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Katong District

"Beautiful Peranakan buildings...."

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Gardens By The Bay

"Do not miss gardens by the bay!"

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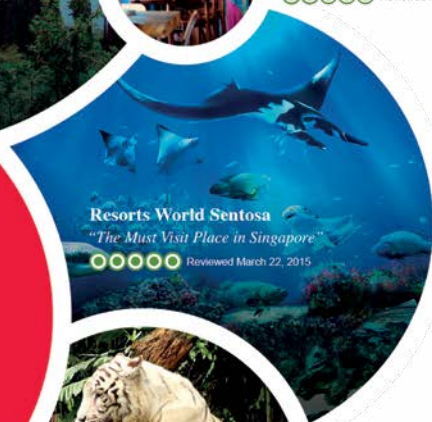


Haji Lane

"Eclectic vibe"

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Resorts World Sentosa

"The Must Visit Place in Singapore"

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Singapore Zoo

"Amazing"

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Esplanade - Theatres on the Bay

"The World's Greatest Theater"

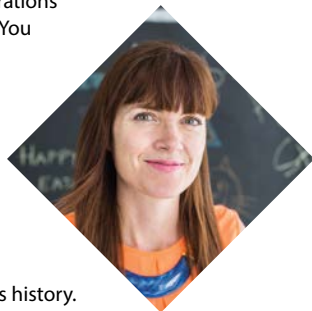
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SINGAPORE CELEBRATES ITS GOLDEN JUBILEE THIS YEAR

The Lion City turns 50 years young on 9 August, and the number of celebrations planned across Singapore is making us feel a little dizzy with excitement. You couldn't have picked a more delightful time to be in Singapore!

To kick off the party, this special SG50 issue of *Singapore Insider* is designed to help you delve deeper than the city's iconic landmarks, into a wonderful array of authentic local experiences. Inside, you'll discover what Singapore does best; fabulous hawker food, innovative restaurants, stylish bars and, of course, the most impressive shopping in Southeast Asia.



Singapore's 50th anniversary marks an important milestone in the nation's history. The city is prepped to commemorate its independence with shopping deals, exciting events, and parties galore – turn to page 12 for SG50 celebrations.

The 2015 Formula 1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix rolls into town this September; bringing with it spectacular live performances, incredible deals and adrenaline-pumping action on and off the track (page 13). If you fancy a break from F1 fever, our cover couple Yuey Tan and Claire Jedrek – both local racecar drivers – open up on ways to kick back and relax in Singapore (page 11).

Culture junkies! Make time to join the local community at their own celebrations across the Red Dot, such as Hari Raya Puasa, Mid-Autumn Festival and Deepavali. And let's not forget the food – grub is at the heart of our 50-year-old nation, after all. Be sure to feast your way through the smorgasbord of festivals, which include Singapore Food Festival, Epicurean Market and World Food Fair.

So stuff those faces, pop that confetti and get ready to party!

Chris

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SMRT Hotline

☎ (65) 6331 1000
www.smrt.com.sg

Bus

Fares start from as low as 65 cents. Try to have the exact fare as bus drivers do not give change.

SMRT Hotline

☎ (65) 6331 1000
www.sbstransit.com.sg
www.smrt.com.sg

Taxi

Fares start from \$3.00.

Comfort and CityCab

☎ (65) 6552 1111

Premier Cabs

☎ (65) 6363 6888

SMRT Taxis

☎ (65) 6555 8888



TIPPING

It is not usual practice to tip in Singapore, although it is appreciated by service staff. Most hotels and restaurants quote prices as “++,” which includes 10 percent service charge and 7 percent goods and services tax (GST).

HANDY HINTS



WORRY-FREE SHOPPING

For a pleasant shopping experience, compare prices, enquire on refund policies, and check the invoice as well as the warranty of the product before making a purchase. More information on the above shopping tips can be found on the Consumer Advisory section at YourSingapore.com (under “Traveller Essentials”). For assistance or to flag inappropriate retailer behaviour, call 1800 736 2000 or email feedback@stb.gov.sg.



VISITOR CENTRES

Orchard

216 Orchard Road (Next to orchardgateway@emerald)
9.30am-10.30pm daily
☎ Somerset

Don't miss! Visit the Event Space located on the second floor of Singapore Visitor Centre (Orchard) to learn about the evolution of crafts in Singapore and how our local creative talents have applied traditional crafts in new and innovative ways.

ION Orchard

Level 1 Concierge
2 Orchard Turn
10am-10pm daily
☎ Orchard

Chinatown

2 Banda Street (Behind Buddha Tooth Relic Temple and Museum)
Mon-Fri 9am-9pm and
Weekends and Public
Holidays 9am-10pm
☎ Chinatown

Tourist Hotline

☎ (65) 1800 736 2000
(toll-free in Singapore)
☎ (65) 6736 2000 (overseas)



CONNECTIVITY

Register for a free public Wi-Fi account with your passport number at any Wireless@SG hotspot, and receive your log-in details via an SMS text message. Overseas charges may apply. Alternatively, you can buy a local pre-paid SIM card from Changi Recommends and telecommunication shops located at Changi Airport terminals, major shopping malls, and convenience stores island-wide.



LANGUAGE

English is the spoken language, though Singlish – a collection of colloquial catch phrases and lingo – dominates everyday conversations among locals (see page 25). Mandarin, Malay, Tamil, and various dialects are also used.

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JULY

It's sports season, people! And that means there is lots of heart-pumping action around the city, what with the exhilarating Sundown Marathon and Barclay's Asia Trophy taking place this month. Don't forget to catch your breath at Singapore Food Festival and Hari Raya Celebrations. If you've got a taste for the arts, make a date with Disney on Classic and pay the new Singapore Pinacothèque de Paris a visit.


SINGAPORE PINACOTHEQUE DE PARIS

The world-famous Parisian art museum's first international gallery houses rarely-seen masterpieces, blockbuster exhibitions, classes by the Art Academy, as well as art-inspired retail and creative F&B outlets.

Fort Canning Arts Centre
www.pinacothèque.com.sg
 *Dhoby Ghaut*

HARI RAYA LIGHT-UP AND CELEBRATIONS

Revel in the festivities leading up to Hari Raya at Singapore's Malay enclave, Geylang Serai. Themed "Reliving the Kampong Days", the celebrations will be bustling with cultural performances, fun games, and the annual Ramadan bazaar.

Jun 13 to Jul 17
Open space adjacent to Eunos Road 5, along Sims Avenue
 *Paya Lebar*


SCENES: FORUM THEATRE

Inflatable theatre Goli makes its debut with a series of interactive performances and sharing sessions. Be sure to check out "playGROUND", where non-arts groups set up shop to share their social movements.

Jul 3 to 5
Open field next to NEX Shopping Mall
www.dramabox.org
 *Serangoon*

OSIM SUNDOWN MARATHON

Admire Singapore's beautifully lit skyline as you race through the city for this night run. Both novice runners and professional athletes are welcome to participate!

Jul 4
F1 Pit Building
www.sundownmarathon.com
 *Promenade*

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*OSM Sundown
Marathon*

*Sentosa
Sands of
Time*

*Singapore
Pinacothèque
de Paris*

*Barclays
Asia Trophy*

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN

Direct from London's West End is this award-winning production, based on Hollywood's first musical movie. Expect high-energy choreography and amazing set design featuring 12,000 litres of water to shower front-row audiences.

Jul 9 to 26
MasterCard Theatres at
Marina Bay Sands®
www.marinabaysands.com
 Bayfront

BARCLAYS ASIA TROPHY SINGAPORE

Cheer for Singapore's football team, Select XI, as they go head to head for the first time with three of English football top-flight – Arsenal, Stoke and Everton.

Jul 15 & 18
National Stadium
www.sportshubtix.sg
 Stadium

DISNEY ON CLASSIC ~ A MAGICAL NIGHT

After 12 years of sold-out performances in Japan, Disney's most successful orchestral show is arriving in Singapore. Featuring *Tangled*, *Frozen* and more, relive your childhood with iconic singers, movie footage, set design, and lighting effects.

Jul 16 to 17
The Star Theatre
www.disneyonclassic.sg
 Buona Vista

SINGAPORE FOOD FESTIVAL

Immerse in Singapore's culinary heritage and innovation at the SG50-edition of the annual culinary fiesta, which celebrates the city's melting pot of cultures. Top local chefs will also be present to excite visitors with interesting treats.

Jul 17 to Aug 2
Various venues
www.singaporefoodfestival.com

THE LKY MUSICAL

Set in the tumultuous period of pre-independent Singapore, this original musical follows the life of Singapore's first prime minister, the late Mr. Lee Kuan Yew, from his early days in Raffles College to the political struggles he faced.

Jul 21 to Aug 2
MasterCard Theatres at
Marina Bay Sands®
 Bayfront

SENTOSA SANDS OF TIME

In commemoration of Singapore's 50th anniversary, Sentosa will be housing a remarkable collection of sand sculptures that showcases the city's most memorable moments since its independence.

Aug 7 to 10
Siloso Beach, Sentosa
www.sentosa.com
 HarbourFront

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*Singapore
International
Festival of Arts*



AUGUST

Happy birthday, Singapore! This significant month marks our nation's 50th anniversary and you're invited to celebrate the momentous occasion during the Jubilee weekend and National Day Parade! Revel in the celebrations at the slew of exciting festivals popping up around town, including the Singapore International Festival of Arts, Singapore Night Festival, Mid-Autumn Festival and Pesta Raya – Malay Festival of Arts. Also not to be missed is the wildly popular Epicurean Market where a rare gastronomic affair awaits!

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Epicurean Market 2015



*Hungry
Ghost Festival*



SEA MONSTERS: PAST AND PRESENT

Ever wondered what mysterious animals swam in our oceans millions of years ago? This interactive showcase takes you back in time as you get up-close with breathtaking exhibits of extinct marine creatures.

*From Aug 1
S.E.A. Aquarium at
Resorts World™ Sentosa
www.rwsentosa.com/seaa
📍 HarbourFront*

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF ARTS

The pinnacle arts event of Singapore's annual calendar returns with 12 Singapore commissions and seven international shows. The festival theme for 2015 is Post-Empires, with various art forms depicting life after colonial regimes, dictatorships, and communism.

*Aug 6 to Sep 19
Various venues
www.sifa.sg*

JUBILEE WEEKEND AND NATIONAL DAY PARADE

Of course, the biggest highlight of the Jubilee Weekend is the National Day Parade. Expect to see an aerial ballet and a huge fireworks display taking place on 9 August. Join in the celebrations with the various activities happening island-wide (see page 12).

*Aug 7 to 10
The Padang and Islandwide
www.singapore50.sg
📍 City Hall*

PESTA RAYA - MALAY FESTIVAL OF ARTS

This annual festival, held during Hari Raya Puasa (a holiday that celebrates the end of the Ramadan month of fasting), showcases an array of dance, theatre and music performances that shine a light on the vibrant Malay culture.

*Aug 13 to 16
Esplanade
www.pestaraya.com
📍 City Hall*

Pesta Raya

Mid-Autumn Festival

Singapore Latin Extravaganza

Singapore Night Festival

EPICUREAN MARKET 2015

Go on a gastronomical adventure at this annual food and wine fair, which features top international restaurants. Savour signature dishes from renowned chefs, taste exquisite wines, shop for gourmet goods, and take a masterclass from top culinary talents.

Aug 14 to 16
Marina Bay Sands®
www.marinabaysands.com
 *Bayfront*

HUNGRY GHOST FESTIVAL

A time to make offerings to wandering ghosts and spirits believed to be released into the realm of the living, this Chinese festival features religious ceremonies and *getai* (live musical performances). Tip: don't sit in the empty front row seats at these concerts, as they are reserved for unseen guests.

Aug 14 to Sep 12
Various venues


SINGAPORE WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION

Back after its last staging in 1995, the exhibition commemorates SG50 with highlights including a stamp display from the archives of the Singapore Philatelic Museum, and worldwide award-winning stamp collections.

Aug 14 to 19
Sands Expo & Convention Centre
www.singapore2015.com
 *Bayfront*

SINGAPORE NIGHT FESTIVAL

The eighth edition of this nocturnal extravaganza continues to lure the crowds with its spectacular light installations and captivating performances at the heart of Singapore's art district for two weekends.

Aug 21, 22, 28 and 29
Bras Basah-Bugis Precinct
www.nightfest.sg
 *Bugis*

MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

Head to Chinatown to experience this traditional festival. Sample mooncakes (a pastry with sweet fillings like lotus paste), shop at the bustling bazaars, catch the dazzling street light-up, and partake in activities including a lantern walk.

Aug 22 to Oct 12
Chinatown
 *Chinatown*

SINGAPORE LATIN EXTRAVAGANZA

Bask in a world-class street Latin dance experience at the biggest salsa festival in Singapore. Enjoy inspiring workshops and sumptuous dining during this feet-tapping weekend.

Aug 28 to 30
One Farrer Hotel & Spa
www.sle.sg
 *Farrer Park*

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Deepavali
Celebrations



Pharrell
Williams



2015 F1 Singapore
Airlines Singapore
Grand Prix



National
Museum of
Singapore

SEPTEMBER

Buckle up, petrolheads; like it or not, the 2015 Formula 1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix is back to take over the entire city this month. There are a plethora of high-octane experiences both on and off the track, including Rev-Up @ Orchard Road, STORIES and a slew of exciting parties. If you're not into fast cars, or want some quiet time away from the action, have a dose of literature with Shakespeare's Globe (UK) – *Hamlet* or swing by the National Museum to check out its revamped permanent galleries.

THE CAT IN THE HAT

One of Dr. Seuss' all-time classics, *The Cat in the Hat*, comes to life on stage in this whimsical and witty play produced by The Little Company.

Until Sep 27
DBS Arts Centre
www.srt.com.sg
Clarke Quay

SHAKESPEARE'S GLOBE (UK) – HAMLET

Shakespeare devotees, don't miss this classic tragedy as Hamlet, the dead king, Claudius and Queen Gertrude take the audience on a thrilling journey over the battle for power.

Sep 8 to 12
Capitol Theatre
www.aba-productions.com
City Hall

STORIES

This series of pop-up theatrical dinners by local culinary company My Private Chef features a five-course modern Singaporean menu, as well as a storyteller who weaves tales and anecdotes about the Singapore River and its vicinity at every course of your meal.

Sep 9 to 12
Customs House Terrace
Raffles Place

WORLD FOOD FAIR 2015

Head to the 12th edition of this fair with an empty stomach: You'll get to sample food from 100 of the world's best food and beverage establishments as they offer a variety of grub from local delights to exotic cuisines.

Sep 10 to 13
Singapore Expo Hall 5
www.worldfoodfair.com.sg
Expo

*Singapore Toy, Game and
Comic Convention*

*World Food
Fair 2015*

*Hamlet by
William Shakespeare*


GRAND PRIX SEASON SINGAPORE

It's ten whole days of F1 madness with parties, dining and shopping deals around the island. Share the dance floor with celebrities and drivers at Amber Lounge, and Podium Lounge, dine and learn more about Singapore's history at STORIES, and shop your heart out at Rev-Up @ Orchard Road.

*Sep 11 to 20
Various venues
www.YourSingapore.com*

REV-UP @ ORCHARD ROAD

Discounts and rewards await shopaholics at malls along the world-famous shopping street during the Grand Prix season. Simply spend \$150 in the same mall for a chance to redeem incredible prizes!

*Sep 11 to 21
Orchard Road
www.orchardroad.org
 Orchard*

SINGAPORE TOY, GAME AND COMIC CONVENTION

Rub shoulders with comic geeks and anime lovers at this massive convention, jam-packed with exciting exhibitors, game demos, meet-and-greet sessions with famous comic book sketch artists, and stage performances.

*Sep 12 to 13
Sands Expo & Convention Centre
www.singaporetgcc.com
 Bayfront*

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SINGAPORE PERMANENT GALLERIES RE-OPENING

Embark on an experiential journey and discover the making of Singapore, from pre-colonial days to post-independence, at the newly refreshed galleries.

*Sep 13 onwards
National Museum of Singapore
www.nationalmuseum.sg
 City Hall*

2015 FORMULA 1 SINGAPORE AIRLINES SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX

Blink and you'll miss renowned F1 drivers zipping past at the world's first night race, set against Singapore's glittering city skyline. International music acts like Pharrell Williams and Maroon 5 will also be performing at Zone 4 Padang stage – squeal!

*Sep 18 to 20
Marina Bay Street Circuit
www.singaporegp.sg*

DEEPAVALI CELEBRATIONS

Little India transforms into a wonderland of colourful arches, stunning lights, and bustling bazaars for Deepavali, a Hindu festival that celebrates the triumph of good over evil; light over darkness.

*Sep 19 to Nov 22
Various venues
www.littleindia.com.sg
 Little India*



Yuey Tan and Claire Jedrek

MEET (ACTUAL) COUPLE YUEY TAN AND CLAIRE JEDREK – PROFESSIONAL MOTORSPORTS DRIVERS WHO HAVE FLOWN THE SINGAPORE FLAG IN RACES AROUND THE WORLD.

Local motor racing drivers Yuey and Claire are not ones to rest on their laurels. Not only have they done Singapore proud with podium finishes at races worldwide (including the recent Malaysian Grand Prix, where Claire came in second as the only female driver), Yuey is the man behind new karting track The Karting Arena, and Claire is a sports and fitness presenter. They tell us what they love about home, and their favourite spots around the city.

Singapore's best-kept secret... is this hidden vintage furniture store at Bukit Timah called Junkie's Corner, which we stumbled upon while taking a wrong turn.

In our downtime... we love heading outdoors, away from the hustle and bustle. Picotin Bistro & Bar, nestled in the hills of Bukit Timah, offers a lovely refuge, and they serve a mean pesto pasta. For amazing eggs Benedict, you have to visit the quaint restaurant Choupinette!

For a spot of nature in this concrete jungle... take a walk on the Henderson Waves Bridge, which is lovely for sights and views. Dempsey Hill is also a great place to have a meal among the greenery. Speaking



of food, Arab Street is wicked for its curious shops, quirky cafes, and local food.

Yuey is... the first Singaporean to have won the prestigious Porsche Carrera Cup Asia, the support race just before the F1, for his class. He will also be flying the flag in the same race this year!

Bet you didn't know... that there is a secret underground connection F1 drivers use to get around the Marina Bay Circuit!

We are proud to... represent Singapore in the motorsport arena and help put our little island on the map. We also work with amazing local businesses to create more awareness in the sport.

There are so many opportunities... to explore and dictate your own life in

Singapore. Here is a country that looks after its people and has our best interests at heart. There is one-degree of separation here, so networking and getting to know people and businesses is extremely easy.

The sporting scene in Singapore... has exploded in the last two years, and people are branching out to more alternative sports and making it a career – something that was unheard of before.

If you're seeking an adrenaline rush... head to Wave House Sentosa for some flowriding action, or iFly Singapore to try indoor skydiving.

*The Karting Arena
The Grandstand, 200 Turf Club
Road, Singapore 287994
☎ (65) 9627 6771*

12 WHAT'S ON *Celebrate SG50*

With Singapore turning the big 5-0 on 9 August this year, the whole nation is pulling out all the stops to make this Golden Jubilee celebration a truly memorable one.

Get to know modern Singapore on a deeper level with **Diverse-City Trails** (www.trails.thethoughtcollective.com.sg) by local organisation, The Thought Collective. Supported by Ben & Jerry's, these walking tours cover issues the city faces around social cohesion, and takes participants to neighbourhoods including Little India, Toa Payoh, and Jalan Besar. Tickets cost \$20, and the trails will run until 13 September.

For more engaging trails to discover Singapore, sign up for one of the **mySG Trails and Exhibitions** (mysg-trailsexhibitions.moe.edu.sg).

Over 70 schools in Singapore are part of this youth-led initiative, which boasts highlights like a food trail in Jurong and a heritage tour of Bukit Panjang. For specific trail schedules and registration, visit the official website (as trails run at various times throughout 2015).

For great entertainment and a breath of fresh air, head to the various parks across Singapore for the **Concert Series in the Park** (www.nparks.gov.sg/sing50). This mini-series of free public concerts will be held through December, and will see local talents and community performing groups on stage.

For something similar on a much bigger scale, there's the two-hour-long **Sing50 Concert** (www.sing50concert.sg) on 7 August. Held at the new National Stadium at Singapore Sports Hub, this mega-concert pays homage to the most

celebrated songs, performers, and composers that mark Singapore's milestones in the music industry.

Singapore might be small, but we pack a punch. Not only can you get your kids in for free at some attractions like Sentosa and the Science Centre Singapore, you'll be hard-pressed to leave the city empty-handed with all the shopping promotions in town. From personal shoppers to free hotel deliveries by big-name brands' first stores in Asia (Lululemon, Valextra, Brunello Cucinelli, Gieves & Hawkes, to name a few), you'll probably need another luggage for your holiday steals!

For a comprehensive list of SG50 events and happenings, visit www.singapore50.sg and www.YourSingapore.com/campaigns/golden-jubilee.html.



Sing50 Concert (Credit: National Parks Board)



Singapore Cable Car

2015 Formula 1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix



Whether or not you're into motorsports, September is an exhilarating time to be in Singapore, when the Lion City is all revved up and ready for the **2015 Formula 1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix** (18 to 20 September). Now in its eighth year, look forward to a weekend filled with high-octane action both on and off the track.

Of course, the star of the show is the thrilling race, as renowned Formula 1 drivers like Lewis Hamilton and Sebastian Vettel battle to the finish line. Some of the world's hottest musical acts, including American Grammy award-winning superstar Pharrell Williams (18 September)

and pop rock heavyweights Maroon 5 (19 September) will be headlining the evening's massive concert at the Padang.

When the engines turn off, the city pulses with an irrepressible energy as Champagne flows from the bars around town.

Those who want to rub shoulders with Formula 1 drivers, supermodels and even royalty, head to **Amber Lounge** (Temasek Reflection – the water wall behind Millenia Walk), or **Podium Lounge** (18 to 20 September) at The Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore for a glam evening.

Nothing to wear to the party, you say? Fret not – the city's

famed shopping street is bringing back the annual **Rev-Up @ Orchard** (11-21 September), and participating malls will be putting out a slew of attractive discounts and rewards for you to shop up a storm.

If you have a taste for theatre and food, don't miss **STORIES** (9-12 September), a series of pop-up dinners where you'll enjoy a five-course modern Singaporean menu while actors-storytellers weave tales and anecdotes about Singapore Rivers and its vicinity.

For more information, visit www.singaporegp.sg.

14 IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Katong

Steeped in history, the eastern neighbourhood of Katong is known for its colourful, picture-perfect shophouses, rich heritage, and dizzying array of fantastic local food. Take a walk around to discover both old and modern Singapore, and find out more about the Peranakan (Straits Chinese) and Eurasian cultures.



1. 328 KATONG LAKSA

Slurp on *laksa* (noodles in coconut milk-based curry broth) the traditional way with just a spoon. This eatery is one of the stalls that claims to be the makers of the popular local dish.

51/53 East Coast Road
www.328katonglaksa.com.sg

2. KIM CHOO KUEH CHANG

Choose from a wide array of *bak chang* (glutinous rice dumplings) at this specialty outlet. The pyramid-shaped dumplings come wrapped in bamboo leaves and are stuffed with various savoury fillings, such as pork, chicken, and chilli prawn.

109/111 East Coast Road
www.kimchoo.com
☎ (65) 6741 2125

3. RUMAH BEBE

Another establishment that pays homage to the Peranakan culture is Rumah Bebe, a shop that focuses on preserving the ethnic group's crafts, including beadwork, embroidery, jewellery, and batik textiles.

113 East Coast Road
www.rumahbebe.com
☎ (65) 6247 8781

4. CAT SOCRATES

Step into this quirky indie store for books, accessories, stationery, and other adorable knick-knacks. You'll also find nifty, Singapore-inspired trinkets by local designers – they make great souvenirs.

448 Joo Chiat Road
www.catsocrates.com.sg
☎ (65) 6348 0863



5. IMMIGRANTS – THE SINGAPORE GASTROBAR

Specialising in Eurasian and Peranakan plates, Immigrants serves creations like *babi assam* (braised pork belly with tamarind) and *singgang* (a non-spicy dish of deboned wolf herring). Pair your food orders with drinks like a Japanese whisky or a refreshing mojito.

467 Joo Chiat Road
www.immigrants-gastrobar.com
☎ (65) 8511 7322

6. PUTERI MAS

You can't leave Singapore without trying durian, but if the King of Fruit's raw form is too much for you to handle, go for the handmade durian puffs at Puteri Mas. These pillowy, bite-sized treats are filled with sweet, creamy durian puree.

475 Joo Chiat Road
www.puterimas.com
☎ (65) 6344 8629

7. SHOPHOUSES

For Instagram-worthy shots of Katong, walk around Joo Chiat Road and check out the many carefully-conserved Peranakan shophouses along the road, which have been around since the early 1900s. The most iconic ones can be found on Koon Seng Road – a little off the map, but definitely worth the journey.

Joo Chiat Road



8. 112 KATONG

Explore six levels of retail and lifestyle shops in this east-side shopping mall. Go shoe shopping at local fashion outlet, Charles & Keith, browse through movie memorabilia at Toy Outpost, or take the little ones to the wet outdoor playground on the fourth floor.

112 East Coast Road
www.112katong.com.sg
☎ (65) 6636 2112

9. CHIN MEE CHIN CONFECTIONERY

Known for its *kaya* (coconut jam) toast, this breakfast stalwart features décor typical of 1950s-Singapore, with retro marble top tables, floor tiles, and ceiling fans. Other must-tries include egg tarts, curry puffs, and sausage rolls.

204 East Coast Road
☎ (65) 6345 0419

10. KATONG ANTIQUE HOUSE

Owned by Peranakan history and culture expert, Peter Wee, this antique shop is housed in a beautifully preserved two-storey shophouse. Pay a visit to have a look at Peranakan artefacts, and discover the stories behind each item. A 45-minute tour costs \$15; call ahead to book a slot (you must have a group of 6+ people).

208 East Coast Road
☎ (65) 6345 8544



10 MUST-DOS IN SINGAPORE



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1. VISIT SINGAPORE'S OLDEST HDB ESTATE

Get a glimpse of Singapore's past by exploring the heritage-rich Queenstown. Christened after Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in 1953, the neighbourhood is the city's first satellite town and public housing estate. For a low-down on all the places to eat, shop and play in the area, visit thehoneycombers.com/queenstown.

Various locations
 *Queenstown*

2. IMMERSE YOURSELF IN ART

Go back in time 700 years and live through the island's early years at the National Museum of Singapore's Singapura: 700 Years Exhibit, which runs until 10 August.

National Museum of Singapore Exhibition Galleries 1 & 2
93 Stamford Road
www.nationalmuseum.sg
 (65) 6332 3659
 *Bras Basah*

3. SHOP AFTER HOURS

Mustafa Centre, a sprawling 24-hour department store in Little India, is where you can shop for groceries, clothing, fine jewellery, electronic gadgets, and everything else at affordable prices.

Mustafa Centre
145 Syed Alwi Road
www.mustafa.com.sg
 (65) 6295 5855
 *Farrer Park*

4. EAT AT A HAWKER CENTRE

Experience Singapore through your tastebuds by trying local dishes like chicken rice and fried carrot cake at various hawker centres around the city, including Maxwell Food Centre and Lau Pa Sat.

Various locations

5. HAVE A SUNDOWNER

Clarke Quay is home to some of the city's coolest bars and restaurants, such as Fern & Kiwi and Tong Kang Colonial Bar & Restaurant – making it the perfect destination to wind down after a long day.

Various locations
 *Clarke Quay*

6. CATCH A GAME

Hit up local *kopitiams* (coffee shops or hawker centres) around Singapore and watch live TV screenings of football matches over cups of *kopi* (coffee with condensed milk) and bottled beer with other die-hard fans.

Various locations

7. CHECK OUT A NEW MUSEUM

Recently opened at Fort Canning Arts Centre, Singapore Pinacothèque de Paris consists of three main galleries – The Collections is a permanent exhibition of 40 to 50 rarely-seen masterpieces from private collections; The Features for rotating showcases; and the Heritage Gallery, which highlights the historical significance of Fort Canning.

Keen on a museum-hopping adventure? Good news: There's a free looping shuttle bus service with drop-off locations near Singapore Art Museum, National Museum of Singapore, and Singapore Pinacothèque de Paris.

Singapore Pinacothèque de Paris 5 Cox Terrace
www.pinacothèque.com.sg
 *Dhoby Ghaut*

8. ORDER A SINGAPORE SLING

There's no better place to try the world famous cocktail than at the very spot where it all began: Raffles Hotel's iconic watering hole, Long Bar.

Raffles Hotel, 1 Beach Road
www.affles.com/singapore
 (65) 6412 1230
 *City Hall*

9. HOP ON A TRISHAW RIDE

Take a leisurely ride around Singapore and hit the scenic streets of Bugis, Little India, and along the Singapore River on board a three-wheeled trishaw.

Albert Mall Trishaw Park
Queen Street
www.trishawuncle.com.sg
 (65) 6337 7111

10. MAKE A DATE WITH THE MERLION

Here's a little-known fact: there are actually seven Merlion statues in Singapore. The tallest one stands at an impressive 37 metres and holds court in Sentosa.

Sentosa Island
www.merlion.sentosa.com.sg
 (65) 1800-SENTOSA
 *HarbourFront*

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HONEYCOMBERS RECOMMENDS

Eat



HAJAH MAIMUNAH

Sample classic Indonesian *nasi padang* (rice with a variety of side dishes) at this decades-old eatery that offers a huge selection of over 40 dishes, including favourites like *tahu telur* Jakarta (deep-fried tofu and egg) and beef *rendang* (beef braised in a spicy combination of coconut milk, spices and chilli). Don't forget to make a stop at the dessert counter to try sweet classics like the *ondeh-ondeh* (rice flour dumplings filled with palm sugar).

11 & 15 Jalan Pisang
www.hjmaimunah.com

☎ (65) 6297 4294

📍 Bugis



LAU PA SAT

The grande dame of hawker centres in Singapore, Lau Pa Sat boasts a heady mix of local and international cuisines within its striking colonial structure. Feast on favourites like tender beef *satay* (grilled skewered meat) and Hainanese chicken rice, then wash all that goodness down with *kopi* (coffee with condensed milk), *teh* (tea with condensed milk), or a mug of ice cold, frothy Tiger Beer. Warning: be prepared to queue if you're there at lunchtime!

18 Raffles Quay

☎ (65) 6220 2138

📍 Telok Ayer



JAAN

Ranked 11th on the prestigious Asia's 50 Best Restaurants List this year, this fine-dining establishment is an intimate 40-seater serving modern French cuisine. Its opulent interiors and breathtaking views of Singapore's landscape perfectly complement the artisanal menu of prettily plated dishes. Savour innovative mains like the heavenly crispy skin amadai and the Hokkaido sea urchin – all made using the freshest seasonal produce.

Level 70, Equinox Complex
Swissotel The Stamford
2 Stamford Road
www.jaan.com.sg

☎ (65) 6837 3322

📍 City Hall

Eat



MELLBEN SEAFOOD

Get your hands dirty when you chow down on the various crab dishes at this local-approved *zi char* (Chinese homestyle cooking) restaurant. If you've tried the city's famous chilli crab, then go for the claypot crab vermicelli soup – legendary for its thick, milky broth and sweet crab essence. The buttery Golden Sands Crab, doused in salted egg sauce, is also terrific.

#01-11/15, Block 211
Toa Payoh Lorong 8
www.tpymellben.com

☎ (65) 6353 3120

📍 Braddell



VIOLET OON'S KITCHEN

A treasure trove of Peranakan (Straits Chinese) cuisine, this retro-chic bistro by renowned local food connoisseur Violet Oon celebrates Singapore's rich cultural diversity. Staples like *buah keluak ayam* (braised chicken with *keluak* nuts, a piquant, black-coloured nut) are must-haves, but do leave room for dessert; the durian *chendol* (a popular coconut milk, palm sugar and pandan flavoured dessert) panna cotta is to die for.

881 Bukit Timah Road
www.violetoonskitchen.com

☎ (65) 6468 5430

📍 Holland Village
(then take a taxi)



LABYRINTH

Embark on a one-of-a-kind gastronomic adventure at this avant-garde fusion restaurant, which dishes up a spread of experimental creations inspired by local cuisines. Your tastebuds will be treated to an onslaught of sweet, sour, salty, bitter and umami flavours, brought on by innovative plates like the chilli crab ice cream served with tempura soft shell crab, and the Hainanese curry rice, made with a curious yet decadent mix of chicken mousseline coriander sponge and curry quinoa risotto.

5 Neil Road
www.labyrinth.com.sg

☎ (65) 6223 4098

📍 Tanjong Pagar

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DISHES DECONSTRUCTED

Chilli Crab

NOM!

Arguably Singapore's national dish and number one culinary export to the world, chilli crab is said to be invented by Madam Cher Yam Tian, who sold the dish from a pushcart, in the 1950s. Her son Roland, of eponymous establishment Roland Restaurant (#06-750, 89 Marine Parade Central), continues to serve the original version of Madam Cher's chilli crab. If you prefer a spicier and richer rendition, head to Long Beach Seafood (25 Dempsey Road, Singapore 249670). For more chilli crab spots, visit thehoneycombers.com/chillicrab.

Mud crab

Deep-fried *mantou*
(Chinese steamed buns)

Chilli crab sauce, made with tomato puree, ketchup, chilli paste, chopped ginger, garlic, shallots, sugar, vegetable oil, light soy sauce, white vinegar, salt, cornflour, lemon juice, water and lightly beaten egg.



Li Ruifang



THIRD-GENERATION CHEF-OWNER OF HAWKER STALL 545 WHAMPOA PRAWN NOODLES, LI RUIFANG TELLS US HOW SHE SWITCHED CAREERS, AND WHAT SHE LOVES BEST ABOUT THIS CITY SHE CALLS HOME.

Before helming 545 Whampoa Prawn Noodles... I worked in an MNC for a few years, but couldn't find purpose in my job. I quit the company and found myself helping out at my father's stall while considering my options. Eventually, I opened my own stall in Tekka, and it was one of the best decisions I've made.

A solid bowl of prawn noodles... should have a flavoursome broth. I use only wild-caught prawns for the sweetness they give. For dry prawn noodles, the balance of the condiments is crucial.

What I love most about Singapore... is the variety of food options on the island. You can find all kinds of cuisines from Mexican to Russian.

I've lived in... Ang Mo Kio all my life, and I grew up eating all the delicious local food from the hawker centres in the neighbourhood, like the food centre at 628 Ang Mo Kio Ave 4, and the coffeeshop at 151 Ang Mo Kio Ave 5.

If you only have time for one place in Little India... make it Tekka Centre. It's a wet market, food centre and shopping mall rolled into one, offering everything from casual clothing and religious paraphernalia to fresh produce and local food from several ethnic communities.

New Ubin Seafood... serves one of the city's best black pepper crab. It has a unique smoky taste that doesn't undermine the freshness of the crustacean. Their US Angus ribeye, seasoned simply and perfectly cooked, is also worth having.

I am very proud... to be living in Singapore. I feel safe going out in the middle of the night for a supper – streets are brightly lit, and there are many eateries that open 24 hours a day. My go-to supper spots are 126 Eating House in Geylang for dim sum, and Ming Fa Fishball in Bedok.

545 Whampoa Prawn Noodles
#01-326 Tekka Food Centre, 665 Buffalo Road
www.facebook.com/545WhampoaPrawnNoodles
📍 Little India

Drink



CÉ LA VI

A bar, club and restaurant rolled into one, this swish lifestyle hotspot perched 200 metres atop the iconic Marina Bay Sands boasts panoramic views of the city's skyline. Just as impressive is the modern Asian cuisine, and the throngs of renowned DJs that helm the decks at the Club Lounge. Head on outside to the SkyBar for a solid mix or two, crafted by CÉ LA VI's skilled team of mixologists.

57/F SkyPark, Marina Bay Sands®
Tower 3, 1 Bayfront Avenue
www.celavi.com

☎ (65) 6688 7688

📍 Bayfront



28 HONGKONG STREET

The talented folks behind this award-winning speakeasy certainly know how to craft fine cocktails. Original signatures include Whore's Bath (a heady concoction with Manuka honey vodka, umeshu plum wine, and pear liquor), and an excellent Negroni. Save some room for their stellar bar bites; the truffle mac and cheese balls are worth all the calories.

28 HongKong Street
www.28hks.com

☎ (65) 6533 2001

📍 Clarke Quay



ZOUK

With plenty of awards to its name, Zouk is arguably Singapore's longest-standing nightclub. Having been around since 1991, the club consists of three spaces – Zouk, Phuture, Velvet Underground, and Wine Bar. Music heavyweights like Paul Oakenfold and The Chemical Brothers have graced this world-famous venue. Plus there's ZoukOut, a massive annual dance party on Sentosa that takes place every December.

17 Jiak Kim Street
www.zouclub.com.sg

☎ (65) 6738 2988

📍 Clarke Quay

Drink



JEKYLL & HYDE

By day, it's a nail salon for ladies to get their manicures and pedicures done, and by night, it turns into a classy cocktail lounge where you can get bespoke cocktails. They also make one of the best gin and tonics in town, and snacks like the spicy crab *mantou* (Chinese buns) sliders are not to be missed.

49 Tras Street
www.49tras.st
☎ (65) 6222 3349
📍 Tanjong Pagar



CHIJMES

The historic 160-year-old convent-turned-lifestyle destination has recently undergone a major facelift and is now bigger and better than before, so it's a great time to visit. You'll be spoilt for choice with the array of food and beverage options. Fancy a Scottish whisky? Head to Highlander. Looking for a Mexican experience? There's El Mero Mero. Want to catch a game on the telly while enjoying a beer? Harry's is your answer.

30 Victoria Street
www.chijmes.com.sg
☎ (65) 6337 7810
📍 City Hall



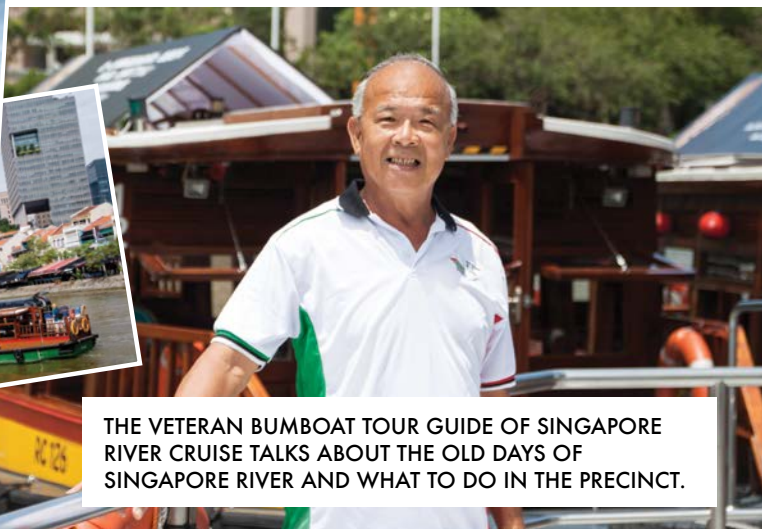
BLU JAZ CAFE

Situated in the historic Kampong Glam, this eye-catching three-storey bar is perfect for a casual night out in town. There's a dining and alfresco area on the first floor, a bar and dance floor on the second, and a cosy lounge on the third, with each level offering a different vibe. Take your pick and enjoy the foot-tapping live music!

11 Bali Lane
www.blujazcafe.net
☎ (65) 9199 0610
📍 Bugis

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HOME TOWN

Png Chin Lai



THE VETERAN BUMBOAT TOUR GUIDE OF SINGAPORE RIVER CRUISE TALKS ABOUT THE OLD DAYS OF SINGAPORE RIVER AND WHAT TO DO IN THE PRECINCT.

Singapore River... has undergone vibrant changes and has a rich history. This former trading hub is now the heart of a bustling metropolis, surrounded by old colonial buildings on one side of the river and modern skyscrapers on the other. I believe this could never be possible if not for Singapore's first Prime Minister, the late Mr Lee Kuan Yew.

I have many fond memories... of growing up by the Singapore River. We used to swim in it and hang on to tyre fenders as the boats cruised along. As a boatman, I feel proud to show passengers the beautiful Singapore skyline by ferrying them down the river of my childhood memories.

We used to eat along the Boat Quay riverbank... where street hawkers sold porridge, noodles and *satay* (grilled skewered meat). These days, we are spoiled for choice with food from the many restaurants along the river. Singapore is a food paradise after all – so do try the different ethnic food!

Hop on a bumboat... because you get to sit back and relax while sightseeing local attractions like Marina Bay Sands, the Merlion and the Esplanade.

An accompanying audio commentary will also help you better understand Singapore River's past and present. Don't forget to bring along your camera to capture the moments – the sights by the river are constantly changing.

If you're spending a day along the Singapore River... start your morning at Ya Kun Kaya Toast at Central before heading to the Asian Civilisations Museum for its stunning galleries of historical artefacts. Then, take the bumboat from Fullerton Hotel to Marina Bay Sands (MBS) to lunch at the Skypark. Shop to your heart's content at MBS before popping by the Marina Bay City Gallery to learn about country's urban transformation. Take a stroll along the Merlion Park for photos before a scenic seafood dinner. Then, change into your dancing shoes and party at clubs at Clarke Quay.

A river cruise along Boat Quay, Clarke Quay and Marina Bay costs \$24 for adults and \$15 for children.

Singapore River Cruise, 59 Boat Quay

 (65) 6336 6111

 Clarke Quay

www.rivercruise.com.sg

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#LIKEALOCAL
Speak Singlish

LAH

A suffix used to place emphasis on the sentence or word before
"Don't worry about it lah!"

CHOPE

To reserve a place or call dibs on something
"Can you chope a seat for me?"

SHIOK

Fantastic, or to convey feelings of satisfaction and pleasure
"This plate of chicken rice is damn shioik."

KIASU

A fiercely competitive spirit
"I'm going to be kiasu and start queuing at 5am to get the free burgers."

HAR-NOR

The Singlish equivalent of "I agree", or, "Exactly!"
A: *"The movie is exciting!"*
B: *"Har-nor!"*

HAR-NA

A way of acknowledging something someone says
A: *"Don't be late for tomorrow's appointment!"*
B: *"Har-na, I won't!"*

DON'T BLAME US IF YOU GET FUNNY LOOKS WHEN
USING THESE PHRASES IN FRONT OF A SINGAPOREAN!

Order Your Singapore Breakfast



KAYA SET AND KOPI

Toasted bread spread with butter and *kaya* (coconut jam), *kopi* (coffee with condensed milk), and soft-boiled eggs



NASI LEMAK AND ICED MILO

Nasi lemak (fragrant rice dish cooked in coconut milk and pandan leaf, accompanied with an array of side dishes like omelette, fried fish and anchovies), with iced Milo (a chocolate malt drink)



ROTI PRATA AND TEH TARIK

Prata (South Indian flatbread typically eaten with curry or sugar) with *teh tarik* (frothy hot milk tea)

26 SHOPPING

Bugis



There's nowhere else quite like Bugis. A thriving district with a colourful past, it now boasts everything shoppers could ever ask for; swanky malls, charming boutiques, bustling street markets, and of course, bargains at every corner.

 **Bugis**



1. BRAS BASAH COMPLEX

Never mind its unassuming façade; there are lots of hidden treasures to be discovered in this shopping complex, whether it's art supplies at **Art Friend**, second-hand books at **Evernew** or design magazines and titles at **Basheer Graphic Books**.

231 Bain Street
www.bras-basah-complex.com.sg

2. KAPOK

A multi-label boutique-cum-café that's so hip it hurts, kapok is where discerning fashionistas and hipsters can get their hands on a curated selection of cult international labels like **Maison Kitsuné**, **Stolen**, and **Mischa**.

National Design Centre
111 Middle Road
www.facebook.com/KapokSG
☎ (65) 6339 7989

3. BUGIS+

If you're in need of serious retail therapy, this impressive seven-storey mall in the heart of Bugis is the place to be. Get your shopping fix from the likes of **Sephora**, **Aeropostale**, **La Senza**, and the largest **Uniqlo** outlet in Singapore.

201 Victoria Street
(65) 6634 6810
☎ www.bugisplus.com.sg

4. BUGIS VILLAGE

Bargain hunters, welcome to your heaven. Brimming with affordable clothing, souvenir and street food, this buzzing indoor market constantly draws crowds (but the irresistible steals make it worth your while).

4 New Bugis Street

5. BUGIS JUNCTION

This one-stop shopping mall has it all; fashion, beauty, lifestyle, and dining options at every turn. Highlight stores include **Topshop**, **Charles & Keith**, **ALDO**, and **Kinokuniya**.

200 Victoria Street
www.bugisjunction-mall.com.sg
☎ (65) 6557 6557

6. HAJI LANE

Tucked away in the surrounding Kampong Glam area, Haji Lane is home to a stretch of charming hole-in-the-wall boutiques such as **Soon Lee**, **Mondays Off**, and **Dulcet Fig**. It's the perfect spot to get away from the hustle and bustle of the city.

Souvenirs

BRING HOME A PIECE OF SINGAPORE WITH THESE HIP SG50 SOUVENIRS

1. TANGS X VEJA SNEAKERS

Singapore's oldest homegrown department store TANGS has teamed up with the French label to create a pair of limited edition canvas sneakers bearing the patriotic 'TANGS SG50' logo in our national colours.

TANGS Orchard
310 Orchard Road
www.tangs.com
☎ (65) 6737 5500
🏠 Orchard



2. RISIS PENDANTS

The collaborative collection of five handcrafted pendants by Singaporean jeweller RISIS and local tastemakers is inspired by various aspects of Singapore's history, from architecture to the arts. All proceeds from sales will go to charity.

RISIS
#02-56 Changi Airport Terminal 3, Departure/Transit Lounge North, and all RISIS outlets
www.risis.com
☎ (65) 6247 5480



3. PULAU BAKERS BY ALLY COOKIES

Enjoy a taste of Singapore with this yummy selection of limited edition cookies in three deliciously local flavours: mango and coconut, quinoa and chocolate, and osmanthus and lavender.

Grocery @ B2 Takashimaya
Food Hall
391 Orchard Road
🏠 Orchard

4. LOVE SG COINS COASTER SET

Designed to look like our local currency, this quirky coaster set will inject a little tongue-in-cheek humour into your home. Plus, who can resist having money on the table?

Naiise
#01-30 West Gate Mall
www.naiise.com
☎ (65) 6702 3248
🏠 Jurong East

5. SUPERMAMA MERLION TABLEWARE

Cool lifestyle store and gallery SUPERMAMA pays tribute to a Singapore icon – the mythical half lion-half fish creature – with its line of ceramic tableware in celebration of the nation's Golden Jubilee.

SUPERMAMA
30A Seah Street
www.supermama.sg
🏠 City Hall

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SHOPPING
Buy Local

THE FARM STORE

If you love your souvenirs with a sense of humour, The Farm Store will definitely charm your socks off. Brimming with all things fun, quirky, and unique, the multi-label online store stocks delightful curios with a distinctly local twist. Singlish notebooks, a moon cake-shaped paperweight, and public housing-inspired t-shirts... you'll want them all.

*Singapore Visitor Centre at
orchardgateway@emerald
www.thefarmstore.sg*

☎ (65) 6336 1706

📍 Somerset



Local trinkets with a twist



Fashion-forward finds

CHARLES & KEITH

One of Singapore's most successful fashion labels, Charles & Keith is shoe heaven come to life. Be thoroughly spoilt for choice with the wide range of trendy footwear, bags, and other accessories that won't break the bank.

*#02-53 Changi Airport Terminal 3, Departure/
Transit Lounge North, and island wide
www.charleskeith.com*

☎ (65) 6446 7283

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SHOPPING
Buy Local



*Curated labels
under one roof*

TANGS

Founded in 1932, TANGS is Singapore's oldest department store and an iconic shopping destination along Orchard Road. It is where you can find an exclusive selection of both international and home grown labels, including Aijek, Carrie K., Ling Wu, and IN GOOD COMPANY. With loads of wonderful must-haves in-store, you'll appreciate the store's bag deposit services, personal shoppers, and excellent customer care. Plus, shoppers who spend a minimum of \$300 also enjoy complimentary delivery – sweet!

310 Orchard Road
www.tangs.com
☎ (65) 6737 5500
📍 Orchard

Putting the fun in fashion

HANSEL

Inspired by designer Jo Soh's beloved Jack Russell Terrier, local fashion label hansel is best known for its flirty and feminine take on casual womenswear. From polka-dot sundresses to chic separates adorned with hand painted flowers, this homegrown label is your go-to if you're looking for the perfect weekend outfit.

#02-14 Mandarin Gallery
333A Orchard Road
www.ilovehansel.com
☎ (65) 6836 5367
📍 Somerset



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31 FAMILY FUN

1. VISIT AN ICONIC PLAYGROUND

Step back in time and have some retro fun at the Dragon Playground, one of Singapore's oldest playgrounds. It features dragonheads decorated with terrazzo tiles, a slide, and swings.

Dragon Playground
28 Lorong 6 Toa Payoh
 *Toa Payoh*

2. ENTER THE STATE OF FUN

Get the most out of Sentosa with the SG50 Sentosa Tourist Pack (now at \$50 off!), which lets you into a multitude of exciting attractions like Madame Tussands, and S.E.A. Aquarium.

Sentosa Island
www.sentosa.com.sg
 (65) 6736 8672
 *HarbourFront*

3. TAKE A RIDE

Hop on a remodelled WWII Vietnamese war craft and explore Singapore on land and sea with DUCKtours. One child gets a free ticket with every two adult tickets purchased.

DUCKtours
#01-330, Suntec City 3 Temasek Boulevard
www.ducktours.com.sg
 (65) 6338 6877
 *Esplanade*

4. GREET FEATHERED FRIENDS

One of the most renowned bird sanctuaries in the world and the first attraction in Singapore, Jurong Bird Park is the nesting

place of 5,000 birds across 400 species. If your little ones want a splash, head to the bird-themed playground.

Jurong Bird Park
2 Jurong Hill
www.birdpark.com.sg
 (65) 6265 0022
 *Boon Lay + connecting bus services 194 or 251*

5. EAT TO PLAY

Nestled in a historic and conserved estate in Rochester Park, Rochester House is an old colonial bungalow that houses a café, a huge play centre, and a garden (that scores a lovely breeze when you dine alfresco).

Rochester House
7 Rochester Drive
www.rochesterhouse.com.sg
 (65) 6773 1312
 *Buona Vista*

6. DISCOVER CHINESE MYTHS

There's nothing in the world quite like Haw Par Villa, a whimsical (and perhaps a little creepy for kids) theme park that has a dizzying array of statues and dioramas dramatising Chinese legends and folklore.

Haw Par Villa
262 Pasir Panjang Road
 (65) 6872 2780
 *Haw Par Villa*

7. SMELL THE FLOWERS

Pack a picnic basket for a day out at Singapore Botanic Gardens, a 150-year-old park that spreads over 74 hectares. Be sure to visit the National Orchid Garden, which features

more than a thousand species of orchids.

Singapore Botanic Gardens
1 Cluny Road
www.sbg.org.sg
 (65) 6471 7361
 *Botanic Gardens*

8. SOAK UP THE VIEW

Marvel at the spectacular 360-degree view of the city from the world's second tallest Ferris wheel. Kids fly free with every two adult Singapore Sling or Cocktail Flights purchases.

Singapore Flyer
30 Raffles Avenue
www.singaporeflyer.com
 (65) 6333 3311
 *Promenade*

9. GET IN TOUCH WITH NATURE

Good news! If you're heading to the conservatories, one child enters free with every two adult tickets purchased (\$28 each for entry to both conservatories).

Gardens by the Bay
18 Marina Gardens Drive
www.gardensbythebay.com.sg
 (65) 6420 6848
 *Bayfront*

10. STEP INTO THE MOVIES

Immerse in a whole new world at Universal Studios Singapore. Explore seven exciting zones and meet your favourite characters from Sesame Street, Far Far Away and Transformers.

Universal Studios Singapore®
8 Sentosa Gateway
www.rwsentosa.com
 (65) 6577 8888
 *HarbourFront*

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eTRS TAX FREE



Skip the queues and file your GST claims at the **eTRS** self-help kiosk at Changi Airport before you fly! All you need to do is shop at places that display the eTRS sign and use one credit card as a Token for tagging your purchases. Tourists departing on international cruises from Marina Bay Cruise Centre Singapore and the International Passenger Terminal at HarbourFront Centre may also qualify for tax refund. Log on to www.iras.gov.sg for more information.

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