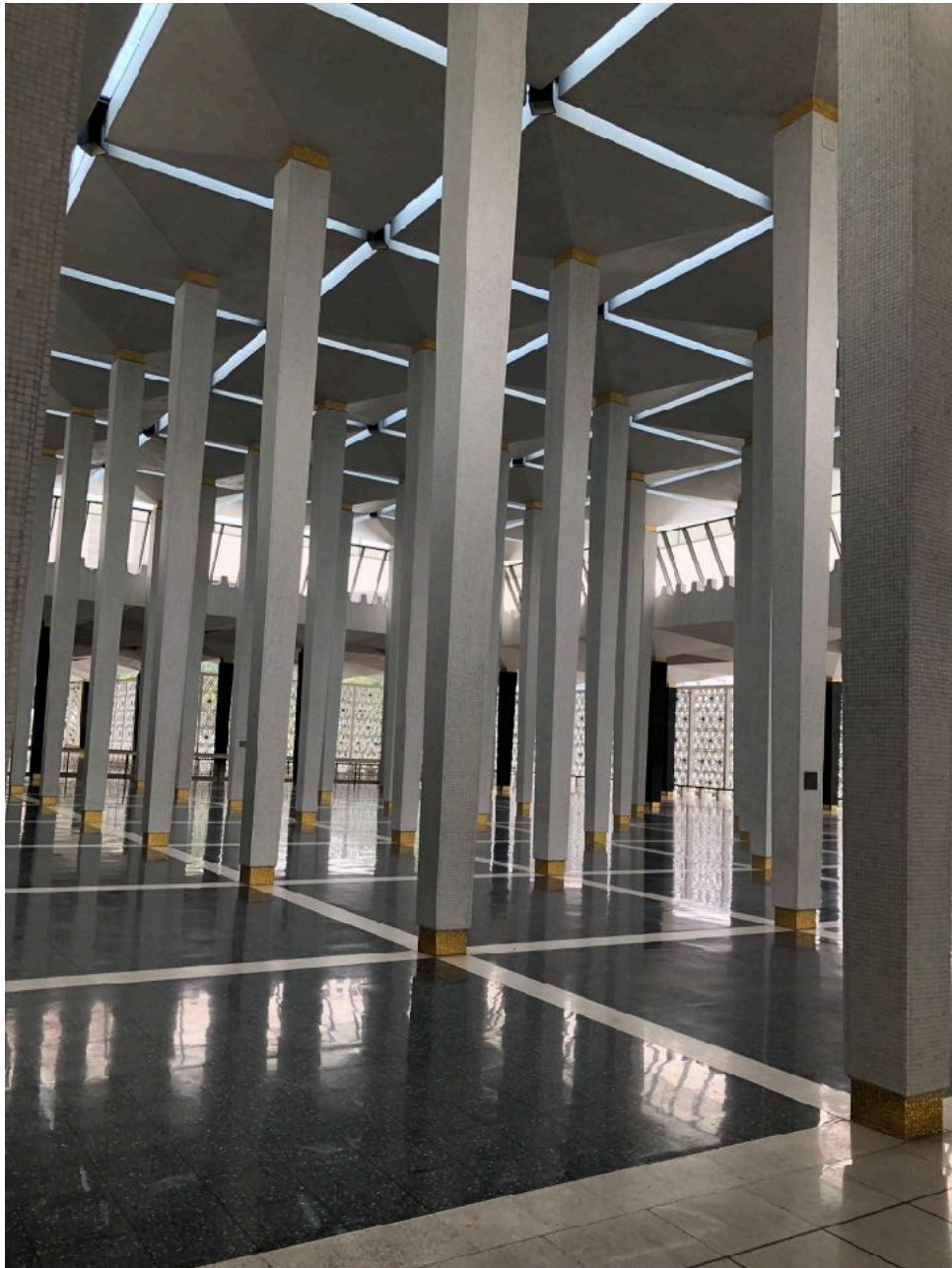
**This is an impressive building.**



**Part of the roofline of the Mosque.**

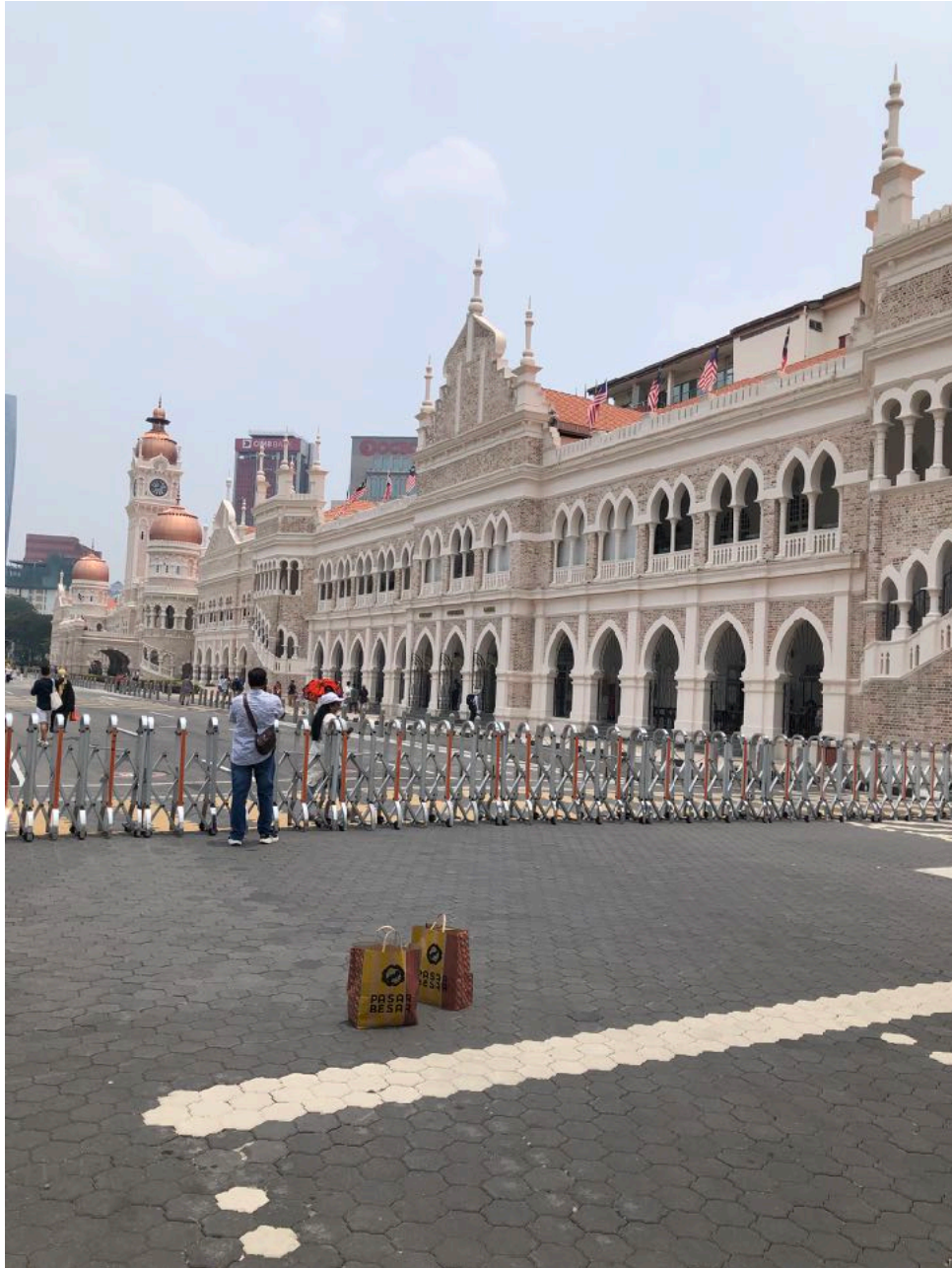


**Inside the main Prayer Room (room for 15 000 people).**



**And more room outside.**

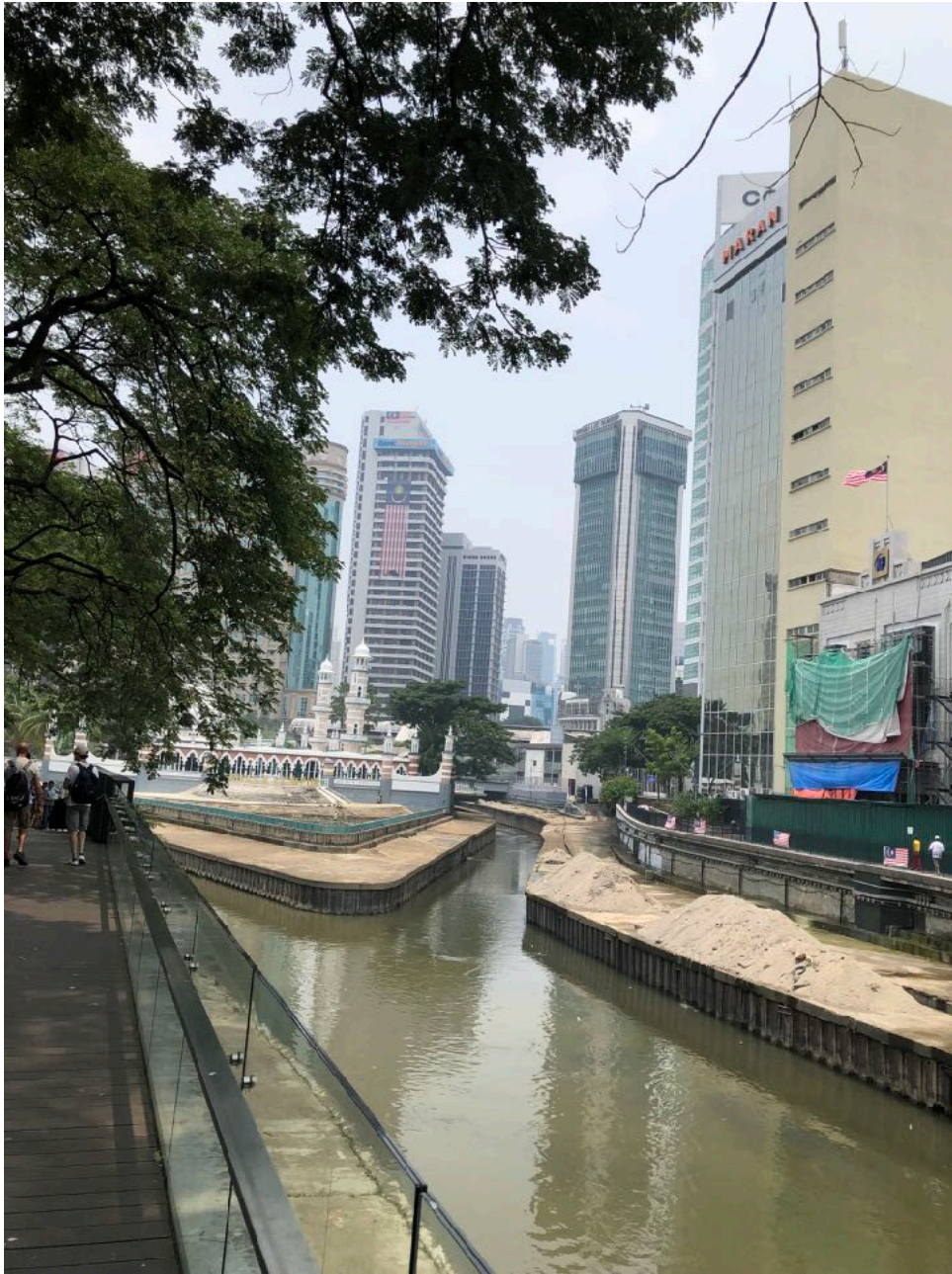
Of course, I had to cover my hair. And we were greeted by an elderly man, who was full of information about the mosque and welcomed our questions about prayers etc.



**Then on to see the Post Office. Opposite this is a cricket pitch.**



**Malaysia was a British Colony for 171 years, so perhaps it is not surprising to find a cricket pitch.**



**This is the River of Life.**

**This is where the Klang River and the Gombak River meet. Kuala = means river mouth and Lumpur = means mud. It is the muddy meeting point of these two rivers.**



**There was just time for a quick bite to eat at the Central Markets (close to KL's China Town), before being taken back to our hotel.**



**Tempura prawns and tempura vegetables (and soup).**

Back at our hotel, we went for a swim in the pool on the 39th floor. There was lightning and thunder, with clouds coming down between the buildings.

We went out for tea to “Ra-ft”. Small and quiet, nestled under the the office towers at this end of the city, we enjoyed lasagne and a burger and chips.

Tomorrow, we take the hop on, hop off bus tour of the city.