

A Guide To Every Weekend in Singapore

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Take your pick from an array of eclectic experiences, which we have catalogued for you in this handy guide. Plan your next weekend getaway and live it up in Singapore!

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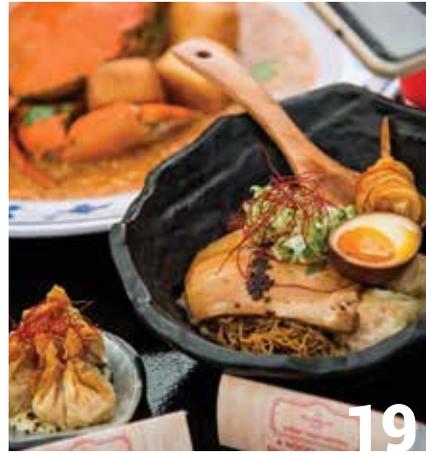
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Pongal Festival (Harvest)

The Pongal Festival symbolises thanksgiving for a

bountiful harvest. During this month-long celebration, you can expect a magnificent display of festival lights, as well as lots of hands-on activities.

Singapore Art Week

The jewel of our arts calendar, Singapore Art Week is a premier visual arts festival that will feature an array of art experiences including first-to-launch exhibitions, art fairs, gallery openings and enriching discussions across the island.


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Chinese New Year

Look forward to a spectacular line-up of activities for the

Chinese New Year Celebrations 2019, which includes a street light-up and festive street bazaar in Chinatown. You can also enjoy festive decorations and performances at the annual River HongBao in Marina Bay.



Chingay

A vibrant parade that celebrates the cultural diversity of Singapore, Chingay is also the largest street performance and float parade in Asia. 2019's edition will commemorate the Singapore Bicentennial with a series of exciting experiences.


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HSBC Women's World Championship 2019

Watch the world's

top female golfers face off in Sentosa Golf Club. You can also enjoy activities around this event, including vibrant parties with lots of food and music.

Singapore Festival of Fun

You'll be thrilled by lauded comedians and circus performers from around the world during this open-air fiesta. Taking place along the Singapore River, you can take photos with your favourite cartoon characters whilst retracing the storied past of this historic river.


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World Gourmet Summit

Every year, the best from around the culinary world

congregate in Singapore for the World Gourmet Summit. At this year's edition that is themed on sustainability, you can indulge in special menus rolled out by these acclaimed chefs and even learn expert tips at their masterclasses.

HSBC Rugby Singapore 7s

Witness thrills and spills at the biggest celebration of rugby in

Southeast Asia. During this boisterous weekend, you can watch fiery rugby matches and have fun at interactive game stalls—both individuals and families are bound to be enthralled by the line-up of activities!


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Singapore Cocktail Festival

Rub shoulders with cocktail

enthusiasts and

celebrity bartenders at this celebration of Singapore's world-class mixology scene. Sample award-winning concoctions by guest bartenders and learn how to mix your own cocktails at interactive workshops and product launches.

OSIM Sundown Marathon

Asia's largest night marathon offers a different view of Singapore as you run past its iconic landmarks in the wee hours. Athletes of different ages and fitness levels can challenge themselves at this popular sporting event.


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Hari Raya Light Up

Explore a wide array of traditional Malay garments and accessories in the

heritage district of Geylang Serai. You can savour a spread of traditional and modern foods after sunset at the Geylang Serai Bazaar, an elaborately decorated night market that is illuminated by colourful lights every evening of the fasting month.



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International Champions Cup

Be amazed by your favourite European footballers and

stand a chance to meet them in person. Every July, players from top European clubs duke it out in Singapore and make appearances at football-themed activities across the city centre.

Singapore Food Festival

Indulge in local gastronomy and interactive culinary seminars at the celebrated Singapore Food Festival. Its sub-festival STREAT showcases the best of Singapore's growing 'mod-Sin', or modern Singaporean, movement, while The 50 Cents Fest invites you to savour iconic local dishes in denominations of S\$0.50.



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National Day

Celebrated on the 9th of August every year, the National Day of Singapore

commemorates the country's independence and is feted with aerial action by fighter jets and helicopters, followed by spectacular pyrotechnics.

Singapore Night Festival

During this nocturnal festival, take an unforgettable stroll through Singapore's city centre, which will be transformed by projection art, pop-up art installations and diverse performances.



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Grand Prix Season Singapore

During the Grand Prix Season Singapore, you'll be

wowed by the world's fastest cars as they hurtle through the world's first night race street circuit at the FORMULA 1 SINGAPORE AIRLINES SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX. Look out for race-themed promotions by select establishments during this season and don't miss the many after-parties that will take place on every night of the race.



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Halloween Horror Nights

Explore a variety of themed haunted houses at Asia's

premier scare-fest. At this thrilling annual event in Universal Studios Singapore™, you can also enjoy the park's popular rides in a night setting.

JewelLux Singapore

JewelLux invites you to take your pick from fine jewellery and timepieces by renowned jewellery houses, designers and watchmakers from around the world. Head to Ngee Ann City to explore the largest jewellery festival in Southeast Asia.



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Singapore River Festival

Enjoy live music and circus acts along the Singapore River, then discover popular local dishes and souvenirs at an outdoor bazaar. Showcasing both the precinct's historic and modern attractions, this festival will span the river's three quays and last two weekends.



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Christmas Celebrations

Enjoy a unique tropical Christmas in Singapore at various

locations across the island. Explore a pop-up Christmas market and intricate street decorations at Christmas on a *Great Street* along Orchard Road. In Gardens by the Bay, you can admire Italian light sculptures and jump on carnival rides at Christmas Wonderland.



Countdown Parties

Usher in 2020 at the gregarious Siloso Beach Party in Sentosa and be sure not to miss the variety of fringe activities taking place at the Marina Bay Singapore Countdown. Both parties culminate with grand fireworks at the stroke of midnight on 31 Dec.

eat & drink

From our acclaimed hawker fare to award-winning bars, Singapore promises to delight you with its myriad of epicurean and nightlife experiences.



Order drinks like a Singaporean

At hawker centres and *kopitiam*s (coffee shops), you can enjoy *kopi* (local coffee) in its many variations. Non-coffee drinkers can enjoy other local drinks like *teh tarik*, which refers to milk tea that is “pulled” from cup to cup to achieve a frothy head. You can also try *bandung*, which is condensed or evaporated milk added to rose syrup, or Milo dinosaur—iced Milo (chocolate malt beverage) topped with a heap of Milo powder.

Singapore is home to an array of Michelin-starred and Bib Gourmand-listed dining establishments

Besides 39 establishments awarded Michelin stars in 2018, Singapore’s internationally acclaimed dining scene also offers culinary adventures at affordable prices. Indulge in traditional soy sauce chicken at one-Michelin-starred Liao Fan Hong Kong Soya Sauce Chicken Rice & Noodle (335 Smith Street #02-126) or barbecued meats over wood-fired grills at award-winning Burnt Ends (20 Teck Lim Road). For the full list, visit guide.michelin.com/sg.



Savour the best of our *mod-Sin* culinary movement

Coined by well-known homegrown chef Willin Low, modern-Singapore or “*mod-Sin*” cuisine refers to traditional local classics that have been given innovative modern interpretations. At restaurants like Labyrinth (6 Raffles Ave #02-23) and Xiao Ya Tou (6 Duxton Hill), traditional dishes are prepared with unconventional cooking techniques and ingredients, which are bound to tantalise your taste buds.

Discover our local hawker fare

Dig into a diverse spread of traditional local food at affordable prices within hawker centres that are peppered across our island. To experience this indispensable pillar of the Singaporean way of life, head to some of these hawker centres—Maxwell Food Centre (1 Kadayannallur Street), Tiong Bahru Market (30 Seng Poh Road) and Old Airport Road Food Centre (51 Old Airport Road).



Enjoy cocktails with a local twist

Discover our world-class mixology scene, highlighted by 12 local establishments that are listed among Asia's 50 Best Bars. You'll find cocktails inspired by local culture in bars like Nutmeg & Clove (10 Ann Siang Hill) and cocktails concocted with regional ingredients in Native (52A Amoy Street).



The Lion City teems with unique after-dark experiences

Singapore's nightlife lets you pick from an endless menu of entertainment options, from bar-hopping and live music to action-packed games and panoramic rooftop views. Try your hand at beer pong and old-school arcade games at Level Up (3A River Valley Road #02-04) or head to SKAI (Swissôtel The Stamford, 2 Stamford Road Level 70) for a breath-taking view of the city skyline.

shop

Singapore's cosmopolitan retail scene offers great finds for every taste, spanning international flagship brands, trendy local designers and tantalising food souvenirs.

Pick up unusual keepsakes by Singaporean brands

Homegrown brands like Singapore Memories (Isetan, 350 Orchard Road), Onlewo (129 Jalan Besar) and Supermama (265 Beach Road) are known for artfully incorporating aspects of local life into one-of-a-kind souvenirs.



Uncover exclusive finds at our flagship stores

Numerous international brands have opened grand boutiques across Singapore. While you're in Orchard Road*, check out the extensive selections at Apple (270 Orchard Road) and Uniqlo (181 Orchard Road). Along the glitzy stretch of Marina Bay, luxury boutiques like Louis Vuitton's Singapore Island Maison (2 Bayfront Avenue #B1-38/39 & #B2-36/37/37A) offer shopping experiences like no other.

** From 1 Jan 2019, all public areas within Orchard Road will become a designated No Smoking Zone (NSZ). Designated Smoking Areas (DSAs) will be available at specified locations within the precinct. For more information, please visit www.nea.gov.sg/ORNZ*

Bring a taste of Singapore with you

Take your pick from different types of *bak kwa* (barbequed meat slices) from Lim Chee Guan (203 New Bridge Road) and *nonya* (Peranakan*) cakes from Bengawan Solo (ION Orchard #B4-38). Cookie lovers should check out The Cookie Museum (Marina Square Shopping Mall #02-280) with their Singaporean-flavoured confections, while home cooks will love Batu Lesung (COMO Market Place, Block 17 Dempsey Road), which offers local spices and pastes in travel-friendly sachets.

** The term is an Indonesian/Malay word that means "local born", which generally refers to people of Chinese and Malay/Indonesian heritage.*





Check out hip boutiques on Singapore's most colourful street

Situated in the heritage district of Kampong Glam, Haji Lane houses an eclectic mix of boutiques within its colourful shophouses. Singapore's narrowest street offers everything from eclectic handcrafted homeware to vintage fashion accessories, which will delight even the most discerning shopper. If you fancy traditional made-to-order garments and decorations, head over to neighbouring Arab Street to discover more unique finds.

Enjoy 24-hour shopping

Hardcore shoppers will be delighted to know that retail therapy is available in Singapore 24/7! Take your pick from a variety of Japanese products at Don Don Donki (Orchard Central Level B1 & B2) and explore the many aisles of Mustafa Centre (145 Syed Alwi Road), which span across three buildings.

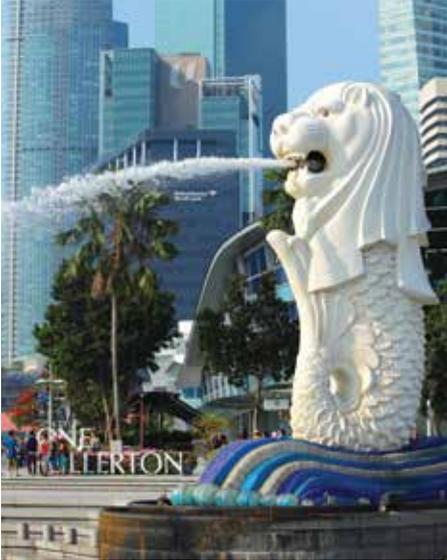


Be inspired by Singaporean designers who are chasing their passions

Once a lawyer, Priscilla Shunmugam gave up her day job to start her own womenswear label, Ong Shunmugam (43 Jalan Merah Saga #01-76), which showcases her unique style of bringing together the occidental and oriental. Another internationally renowned designer is Choo Yilin (Mandarin Gallery, 333A Orchard Road #02-23), who breathes new life into traditional jade accessories with contemporary influences.

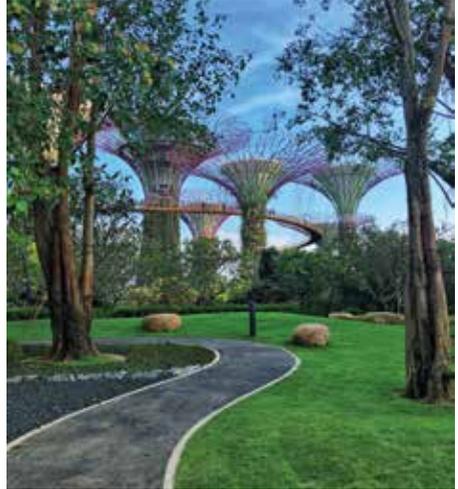
fun

A UNESCO World Heritage garden, the world's first Night Safari and numerous cultural districts are just some sights in the Lion City that are not to be missed.



Spot the seven official Merlions in Singapore

Here's a clue to get you started on this treasure hunt: There are two in Merlion Park and a huge one in the island resort of Sentosa.



Enjoy numerous attractions for free

Get up-close with rich flora and fauna in parks like the MacRitchie Treetop Walk (601 Island Club Road) and Gardens by the Bay (19 Marina Gardens Drive).

Gardens by the Bay puts on a nightly light and music show called Garden Rhapsody, while Marina Bay Sands® light and music display, Spectra, can be admired from anywhere along the bay.



Take a stroll around Singapore's first and only UNESCO World Heritage Site

Singapore's first UNESCO World Heritage Site is a stimulating recreational venue that can be enjoyed by both young and old. Admire over 60,000 orchids and other plants in The National Orchid Garden and let your kids learn through play at Jacob Ballas Children's Garden. Be sure to visit the SBG Heritage Museum too, which features interactive and multimedia exhibits that will bring visitors through the Gardens' rich heritage.



Visit the world's first nocturnal wildlife park

Just adjacent to the award-winning Singapore Zoo, the Night Safari (80 Mandai Lake Road) invites you to experience an after-dark adventure featuring numerous species of nocturnal creatures. Explore the park through its 35-minute tram ride, which offers live commentary and takes you across seven geographical zones of the world.



Embark on an unconventional tour around our city

Looking for an interesting way to explore Singapore? Book some of our less conventional tours to see the country from a different perspective. Choose from options like the vintage Vespa sidecar tour (www.sideways.sg), trishaw rides (www.trishawuncle.com.sg) and Segway tours (www.segwaytours.com.sg).



Embrace local heritage in our cultural precincts

Take in the best of Singapore's rich heritage when you visit the historic neighbourhoods of Chinatown, Joo Chiat/Katong, Little India and Kampong Glam. Each with its own charm, they will fascinate you with their hidden gems, intricate handicrafts, unique cuisines and carefully preserved architectural details.

4-6 JAN



The Floating Donut

Wine and dine as you float along tranquil Marina Bay. The Floating Donut is a new dining concept that has just arrived on our shores. The Floating Donut invites you to indulge in fine food and drinks aboard nautical donuts that can be rented for 30 minutes to two hours. Each donut can hold up to eight guests.

- 📅 *Currently on a 6-month pilot phase which ends end-May 2019*
- 📍 *The Floating Donuts @ Clifford Pier, Collyer Quay*
- 🌐 *www.flodoco.com*
- 📍 *Raffles Place*
- ☎ *+65 9654 0007*



The English House by Marco Pierre White

Inspired by colonial Singapore, The English House is Chef Marco Pierre White's first establishment in Asia. Located in Roberston Quay, this restaurant serves modern British comfort food and is housed in two restored 19th century-style shophouses. Come early 2019, an 18-room boutique hotel will also open within these premises.

- 📍 *28 Mohamed Sultan Road*
- ☎ *+65 6545 4055*



Flavours of Singapore by Let's Go Cook Singapore

Pick out local ingredients in the nearby wet market and learn to cook in a cosy studio. On this experiential tour, friendly and engaging chef-guides will teach you how to prepare authentic local delicacies and whip up delectable desserts.

- 📅 *Daily 9am, 2pm or 5pm (2 to 4 hours)*
- 📍 *Block 462 Crawford Lane #01-57*
- ☎ *+65 9271 0978*

Book at: www.letsготoursingapore.com

11-13 JAN



11 Jan - 10 Feb

Pongal Festival (Harvest)

Pongal is a traditional Indian festival that fetes the arrival of spring and the harvest. This auspicious event is celebrated in honour of the Hindu sun god, Surya, and the cattle that plough the paddy fields and produce milk for man. Head to Little India to discover how this harvest festival is celebrated through a month's worth of exciting activities, traditional performances and dazzling street decorations during the Pongal street light-up. You can also look forward to a host of craft activities, workshops, food tastings, performances and more at the Indian Heritage Centre's Pongal Open House (19 & 20 Jan). Admission is free.

- 📍 Various locations including Campbell Lane, Hastings Road, Indian Heritage Centre, Serangoon Road
- 🌐 www.littleindia.com.sg/pongal
- 📍 Little India

A Walk with Our Ancestors: Feng Shui Tour by Tour East

This cultural walk will bring you through precincts like Bugis, Marina Bay and Orchard, including a historic cemetery and monastery, where a knowledgeable tour guide will elaborate on how *feng shui* principles have been factored into architecture and urban planning.

- 📅 Mon, Wed & Fri 9am (4 hours)
- 📍 Hotel pick-up is available
- ☎ +65 6735 1221
- Book at:** www.toureast.net

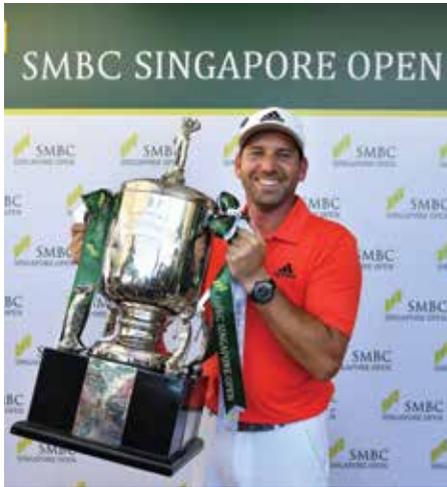


A Noodle Story 🍜

Founded by a pair of friends with a culinary passion, A Noodle Story presents a Singaporean-style ramen that combines modern European techniques with Asian flavours. The signature dish to try at this stall is composed of springy egg noodles, *chashu* (roast pork belly), dumplings, potato-wrapped prawns and a Japanese-style *onsen* egg.

- 📍 Amoy Street Food Centre, 7 Maxwell Road #01-39

18-21 JAN



17-20 Jan

SMBC Singapore Open

The SMBC Singapore Open returns in 2019 with some of the world's top golfers. Held on the prestigious Serapong course in Sentosa Golf Club, this important tournament is where you can catch the world's best battle it out for its US\$1million prize.

- 📍 *The Serapong, Sentosa Golf Club*
- 🌐 www.smbcsingaporeopen.com
- 📍 *HarbourFront*

18 Jan - 24 Feb

Dahlia Dreams

Gardens by the Bay's Flower Dome celebrates Chinese New Year with over 100 varieties of dahlias set against a beautiful Chinese garden backdrop. In addition to the brightly coloured dahlias, the distinctive "thousand-bloom chrysanthemum"—a stunning dome composed of hundreds of uniformly spaced blooms from a single chrysanthemum plant—will be a sight to behold. Along with these festivities, there will also be performances and activities for the whole family.

- 📍 *Gardens by the Bay*
- 🌐 www.gardensbythebay.com.sg
- 📍 *Bayfront*



18 Jan - 2 Feb

ARTWALK Little India 2019

In conjunction with Singapore Art Week, ARTWALK Little India invites you to discover pop-up art installations, permanent murals, performances and screenings across Little India, which pay tribute to both the history and modern-day life of this cultural district.

- 📍 *Little India*
- 🌐 www.artwalklittleindia.sg
- 📍 *Little India*

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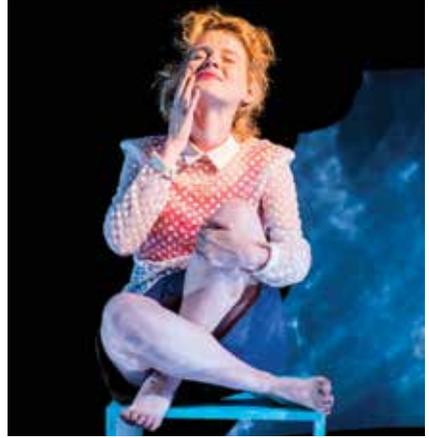
16-27 Jan

**M1 Singapore Fringe Festival 2019:
Still Waters**

Every year, the M1 Singapore Fringe Festival celebrates exciting and thoughtful works created by Singaporean and international artists. Fringe 2019 will showcase a total of 13 works across diverse genres, examining hidden narratives—including personal, societal and national topics. Look out for Sean Cham's cheeky photographic exhibition entitled *This is Where*, which will be displayed at selected bus shelters across the island.

📍 Various locations including Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay, NAFA Studio Theatre and Centre 42

📱 www.singaporefringe.com



19-27 Jan

Singapore Art Week

The jewel of Singapore's visual arts scene, Singapore Art Week (SAW) is an annual celebration that invites you to stroll through art installations, shop at diverse art fairs and participate in interactive performances. During this seventh edition of Singapore Art Week, visitors can also party in arts venues with great music, food and drinks. A new event that will be introduced during SAW 2019 is SEA Focus, organised by STPI Creative Workshop & Gallery. Happening from 23-27 Jan, this showcase by over 30 galleries will be housed in a specially designed pop-up structure in Gillman Barracks.

📍 Various locations 📱 www.artweek.sg

25 Jan - 19 Feb

Blessing from the SEAA

Celebrate the Lunar New Year at the S.E.A. Aquarium palace, where the Goddess of Abundance and the mighty Underwater Sea Dragon will bless you with a harmonious 2019. This adventure for the whole family highlights eight majestic sea animals and what they symbolise in Chinese culture. Kids can engage in craft workshops and all guests will have the opportunity to experience a Special Underwater Show.

📍 S.E.A. Aquarium

📱 www.rwsentosa.com/seaa

📍 HarbourFront

1-3 FEB



From 30^{Jan}

Opening of Design Orchard

A bevy of local brands across categories like fashion, lifestyle products and souvenirs will retail at the new Design Orchard, which will house a retail showcase on its first floor and an incubator and events space on its upper floors.

📍 250 Orchard Road

🌐 www.designorchard.sg

🚗 Somerset

3-10 Feb

River HongBao 2019

Enjoy fireworks, interactive lantern installations and lavish performances at this annual Lunar New Year celebration by the riverside. Watch our night sky light up with pyrotechnic displays by award-winning artists from Australia, China, USA and Italy during the Fireworks Spectacular on four special nights (3, 4, 9 & 10 Feb). Visitors will be dazzled by these 12-minute-long fireworks shows, which will be spread over three time slots on each of these four nights, and complemented by nightly fireworks for the duration of River HongBao.



Image courtesy of River Hong Bao Committee

📍 The Float @ Marina Bay

🌐 www.riverhongbao.sg

🚶 Promenade



1-17 Feb

TOYBOX by Hasbro

Join us for the inaugural TOYBOX by Hasbro, a family-friendly carnival that promises to transport you to a world of your favourite Hasbro toys. Organised by Kingsmen, this flagship event features an exciting range of Hasbro toy brands, including games and activities held by Transformers, NERF, My Little Pony, Monopoly, Play-Doh, Cluedo and Baby Alive. Look out for the Monopoly Apartments—an instagrammable installation that brings to life the iconic Green House and Red Hotel; the Play-Doh Picnic Party—a picnic-themed area where families can create their

very own Play-Doh picnic spreads; and many more. Complete with a festival stage, a Hasbro retail shop and a myriad of F&B stalls, look forward to a full day of fun at TOYBOX by Hasbro—there will be something for everyone!

📍 Sentosa Palawan Green (near Beach Station)

🌐 www.toyboxsingapore.com

🚗 HarbourFront

8-10 FEB



3-19 Feb

Fortune Gathers at Resorts World™ Sentosa

Watch masters of different divination schools perform live demonstrations at Fortune Street, enjoy a Sesame Street Monster Lo Hei show at Universal Studios Singapore™ and catch the Queen of Mandopop, A-Mei, perform with superstars Anna and Eve Ai in a special live showcase. Celebrity chef restaurants at Resorts World™ Sentosa will not only be rolling out special festive menus, but also hosting dragon and lion dances to usher in good luck for the Chinese New Year.

- 📍 Resorts World™ Sentosa
- 🌐 www.rwsentosa.com/CNY2019
- 🚶 HarbourFront

4-19 Feb

Wild Chinese New Year

Usher in the Lunar New Year on the wild side at our wildlife parks with the collared peccary, red river hog and miniature pigs. Don't forget to explore the "zoo-diac trail" in the Night Safari, where you'll be wowed by talented lion dancers illuminated by LED lights.

- 📍 Singapore Zoo, River Safari, Night Safari and Jurong Bird Park
- 🌐 www.wildcny.sg
- 🚶 Singapore Zoo, River Safari, Night Safari: Take bus 138 from Ang Mo Kio MRT station; Jurong Bird Park: Take bus 194 from Boon Lay MRT station



5-6 Feb

Chinese New Year

Also known as the Spring Festival, the Lunar New Year is one of the most important festivals in the Chinese calendar. Celebrate it with locals and soak in the festive atmosphere when you visit Chinatown for the annual street light-up (19 Jan-6 Mar), which will abound with mesmerising decorations and boisterous revelry.

28 Jan - 24 Feb

i Light Singapore – Bicentennial Edition

An anchor event that will kick-start Singapore's Bicentennial festivities, i Light Singapore - Bicentennial Edition will feature sustainable light art installations centred on the theme "Bridges of Time". This festival will bring artists and festival-goers together, to reflect on Singapore's history and development over the years. You can look forward to an enhanced experience this year as the festival will extend beyond Marina Bay to include the Civic District, Singapore River and Raffles Terrace at Fort Canning.

- 📍 Singapore River and Marina Bay
- 🌐 www.ilightsingapore.sg
- 🚶 Bayfront, City Hall and Clarke Quay

15-17 FEB

13 & 14 Feb

Lea Salonga: The Human Heart

Acclaimed for her stellar performances in *Aladdin*, *Les Misérables*, *Miss Saigon* and *Mulan*, this world-famous Filipina songstress will be performing two concerts at the iconic Esplanade that are guaranteed to have you singing along to familiar tunes from Broadway musicals and Disney favourites.

- 📍 Esplanade Concert Hall
- 🎫 City Hall and Esplanade



Image courtesy of People's Association

15-16 Feb

Chingay 2019

An exuberant parade comprising colourful floats, stilt walkers and dancers of different races, Chingay celebrates not only the Chinese New Year, but also the cultural diversity of Singapore. In commemoration of the Singapore Bicentennial, Chingay 2019 will be themed "Dreams Funtasia (Bicentennial Edition)". The event will open with a 270-metre-long painting tracing the "Past, Present, and Future of Singapore", which will reflect on Singapore's journey and transformation from place to nation. Besides two nights of parades, a carnival will be held this year from 15-17 Feb along the parade route near the Singapore Flyer.

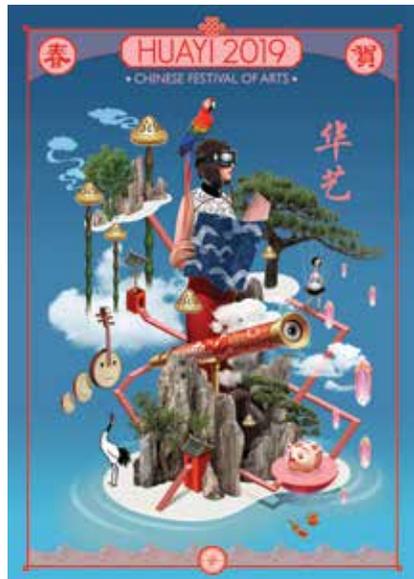
- 📍 F1 Pit Building
- 🌐 www.chingay.org.sg
- 🎫 Promenade

15-24 Feb

Huayi – Chinese Festival of Arts 2019

Celebrate the Chinese New Year at the Esplanade with an inspiring and exciting line-up of arts performances, both ticketed and free, by outstanding local and international Chinese artists.

- 📍 Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay
- 🌐 www.esplanade.com/huayi
- 🎫 City Hall and Esplanade



22-24 FEB



From 21 Feb

Matilda The Musical

Don't pass on this highly decorated musical, which tells the story of one of Roald Dahl's most imaginative and intrepid characters. Originally put on by the Royal Shakespeare Company, this musical has delighted audiences of all ages and has won over 85 international awards.

- 📍 Sands Theatre, Marina Bay Sands®
- 🖥️ <https://entertainment.marinabaysands.com/events/cmatilda0319>
- 👤 Bayfront

Art Week Edition:

18-27 Jan

Bicentennial Edition:

28 Jan - 24 Feb

Light to Night Festival 2019: Traces & Echoes

Every year, this urban arts festival celebrates the lively Civic District of Singapore. With a bevy of food, collectibles and artistic experiences, it aims to make art accessible, bringing a range of creative expressions to a wide audience across numerous iconic venues.

- 📍 National Gallery Singapore
- 🖥️ www.lighttonight.sg
- 👤 City Hall



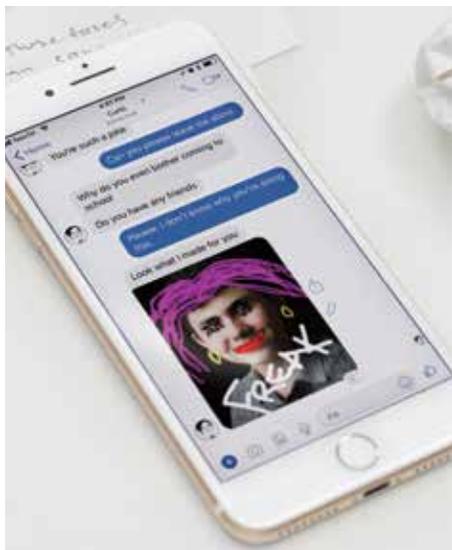
22-24 Feb

The MICHELIN Guide Street Food Festival

Singapore's thriving culinary scene consists of countless cuisines, local classics and 39 Michelin-starred restaurants. At this food festival dedicated to the multi-cultural street food of Singapore, one can savour local favourites prepared by Michelin-starred restaurants and Bib Gourmand eateries, all in a single locale.

- 📍 The Coliseum, Resorts World™ Sentosa
- 🖥️ www.guide.michelin.com
- 👤 HarbourFront

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22 Feb - 10 Mar

Late Company

Topics like loss and empathy will be candidly discussed at Pangdemonium's staging of *Late Company*, a riveting production themed on an imminent and widespread problem—cyberbullying.

- 📍 Victoria Theatre
- 🌐 www.pangdemonium.com
- 📍 City Hall

28 Feb - 3 Mar

HSBC Women's World Championship 2019

Catch the world's most talented golfers in action during this sporting event. Dubbed "Asia's Major", this tournament features some of the world's best female golfers and has drawn fans from around the globe. World-class golf aside, this event is also known for its great parties that indulge guests in great food and music.

- 📍 Sentosa Golf Club
- 🌐 www.hsbcgolf.com/womens
- 📍 HarbourFront



S.E.A Aquarium™ and The Maritime Experiential Museum™

Get up close with more than 100,000 marine animals across 50 different habitats at the S.E.A Aquarium™ in Resorts World™ Sentosa. Don't miss the Open Ocean Habitat, a humongous aquarium that provides awesome views of marine life behind its spotless glass panels. Afterward, head to The Maritime Experiential Museum™ to gain keen insights into pivotal eras of Southeast Asia's seafaring history, through intricate exhibits and multisensory installations.

- 📍 Resorts World™ Sentosa 🌐 www.rwsentosa.com
- 📍 HarbourFront ☎ +65 6577 8888



8-10 MAR

MARCH

9 Mar**Garden Beats**

At this food and music festival, you can rub shoulders with indie artists and electro musicians. As Singapore's first carbon neutral festival, this zero-plastic party will highlight modern green initiatives, and comprise talks and workshops that will illustrate how sustainable living can be easy and fun. Dress your party best and come take part in exciting games in the playing fields of Garden Beats, which has been dubbed 'the Electronic Picnic'.

📍 *Fort Gate, Fort Canning Park*
 🖥️ www.gardenbeats.com
 🚶 *Dhoby Ghaut and Fort Canning*

**1 Feb - 28 Apr****Raffles in Southeast Asia: Revisiting the Scholar and Statesman**

Sir Stamford Raffles—author of *The History of Java*, and collector of natural history and cultural materials from Southeast Asia—is best known for establishing modern Singapore as a British port. He has been viewed as a scholarly expert in the region, a progressive reformer, a committed imperialist, and even a plagiariser. Co-curated with the British Museum, and keeping with the Asian Civilisations Museum's mission to explore encounters and connections, this exhibition presents a multi-layered picture of Raffles, and illustrates how his legacy is more complex than often understood.

📍 *Asian Civilisations Museum*
 🖥️ www.acm.org.sg 🚶 *Raffles Place*

**4-17 Mar****Singapore Design Week**

Into its sixth edition, the annual Singapore Design Week (SDW) is one of Asia's premier design festivals. SDW showcases Singapore's thought leadership in design, connects design talents and businesses, and engages the community through delightful activities that demonstrate the value of design.

📍 *Various venues*
 🖥️ www.designsingapore.org/sdw

15-17 MAR

8-31 Mar

Sakura Matsuri

Gardens by the Bay's Japanese-themed festival returns with over 20 varieties of *sakura* alongside traditional architecture such as life-sized *Torii* gates and *marumado*—round windows that frame delicate landscapes. At Sakura Matsuri, you can also enjoy cultural performances and even take part in a traditional tea ceremony.

- 📍 Gardens by the Bay
- 🌐 www.gardensbythebay.com.sg
- 📍 Bayfront



13 Mar - 19 Apr

Gretel and Hansel

Your kids will love this heartfelt rendition of the iconic Brothers Grimm story, which weaves in themes of sibling rivalry and family love. This humorous production is staged by Singapore Repertory Theatre's The Little Company, one of the region's most celebrated children's theatre companies.

- 📍 KC Arts Centre
- 🌐 www.srt.com.sg/gretelandhansel
- 📍 Fort Canning

14-17 Mar

Singapore Urban Design Festival

The Singapore Urban Design Festival places emphasis on how urban design is incorporated into every facet of society and how placemaking is improving living environments worldwide. At this festival, you can also discover new collaborations and gain keen insights into Singapore's thoughtful design movement.

- 📍 Jalan Besar Sports Centre multi-storey carpark
- 🌐 www.urbandesignfestival.com
- 📍 Lavender



22-24 MAR

MARCH

13-24 Mar**Singapore Festival of Fun**

Packed with fun for the whole family, this riverside carnival invites you and your young ones to watch, meet and take photos with its colourful international street performers. Be prepared to split your sides when stand-up comedians from around the world take the stage at the Magners International Comedy Festival.

- 📍 *Clarke Quay*
- 🌐 *www.funfest.com.sg*
- 🗺️ *Clarke Quay*

**16-24** Mar**Sentosa FunFest**

Sentosa FunFest is back with its larger-than-life inflatables. Spend an exciting and fun-filled day with your family and friends at this expansive inflatable playground and end your day with a relaxing Movie by the Beach, along with delicious treats.

- 📍 *Activities at Siloso Beach;*
Movies by the Beach at Palawan Green
- 🌐 *www.sentosa.com*
- 🗺️ *HarbourFront*

23-24 Mar**Five-footway Festival**

Take a trip back to Chinatown during the 1930-1950s. The Five-footway Festival will be held in conjunction with the Chinatown activations that the Singapore Bicentennial Office (SBO) will be organising over this period. Happening across Kreta Ayer, Club Street and Ann Siang Hill, there will be a variety of programmes such as roving hawkers, crafts and trades demonstrations, workshops, tours, exhibitions and projection shows.

- 📍 *Kreta Ayer*
- 🌐 *www.chinatown.sg*
- 🗺️ *Chinatown*

29-31 MAR

Late Mar

Madame Tussauds™ Singapore

Madame Tussauds™ Singapore will open a new Ultimate Film Experience section soon. Do you have what it takes to be a movie star? Here, you can experience what it's like auditioning for a lead role and rising to fame alongside your favourite Indian celebrities. Don't miss your chance to snap a selfie with Madame Tussauds™ Singapore's newest figures, singers Ariana Grande and Suzy Bae. You can also interact with singer-songwriter Zhang Yixing via a realistic augmented reality experience.

- 📍 Madame Tussauds™ Singapore
- 🌐 www.madametussauds.com/singapore
- 📍 HarbourFront
- ☎ +65 6715 4000



28-31 Mar

Boutique Fairs (Spring/Summer edition)

Here's your chance to revamp your wardrobe and discover a variety of socially responsible businesses. An eclectic indoor weekend market, Boutique Fairs invites you to stroll through 5,000 square metres of retail space and take your pick from a variety of independent local and international brands. Its Spring/Summer 2019 Edition will introduce you to over 200 design-led labels selling art, fashion, furniture, homeware and toys. Food and beverage stalwarts of Singapore will set up shop at Boutique Fairs too, allowing you to indulge in delectable treats while enjoying your retail therapy.

- 📍 F1 Pit Building, 1 Republic Boulevard
- 🌐 www.boutiquefairs.com.sg
- 📍 Promenade

Mar

Singapore International Jazz Festival

Also known as 'Sing Jazz', this event is one of Asia's grandest jazz festivals and has featured Grammy winners and musical legends like Brian McKnight, Corinne Bailey Rae and Gilles Peterson. Enjoy jazz in its different forms at a weekend packed with live performances, put on by charismatic musicians from around the world.

- 📍 Event Theatre at Marina Bay Sands®
- 🌐 www.sing-jazz.com
- 📍 Bayfront



5-7 APR

APRIL

1 Apr - 12 May

World Gourmet Summit

World Gourmet Summit (WGS), Asia's premier haute cuisine festival that celebrates fine cuisines, excellent wines and wonderful dining experiences, presents a unique opportunity for you to relish gourmet dishes sporting a multitude of culinary influences. At the 23rd outing of this month-long food festival, expect another line-up of international master chefs, along with our brightest culinary talents, serving up dinners, brunches, masterclasses and more in an event not to be missed.

📍 *Various locations*

🌐 www.worldgourmetsummit.com



Image courtesy of World Gourmet Summit



Image courtesy of National Heritage Board

15 Mar - 7 Apr

Singapore Heritage Festival

Explore the nooks and crannies of our island, and uncover the lesser-known stories of Singapore's spaces, along with the fascinating people behind them! The Singapore Heritage Festival (SHF), National Heritage Board's annual signature festival, is a celebration of Singapore's heritage and culture. This March, you can enjoy heritage trails, tours, open houses, and performances at spots all over across Singapore; and hear hidden tales of our colourful history and heritage. A festival for the people, by the people, SHF seeks to present novel and immersive programmes and experiences in partnership with the community and stakeholders. This year, the festival will take place over four weekends, with events and programmes centred around locations like Kampong Glam, Bedok, Telok Blangah and Kranji.

📍 *Various locations*

🌐 www.heritagefestival.sg

Apr

The Music Run™

Run with your friends to the beat of your favourite electronic and pop tunes. This five-kilometre fun run draped in a kaleidoscope of lights and decorations will culminate with an energetic concert put on by local and international musicians.

📍 *Sentosa*

🌐 www.themusicrun.com.sg

📍 *HarbourFront*



12-14 APR



Peter Kennedy, Neon Lights, installation, 1970 to 2002

Till 14 Apr

Minimalism: Space. Light. Object.

National Gallery Singapore and the ArtScience Museum have partnered for the first time to present the first survey of Minimalist art in Southeast Asia. Enjoy an array of 150 works by prominent artists like Ai Weiwei, Anish Kapoor and Mark Rothko, as well as Singaporean artists like Kim Lim and Tang Da Wu. You're invited to attend artist talks, film screenings and dance performances held across both venues, which will demonstrate how Minimalism has been incorporated into various art forms.

- 📍 *ArtScience Museum – 6 Bayfront Avenue;
National Gallery Singapore – 1 St. Andrew's Road*
- 🌐 *www.minimalism.sg*
- 🚶 *Bayfront and City Hall respectively*



13-14 Apr

HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens

Catch this intense competition between the world's top 16 rugby nations, as they battle it out for the coveted Sevens trophy. This tournament's enthusiastic fans have been known to don whimsical outfits when attending its exhilarating matches, so feel free to join in the costumed fun. As a spectator, you will be entertained by roving performers and exciting games. You can also take your pick from exclusive memorabilia available at merchandise stands and have a ball with rugby superstars at the event's after-party.

- 📍 *Singapore Sports Hub*
- 🌐 *www.singapore7s.gov*
- 🏟 *Stadium*

**Unity in Diversity Tour**
by A+B Edu Tours & Travel

For an immersive cultural experience, head to Bras Basah where you can discover numerous places of worship. Follow your knowledgeable tour guide through this historic precinct, which is also home to fortune tellers, descendants of early settlers and traditional hawkers.

- 🕒 *Mon-Thu & Sat-Sun 4pm (3 hours)*
- 📍 *Bras Basah MRT Station, outside Exit E
(Waterloo Street)*
- ☎ *+65 6339 2114*
- 📖 *Book at: www.abedutours.com.sg*

19-21 APR



19 Apr

Good Friday

A public holiday in Singapore, Good Friday is observed on the Friday before Easter Sunday, and commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and his death on Calvary. Visit the elaborate churches of the Civic District—the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd (A, Queen St), the Church of Saints Peter and Paul (225A Queen Street) and Saint Joseph's Church (143 Victoria Street)—which were built in the 19th century to house Singapore's booming Catholic population, and browse trinkets, books and hot cross buns sold outside.

19-21 Apr

JSSL Singapore International 7's

Be inspired by the gifted competitors of the region's largest youth football tournament, as you cheer them on in exhilarating match-ups. At Asia's largest youth football competition, you'll be awed by the young talents from over 400 teams including aspiring youths from professional academies of top clubs like Arsenal FC and FC Barcelona.

- 📍 *Our Tampines Hub (Main venue)*
- 📱 www.jssl-singapore7s.com
- 📍 *Tampines*

**Gardens by the Bay**

Spanning across 101 hectares of reclaimed land, this award-winning garden is home to the world's tallest indoor waterfall and 16-storey-tall Supertrees. Spend your day in the conservatories and Far East Organization Children's Garden before heading to the OCBC Skyway, where you can enjoy breath-taking waterfront views of Marina Reservoir and the city skyline. End your night with Garden Rhapsody, a daily, dazzling light and sound show in the gardens.

- 📍 *18 Marina Gardens Drive*
- 📱 www.gardensbythebay.com.sg
- 📍 *Bayfront*
- ☎ *+65 6420 6848*

26-28 APR



24 Apr - 12 May

The Phantom of the Opera

Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber's famous musical about the mysterious patron of the Paris Opera House will be returning to Singapore with its breath-taking set designs and intricate costumes. Broadway's longest-running show has been seen by over 145 million people around the world and will have you singing along with its 37-strong international cast and 12-piece live orchestra.

📍 *Sands Theatre, Marina Bay Sands®*
 🌐 www.marinabaysands.com
 🚶 *Bayfront*

Kayak around Pulau Ubin

Although trekking and cycling are the common modes of getting around Pulau Ubin, kayaking will allow you to explore the lesser-seen areas of this enchanting island. After learning how to kayak safely from this tour's experienced instructor, you and your friends can explore the island's beautiful mangroves and teeming ecosystem.

📍 *Pulau Ubin*
 🌐 adventures.asiandetours.com/mangrove-kayaking-adventures
 🚣 *Take a ferry from Changi Point Ferry Terminal*
 ☎ *+65 6733 2282 or +65 9772 2071*



Black & White Houses Tour by Jane's Singapore Tours

The winner of 'Best Tour Experience' at the Singapore Tourism Awards (STA) 2018, the Black & White Houses Tour brings you to explore gorgeous yesteryear shophouses with a knowledgeable guide, who will elaborate on the different architectural styles of these colonial houses and the famous people who once lived in them. On this tour, you will be ferried by coach to hidden gems of old Singapore and given complimentary refreshments along the way.

📅 *By appointment only*
 📍 *The car park adjacent to Huber's Bistro on Dempsey Road*
 ☎ *+65 8297 9177*

Book at: www.janetours.sg



3-5 MAY

Early^{May}

Singapore Cocktail Festival

Every year, this spirited celebration of the craft of mixology invites the public to attend masterclasses by some of the world's best bartenders and indulge in guest shifts hosted by these decorated mixologists. You're bound to have a memorable night at Asia's largest cocktail event, alongside discerning drink-makers and connoisseurs.

📍 Various locations

🌐 www.singaporecocktailfestival.com



3-12 May

RWS Street Eats

Tuck into a tantalising spread of iconic hawker dishes when you visit this gastronomical festival. Here, you will not only get to feast on irresistible Singaporean street foods like *popiah* (fresh spring rolls) and *satay* (grilled skewered meat) prepared by skilled chefs, but also savour the classic delicacies of our neighbouring countries like Indonesia, Thailand and Vietnam.

📍 Resorts World™ Sentosa: Malaysian Food Street & Waterfront

🌐 www.rwsentosa.com/StreetEats

📍 HarbourFront

Treasures of Kampong Glam: The Insider's Tours

by Ruby Dot Trails

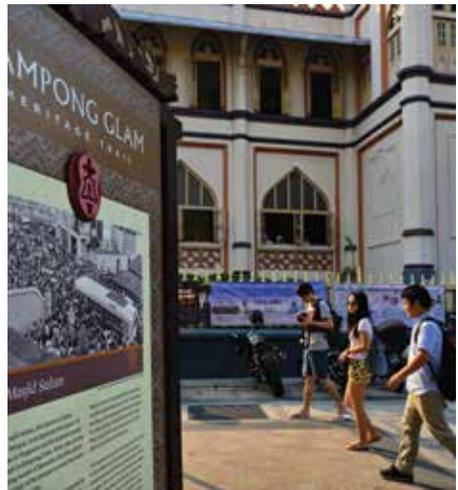
On this eye-opening journey that takes you through retrospective and artistic landmarks, you will be introduced to the passionate entrepreneurs and artisans of lively Kampong Glam. You may even get to interact with business owners who are modernising family businesses that have been synonymous with Kampong Glam for generations.

📅 Wed 5pm

📍 Bugis MRT station

☎ +65 9760 0071

Book at: www.rubydottrails.com



10-12 MAY



May

Asia's 50 Best Bars

Asia's 50 Best Bars showcases the best and most innovative talents in the region's drinks industry. It aims to present the diversity of Asia's bar scene, through cocktail bars of renowned hotels, hidden speakeasies, whisky bars and venues that specialise in wine and beer. At its fourth edition that will be held in Singapore, visitors in town can expect the hype that follows and check out the awarded bars once the list is revealed.

📄 www.worlds50bestbars.com/asia

11-12 May

OCBC Cycle

A mass cycling race that brings participants past iconic Singapore landmarks, this exuberant sporting event encompasses various categories, including routes for kids of different ages. Iconic landmarks that were part of the 2018 route include East Coast Park, Marina Bay Cruise Centre Singapore and the Singapore Sports Hub.

📍 Singapore Sports Hub

📄 www.ocbccycle.com 🏟 Stadium



Curated Boutique Tour and Peranakan beadworks workshop by Rumah Kim Choo

The house of Singapore's most celebrated Peranakan* *kueh chang* (glutinous rice dumpling) conducts a tour that introduces guests to the shared heritage of Singapore and the many antique heirlooms and crafts found within its conserved shophouse. Apart from serving Rumah Kim Choo's array of traditional delicacies, this guided tour also showcases the intricate embroidery of traditional garments and includes a live demonstration of Peranakan shoe beading. After the tour, take a walk around this heritage precinct of Joo Chiat/Katong to take in its colourful and detailed architecture.

* The term is an Indonesian/Malay word that means "local born", which generally refers to people of Chinese and Malay/Indonesian heritage.

📅 By appointment only

📍 Kim Choo Kueh Chang, 109 East Coast Road

☎ +65 6741 2125 **Book at:** www.kimchoo.com



17-19 MAY



Image courtesy of Arts House Limited

16 May - 2 Jun

Singapore International Festival of Arts

Singapore International Festival of Arts (SIFA) is your chance to indulge in a wide spectrum of visual and performing art forms. Attendees are invited to experience pop-up installations and be a part of dialogues with artists and key opinion leaders during this 42nd edition of SIFA.

📍 Various locations

🌐 www.sifa.sg

Bars in Amoy and Telok Ayer

To truly experience Singapore's cocktail culture, bar-hop through this historic district, which proffers a variety of nightlife experiences. Out of Asia's 50 Best Bars, four of them—Native (52A Amoy Street), Operation Dagger (7 Ann Siang Hill), Nutmeg & Clove (10 Ann Siang Hill) and Employees Only (112 Amoy Street)—are found within the conserved shophouses of this lively precinct. Dozens more like Bitters & Love (118 Telok Ayer Street) and Spiffy Dapper (73 Amoy Street) are hidden behind unassuming facades, waiting for you to discover them.

📍 Telok Ayer

**AJ Hackett**

Adrenaline junkies will love taking on AJ Hackett Sentosa's vertical skywalk and hurtling through the air on its Giant Swing. At this one-stop destination for thrill-seekers of all ages, you can dive head first or even do a back flip off Singapore's only bungee platform.

📍 30 Siloso Beach Walk

🌐 www.ajhackett.com/sentosa

📍 HarbourFront

☎ +65 6911 3070



24-26 MAY

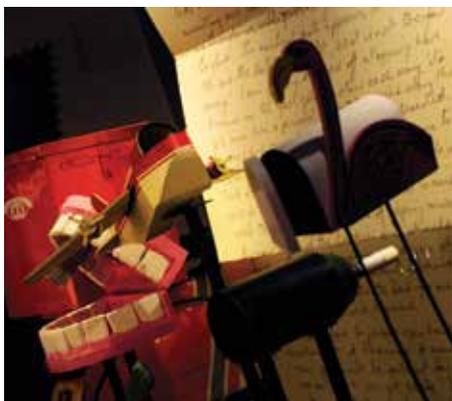


Violet Oon at ION Orchard

Celebrated Singaporean chef, television personality and cookbook author Violet Oon recently opened her fourth restaurant, which serves British food interpreted by Hainanese chefs, along with Chef Violet's famed Peranakan* classics like Dry *Laksa* (spicy coconut milk-based noodle) and *Kueh Pie Tee* (crispy canape cups). Here at her first all-day dining and retail concept, you can try her famous shepherd's pie along with many other Singaporean delicacies.

** The term is an Indonesian/Malay word that means "local born", which generally refers to people of Chinese and Malay/Indonesian heritage.*

📍 ION Orchard, 2 Orchard Turn #03-22/28/29
 🌐 www.violeton.com
 📍 Orchard
 ☎️ +65 9834 9935



Clarke Quay

If you're raring to paint the town red, Clarke Quay is the place to be. Lively nightclubs like Attica, Cuba Libre, F.Club, The Pump Room and Zouk put on raucous parties, which makes Clarke Quay one of Singapore's most vibrant nightlife spots. You can also sample an array of whiskies at Highlander or try your hand at an assortment of games at arcade-bar Level Up.

📍 Clarke Quay



Singapore Philatelic Museum

At this compelling gallery, you can customise your own stamps, view rare stamps which date as far back as the 1830s and even spot the world's first stamp. Not only does the Singapore Philatelic Museum expound on important junctures of philatelic history, it also invites you to post letters from the only operational colonial post box in modern Singapore, found within the museum's premises.

📍 23-B Coleman Street 🌐 www.spm.org.sg
 📍 City Hall ☎️ +65 6337 3888

31 MAY-2 JUN

1 Jun

OSIM Sundown Marathon

Challenge yourself at Asia's largest night marathon, which offers several categories for the young and young at heart. An iconic run that takes places during the wee hours of the morning, the OSIM Sundown Marathon indulges runners in stunning views of Singapore set against its breath-taking night skyline.

📍 *F1 Pit Building*

🌐 *www.sundownmarathon.com*

👤 *Promenade*



Jun - Jul

The Great Singapore Sale

This annual island-wide extravaganza will entice you with numerous shopping deals and discounts, which will span everything from fashion and collectibles to hotel stays and tourist attractions. Download the GoSpree app to receive eCoupons that will grant you exclusive discounts and offers. GoSpree members can also have fun scanning QR Codes embedded with special rewards, which spell even more savings. Visitors can also expect activities beyond the usual sales and promotions, such as flash mobs, movie screenings and showcases.

🌐 *www.gss.sra.org.sg*

5 Jun

Hari Raya Aidilfitri

Hari Raya Aidilfitri or "Eid al-Fitr", marks the end of Ramadan—the Islamic holy month of fasting and repentance—with a joyous celebration. During the month leading up to Hari Raya Aidilfitri, visit the Geylang Serai Bazaar and admire the colourful lights that illuminate the streets. Under its dazzlingly lit canopies, you will find an array of contemporary street snacks as well as an assortment of traditional wares and accessories. Besides Geylang Serai, a smaller scale bazaar is also held in the historic Muslim quarter of Kampong Glam.

📍 *Geylang Serai* 🚶 *Eunos*



7-9 JUN

From 1 Jun

Rainforest Lumina

Presented by Singapore Zoo, this lush and luminous world invites you to embark on a multisensory night walk into the rainforest. With the Creature Crew, a quirky group of virtual animals will bring you along a whimsical adventure where you and your young ones can capture memorable photos and take home exclusive souvenirs.

- 📍 Singapore Zoo
- 🌐 www.rainforestlumina.sg
- 🚌 Take bus 138 from Ang Mo Kio MRT station



8-9 Jun

ULTRA Singapore

You'll be blown away by the world's top DJs at this international electronic dance music festival. Rub shoulders with fellow revellers at the Singaporean leg of ULTRA, as you enjoy the laser shows and fireworks that will light up ULTRA'S various stages.

- 📍 Ultra Park, 1 Bayfront Avenue
- 🌐 www.ultrasingapore.com
- 🚏 Bayfront

Jun

Children's Season

Young visitors to the Indian Heritage Centre can enjoy a range of programmes specially tailored to captivate them. The Indian Heritage Centre's Children's Season presents a variety of fun family activities themed on Indian heritage and culture in Singapore that will inspire, engage and educate your young ones.

- 📍 Indian Heritage Centre
- 🌐 www.indianheritage.org.sg/en/whats-on
- 📍 Little India



Image courtesy of Indian Heritage Centre

National Design Centre

The National Design Centre constantly puts on new and interactive exhibitions that celebrate Singaporean design along with innovative design from around the world. This conserved building also houses boutiques like Keepers and kapok, which purvey a variety of local and independent brands and products.

- 📍 111 Middle Road
- 🌐 www.designsingapore.org/national-design-centre
- 🚶 Bencoolen and Bugis
- ☎ +65 6333 3737



HeadRock VR

An unparalleled experience awaits in HeadRock VR, Singapore's first and largest virtual reality theme park. Its 11 heart-racing attractions invite you to dog-sled through a snow storm, dive into a volcano, raft across a jungle river and more.

- 📍 26 Sentosa Gateway #01-38/39
- 🌐 www.rwsentosa.com/en/attractions/headrock-vr
- 🚶 HarbourFront
- ☎ +65 6963 4609

May - Jun

The Dragon Boat Festival and DBS Marina Regatta

Thumping drumbeats and delicious *ba zhang* (triangular glutinous rice dumplings with meat fillings) are the two most distinctive aspects of the Dragon Boat Festival in Singapore. An age-old tradition that originates from China's Pearl River Delta, dragon boat tournaments in Singapore are not just a gritty test of strength, but also of team coordination and endurance. Cheer on rowers as they duke it out in scenic Marina Bay, and enjoy an assortment of activities and games for the whole family at the DBS Marina Regatta.

- 🌐 www.sdba.org.sg;
- www.dbs.com/marina-regatta



21-23 JUN



Bike and Bites Tour by Let's Go Bike Singapore

On this tour that's part-cycling and part-walking, you'll be introduced to Singapore's rich history through cultural souvenirs and the sampling of a bevy of local food. After fuelling up at traditional *kopitiams* (local coffee shops), pedal your way through fascinating neighbourhoods like Boat Quay, Chinatown and Tiong Bahru, while your knowledgeable tour guide tells you lesser-known stories about these precincts.

 Daily 2-5pm
 462 Crawford Lane #01-57
 +65 9271 0978

Book at: www.letsgotoursingapore.com



Image courtesy of Getty/Zuffa LLC, UFC Fight Night Singapore

Jun

UFC Fight Night Singapore

Spectators and fans can look forward to a week of festivities, such as open work-out sessions where you get to watch your favourite UFC heroes train and fan village experiences, which include autograph sessions and interactive games.

 Singapore Indoor Stadium
 www.ufc.com
 Stadium

25 May - 30 Dec

Gallery's Children's Biennale

Introduce your young ones to art through this captivating exhibition by the National Gallery Singapore. This vast and highly engaging affair will stir your child's imagination through a flurry of interactive installations and absorbing activities.

 National Gallery Singapore
 www.nationalgallery.sg
 City Hall



Image courtesy of National Gallery Singapore

28-30 JUN

JUNE

Jun

The World's 50 Best Restaurants

This year, 'the Oscars of global gastronomy' will be held in Singapore. Hosted in Asia for the first time and featuring an equal balance of voters from both genders, The World's 50 Best Restaurants, sponsored by S. Pellegrino and Acqua Panna, incorporates an event programme that celebrates culinary innovation, diversity and sustainability, through gala awards, bespoke dinners, interactive masterclasses and live discussions.

www.theworlds50best.com



Image courtesy of Marina Bay Sands®

CÉ LA VI and LAVO

Unforgettable experiences await atop Marina Bay Sands®, which is inarguably one of the most famous hotels in the world. Enjoy a tippable or a gourmet dinner at lauded establishments CÉ LA VI and LAVO, then soak in views of Singapore's skyline from the hotel's iconic Infinity Pool.

[10 Bayfront Avenue](#)

www.marinabaysands.com

Bayfront

21-23 & 28-30 Jun

Artbox Singapore

Enjoy art infused with distinct local flavour at Artbox Singapore, the city's largest pop-up art market. This weekend festival shines the spotlight on an assortment of products by local and regional craftsmen and entrepreneurs. Check out merchandise and activities for guests of all ages, then eat and shop your way through this Instagram-friendly festival that will be enlivened by great music and eclectic entertainment.

[Refer to website](#)

www.artbox.sg

Bayfront



5-7 JUL

Next Generation Hawker Food Tour by Wok 'n' Stroll

Besides bringing its participants to some of Singapore's most popular hawker centres, this tour sheds light on the journeys of Singapore's next-generation 'hawkerpreneurs'. What drew these young people away from their white-collar jobs and into the hot and gruelling world of cooking? Listen to their stories and taste their traditional and modern-Singaporean fare.

 Tue & Thu 5pm (3 hours)

 62 Smith Street

 +65 8338 3571

Book at: www.woknstroll.com.sg



Jul

International Champions Cup Singapore

Every July before the European football leagues kick off, top European clubs compete in the summer's biggest club competition. You can cheer on your favourite team and marvel at the talents of your favourite stars. If you are lucky, you may even rub shoulders and get to meet the players up close at football themed activities around the city.

 National Stadium

 www.internationalchampionscup.com

 Stadium



JustIN & Chinoiserie by Justin Quek

Homegrown chef Justin Quek, of now-defunct Sky on 57 fame, has opened a dual-concept restaurant in Marina Bay Sands®. Come savour his contemporary creations in Chinoiserie and JustIN Flavours of Asia, which couple fine dining culinary techniques with rich Asian flavours.

 The Shoppes at Marina Bay Sands®, 10 Bayfront Avenue B1-15 (Chinoiserie) and L1-83 (JustIN Flavours of Asia)

 Chinoiserie – www.marinabaysands.com/restaurants/chinoiserie.html

JustIN – www.marinabaysands.com/restaurants/justin-flavours-of-asia.html

 Bayfront  +65 6688 7782

Hill Street Tai Hwa Pork Noodle 🍜

Enjoy a bowl of Michelin-starred *bak chor mee* (minced pork noodles) for as little as S\$6 here. Currently run by the family's second generation, local luminary Hill Street Tai Hwa Pork Noodle serves tasty noodles from morning to night, and attracts long lines of foodies daily.

- 📍 466 Crawford Lane #01-12
- 🌐 www.taihwa.com.sg
- 🍷 Lavender



National Gallery Singapore

Boasting the largest collection of Southeast Asian art in the world, the National Gallery Singapore is housed within colonial buildings that were once the Supreme Court and City Hall of Singapore. It hosts a full calendar of exhibitions all year round, including specially curated shows in collaboration with renowned global art institutions.

- 📍 1 St. Andrew's Road
- 🌐 www.nationalgallery.sg
- 📍 City Hall
- ☎ +65 6271 7000

Les Amis 🍷

This two-Michelin-starred French restaurant has been a celebrated icon of Singapore's culinary landscape since its inception in 1994. Dig into executive chef Sebastien Lepinoy's classic French dishes like roasted foie gras and venison seasoned with truffle, and take your pick from an exquisite selection of French wines.

- 📍 Shaw Centre, 1 Scotts Road #01-16
- 🌐 www.lesamis.com.sg
- 📍 Orchard
- ☎ +65 6733 2225



Image courtesy of Les Amis Restaurant

19-21 JUL

Image courtesy of Andsoforth



ANDSOFORTH

Pop-up restaurant ANDSOFORTH specialises in combining entertainment and gastronomy to create unforgettable dining experiences, that are not only interactive but also immersive and amusing. Diners can indulge in one-of-a-kind meals, where they too become characters in a whimsical story. These intimate encounters of theatrical and culinary artistry have ranged from "Dinner in Wonderland", based on the novel and movie *Alice in Wonderland*, to a raucous mock-bidding war entitled "Auction Night". Each dining location is kept secret until the day of the event, when it is revealed to diners via text message.

www.andsoforth.com.sg
+65 9129 7845

12-28 Jul

Singapore Food Festival

A hallmark of Singapore's dining scene the Singapore Food Festival celebrates local gastronomy and its talented chefs, through workshops and product launches. The Singapore Food Festival kicks off with STREAT, its signature event that showcases the collaboration between traditional and modern takes on local cuisine. Another popular event is The 50 Cents Fest in Chinatown Food Street, which invites one and all to savour iconic Singaporean dishes, priced in denominations of S\$0.50.

📍 Various locations



1-Altitude

As the tallest multi-concept lifestyle establishment in Singapore, 1-Altitude promises a sky-high experience like no other. Party in its boisterous nightclub, Altitude, and enjoy 360-degree views of the Marina Bay area from its rooftop bar. Enjoy a gourmet meal in Stellar at 1-Altitude, which treats you to progressive Australian cuisine curated by executive chef, Christopher Millar.

📍 1 Raffles Place Levels 61 to 63
www.1-altitude.com
 📍 Raffles Place
 ☎ +65 6438 0410

26-28 JUL

JULY

Singapore After Dark Night Tour: The Hidden Secrets of Singapore

by Monster Day Tours

Explore Singapore on this award-winning four-hour night tour, which will bring you to uncover exciting nightlife venues along the Singapore River. Relish the best of local hawker food during this night dining experience and discover hidden gems. Cover charge for this tour entitles you to free entry into selected bars and clubs, as well as exclusive drink deals.

 Tue, Thu & Fri 6.30pm (4 hours)

 Telok Ayer MRT Station, Exit A

 +65 9151 7567

Book at: www.monsterdaytours.com



Adventure Cove Waterpark™

Snorkel with 20,000 tropical fish over a colourful reef and drift down a lazy river at Adventure Cove Waterpark. At this thrilling water park, you can slip down exhilarating slides, wade among rays and see sharks up-close.

 8 Sentosa Gateway

 www.rwsentosa.com/en/attractions/adventure-cove-waterpark

 HarbourFront

 +65 6577 8888

Down to the Bare Walls Tour

by A+B Edu Tours & Travel

Learn how to tie a turban and discover different types of sarees on this eye-opening tour of historic Little India. This fascinating journey through time ends on a satisfying note, with a traditional meal in a North Indian restaurant.

 Tue - Fri 6pm (3 hours)

 Little India MRT Station, Exit E (Buffalo Road)

 +65 6339 2114

Book at: www.abedutours.com.sg



2-4 AUG

1-29 Aug

Hungry Ghost Festival

Rooted in Buddhist and Taoist culture, the Hungry Ghost Festival happens during the seventh month of the Chinese lunar calendar. In 2019, the Chinese seventh month falls in August. During this time, you will notice common sights such as devotees burning incense paper, placing food offerings along the streets and putting on *getai* (live opera stage performances) shows in the heartlands.



Universal Studios Singapore™

Thrilling rides and movie-themed characters come to life at Universal Studios Singapore, Resorts World™ Sentosa. Besides unique photo opportunities with cartoon and movie mascots, our world-reowned amusement park also provides adrenaline rushes in the form of Revenge of the Mummy™, Battlestar Galactica: HUMAN vs. CYLON™, TRANSFORMERS The Ride: The Ultimate 3D Battle and other exclusive rides. Head down to this theme park with your children for a day of fun and family-bonding. After your kids have worked up an appetite, bring them to Loui's NY Pizza Parlor™ to feast on a variety of pizzas and other Italian favourites.

📍 Resorts World™ Sentosa, 8 Sentosa Gateway
 🌐 www.rwsentosa.com
 📍 HarbourFront
 ☎ +65 6577 8888

2-4 Aug

Sands for Singapore Charity Festival

Come be a part of this multi-day charity festival, which has raised millions of dollars for local beneficiaries like the Association for Persons with Special Needs (APSN), Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore (CPAS), AWWA and Community Chest Singapore. An array of fundraising activities will be held at Marina Bay Sands®—from charity challenges, free concerts, to sale of food and drinks by the integrated resort's award-winning restaurants—to engage the public to give back to society.

📍 Marina Bay Sands®, 10 Bayfront Avenue
 🌐 www.marinabaysands.com/sands-for-singapore.html
 📍 Bayfront



iFly Singapore

For the ultimate adrenaline rush, head to iFly Singapore, an indoor skydiving facility that recreates the feeling of free-falling within its state-of-the-art wind tunnel. 17-metres tall and five metres in diameter, iFly Singapore is one of the world's largest indoor skydiving simulators. Here, even kids as young as seven can suit up, jump in and fly through wind speeds ranging from 160 to 190 kilometres per hour.

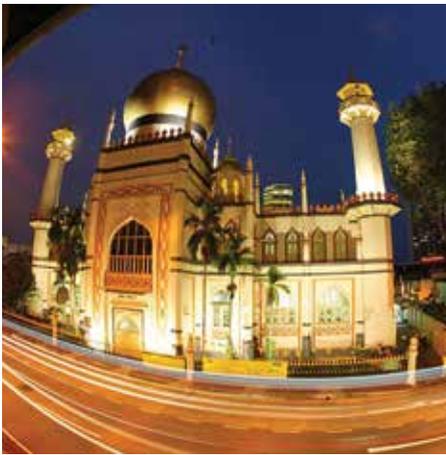
📍 Sentosa Island, 43 Siloso Beach Walk
 🌐 www.iflysingapore.com
 📍 HarbourFront
 ☎ +65 6571 0000

9-11 AUG

9 Aug

National Day

Join in the celebration of Singapore's 54th independence day at various locations across Singapore. Enjoy military parades and multicultural performances that will be broadcasted on the big screens of selected venues along Marina Bay. While you're there, look up to the sky to admire stunning aerial performances by fighter jets, along with elaborate fireworks that light up the night sky.



10 Aug

Hari Raya Haji

Hari Raya Haji, which means "great day of the hajj", marks the end of the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca. Also known as "Eid al-Adha", this religious festival commemorates Prophet Ibrahim's act of complete faith in God, where he was willing to sacrifice his son as an act of obedience to His command. Today, Muslims in Singapore mark this occasion by congregating at mosques for prayers and sacrificing sheep and cows, giving the meat to the poor. Visit iconic mosques like Sultan Mosque, Jamae Chulia Mosque and Hajjah Fatimah Mosque to discover this religious festival up-close.

Tiong Bahru

A hip neighbourhood that's home to indie labels and old-school architecture, Tiong Bahru is where you can check out new and vintage vinyls at Curated Records (55 Tiong Bahru Road), local books at BooksActually (9 Yong Siak Road) and learn flower arrangement at workshops held by One Olive (61 Seng Poh Lane). Countless local delicacies are also available around the neighbourhood, especially at Tiong Bahru Market (30 Seng Poh Road). Don't leave so soon—take your time to wander around and admire the Streamline Moderne architecture, wall murals and sculptural art that pepper this enclave.



16-18 AUG



ATLAS

A majestic bar located at the ground floor of a gothic-style landmark, ATLAS in Parkview Square is home to the largest collection of gins in the world. Soak in its grandiose Art Deco interior while enjoying gin and champagne from The ATLAS Collections.

📍 *Parkview Square, 600 North Bridge Road*

🌐 www.atlasbar.sg

🚗 *Bugis*

☎ *+65 6396 4466*

Odette 🍷🍷

Indulge in unmatched gastronomy by chef-owner Julien Royer of two-Michelin-starred Odette, which is named after his maternal grandmother. A modern French restaurant located in National Gallery Singapore, Odette is listed among the World's Best 50 Restaurants 2018 and Les Grande Tables du Monde 2017. Be sure to make your booking well in advance, as this restaurant usually has a long waiting list.

📍 *National Gallery Singapore, 1 St. Andrew's Road #01-04*

🌐 www.odetterestaurant.com

🚗 *City Hall*

☎ *+65 6385 0498*



Bras Basah, Bugis

Home to the greatest concentration of museums, arts groups/schools and heritage buildings, Bras Basah, Bugis is commonly known as Singapore's arts, heritage and design precinct. Shoppers will be elated by the sheer number of retail experiences that await in this historic neighbourhood. Discover the wide variety of affordable apparel and accessories sold in Bugis Street, indulge in a multitude of retail, epicurean and entertainment experiences in Bugis Junction, then take your pick from local and independent brands and wares in Haji Lane and the National Design Centre. You can spend hours just soaking in the vibes of this vibrant district.

🚗 *Bencoolen, Bras Basah and Bugis*

23-25 AUG

23-31 Aug

Singapore Night Festival

For two weekends every August, Singapore's Bras Basah.Bugis precinct flourishes with outdoor performances, pop-up art installations, street performers, bazaars and projection art on its historic buildings. A highlight of the festival are the interactive light installations titled *Night Lights*, which will dot the arts & heritage district. Night owls will also enjoy the many installations and activities stretching from the Peranakan Museum and The Substation at Armenian Street to the National Museum of Singapore and Singapore Art Museum, all the way to the National Design Centre. The 2019 edition of the *Singapore Night Festival* will be a part of the Singapore Bicentennial commemoration.

- 📍 Various venues around the Bras Basah.Bugis precinct
- 🌐 www.nightfestival.sg
- 🚶 Bras Basah, Bugis, City Hall and Dhoby Ghaut



Image courtesy of National Heritage Board



Image courtesy of Esplanade - Theatres on the Bay

23-25 Aug

Baybeats

The largest free alternative music festival in Singapore, Baybeats features a teeming weekend of live performances by bands of different genres. Onto its 18th edition in 2019, Baybeats is presented by the iconic Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay and hosts an eclectic line-up of prominent Singaporean, regional and international acts.

- 📍 Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay
- 🌐 www.esplanade.com/baybeats
- 🚶 City Hall and Esplanade

Aug

Michelin Guide Gala and Awards Ceremony

Reserve a place for yourself at this grand soiree, where the very best of Singapore's culinary industry are recognised. Besides an indulgent meal presented by chefs from Michelin-starred restaurants, your ticket lets you witness the announcement of the year's results.

- 🌐 guide.michelin.com/sg



30 AUG-1 SEP

MINT Museum of Toys

Home to a world-class collection of vintage toys and collectibles, the MINT (Moment of Imagination and Nostalgia with Toys) Museum of Toys is where you can pore over antique toys from decades gone by and even purchase some of these old-school toys. One of the largest collections of its kind in Southeast Asia, and housing everything from Batman and Astro Boy to vintage comics and teddy bears, MINT is guaranteed to delight visitors of all ages.

📍 26 Seah Street
 🌐 www.emint.com
 📍 City Hall and Esplanade
 ☎️ +65 6339 0660



Restaurant Ibid

Singaporean Woo Wai Leong was a lawyer in training when he won the first MasterChef Asia. This convinced the home chef to chase his cooking dreams and set up his own restaurant. Head to Restaurant Ibid to enjoy the flavourful *Momoiro* Pork Collar and Angelica Root Beef Short Rib—dishes which won him the coveted title.

📍 18 North Canal Road
 🌐 www.restaurantibid.com
 📍 Clarke Quay ☎️ +65 9151 8698



Image courtesy of Singapore GOURMETbus

Singapore GOURMETbus

This one-of-a-kind mobile dining experience invites foodies to skip long queues and get in the fast lane to Michelin Bib Gourmand dishes. Singapore GOURMETbus has partnered with celebrated local establishments like Tian Tian Hainanese Chicken Rice, a favourite of the late celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain, and Kok Sen Restaurant, which serves *zi char* (dishes influenced by home-cooked Chinese food, meant for sharing) to indulge you in the best of local fare. You can have your meal on the top deck of this double-decker bus, or enjoy drinks in the free-seating lounge of its lower deck. During this time, Singapore GOURMETbus will take you on a tour of the city centre and drive past notable landmarks and magnificent sights such as Merlion Park, Chinatown, Singapore Flyer and Marina Bay Sands®. This bus is wheelchair-accessible, conducts lunch, high tea and dinner services, and is available for private charters too.

📍 DUCK&HIPPO Hub @ Suntec City, 3 Temasek Boulevard #01-330
 🌐 www.gourmetbus.com.sg
 📍 Esplanade ☎️ +65 6338 6877



The Southern Ridges

Great for hiking and bird-watching, this ten-kilometre trail provides you the opportunity to encounter the array of flora and fauna that inhabit Kent Ridge Park, HortPark, Telok Blangah Hill, Labrador Nature Reserve and Mount Faber Park. The highest pedestrian bridge in Singapore, Henderson Waves is a popular photo spot with families, couples and joggers. At the end of your trek, you can take a scenic cable car ride to Sentosa from atop Faber Peak.

📍 *Labrador Park*

Sep

Singapore Toy, Game & Comic Convention

Take photos with cosplayers and meet your favourite comic artists, voice-over artists and video game designers at the Singapore Toy, Game & Comic Convention (STGCC). Pick up limited edition collectibles, score autographs or even take part in singing and dress-up competitions at this celebration of modern pop-culture.

📍 *Marina Bay Sands®*
 🖥️ www.singaporetgcc.com
 🗺️ *Bayfront*



Singapore Zoo

Get up-close with over 300 animal species when you visit our 26-hectare award-winning zoo. A highlight for many visitors, the Jungle Breakfast with Wildlife allows you to enjoy a meal in the company of the zoo's iconic mascot, the orang utan. You can also explore its sister parks—the Night Safari, River Safari and Jurong Bird Park—at different times in the year to enjoy new events that are continually rolled out.

📍 *Take bus 138 from Ang Mo Kio MRT Station*
 🖥️ www.zoo.com.sg
 ☎️ *+65 6269 3411*

13-15 SEP

13 Sept

Mid-Autumn Festival

This traditional Chinese festival takes place when the moon is at its brightest and celebrates the folktale of *Chang E* and her ascent to the moon. Check out the vibrant festivities and majestic light-up happening across Chinatown during this "lantern festival". Here, you can indulge in festive 'mooncakes', which are typically pastries filled with lotus seed paste and sometimes a salted egg yolk, although new iterations of the mooncake can include a wide variety of fillings such as truffles, durian and even ice cream.



13-22 Sept

Grand Prix Season Singapore

While the fastest cars in the world zip through Singapore during the world's first-ever night race, there is a whole slew of exciting activities taking place beyond the track. Selected establishments from Singapore's retail, dining, arts, culture and entertainment scenes will roll out race-themed programmes and promotions during Grand Prix Season Singapore. After catching international musical sensations at the circuit's many stages, drink and dance the night away at exclusive after-parties like Podium Lounge and Amber Lounge.

📍 Various locations across Singapore

🌐 www.visitsingapore.com/festivals-events-singapore/annual-highlights/grand-prix-season-singapore



Hararu Izakaya

Singapore's first Muslim-owned izakaya and charcoal grill restaurant, Hararu Izakaya invites you to savour traditional Japanese dishes in a family-friendly setting. Bring your loved ones here to savour Japanese classics, along with an assortment of smoked skewers.

📍 16 Bussorah Street

🌐 www.hararuizakaya.com

🚶 Nicoll Highway

☎ +65 6291 5373

20-22 SEP



Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve

Get up-close with a wide variety of plants and animals when you stroll along the boardwalks of this extensive mangrove forest. A popular bird-watching site, this diverse nature park is a crucial refuelling stop for migratory birds that travel between Siberia and Australia. Sign up for the free guided walks conducted every weekend, to learn more about this historic nature reserve.

- 📍 301 Neo Tiew Crescent
- 🚌 Take bus 925 from Kranji MRT Station
- ☎ +65 6794 1401

20-22 Sept

FORMULA 1 2019 SINGAPORE AIRLINES SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX

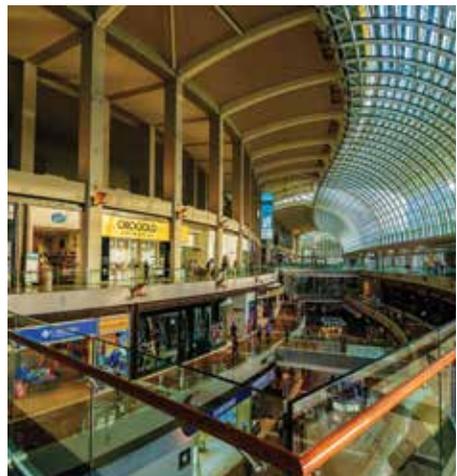
Join us for an unforgettable weekend of high-octane action at the world's first night race. The FORMULA 1 SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX brandishes a challenging track with 23 turns, which is unquestionably one of the most challenging courses in FORMULA 1 history. Every year, F1 Weekend's gripping race action is also complemented by an exciting line-up of international music acts.

- 📍 Marina Bay Street Circuit
- 🌐 www.singaporegp.sg

The Shoppes at Marina Bay Sands®

Enjoy an old-school *sampan* (relatively flat-bottomed Chinese wooden boat) ride through the canal of The Shoppes of Marina Bay Sands®. Besides housing almost every top-end brand in the world, this glitzy mall is also home to boutiques of local brands like Chinese herb retailer Dragon Brand Birds' Nest as well as apparel and accessories label In Good Company. While you're there, check out the Sands Theatre, which has hosted award-winning productions like *Mamma Mia!* and *The Lion King*.

- 📍 10 Bayfront Avenue
- 🌐 www.marinabaysands.com
- 📍 Bayfront
- ☎ +65 6688 8868



27-29 SEP

Thian Hock Keng Temple

Also known as the "Temple of Heavenly Happiness", Thian Hock Keng Temple is the oldest Chinese temple in Singapore and is dedicated to *Mazu*, the Goddess of the Sea. This temple is also where early Chinese migrants gave thanks for their safe passage across the choppy South China Sea. Admire detailed sculptures of dragons and deities as you explore the temple's Fujian architecture style, which is also distinguished by the colourful broken porcelain on its roof's ridges. This architectural masterpiece was constructed without the use of a single nail and has been gazetted as a national monument.

- 📍 158 Telok Ayer Street
- 🌐 www.thianhockkeng.com.sg
- 📍 Telok Ayer
- ☎ +65 6423 4616



Selected nights from 27 Sept - 27 Oct

Halloween Horror Nights

Feel your heart race at Halloween Horror Nights, Singapore's signature Halloween event happening right here in Universal Studios Singapore™, Resorts World™ Sentosa! Treat yourself to an immersive one-of-a-kind horror experience comprising haunted houses, scare zones and elaborate shows at the region's most hotly anticipated scare-fest. Besides a myriad of original content from Asian-themed horrors to Western scare acts, guests will also get to enjoy popular thrill rides at Universal Studios Singapore in a unique night setting.

- 📍 Universal Studios Singapore, 8 Sentosa Gateway
- 🌐 www.halloweenhorrorights.com.sg
- 📍 HarbourFront

26-29 Sept

The GREAT Food Festival

Every year, some of the world's best chefs specially fly to Singapore for this one-stop gastronomic event—The GREAT Food Festival (TGFF). Festival attendees get to dig into world-class culinary creations by these celebrity chefs and patissiers, and pick up expert tips at a variety of hands-on masterclasses. This is a rare chance for you to taste award-winning dishes at affordable prices and sample unprecedented gastronomical innovations that you won't forget.

- 📍 Resorts World™ Sentosa
- 🌐 www.tgff.com.sg 📍 HarbourFront



4-6 OCT



Candlenut 🌸

Enjoy impeccable Peranakan* classics and innovative culinary creations at the world's first Michelin-starred Peranakan restaurant. Humble and passionate chef-owner Malcolm Lee personally selects his ingredients from wet markets to be used in his contemporary restaurant located on Dempsey Hill. To discover his passion for pushing boundaries, dig into his peculiar and ground-breaking dishes like the *buah keluak* (a savoury black nut indigenous to Southeast Asia) ice cream.

** The term is an Indonesian/Malay word that means "local born", which generally refers to people of Chinese and Malay/Indonesian heritage.*

- 📍 17A Dempsey Road
- 🌐 www.comodempsey.sg/restaurant/candlenut
- 👤 Orchard
- ☎ 1800 304 2288

Sept-Oct

Singapore Golden Week

Taking a page out of China's Golden Week, Singapore Golden Week entices avid shoppers with special promotions and discounts. You can enjoy a variety of perks during this period, such as special dinner menus, pampering beauty and wellness treatments, as well as other unique attractions by participating vendors.

- 📍 Various retailers
- 🌐 sgw.sra.org.sg

Oct

Wine Fiesta Singapore

Wine lovers will be spoiled for choice by the range of over 250 wines available at Wine Fiesta Singapore. Learn more about each brand, through a host of winemakers who will share their stories, and enjoy wine pairings with gourmet fare prepared by acclaimed chefs.

- 🌐 www.winefiesta.com.sg



11-13 OCT**11-15 Oct****JeweLuxe Singapore**

A dazzling display of jewellery and timepieces awaits you at JeweLuxe Singapore. Here, you can admire exquisitely designed pieces from a curated list of jewellers and watchmakers, which include both international and local brands. JeweLuxe Singapore is set to be Southeast Asia's biggest jewellery festival in 2019.

📍 *Tent@Ngee Ann City, 391 Orchard Road*

🌐 *www.jeweluxesingapore.com*

🚶 *Orchard*

**table65**

table65 is helmed by former Netherlands Chef of the Year Richard van Oostenbrugge, who ran the kitchen of renowned two-Michelin-starred Bord'Eau in Amsterdam for seven years. Named after Singapore's country code, table65 is a tribute to Singapore and its eclectic gastronomical landscape. A fine dining team that taps on both local produce and flavours from around the world, table65's chefs interact with their diners as they cook in full view—a unique setting that realises Chef Oostenbrugge's philosophy of "fewer rules, more adventure".

📍 *Resorts World™ Sentosa*

🌐 *www.rwsentosa.com/en/restaurants/table65*

🚶 *HarbourFront*

☎ *+65 6577 6688*

STPI – Creative Workshop & Gallery

Visit STPI – Creative Workshop & Gallery, an evolving art space that continually promotes and nurtures Singapore's prospering arts scene. Its esteemed gallery stages a multitude of intriguing exhibitions throughout the year. You can also pick up new skills at engaging workshops and quirky keepsakes from its souvenir shop, The Corner Shop @ STPI.

📍 *41 Robertson Quay*

🌐 *www.stpi.com.sg*

🚶 *Fort Canning*

☎ *+65 6336 3663*



18-20 OCT

OCTOBER

Manhattan

Be transported into Baz Luhrmann's *The Great Gatsby* film when you enter Manhattan bar. One of Singapore's most grandiose establishments, this Art Deco-style watering hole has been named Asia's number one bar for the last two years running. This establishment serves perfect Old Fashioned and namesake Manhattan cocktails, which you can request to be made with Scottish or Japanese whiskies, or even from spirits aged in Manhattan's own rickhouse.

📍 Regent Singapore, 1 Cuscaden Road Level 2
 🌐 www.regenthotels.com/regent-singapore/dining/manhattan
 📍 Orchard ☎ +65 6725 3377



The Malayan Council

Nestled in the charming heritage district of Kampong Glam, this halal café invites one and all to tuck into western main courses and cakes that have been given Southeast Asian twists. Be sure to try their *Asam Pedas Aglio Olio* and *Smoked Duck Lemak Chili Padi*.

📍 22 Dunlop Street & 71 Bussorah Street
 🌐 www.facebook.com/TheMalayanCouncil
 📍 Jalan Besar
 ☎ +65 9002 4414

The Other Room

Knock on a secret panel within Singapore Marriott Tang Plaza and it will lead you into a prohibition era-style speakeasy that was ranked among Asia's 50 Best Bars in 2018. Its charismatic founder Dario Knox, affable head bartender Nicholas Quattroville and their friendly staff make for fantastic company. Their long list of unique concoctions, which include quirky creations like the Reversed Gin & Tonic, are sure to delight you too.

📍 Marriott Tang Plaza Hotel, 320 Orchard Road #01-05
 🌐 www.theotherroom.com.sg
 📍 Orchard
 ☎ +65 6100 7778



25-27 OCT



27 Oct

Deepavali

Deepavali, also known as "Diwali" or "the Festival of Lights", is a celebration that marks the triumph of good over evil. One of the most important cultural festivals in Singapore, Deepavali is most exuberantly celebrated in Little India, where streets are spectacularly decorated and lit up during the month leading up to the festival. Join in the festivities at Indian Heritage Centre's Deepavali Open House (6-27 Oct) that will host a variety of programmes to celebrate this festival. You can take a deeper dive into Hindu culture by visiting the Sri Mariamman Temple in Chinatown, which hosts another cultural spectacle in October: Theemithi. Witness thousands of devotees walk on burning coals during Theemithi, in tribute to Goddess Sri Draupadai, in a ritual that goes on well into the night.

📍 Little India 🚶 Little India

Little India and Tekka Centre

Discover vibrant culture and authentic Indian fare when you visit the bustling streets of Little India. The lively epicentre of Little India, Tekka Centre has fresh produce available at its first-level wet market, authentic local cuisine at its food court, as well as beautiful Indian textiles and apparel on its second floor.

📍 Tekka Centre, 665 Buffalo Road
🚶 Little India



Oct

Singapore River Festival

Through a variety of activities spanning the three quays and spread across two weekends, the Singapore River Festival invites you to discover this waterway's storied past and modern attractions. Catch performances by musicians and circus acts by the Singapore River, then head over to the festival's bazaar that will be selling Singaporean souvenirs and popular local foods.

📍 Singapore River 🖥️ www.srf.sg
🚶 Clarke Quay, Fort Canning and Raffles Place

1-3 NOV**1-3 Nov****ART SG**

Art lovers will not want to miss the inaugural ART SG fair taking place this November. ART SG is a large-scale art fair that will be held annually in Singapore. The exhibition welcomes you to discover works from more than 60 established and experimental galleries from around the world.

📍 Marina Bay Sands® Expo and Convention Centre, 10 Bayfront Avenue
 🖥️ www.artsg.com 🗣️ Bayfront

**Early Nov****Indian Heritage Centre CultureFest 2019**

Indian Heritage Centre's CultureFest is a festival held over two weekends and will be a celebration of Indian art and culture with an eclectic showcase of programmes, performances and activities.

📍 Indian Heritage Centre
 🖥️ www.indianheritage.org.sg/en/whats-on
 🗣️ Little India

Nov**Singapore International Film Festival**

Held every November, the Singapore International Film Festival invites one and all to discover the art of filmmaking through hundreds of local and international films.

📍 Various locations
 🖥️ www.sjiff.com

**22 Nov - 22 Mar 2020****Singapore Biennale 2019**

Feast your eyes on the works of visual artists from Singapore and across the globe at the Singapore Biennale. Comprising numerous events happening at multiple venues, the Singapore Biennale aims to introduce new forms and genres of art to its audience.

📍 Various locations
 🖥️ www.singaporebiennale.org

8-10 NOV



328 Katong Laksa 🍲

Made with a family recipe that has been passed down for generations, 328 Katong Laksa's acclaimed *laksa* (spicy coconut milk-based noodle soup) has been listed by the Michelin Bib Gourmand and is a hot favourite among locals. Here, rice noodles are cut up and served in a fragrant and rich curry of shrimps, fish cakes and cockles.

- 📍 51 East Coast Road
- 💻 www.328katonglaksa.com
- 🚏 Take bus 10 or 32 from Dakota MRT Station
- ☎ +65 9732 8163

Early Nov

Neon Lights

Neon Lights, a multi-stage outdoor music and arts festival, invites partygoers enjoy the music of local and foreign indie bands, while they admire the wide variety of art on display. Every year, historic Fort Canning Park serves as the lush backdrop of this unique soiree and its diverse group of artists and musicians.

- 📍 Fort Canning Park
- 💻 www.neonlights.sg
- 🚏 Fort Canning



The Fear Factor Experience Tour by Monster Day Tours

Thrill-seekers will be delighted by the array of exhilarating activities put together during this tour. If you're looking to get past your fear of heights, The Fear Factor Experience will solve this through bungee jumps, zip lines and giant swings.

- 📅 Daily 10am, please make bookings a week in advance (4 hours)
- 📍 Hotel pick-up is available
- ☎ +65 9151 7567
- Book at:** www.monsterdaytours.com

15-17 NOV



14-17 Nov

Boutique Fairs (Gifting Edition)

At this multi-storey fair, you can take your pick from handcrafted apparel, shoes, accessories, jewellery and other wares by socially responsible businesses. Happening twice a year at the F1 Pit Building, Boutique Fairs not only features sustainability-oriented retailers, but also pop-ups by renowned cafes and restaurants.

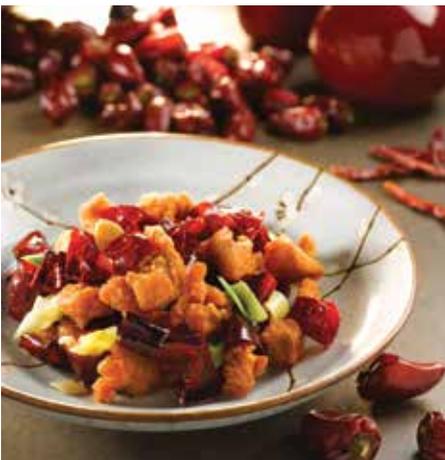
📍 F1 Pit Building, 1 Republic Boulevard
 🌐 www.boutiquefairs.com.sg 🚶 Promenade

Nov & Dec

Christmas on a Great Street

Witness Orchard Road transform into a Christmas market, inclusive of over-street light decorations and experiential pop-ups, during the weeks leading up to Christmas. Christmas on a Great Street invites you to enjoy a bevy of family-friendly activities within its Christmas village, along with special promotions and events in the shopping malls that speckle the precinct.

📍 Orchard Road
 🌐 www.orchardroad.org/Christmas
 🚶 Dhoby Ghaut, Orchard and Somerset



Shisen Hanten ❀❀

Third-generation chef Chen Kentaro, a rising star in Japan's culinary ranks, takes on his family's culinary mantle by heading Shisen Hanten's Singapore branch. Szechuan cuisine is known to tantalise taste buds with numbing spices and animated flavours, and Shisen Hanten presents a Japanese take on this cuisine. Chef Kentaro's signature dishes include *Mapo Doufu* (spicy tofu in meat sauce) and Sauteed Chicken & Chili Pepper. Shisen Hanten is Singapore's highest-rated Chinese restaurant in the Michelin Guide, having been awarded two stars from 2016 to 2018.

📍 Mandarin Orchard Singapore, 333 Orchard Road, Orchard Wing Level 35
 🌐 www.shisenhanten.com.sg
 🚶 Orchard ☎ +65 6831 6266

22-24 NOV



Marina Barrage

Built across the mouth of the 350-metre-wide Marina Channel, Marina Barrage is Singapore's 15th reservoir, catering to around 10% of the nation's water needs. Responsible for alleviating flooding in some of the lower lying areas of the island, Marina Barrage also hosts recreational activities like kayaking or sailing. Besides indulging in water sports, you can also fly a kite or have a picnic on its verdant roof. Be sure to stay till the evening to take in majestic 360-degree views of the sunset.

- 📍 Marina Barrage, 8 Marina Gardens Drive
- 🌐 www.pub.gov.sg/marinabarrage
- 📍 Marina Bay

Nov

C3 Anime Festival Asia Singapore (C3AFA)

Immerse yourself in the latest Japanese pop culture, fashion trends, anime and manga at C3AFA. This eclectic showcase will be graced by local and international cosplayers, voice artists, singers, performers and musical groups, whom you can get to know through a variety of interactive programmes.

- 📍 Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre
- 🌐 www.animefestival.asia
- 📍 Promenade

22-24 Nov

Affordable Art Fair

Take your pick from inexpensive original art pieces at the Affordable Art Fair. A joyous annual affair filled with live art-making, pop-up installations, food and drinks, the Affordable Art Fair features works by local and international artists and aims to make art accessible to all.

- 📍 F1 Pit Building, 1 Republic Boulevard
- 🌐 www.affordableartfair.com/fairs/singapore
- 📍 Promenade

29 NOV-1 DEC



Image courtesy of IRONMAN (Asia)

30 Nov-1 Dec

Standard Chartered Singapore Marathon

The Standard Chartered Singapore Marathon attracts avid runners from around the region every year, who come to test their endurance at this race. The only IAAF Gold Label Race in Southeast Asia, this marquee event in Singapore's sporting calendar gives runners the opportunity to run on major roads and past famous landmarks like the Singapore Flyer and Gardens by the Bay.

- 📍 F1 Pit Building, 1 Republic Boulevard
- 🌐 www.singaporemarathon.com
- 🚶 Promenade

Gastronomad

A recently renovated restaurant that serves international classics and experiments with local flavours, Gastronomad is best known for its halal bagels, which can also be bought from its website.

- 📍 Robertson Blue, 86 Robertson Quay #01-03
- 🌐 www.gastronomadsg.com
- 📍 Fort Canning
- ☎ +65 9641 1390


**Singapore Sidecars
Vespa Tour**
by Singapore Sidecars

Singapore Sidecars is a social enterprise that offers the world's first vintage vespa sidecar tours. With a wide variety of cultural tours on these vintage vespa, you get to observe scenic views and visit hidden gems on a thrilling ride. Profits from these tours go to good causes, so kick back, enjoy the breezy ride and feel good about supporting a good cause.

- 📅 Tue-Sun between 10am and 9pm (1-3 hours)
- 📍 Starting points vary for each tour
- ☎ +65 9199 2712

Book at: www.singaporesidecars.sg

6-8 DEC

Sisters' Islands Marine Park

Take a tour of Sisters' Islands Marine Park and you'll gain keen insights into Singapore's marine biodiversity. This aquatic ecosystem is home to more than 250 species of hard corals, which are being cared for by local conservationists. The park is also home to a turtle hatchery, where baby turtles are born and safely led to sea.

📍 www.nparks.gov.sg/gardens-parks-and-nature/parks-and-nature-reserves/sisters-islands-marine-park



Holland Village

Named after local pioneer Hugh Holland, Holland Village is one of Singapore's most vibrant drinking and dining districts. You'll be spoilt for choice by the variety of cuisines available here, which ranges from local hawker fare at Holland Drive Market and Food Centre and traditional Chinese cuisine at Full of Luck Restaurant, to hand-crafted burgers at Fat Boy's Burger Bar and Mexican food at El Patio and Cha Cha Cha. Drinking options in Holland Village too are limitless, spanning an array of bars and 'coffee shops'. Pay a visit to Jalan Merah Saga in the daytime, where the boutiques of local brands like Bynd Artisan and Ong Shunmugam can be found.

📍 *Holland Village*

Dec

ZoukOut

Held every December, ZoukOut is the region's biggest and most successful outdoor beach party and music festival. With the world's most famous DJs clamouring to be part of ZoukOut's artist line-up, ZoukOut's tickets along with hotel rooms in Sentosa are snapped up faster than you can say "Tomorrowland", so be sure to make bookings early.

📍 *Siloso Beach, Sentosa*

📍 www.zoukout.com

📍 *HarbourFront*



13-15 DEC

Dec

Christmas Wonderland

Christmas Wonderland at Gardens by the Bay simulates a unique tropical version of a white Christmas. Admire eye-catching light sculptures from Italy, as you stroll through Christmas Wonderland's festive market and hop aboard its carnival rides. Acclaimed choirs and acapella groups will be entertaining visitors too with their yuletide tunes.

- 📍 Gardens by the Bay
- 🌐 www.christmaswonderland.sg
- 🚶 Bayfront



TreeTop Walk

Anchored by Singapore's Central Catchment Area, the MacRitchie Nature Trail and Reservoir Park is a popular destination amongst nature lovers, trekkers and water sports enthusiasts. Enjoy breath-taking views from atop the TreeTop Walk, a 250-metre-long free-standing suspension bridge that joins the two highest points of MacRitchie.

- 📍 MacRitchie Reservoir Park
- 🌐 www.nparks.gov.sg
- 🚶 Caldecott and Marymount

Singapore Art Museum and National Museum of Singapore

A restored 19th century mission school, the Singapore Art Museum is a national monument whose exterior has as much of a story to tell as its interior. Take your time to admire its yesteryear architecture before going in to enjoy its modern exhibits. You might also like to explore another architectural icon just across the street, the National Museum of Singapore, which puts on a variety of thematic showcases throughout the year.

- 📍 71 Bras Basah Road (Singapore Art Museum);
93 Stamford Road (National Museum of Singapore)
- 🌐 www.singaporeartmuseum.sg;
www.nationalmuseum.sg
- 🚶 Bras Basah
- ☎ +65 6589 9580 (Singapore Art Museum);
+65 6332 3659 (National Museum of Singapore)



20-22 DEC



Singapore Flyer

Embark on a 165-metre vertical adventure, which will let you enjoy a completely different perspective of our city. The Singapore Flyer is a great way to unwind if you need a short break from walking around the city. Taking approximately 30 minutes to complete one full rotation, the Singapore Flyer is the second largest observation wheel in the world and also offers a special 'Sky Dining' menu.

📍 30 Raffles Avenue
 🌐 www.singaporeflyer.com
 🚶 Promenade
 ☎ +65 6333 3311

Street Art and Food Tour by Wok 'n' Stroll

Wok 'n' Stroll's comprehensive Street Art and Food Tour invites you to walk through the back alleys of Singapore with an open mind and an empty stomach. Lasting around three hours, this tour will bring you to sample an assortment of street snacks while introducing you to the array of graffiti art that enlivens our historic streets.

📅 Thu 9am (4 hours)
 📍 Little India MRT Station, Exit C (Tekka Centre)
 ☎ + 65 8338 3571
Book at: www.woknstroll.com.sg



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Labyrinth 🍷

Helmed by Chef LG Han, Labyrinth is a one-Michelin-starred restaurant that will pleasantly surprise you with its modern take on Singaporean cuisine. Common hawker fare like *bak chor mee* (minced pork noodles) is rethought and transformed into Labyrinth's own Hokkaido Scallop *Bak Chor Mee*. When you embark on the epicurean adventure that Labyrinth has to offer, be sure to order Chef Han's Smoked Bone Marrow Beef *Rendang*, which is a delightful departure from the *rendang* (braised meat cooked in coconut milk and spices) of traditional eateries.

📍 Esplanade Mall, 8 Raffles Avenue #02-23
 🌐 www.labyrinth.com.sg
 🚶 Esplanade
 ☎ +65 6223 4098

27-29 DEC

Marquee Singapore

Marquee Singapore is a lauded nightlife brand that has hosted entertainers and DJs like Dash Berlin, French Montana, Kaskade and Travis Scott in its international branches. Its newest chapter in Singapore is set to be a multi-concept dining and entertainment destination at Marina Bay Sands®. Marquee Singapore's party atmosphere will be dramatically enhanced by high ceilings and an eight-armed Ferris Wheel, which will offer fantastic views of the nightclub.

📍 Marina Bay Sands®, 10 Bayfront Avenue

🌐 www.marqueesingapore.com

📍 Bayfront

☎ +65 6688 8888



31 Dec

Siloso Beach Party

Ring in the new year at the 13th edition of the Siloso Beach Party, the island's only beach countdown party that carries on till dawn. Even after an extravagant display of fireworks at midnight, famous international and local bands and DJs will continue to entertain merrymakers until the sun rises. If you're looking to usher in 2020 with a long, memorable celebration, take heart that this countdown party will also be supported by beachside bars and pop-up food stalls, which will keep revellers well fed throughout this dusk-till-dawn fiesta.

📍 Siloso Beach, Sentosa

🌐 www.sentosa.com.sg/silosobeachparty

📍 HarbourFront

31 Dec

Marina Bay Singapore Countdown

At the stroke of midnight, this epic countdown party will mark the arrival of 2020 with elaborate pyrotechnic displays, against the backdrop of the city's skyline and iconic Marina Bay Sands®. Welcome the new year at the Marina Bay Singapore Countdown, where a variety of performances from local and international artists will keep you entertained throughout the night.

📍 Marina Bay

🌐 www.marinabaycountdown.sg

📍 Bayfront, Esplanade and Raffles Place





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(Behind Buddha
Tooth Relic Temple
and Museum)

Operating Hours:
Daily 9am-9pm

ION ORCHARD

Address:
ION Orchard Level
1 Concierge

Operating Hours:
Daily 10am-10pm

ORCHARDGATEWAY

Address:
216 Orchard
Road (Next to
orchardgateway
@emerald)

Operating Hours:
Daily 8.30am-9.30pm

KAMPONG GLAM

Address:
55 Bussorah Street

Operating Hours:
Daily 8am-6pm