Insectophilia
Play Zone
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As Malaysia is nature rich-filled with a myriad of insects, that comprise hundreds of thousands of species, and with more species yet to be found, there is the potential to be explored through children play area. The proposed insect-loving children play area will experience firsthand how the metamorphosis of insects such as beetles, flying butterflies, dragonflies, damselflies, moths, beetles, crickets, grasshoppers take place right before the children’s eyes. As children explore the fascinating world of insects, through proposed children play area with insect-friendly habitats by planting trees and shrub species that can attract insects such as *Melastoma malabathricum* L., *Lantana camara* L., *Ixora javanica* de Candolle, *Lonicera* L. spp., *Duranta plumieri* Jacques, *Cleome rutidosperma* de Candolle, *Cleome C. speciosa* Raf., *Ardisia elliptica* Thunb. and others, the children can meet and get up close with other creatures.
Children will play and become familiar with other wild creatures, and learn about the important roles these creatures play in the circle of life. The proposed design of insect-loving children play area will lead children through an informative journey filled with a variety of insects. As children walk and experience through the insect habitat together, the aim is to boost the children's knowledge of the insect's kingdom by allowing them to experience a closer touch with nature while playing. The design of insect-loving children play area sincerely encourages the hands-on approach towards learning so that children will not only be able to absorb the information better, but have fun through their learning processes as well.