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ABSTRACTS

Tourism Malaysia indicates food as a major antecedent in attracting International tourists for

their travelling purpose to this country. This study was conducted to determine the most

influential factor among international tourist regarding their food selection around Melaka

and to survey the most selectable heritage food among international tourist in Melaka. A

Food Choice Questionnaire (FCQ), an instrument that measures the reported importance of

nine factors underlying food choice was administrated to a representative sample of 100

respondents in Bandar Hilir Melaka. By having a fifteen heritage food which is in Melaka

specialities, the frequency analysis revealed that the most selectable heritage food is sate

followed by roti canai. The most important factors reported are health, sensory appeal, mood,

also convenience and least important are familiarity by using mean score analysis.

Keywords: heritage food; Food Choice Questionnaire; motives food choice

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