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A hand is shown holding a single smooth, white, oval-shaped stone. Below it, a stack of seven similar stones is balanced on a beach of small, multi-colored pebbles. The background is a soft-focus view of the ocean and sky.

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One night at the Caribbean Campsite

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Camping has become a popular activity among Malaysians today. Many people share videos on social media, showing their camping adventures, and new campsites are being set up all over the country. After long work hours and dealing with stress, being close to nature with its green scenery, fresh air, gentle wind, rain, and peacefulness can make people feel healed and refreshed.



Over a weekend last year, my friend Afiqah, her family, my sister, and I planned a camping trip to Caribbean Campsite, which is located on the beach in Ruat village, Yan, Kedah. We booked two camping spots for M-sized tents at RM30 each, a great deal considering the stunning views. The campsite's front faces the sea, with coconut trees swaying in the breeze, while the back offers a picturesque view of paddy fields and Jerai Hill. The campsite was comfortable and well-maintained, with clean facilities. Afiqah and her family were especially excited because it was their first camping experience, and her three kids were eager for the adventure. We spent a couple of weeks preparing, gathering tents, sleeping gear, food, and other essentials, with some preparations done together.



We set off for the campsite around 2 p.m. and the drive took about an hour and a half. Once we arrived, we set up our tents with the help of the campsite owner and staff. The weather was perfectly sunny and breezy, and the children immediately began playing in the sand on the beach.



For teatime, we whipped up a delicious steamboat feast. While cooking, we shared jackfruit from my garden with other campers, and Afiqah's daughter, Sofea, helped distribute it. One family even gave us a big packet of bread. After teatime, we leisurely walked along the beach, took pictures, and sat on the rocks enjoying the stunning view and sunset. After bathing and praying, we prepared dinner, barbecuing marinated chicken, prawns, and corn. Eating by the beach under the night sky made the food taste even better. That night, Afiqah's husband tried fishing in front of our tent. He didn't catch anything, but he still had a blast. We slept well with the cool weather and the sound of crashing waves. However, around 3 a.m., heavy rain and wind woke us up.



It was a bit scary, adding a sense of adventure for us, newbie campers. The best part of camping is being close to nature. At this campsite, we woke up to the sounds of the beach, the fresh air, and a beautiful sunrise.



On the second day, we had sandwiches and hot tea for breakfast. We then sat on the rocks, chatting and sipping tea while watching the kids play in the sand. The kids were so happy, they didn't want to go home. Before leaving, Afiqah prepared noodles with soup for her kids, and we boiled the cockles we had bought. The campsite is near a fisherman's jetty, where you can buy fresh seafood if you're lucky. I once bought fresh prawns and crabs from them at a much cheaper price.

Camping may not appeal to everyone, but if you are up for it, we highly recommend the Caribbean Campsite. They offer excellent facilities, including a designated prayer hut, bathrooms, toilets, sinks, and grills. They also provide tents, fly sheets, and groundsheets for an additional price. The campsite's location offers breathtaking views of the sea, coconut trees, paddy fields, and Jerai Hill, ensuring a scenic and relaxing experience. Additionally, the friendly and helpful staff enhance the overall camping experience. For an unforgettable getaway close to nature, the Caribbean Campsite is the perfect choice. Happy camping!