# 5 Most Hyped Rooftop Bars in Kuala Lumpur 2025

Expert tips, videos & photos to our favourite Kuala Lumpur rooftop destinations this year.

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here are many spectacular <u>rooftop bars in Kuala Lumpur</u>. And to choose which ones to visit can be a hard task. That's why, we've done all the hard work for you!

We've visited over 30 rooftop bars in Kuala Lumpur ourselves and researched among locals, so we could narrow it down to  $5~\rm KL$  rooftops that stands out in 2025.

For each rooftop, this article comes packed with:

- Videos
- Photos
- Expert tips
- Booking links

(i) Visiting rooftop bars in Kuala Lumpur is a popular thing to do - both among tourist and locals -, so always book your spot in advance (we've prepared all booking links for you in this article) and if you can, plan the visits during sunset to get the best experience.

Listed in this guide

## 1. Sky51

Fine dining, creative cocktails, and grand views



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#### Expert Tips

- There are several bars and restaurants here. Try to visit all of them.
- Don't miss the Sunday Sky Brunch.
- Dress for success! Sky51 is popular among the trendy crowd.

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#### Overview

Ambiance: The top floor of the fantastic hotel EQ Kuala Lumpur has a whole lot to offer, featuring a very stylish rooftop speakeasy bar, an open-air deck with panoramic city views, and a fine dining rooftop restaurant. Aptly named Sky51, the 51st floor rooftop is home to Blue, an elegant indoor lounge with plush chairs, a glittering bar and floor-to-ceiling windows. Outside you find Sky51, a spectacular alfresco terrace, where the panoramic views over KL are at its best. The breathtaking vistas include both the KL Tower and Petronas Twin Towers.

Drinks & Food: From the rooftop bar you can enjoy fine, elegant and crafted cocktails, bringing to life the exotica of Malaysian fruits, botanicals and spices in exciting new ways. There is also a wide range of premium spirits, as well as some elevated bites, from oysters to sliders. Next door to the rooftop lounge and terrace you also find Sabayon, an award-winning rooftop restaurant, serving contemporary European cuisine, prepared with premium imported ingredients and exceptional Malaysian products. This elegant and lavish venue is open for rooftop dinner every evening, and also offers a four-course Sunday Sky Brunch.

What we think: Sky 51 has always been one of our favorite rooftop spots in KL. And 2025 is no exception. Sophisticated and upscale in setting and atmosphere, the Blue and Sky51 rooftop also comes with a vibe. There is an upper deck VIP section where live DJs create the weekend vibes, and inside, live bands often put on electrifying performances.

**Dress code:** The Sky51 dress code is smart casual. So, typically, it's a look that lands between a pair of jeans and a T-shirt, and a full-on suit and tie look. You can mix elements of those two outfits, or you can add or takeaway things to make it smart casual.

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# SKY51 ② EQ, Equatorial Plaza, Jln Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur, 50250 \$ A minimum spend of RM100+ per person (around \$20) ③ More info ③ Visit website ③ @eqkualalumpur

## 2. Satellite Restaurant & Bar

Best view of the Petronas Towers



## **Expert Tips**

- Book your stay at Imperial Lexis Kuala Lumpur to enjoy the rooftop pool.
- Don't miss the Wagyu Beef Taco, it's amazing!
- Check out the schedule for the guest DJs playing here every week.

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#### Overview

Ambiance: Modern and captivating rooftop destination with unobstructed views of the famous KL landmarks. Found in the centre of Kuala Lumpur, the 5-star Imperial Lexis Kuala Lumpur invites to a majestic and 53-storey glass-encased skyscraper, with a smashing rooftop setting up top. On the very highest level, the sleek, modern and spacious Satellite Restaurant & Bar blends the outside with the inside, all surrounded by breathtaking 360° views of the city skyline, including unobstructed vistas of the Petronas Twin Towers, KL Tower and Merdeka 118.

**Drinks and Food:** Up here you can pair dinner or light snacks, like 'Tempura Maki' and 'Wagyu Beef Taco', with artisan handcrafted cocktails, exquisite wines, fine spirits and plenty of non-alcoholic options.

What we think: Probably the best view in Kuala Lumpur. That alone, is an argument that you must visit this rooftop. Add tasty drinks and bar bites to the equation, and we can promise you'll won't regret coming here. Open every evening, Satellite Restaurant & Bar is still somewhat of a hidden gem, filled with a relaxing, friendly and captivating atmosphere. Visit for amazing sunset sips, or an elevated dinner with in-house and guest DJs setting the mood.

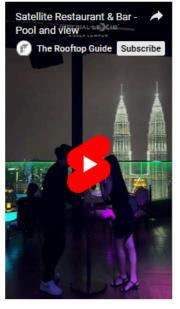
**Dress code:** The Satellite Restaurant & Bar dress code is smart casual. So, typically, it's a look that lands between a pair of jeans and a T-shirt, and a full-on suit and tie look. You can mix elements of those two outfits, or you can add or takeaway things to make it smart casual.

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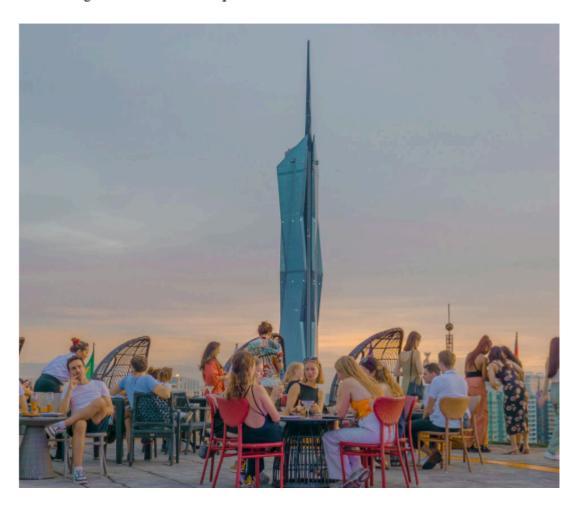
#### SATELLITE RESTAURANT AND BAR

- $\lozenge$  Level 53, 15, Jalan Kia Peng, Kuala Lumpur, 50450
- \$ Cocktails: \$12 | Beer: \$8
- More info
- Visit website
- @ @imperiallexiskl

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# 3. Helipad KL

Best 360 degree view in Kuala Lumpur



#### Expert Tips

- Try to visit close to opening time, it's a super popular place.
- · Check out the sunrise yoga sessions.

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#### Overview

Ambiance: If you are looking for certain and uninterrupted 360-views, and a completely open and airy terrace, this is the place! Just as the name suggests, Helipad KL is a big helipad made into a Kuala Lumpur rooftop bar. Cool fact: daytime it is actually still used as a real helipad. Up here you have a magical and panoramic view of the entire city and as far as the eye can see. Nothing for people with fear of heights, as there are no rail or walls, just you and all of the city at your feet. The terrace is quite low key and simple in decoration, with a mix of plastic chairs and some more comfy lounge chairs. Understandable, the view is the main decoration.

**Drinks and Food:** The rooftop bar offers classic cocktails and all the regulars of beer, wine and spirits. There are also delicious asian bar bites available to share. The wings are superb!

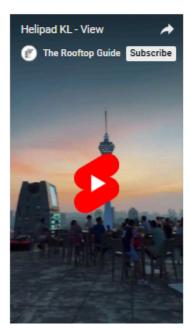
What we think: Helipad, or Heli Lounge Bar as it is also called, might not be the top rooftop in Kuala Lumpur in terms of decoration and drinks, but it is a truly a unique experience, and with the amazing views on display it is well worth a visit. The best time to visit the Helipad is at sunset, as watching the sun go down over Kuala Lumpur is something really special. Tip is actually to try and be here as close to opening as possible, as it is a popular place and the seats up top fills up rather quickly. Later at night the vibe at Helipad usually is pretty high, with a younger crowd enjoying the night.

Dress code: The Helipad KL dress code is casual before 9pm, and smart casual after 9pm.

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#### HELIPAD KL

- 🛇 34 Menara KH, Jln Sultan Ismail, Bukit Bintang, 50450
- \$ Cocktails: \$10 | Beer: \$7
- More info
- 3 Visit website
- @ @helipadkl

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# 4. Vertigo & Horizon Grill

Multi-level rooftop destination with 3 diffrent floors.



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### **Expert Tips**

- Start with drinks at Vertigo and finish with dinner at Horizon Grill.
- Book your stay at the 5-star Banyan Tree Kuala Lumpur to enjoy the amazing rooftop pool.
- Don't miss the and highest rooftop called Vertigo TOO on the 60th floor.

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#### Overview

Ambiance: Set on the 59th and top floor of Banyan Tree Kuala Lumpur, Vertigo rooftop bar comes with a smaller inside area and bar, opening up to a spacious, open-air terrace. Crawling around three sides of the building, the views are breathtaking and over almost all of Kuala Lumpur. One floor below is the stylish Horizon Grill restaurant. Here, seating is mainly indoors, but there is also a beautiful open-air terrace. Lush, equipped with its own little 'river' and with real front-row views to the Petronas Twin Towers.

**Drinks and Food:** Here you can sit in some of the comfy lounge furniture or stand by the edge and enjoy well-crafted cocktails and South East Asian inspired tapas while you take in the view and the great lounge vibe, highlighted by live DJs. Serving fresh seafood and premium steaks, Horizon Grill is open for breakfast and lunch, but is probably best for a romantic dinner with some unforgettable views.

What we think: We visited this rooftop in 2018 and 2024 and it's still as good as it has always been. That tells us that Vertigo is a high quality rooftop space well worth a visit. Visits around sunset are highly recommended. Recently, the rooftop destination at Banyan Tree also got a third addition, with Vertigo TOO opening on top of Vertigo. This stylish and 60th floor venue takes the panoramic 360° views over KL even a notch higher, and takes the chill-out drinking to a new level.

**Dress code:** The Vertigo & Horizon Grill at Banyan Tree dress code is smart casual. So, typically, it's a look that lands between a pair of jeans and a T-shirt, and a full-on suit and tie look. You can mix elements of those two outfits, or you can add or takeaway things to make it smart casual.

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#### SEABIRD

- ♡ Level 59, Banyan Tree Kuala Lumpur, 2, Jalan Conlay, Vertigo, 50450 Kuala Lumpur
- \$ Cocktails: \$13 | Beer: \$10
- More info
- Visit website
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# 5. Cielo KL

Perfect for a romantic rooftop dinner and date



#### Expert Tips

- Great rooftop for wine lovers, there are plenty of good vinews on the menu.
- Book a table if you want to impress on your date.

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#### Overview

Ambiance: Perched high above Changkat Bukit Bintang, on top of the modern VIDA Bukit Ceylon, the elegant Cielo Rooftop Dining & Lounge invites to a classy casual KL rooftop experience. Part stylish interior lounge and part open-air terrace with retractable roof, Cielo blends the inside with the outside, and the panoramic views over the KL skyline are available no matter the weather conditions.

Drinks and Food: Both rooftop restaurant and rooftop bar, up here you can indulge in a food menu featuring delectable seafood dishes and classic European fine food with an edge.

Complemented with a wine cellar that holds over 170 labels from around the world, the beverage list also includes a great selection of handcrafted signature & classic cocktails, brews and prime spirits.

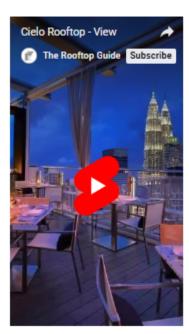
What we think: Probably the best rooftop spot in Kuala Lumpur for a romantic date. Filled with an intimate, friendly and sophisticated atmosphere, the Cielo KL restaurant is a prime spot for a romantic and amazing dining experience with a view. But the rooftop bar and lounge happily also welcome anyone who just wants to sip drinks in an elevated setting as well.

**Dress code:** The Cielo KL dress code is smart casual. Flip flops are not permitted. A look that lands between a pair of jeans and a T-shirt, and a full-on suit and tie look. You can mix elements of those two outfits, or you can add or takeaway things to make it smart casual.

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#### CIELO KL

- 🛇 23-01, 1D, Vida, 1D, Jalan Ceylon, Bukit Ceylon, 50200 Kuala Lumpur
- \$ Starters: \$15 | Mains: \$30
- ① More info
- 3 Visit website
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