

# Bintan

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Hotel Market Update

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# Limited accessibility remains glass ceiling for island's tourism demand growth

# Hoteliers pin ambition on new upcoming international airport

"Bintan is located in the northwest of Indonesia within close proximity to Singapore. Currently, there are six seaports and one airport (Raja Haji Fisabilillah airport) on the island. Ferries are the primary transportation mode as the airport only serves domestic flights. Bandar Bentan Telani Ferry Terminal draws the highest number of arrivals, which totaled 1.06 million in 2018 (latest available data).

Over 42% of the hotel supply on the island is located inside the integrated tourism development of Bintan Resorts. It has the highest concentration of internationally branded resorts ranging from midscale to luxury tier. Singapore is the largest source market for Bintan, accounting for 36% of the total international visitors in 2018. Due to the heavy reliance on a single market, room night demand peaks during weekends and Singapore public holidays. However, occupancy drops significantly on weekdays and effectively caps trading numbers.

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Source: BPS Statistics of Bintan Regency and C9 Hotelworks Market Research \*Latest available data as of 2018

There is a much delayed new airport located inside Bintan Resorts, that when finally operational, will alter the island's tourism ambition. Targeting international flights, the project features a 3,000meter long runway with capacity of one million passengers annually. The airport could be a positive disruptor, the increased connectivity will draw demand from a wider market."

Bill Barnett, Managing Director, C9 Hotelworks

### **Forward Outlook**

- By 2022, there are 1,003 keys are forecasted to come on stream; while 75% of the incoming hotel pipeline is concentrated on the upscale tier with all having international hotel brands.
- The new Bintan Resorts International Airport is being developed by Gallant Venture with a total investment budget of USD150 million.
- Aiming to improve the accessibility, a new 7-km bridge connecting Bintan and Batam islands is underway and targeting 2023 completion.

# Trends

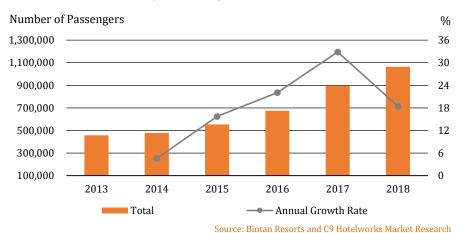
- Mainland China is the second-largest source market, which accounts for 24% of the total number of international visitors. Tour groups are the dominant demand segment for Chinese.
- Unlike many other island destinations, room rate variances between weekdays and weekends range between 20% to 30% on average.
- Free independent travelers (FIT's) are the largest market segment on the island with over 50% share, followed by wholesale and MICE segments.

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### **Demand Indicators**

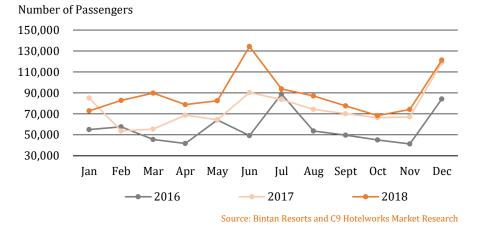
As of 2018 (latest available data), Bintan Resorts recorded a total of 1,063,458 passenger arrivals via Bandar Bentan Telani Ferry Terminal, representing an 18.4% year-on-year increase over the previous year.

#### **Bintan Resorts Ferry Passenger Arrivals**



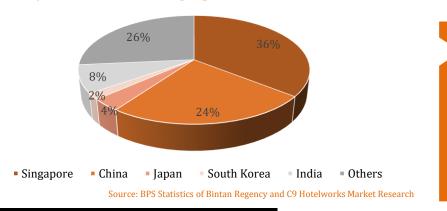


#### Seasonality



Seasonal trading is predictable in Bintan, as peak months are driven by public holidays and sports events

#### Top 5 Key International Geographic Source Markets



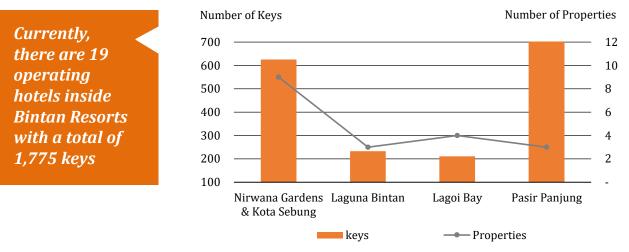
Regional Asian markets dominate tourism demand given the island's limited accessibility

# **HOTEL MARKET**

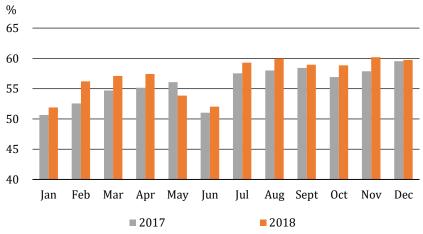
## **Hotel Supply**

Bintan Resorts area has the highest concentration of international hotel supply on the island with 21% of the existing properties having a brand affiliation. Within Bintan Resorts, 47% of the hotel inventory is in the area of Nirwana Gardens & Kota Sebung. Pasir Panjung area has the highest hotel key counts with large-scale developments which total 706 keys.

#### Accommodation Establishments at Bintan Resorts



Source: C9 Hotelworks Market Research



#### Market-wide Hotel Occupancy

Source: BPS Statistics of Bintan Regency & C9 Hotelworks Market Research

#### **Hotel Pipeline**

Hotel Name	Location	Keys	Opening Date
Holiday Inn Resort Bintan	Lagoi Bay	250	2021
Hotel Indigo Bintan	Lagoi Bay	120	2021
Four Points by Sheraton Bintan	Lagoi Bay	308	2022
Melia Bintan	Sebong Pereh	325	2022

Source: C9 Hotelworks Market Research

As of 2018, market-wide occupancy averaged 57% with a slight increase from the previous year, reflecting challenging hotel room night demand

# **About C9 Hotelworks**



Bill Barnett Managing Director

C9 Hotelworks is an internationally recognized consulting firm with extensive experience in the Asia Pacific region. Its core business focus includes:

- Hotel and Resort Development
- Asset Management / Ownership Representation
- Project Feasibility and Analysis

Key competencies include international hotel operator search, selection and contract negotiation, mixed use hotel and residential planning and operation reviews.

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