

Singapore Overview

Singapore - Where east meets west

Singapore presents the whole of South-East Asia in a microcosm. Europeans, Chinese, Malays, Indians, as well as other Asian people have brought their culture, religion, dress and cuisine, all happily assimilated into the Singaporean way of life. Food varies from inexpensive local favourites at outdoor eating stalls, to the finest international dishes in excellent restaurants. Shopping, whether in air-conditioned malls or street bazaars, ranges from the latest electronics to antiques, from haute couture to herbal medicines – with the already keen prices being further slashed during the annual Great Singapore Sale. Entertainment encompasses everything – from Chinese theatre to Indian movies, lively discothèques to heritage museums, hi-tech theme parks to wildlife conservation reserves, family entertainment to cultural activities.

Sightseeing

Colonial architecture, historical sites, gardens, oceanarium, ethnic quarters and markets.

Accommodation

From luxury to superior hotels, all located in the heart of the city.

Family activities

Amusement and theme parks, aquaria, zoos and gardens.

Shopping

What you can buy – Antiques, carpets, electronics, fashion, sports wear, jewellery, toys and watches.

Where you can buy – Large shopping centres, individual shops and ethnic areas.

Entertainment

Concerts, theatre, opera, speciality restaurants and a variety of nightlife – from jazz and house music to tribal music, and top 40 bars, pubs, karaoke lounges, discothèques and nightclubs.

Sports and leisure

Golf, bowling, cycling, horse racing, canoeing, scuba diving, water-skiing and windsurfing.

Events

Art Singapore Festival (May – June); Great Singapore Sale (May – July); Singapore Food Festival (July).

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