

Name Beca Berhias Melaka
(Melaka Decorated
Trishaw)

Country Malaysia

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Beca Melaka Asli



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Main characteristics/features

The Melaka Decorated Trishaw is about 4 feet wide and 4½ feet long, and is fitted with three 28½ inch wheels. The seating carriage is attached to the bicycle with screws. The trishaw rider cycles on the right side while the passengers sit on the left. A wooden compartment at the back of the trishaw serves as storage space. Its cushions are made from coconut husk wrapped in canvas or leather. The foldable roof, which gives cover from the sun and rain, is made of canvas. The trishaw is also embellished with various decorative items and lights to give it a unique and attractive appearance.

Geographical area

The producers of these decorated trishaws are now mostly based in Tengkeru and the area around Banda Hilir.

Production/processing

The production of a single Melaka Decorated Trishaw usually takes about a month to complete, costing around RM4,000. The assembly process is similar to that of a normal trishaw, except that in the case of the Melaka Decorated Trishaw it undergoes further enhancement with the addition of embellishments such as artificial flowers in vibrant colours and attractive decorative lights. The trishaw will usually be fitted with an audio system to entertain the passengers throughout their ride.

Link between product and territory

The trishaw was previously a popular mode of transport in Melaka. Around 1945, trishaws in Melaka were operated by a Chinese family-owned transportation company. They became renowned as the most popular and cheapest mode of travel in Melaka at that time. Until now, the Melaka Decorated Trishaw is still one of the most popular tourist attractions in the state of Melaka.

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