

Colonial Jakarta-Batavia, Kali Besar



Explanation

These tours asks a lot of your historical empathy! However, try to discover remnants of the colonial history of Indonesia, discover some remains of the Dutch Period. This tour will guide you through Jakarta Kota, Old Batavia. I am going to inform you about some historical and architectural aspects of a canalized part of River Ciliwung in Jakarta Kota, called Kali Krukut. The quays left and right from Kali Krukut are called Kali Besar. So, Kali Besar Barat/West and Kali Besar Timur/East are the names of the roads along the canal Kali Krukut. Kali Besar means in Dutch "Groote Rivier" ("Important River" in English). The name Kali Besar was already quite common for a long time during the Dutch Period.

I advise you to have a look at the pictures this tour first and we advise you also to have a look at our Tour "Sunda Kelapa and vicinity" - in Touring Jakarta, Colonial Style (1), on this site - to get an impression about the arrival of the Dutch, about the year of 1600, and about the consequences of that arrival.

This Tour and the following one will bring you to these highlights: the secrets of Jalan Bank (Bank Road), architecture along Kali Besar Barat/West, the secrets of Jembatan Kota Intan, formerly called Chicken Market Drawbridge, and architecture along Kali Besar Timur/East. The complete Tour can be done within three hours.

