

## TBSA's Take On The Island

This is an island which allows for almost anything. You have great walking trails, beautiful beaches, coral colonies around the island, fishing spots, toilets, bbq pits, a berthable jetty etc. There are also lots of coconuts on the island for you to pick and drink. We think that this island has great potential. This island is also opposite Semakau which has quite a few fishing spots and kelp forests. We also found clown fish and oysters in the waters around the island. Waters around the island are generally calm (with occasional currents) so you can run your boat fast and still have a smooth ride.

There are however a few areas you need to take note of :

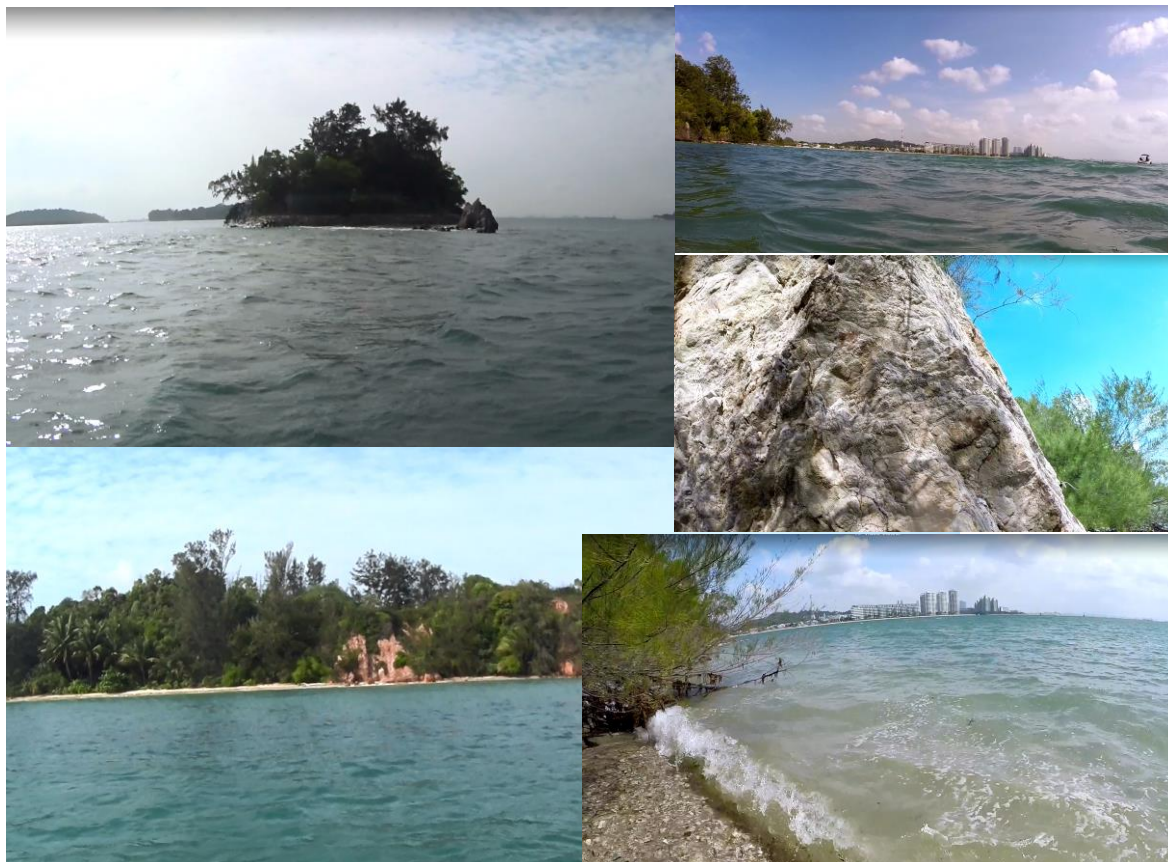
1. Strong currents around the island, need to watch out for swimmers especially the weaker ones
2. Low tides. The entrance of the lagoon can be <1M at low tides so you will not be able to enter. The lagoon is also very shallow during low tides and your boat will get beached. Read the tide tables before attempting to anchor in the lagoon
3. This island is in between RSYC and One 15. It will take about 30 mins to either Marina. Leave early to avoid driving after nightfall.
4. Wear shoes in the lagoon, there are corals that can cut your feet.

Here's a link to our adventures on the island : <http://youtu.be/Evc4FUKLTkw>

Excerpts:

1. Story and Things To Do : taken from WildSingapore : <http://www.wildsingapore.com/places/hantu.htm>
2. Maps : Google Earth

## Southern Islands : Pulau Tekukor



**Native Name** : Pulau Tekukor

**Number of Islands** : 1

**Access** : Moor and Swim

**Size of Island** :

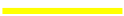

**Story** : Pulau Tekukor was once itself, known by another name, Pulau Penyabong. *Penyabung* (as penyabong is spelt today), as is used in more recent times, has connotations of bloody confrontations, having been associated with the cruel but once popular sport of cockfighting. The fights, however, that were thought to have taken place on the island, so that blood not stain the soils of the more sacredly held islands, involved creatures not of the feathered kind. Pitting *keris* wielding Malay and Bugis warriors of the old world, these confrontations were duels to the death, for which the reward for the vanquished, was a final journey to be buried on an island.

Activities	Description	Available
Beach activities	Including sun bathing, building of sand castle, walks, picnics	Limited
Swimming	Fast currents	Limited
Snorkelling	Beware of strong currents when snorkelling	Yes
Diving		No
Fishing	From boat around the island	Yes
Jogging	Too rocky	No
Bird Watching		Yes
Marine Life		Yes
Trekking	Beware of rocks and cliffs	Yes
Wildlife Viewing		Limited
BBQ		No
Dogs	Not recommended, limited beach areas	No





## Directions:

-  Depart from One Degree 15 Marina (est 10 mins)
-  Depart from RSYC Marina (est 30 mins)

**Berthing/Landing :** Eastern side of the island marked (X)

## Note :

1. Approach the mooring area only during high tides. Watch your depth at all times. There are no jetties for berthing. You will need to drop anchor a safe distance from the shore.
2. Passengers will need to swim to shore. Not suitable for non-swimmers or elderly
3. Look out for shallows filled with rocks and corals some distance around the island





## Legend

- Ⓣ Toilets
- ⓐ Cove/Beach
- ⓙ Jetty
- Ⓐ Accessible Jetty
- Ⓑ BBQ
- Ⓢ Shelters
- Ⓕ Fishing Spots
- Ⓚ Snorkelling
- ⓧ Mooring/Drop Anchor
- Ⓜ Marine Walk
  
- Ⓣ Danger Spots:  
Rocks  
Shallow grounds

## TBSA's Take On The Island

For the regular Joe, this is a bare island with little to see. We believe that there are a lot more to the island than just thin stretches of beach and steep cliffs. There are rich marine fauna and flora just metres from the beach. And who knows, given the morbid history of the island, there could be buried treasure on the beach!

Unfortunately, the island is right in the middle of some busy fairway and there is absolutely no way of landing on the island except to anchor and swim to shore. Also, the currents can be strong at certain times of the day. We will not recommend this island to families with kids, old folks, or weak swimmers. However, if you are young, energetic and swim like a fish, and you like a really quiet place to have a picnic, snorkel, and check out the marine life, this is just about one of the wildest islands you can get in the south. Remember to anchor your boat well before swimming to shore. You do not want the boat to drift away and leave you on the island like a Tom Hanks!

Here's a link to our adventures on the island : <http://youtu.be/oxTZ2HdIPTo>

Excerpts:

1. Story taken from The Long and Winding Road : <https://thelongwindingroad.wordpress.com/2014/08/07/the-bloodstained-cliffs-south-of-sentosa/>
2. Maps : Google Earth

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**Here's a video of the island:**

