



TRAVEL GUIDE 2018 EDITION

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## 1. PREFACE

### **WELCOME TO SINGAPORE!**

On behalf of our local MTG community, we welcome you to the island nation filled with spectacular world-class, man-made wonders! Unique is the best word that describes Singapore: a dynamic city rich in contrast and colour where you'll find a harmonious blend of culture, cuisine, arts, and architecture. From the world-famous theme parks to the best of the world's shopping brands down to our famous hawker/street foods, Singapore is a place where new experiences are created every day.

Grand Prix Singapore 2018 will be held in The Singapore EXPO: the largest convention and exhibition venue in the country. This travel guide aims to provide you with the most up-to-date information about Singapore's general culture, current weather conditions, accommodation, public transportation, restaurants and famous attractions to visit.

We've also included important contact numbers at the end in case of an emergency. Should you have any questions during your stay, feel free to contact any of the Judges listed and they will do their best to help you.

We hope that this travel guide will serve you well in making the most of your trip. Once again, we wish you an enjoyable stay in Singapore.

The Singapore Travel Guide Team



#### **ARRIVAL INFORMATION**

You will be arriving at Singapore Changi Airport: one of the largest transportation hubs in Southeast Asia consisting of 4 major terminals. **Changi Airport's terminals are connected by a free Skytrain service, which operates from 5.00am to 2.30am**, at both the transit and public areas. It takes approximately four minutes to travel between terminals by Skytrain, with an average waiting time of 2 minutes.

To get to the city, you will need to transfer to the **westbound** train at **Tanah Merah Station via the MRT**. The MRT train station is accessible by foot from Terminal 2 or Terminal 3 via an underground passageway. The first train to Tanah Merah Station departs Changi Airport Station at 5.31am on Monday to Saturday and at 5.59am on Sunday and public holidays. **The last train to Tanah Merah Station that connects to the city departs Changi Airport Station at 11.18pm.** 

The train line from the Airport is also directly linked to the Expo MRT Station, where GP Singapore is held. It takes approximately 10 minutes to arrive at the venue from the Airport station. (Convenient, right?)



#### TIME ZONE

UTC / GMT +08:00

#### OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

British English (Common and First Language)

Mandarin / Malay (Behasa Melayu) / Tamil

Though the official language of Singapore is Malay, English is the lingua franca of the nation, and almost all Singaporeans are bilingual. Signs and notices are in English and are often accompanied with Chinese, Malay and Tamil equivalents.

#### CURRENCY

**Singapore Dollar (SGD/S\$)** 

The exchange rate of SGD against USD and EUR is around S\$1.33 and S\$1.58 respectively.\* Money changers can be found in almost every shopping mall and offer more competitive rates than those found at the airport.

Credit cards are widely accepted in malls, although smaller shops might add a 3% surcharge to the final bill. Cash is necessary if you want to enjoy the local fare in hawker centres or small eateries.

Tipping is not practised in Singapore as restaurants and service establishments will automatically add a 10% service charge to the bill. There is also a 7% Goods and Services Tax (GST) which will be added to most bills although some stores may absorb this.

\*Rates as of June 2018

#### **ELECTRICITY**

220-240V AC, 50Hz; 3-pin British plug





#### **COUNTRY CODE**

+65

# CURRENT CLIMATE / WEATHER (Q2: APRIL – JUNE)

True to its Southeast Asian location, Singapore is characterised by a **hot and humid climate**. **Q2 is generally considered the warmest period of the year.** 

During this period, the average temperature can range from 28-36°C with very high levels of humidity (>80%) and strong sunlight.

It is therefore highly advisable that you **wear light, cotton clothing**. Most of the islanders wear simple, comfortable clothing suited to the city's warm and sticky weather conditions. **Rain gear such as umbrellas and raincoats are a must the moment you step outdoors**. Most business houses, shopping malls and even public transport are air-conditioned, so you would hardly feel the heat.

#### **SMOKING**

Smoking is prohibited in all air-conditioned places, as well as within 5 metres from any building entrance or shelters such as taxi stands and bus stops. Violation of smoking laws can incur a maximum fine of S\$1,000. Most buildings have a designated smoking area that you may use.

Do take note that it is not possible to purchase cigarettes from Duty Free Shops on arrival at Changi Airport and all cigarettes brought into Singapore would require customs declaration as the penalty is severe (1 opened pack is usually exempt from GST taxation but subsequent packs are taxed, cigarettes are heavily taxed and cost an upwards of S\$10 a pack).

#### SIM CARDS

Singapore's 3 main telco carriers are Singtel, Starhub and M1.

You can purchase local SIM Cards at the following locations:

: 7-11 Convenience Stores

: Cheers

: Changi Airport (All Terminals)

: Any Singtel, Starhub or M1 retail booths.

SIM card ranges from \$15 to \$50. Offers may change from time-to-time but overall, we recommend M1 as it offers the best data value/\$ at 100GB.

#### SIM CARDS

#### SINGTEL

(https://www.singtel.com/personal/i/phones-plans/mobile/prepaid/hitouristsimcards)



#### hi!Tourist \$15 SIM Card

Valid for 5 days

4GB 4G local data

Unlimited<sup>3</sup> social messaging on Facebook, WhatsApp, LINE and WeChat



#### hi!Tourist \$30 SIM Card

Valid for 10 days

14GB 4G local data

Unlimited<sup>3</sup> social messaging on Facebook, WhatsApp, LINE and WeChat



#### hi!Tourist \$50 Twin Pack SIM Card

Valid for 10 days

20GB 4G local data

Unlimited<sup>3</sup> social messaging on Facebook, WhatsApp, LINE and WeChat

#### M1

(https://www.m1.com.sg/mcard#tab7)

#### Get 100GB data with M1 Prepaid Tourist SIM and stay connected upon arrival in Singapore!



## SIM CARDS

## STARHUB

(http://www.starhub.com/personal/mobile/mobile-phones-plans/prepaid-cards/travel-sim.html)

| Retail Price                 | Credit | Validity | 4G<br>Local Data | 4G<br>Roaming Data |
|------------------------------|--------|----------|------------------|--------------------|
| \$15 Happy Prepaid           | \$18   | 180 Days | 5-day<br>15GB    |                    |
| \$32 Happy Travel<br>Prepaid | \$32   | 180 Days | 10-day<br>15GB   | 10-day 2GB         |
| \$50 Happy Prepaid           | \$50   | 180 Days | 10-day<br>15GB   | 30-day 5GB         |



Accommodations can be costly in Singapore, and thus we have put together a suggested list of wallet-friendly hostels near the venue to help you choose the best place to stay.

#### **CAMERON HOTEL**

(http://www.cameronhotel.com.sg/)





- 10 15 minutes walk to Singapore EXPO (GP Singapore Venue)
- Rates starts from S\$70 S\$90 depending on the type of room chosen.
- TV and coffee/tea making machines are available for Deluxe rooms at an additional \$20 per night.
- All rooms are breakfast-included.
- WiFi is not available with this hotel
- No nearby food court/convenience store

## BUNC @ RADIUS

(http://www.radiancegrp.com/bunc@radius/)





This hostel is situated in two convenient locations, and can be chosen depending on your travel itinerary or personal preference.

LITTLE INDIA Located close to Sim Lim Square, where PC/tech

enthusiasts can find the best deals for computer parts

and tech gadgets

**CLARKE QUAY** Located in the heart of downtown Singapore. This is the

best location if you are looking to visit nightclubs or do

some city sightseeing

10 - 15 minutes walk to the MRT Train Station which is a 20 - 25 minute ride (9 stops) to the venue.

- Mid-sized dorm rooms (6-8 beds), Large-sized dorm rooms (10-12 rooms), ladies dorm rooms and private ensuite rooms available. Less privacy, but ideal for EDH get-togethers!
- Accommodations includes both breakfast and WiFi.

#### **FIVE STONES HOSTEL**

(http://www.fivestoneshostel.com/)



- 3 minute walk to the nearest MRT Train Station which and a 30 40 minute ride (14 stops) to the venue.
- This hostel has themed rooms with 6-14 bed dorm rooms, female dorm rooms and private double rooms available.
- Accommodations includes both breakfast and WiFi.
- Located in the heart of the city and right at the doorstep of Clarke Quay, the place to go for trendy restaurants, bars and clubs.

#### A BEARY GOOD HOSTEL

(http://www.fivestoneshostel.com/)



- A themed hostel located in 3 different areas of Singapore.
- All locations are conveniently located in Chinatown, where most backpackers congregate.
- Depending on the hostel chosen, it's about 5-15 minutes' walk from the hostel to Chinatown MRT station.

### **PILLOWS AND TOAST**

(http://www.pillowsntoast.com/)



- A simple and cozy hostel located in Chinatown with a 5-10 minutes walk to Chinatown MRT station.
- Offers discounts to popular tourist attractions such as Universal Studios Singapore, The Singapore Zoo, and The Night Safari.

## 4. TRAVELING IN SINGAPORE

The most preferred and recommended mode of transport is via the MRT (Mass Rapid Transit), also known as our local subway. Each MRT station is convenient located near major landmarks and can get you close to any place that you may want to visit.

The maps are easy to read and all signs in the MRT stations are printed in English. To travel by the MRT, an EZ-Link card or a Standard Ticket is required.

You can choose between a reloadable EZ-Link card, a Standard Ticket card, or a Singapore Tourist Pass, depending on your frequency of travel.

**If you plan to travel frequently during your stay, the Singapore Tourist Pass is highly recommended**, followed by the EZ-Link card, and finally the Standard Ticket (in decreasing order of travel frequency).



## A. TRAINS

#### MASS RAPID TRANSIT (MRT)

There are currently **4 main track lines in the MRT system** and a sub-line that is partially completed.

**Red**: North-South Line (Station code: NS)

Green : East-West Line (EW)

Purple : North-East Line (NE)

Yellow : Circle Line (CC)

Blue : Downtown Line (DTL)

All lines are seamlessly integrated, even if the lines are operated by different transport companies, so you do not need to buy a new ticket for each transfer. The North-East, Circle and Downtown lines are fully automated, there are no drivers and you can get a view of the tunnel at the front of the train.

Travel via the MRT is the most preferred method as it's fast, efficient and connects to nearly all major locations in Singapore.

You may choose to download a MRT map on your smartphone for easy reference or pick up a copy from any of the passenger service centre. **Dotted lines are stations that are currently under construction.** 

(https://www.lta.gov.sg/content/dam/ltaweb/corp/PublicTransport/img/201706) 19-train-system-map-future v2.jpg)



## **B. TAXIS**

Hiring a taxi service is the easiest method of getting around in Singapore, but this comes at a steeper price as compared to the MRT.

**Most taxi drivers can converse in English.** You can hail a taxi along a road, at a taxi stand, or make a phone booking with one of the many taxi companies in Singapore.

In Singapore, it is illegal for taxis to tout and taxi cab fares must be charged by the taxi meter and are based on a flag down rate and the distance travelled. The flag down rate ranges from S\$3.00 to S\$5.00 depending on the type of taxi. A location surcharge may also apply. Please check with the driver or taxi company on the surcharge and ask for a receipt at the end of the trip. (This will come in handy if you do accidentally leave some of your belongings in the taxi)

During peak periods (7am to 9.30am and 5pm to 11pm on weekdays), rainy days or festive seasons, demand for taxis increases. If you are at a hotel, have the concierge call you a taxi. There is a midnight surge fee of 50% of your total fare for rides from 12 midnight till 5am.

Alternatively, you may try booking a taxi by phone. Do note that a booking fee (\$3-\$5) will be charged on top of your standard fare. **Cash is the default and preferred payment option for taxi charges.** 



## B. Taxis - Private Hire Vehicles

Most locals and expatriates have moved towards using Grab due to their excellent service and prompt arrival times. As of April 2018, Uber's services have been bought over by Grab and is thus no longer operational in Singapore.

By Singapore law, all Grab drivers must have the Private Hire decal on their front windscreen and backscreen for easy identification. (see image below for reference)

One of the advantages is that you can pay via credit card via Grab's mobile application. However due to Singapore regulations, private hire cars cannot pick up passengers at bus stops, roads with double yellow lines and taxi stands. We would highly recommend choosing your hotel lobby, carparks or shopping malls as your designated pickup points.

It is also highly recommended that you download Grab's application available in the iOS App Store or Google Play Store if you don't already have one as our private hires rely on this app to communicate with you.

PROMO CODE: Use 'GRABPASS' to enjoy a S\$5 discount when you travel from Changi Airport to anywhere in Singapore.





## C. TRAVEL PAYMENT OPTIONS

#### I. STANDARD TICKET



If you are staying for less than 4 days, the most recommended method of payment for the MRT is the Standard Ticket. The Standard Ticket is a paper-NFC card that is issued from General Ticket Machines (GTM) found in MRT stations island wide.

There is no deposit required for the ticket. However, do take note that each Standard Ticket can only be used up to 6 times within 30 days from the date of purchase and it is only valid for use on the MRT.

#### II. EZ-LINK CARD



If you intend to travel around Singapore, you may want to consider a stored value card like the EZ-Link Card. An EZ-link card will cost S\$10 - S\$12 and is widely available at any MRT stations or 7/11 convenience stores

**EZ-link cards can also be used on all buses and at some dining and retail outlets. The balance doesn't expire**, and you can keep the card as a souvenir and use it during you next visit to Singapore.

## C. TRAVEL PAYMENT OPTIONS

#### III. SINGAPORE TOURIST PASS



This pass allows unlimited rides on trains and busses for a fixed amount of days. The prices are S\$10 for 1 day, S\$16 for 2 days, and S\$20 for 3 days with a S\$10 refundable deposit.

This pass is not recommended for short trips unless you plan to go sightseeing and transiting around the island often.

If you plan to stay longer and you are interested, you may find the full details in the official site below:

(http://www.thesingaporetouristpass.com.sg/about-the-passes/)

|         | OPEN DATE | DATE  | ATTRACTIONS (ADMISSION E-TICKET)   | Usual Price (SGD) |             | OneVacation (SGD) |            |
|---------|-----------|---|--|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
|         | OPEN      | 8   |  | ADULT             | CHILD       | ADULT             | CHILD      |
| RWS     | 4         | Г   | Universal Studio Singapore<br>新加坡环球膨減  | 76                | 56          | 62                | 48         |
|         | 4         |   | S.E.A. Aquarium<br>S.E.A. 海洋馆  | 38                | 28          | 23                | 17         |
|         | 4         |   | Adventure Cove Waterpark<br>水上控验手因   | 38                | 30          | 23                | 18         |
|         | 4         |   | Trick Eye Museum<br>特丽爱3D美术馆   | 25                | 20          | 18                | 18         |
| ~       |           | ٧   | Dolphin Interaction Programmes - Dolphin Observer (Fixed date & time)<br>连额国互动体验 - 海豚望角 (指定日期和时间)  | 58                | 48          | 42                | 35         |
|         |           | 4   | Dolphin Interaction Programmes - Dolphin Discovery (Fixed date & time)<br>海豚国互动体验 - 海豚探索 (指定日期和时间) | 98                | 88          | 75                | 70         |
|         |           | 4   | Dolphin Interaction Programmes - Dolphin Adventure (Fixed date & time)<br>海豚園五幼体验 - 海豚纤維 (特定日期和时间) | 128               | 118         | 95                | 90         |
|         | 4         | Г   | Singapore Cable Car<br>新加坡段车   | 33                | 22          | 19                | 14         |
|         | 4         |   | Madame Tussauds Singapore + Image of Singapore LIVE<br>新加坡社际夫人超像馆                                  | 39                | 29          | 20                | 20         |
|         | 4         |   | Sentosa Luge and Skyride (1 round)<br>圣海沙科玻涛车与空中吊榜(1 次滑车吊椅)  | 18                | 18          | 13                | 13         |
| SENTOSA | 4         | Г   | Sentosa Tiger Sky Tower<br>圣海沙Tiger 摩天塔  | 18 (1 ride)       |             | 13 (1 ride        |            |
|         |           | 3   |  | -                 | •           | 18                | (Unlimited |
|         | 4         |   | Sentosa Butterfly Park & Insect Kingdom<br>圣淘沙 蝴蝶頭与昆虫王国  | 16                | 10          | 10                | 1123       |
|         | 4         |   | Sentosa Merlion Tower<br>圣淘沙鱼尾游话   | 12                | 9           | 10                | -          |
|         | 4         |   | Sentosa 4D AdventureLand (One-Day Adventure Pass)<br>圣淘沙4D探险乐园(全天无γ次)                              | 38.9              | 26.9        | 30                | 23         |
|         | 4         |   | Megazip + Northface / ParaJump<br>飞龙探技乐器 Megazip + Northface / ParaJump                            | 55                | 55          | 54                | 54         |
|         | 4         | Gogreen Segway Fun Ride (1 Round 250m, 2 Rounds 500m)<br>Gogreen思维车乐趣游 (1图250米, 2图500米) | Gogreen Segway Fun Ride (1 Round 250m, 2 Rounds 500m)  | 17 (1 round)      |             | 13 (1 round       |            |
| SE      |           |   | 21 (2 round)   |                   | 17 (2 round |                   |            |
|         | 4         |   | Gogreen Begway Eco Adveture (30mins inclusive of initial training) Gogreen思维车探险繁程 (30分钟包括基本训练)     | 39.9              | 39.9        | 33                | 33         |
|         | 4         |   | KidZania Singapore<br>新加坡歷志起亚  | 35                | 58          | 30                | 46         |
|         | 4         |   | MOSH! (2 hours play time)<br>梦思! (萬小时)   | 28                | 22          | 23                | 20         |
|         |           | 1   | ❤ Sentosa - Wings of Time (Fixed date and time) 圣淘沙 - 时光之夏 (指定日期和时间)                               | 18 (7.40pm)       |             | 12                | (7.40pm    |
|         |           |   |  | 18                | (8.40pm)    | 10                | (8.40pm    |
|         | 4         |   | Sentosa DAY FUN PASS Play 5<br>圣淘沙一日欢乐任选5套票  | 65                | 55          | 60                | 53         |
|         |           | 4   | iFly Singapore (Fixed date and time)<br>新加坡 iFly (指定日期和时间)   | 119               | 119         | 85                | 85         |

|              | DATE       | DATE       | ATTRACTIONS (ADMISSION E-TICKET)   | Usual Price (SGD)                     |       | OneVacation (SGD) |       |
|--------------|------------|------------|--|---------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
|              | OPTIN DATE | PERED BATE |  | ADULT                                 | CHILD | ADULT             | CHILD |
| OTHER        | 4          |            | Science Centre + IMAX Movie<br>科学馆 + IMAX 电影   | 26                                    | 22    | 15                | 13    |
|              | 4          | Г          | Snow City (1 hour Snow Play Time)<br>雪城 (一小月)  | 18                                    | 18    | 14                | 14    |
|              | 4          |            | Snow City (2 hour Snow Play Time)<br>雪城 (两小时)  | 28                                    | 23    | 21                | 21    |
| CITY         | 4          |            | Gardens by the Bay (Cloud Forest and Flower Dome)<br>病海病花园 (云雲林和花穹)  | 28                                    | 15    | 19                | 13    |
|              | 4          |            | Singapore River Cruise<br>新加坡河游船   | 25                                    | 15    | 25                | 15    |
|              | 4          | Г          | MBS Skypark Observation Deck + FunVee Bus<br>会沙空中花园公共观拳台 + 双层敞篷观光巴士  | 45.9                                  | 33.9  | 30                | 24    |
|              | 4          |            | FunVee Hop On Hop Off Open Top Bus<br>双层舱证现先巴士   | 23.9                                  | 16.9  | 18                | 16    |
|              | 4          |            | Captain Explorer DUKW Ride<br>船长提索钩子密  | 33.9                                  | 21.9  | 22                | 18    |
|              | 4          |            | Singapore Zoo (Include Tram Ride)<br>新加坡动物园 (包含游览车)  | 38                                    | 25    | 27                | 19    |
| ANIMAL PARKS | 4          | Г          | River Safari (Include Boat Ride)<br>新加坡河川生态器 (包含新鉛車)   | 35                                    | 23    | 22                | 16    |
|              | 4          |            | Jurong Bird Park (Include Tram Ride)<br>招館飞离公园 (包含游览车)   | 34                                    | 22    | 20                | 15    |
|              | *          | 4          | Night Safari Singapore (Include Tram Ride<br>新加坡夜间野生动物园 (包含游览车)  | 45                                    | 30    | 34                | 24    |
|              |            | 4          | Jungle Breakfast with Wildlife (Fixed date and time) (9am)<br>新加坡动物园与野生动物共适早餐 @ Ah Meng Restaurant (Terrace) | 35                                    | 25    | 26                | 21    |
|              |            | 4          | Lunch with Parrots (Fixed date and time) (11:30am, 12:30pm)<br>飞密公园与鹦鹉共衰 @ Songbird Terrace                  | 25                                    | 20    | 20                | 18    |
| F            |            | 4          | Asian Buffet Dinner (Fixed date and time) (6pm, 7pm)<br>夜间动物园中式自助餐盘 Ulu Ulu Safari Restaurant (Night Safari) | 45                                    | 34    | 35                | 26    |
|              |            | ¥          | Indian Buffet Dinner (Fixed date and time) (9pm)<br>夜網幼物園印式自動賽 @ Ulu Ulu Safari Restaurant (Night Safari)    | et Dinner (Fixed date and time) (9pm) | 22    | 18                |       |
|              |            | 4          | Sunway Lagoon Malaysia (Fixed date)<br>马来西亚双威水上乐园 (指定日期)   | 54                                    | 44    | 34                | 32    |
| MALAYSIA     |            | ¥          | Legoland Theme Park Malaysia (Fixed date)<br>马来西亚乐高谱乐场 (指定日期)  | 63                                    | 51    | 50                | 40    |
|              |            | 4          | Legoland Water Park Malaysia(Fixed date)<br>马来西亚乐高水上乐园(指定日期)   | 41                                    | 34    | 35                | 30    |
|              |            | 4          | Legoland 1 Day Combo (Theme Park + Water Park) (Fixed date)<br>马来西亚(1天) 乐高谱乐场+水上乐段 (指定日期)                    | 75                                    | 60    | 60                | 50    |
|              |            | 4          | Legoland 2 Day Combo (Theme Park + Water Park) (Fixed date)<br>马来西亚(2天) 乐高谱乐场+水上乐园 (指定日期)                    | 103                                   | 83    | 90                | 75    |
|              | 4          |            | Sanrio Helio Kitty Town + Thomas Town<br>机带磁镜&托马斯小镇  | 42                                    | 41    | 37                | 37    |

### THE SINGAPORE ZOO





With a reputation of being **the best rainforest zoo in the world**, the Singapore Zoo houses 3,000 animals in a natural living environment. It is also well-known for its walk-through exhibits that bring animals and visitors together in one space for incredibly intimate encounters.

**Getting There**: NS16 Ang Mo Kio and transfer to Bus 138

Price : S\$33 Onwards
Opening Hours : 9am - 6pm daily

Website : <a href="http://www.zoo.com.sg">http://www.zoo.com.sg</a>

#### THE SINGAPORE NIGHT SAFARI





The world's first enclosure for nocturnal animals, the Singapore Night Safari turns an exciting zoo experience into a beautiful evening soiree with these extraordinary species that come alive at night. Visitors can explore the park on foot or in a tram.

**Getting There**: NS16 Ang Mo Kio and transfer to Bus 138

**Price**: S\$45 Onwards

**Opening Hours**: 6pm – 12am daily

Website : <a href="http://www.zoo.com.sg">http://www.zoo.com.sg</a>

#### THE RIVER SAFARI





River Safari offers an unforgettable adventure inspired by the world's most iconic rivers. This attraction features state-of-the-art exhibit design as well as **the world's largest freshwater aquarium.** 

**Getting There**: NS16 Ang Mo Kio and transfer to Bus 138

Price : S\$30 Onwards
Opening Hours : 9am - 6pm daily

Website : <a href="http://www.riversafari.com.sg">http://www.riversafari.com.sg</a>

#### **JURONG BIRD PARK**





With its well-manicured landscape embellished with exotic plants and flowers, the Jurong Bird Park showcases 5,000 birds of 380 varieties, as well as an aerial trail that brings you closer to the colours of nature.

Getting There: EW27 Boon Lay and transfer to Bus 194 or 251

Price: S\$29 Onwards

Opening Hours: 8:30am - 6pm daily

Website : <a href="http://www.birdpark.com.sg">http://www.birdpark.com.sg</a>

#### **CHINATOWN**



Chinatown is your destination for everything Chinese in Singapore. **Step into** the side-streets where you can enjoy local Chinese cuisine or food from mainland China, or explore the heritage of the Chinese community in **Singapore**. It is advisable to avoid eating seafood here as there are many unscrupulous vendors who will charge exorbitant amount to foreigners.

**Getting There**: NE4 / DT19 Chinatown via MRT

#### ORCHARD ROAD



Densely populated with scores of multi-storey malls, the famed Orchard Road is a dream come true for the seasoned urban shopper. Anything and everything can be found here: from high fashion to cult brands, international departmental stores to local designers. You can also feed your appetite with an international selection of restaurants and cafes available in every mall.

Getting There: NS22 Orchard, NS23 Somerset, NS24,

NE6, CC1 Dhoby Ghaut via MRT

### MERLION PARK



Measuring 8.6m tall and weighing in at 70 tonnes, **the famous water-spouting Merlion is the national symbol of Singapore**, with its story of origins dating back to the 11th century. Take stunning photos of the Merlion overlooking the iconic Marina Bay Sands Casino Hotel.

**Getting There**: NS25 / EW13 City Hall via MRT

#### THE ESPLANADE



Known for its unique architectural style with window shades that resemble the spikes of a durian, **Esplanade is a world-class concert and performance hall that has seen many famous productions within its theatres**. After visiting the theatres, indulge yourself in mouth-watering local cuisine at the Makansutra Glutton Bay Food Centre

**Getting There** : CC3 Esplanade via MRT

#### **CLARKE QUAY**



Formerly the quieter side of the Singapore River, Clarke Quay has flourished in the last decade into the trendiest nightlife centre in Singapore. Previously used as warehouses, these buildings are now occupied by restaurants, bars, pool halls and dance clubs.

**Getting There**: NE5 Clarke Quay via MRT

#### MARINA BAY SANDS



Magnificent in architecture and scale, the iconic Marina Bay Sands is the ultimate city-dweller's playground with its impressive Sky Park, grand casino, inviting shops and restaurants of every imaginable cuisine. The Sky Park (the "surfboard' at the top of Marina Bay Sands Hotel) is designed to offer visitors a bird's-eye view of Singapore's skyline.

**Getting There** : CE1 Bayfront via MRT

#### GARDENS BY THE BAY



Covering an area of 101 hectares, it consists of three distinct waterfront gardens that **feature two indoor plant conservatories and 23,000 plants, 18 SuperTrees** (that look like something out of Avatar), as well as themed gardens that showcase a variety of floral and tropical plants from 6 continents.

**Getting There** : CE1 Bayfront via MRT

#### THE SINGAPORE FLYER



Standing at 165 metres high, the **Singapore Flyer is the world's largest observation wheel**, looking out at the vast Singapore Strait. Being in the capsule gives you a 360-degree view of the dazzling bay, while its transparent floors offer another dimension to the experience.

**Getting There** : CE1 Bayfront via MRT

#### **RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA**



A large-scale integrated resort owned by Malaysia's Genting Group, Resorts World Sentosa is a fun-filled destination for the young and old. Spend the day catching thrills in the glitzy casino, or finding spills at the recently opened marine life park.

Getting There: NE1 / CC29 Harbourfront and

transit to Sentosa's Skytrain Monorail

## **UNIVERSAL STUDIOS SINGAPORE (USS)**



The first internationally-renowned theme park to set up in Asia, Universal Studios Singapore offers 24 themed attractions, including the world's first 'Transformers 3D' ride. Also features 'Battlestar Galactica', the world's highest double-track roller coaster.

Getting There: NE1 / CC29 Harbourfront and

transit to Sentosa's Skytrain Monorail

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SINGAPORE



With a history dating back to its inception in 1887, the National Museum of Singapore is the nation's oldest museum with a progressive mind. A cultural and architectural landmark in Singapore, the Museum hosts innovative festivals and events all year round.

Getting There: CC2 Bras Basah, NS24 / NE6

CC1 Dhoby Ghaut, NS25 / EW13 City Hall via MRT

#### **ASIAN CIVILIZATION MUSEUM**



The Asian Civilisations Museum (ACM), located at the historic Empress
Place Building presents the history of Singapore's ancestral cultures, with
artefacts that span the entire Asian continent and over five thousand years of
recorded history.

Getting There: NS26 / EW14 Raffles Place via MRT

## SUN YAT SEN NANYANG MEMORIAL HALL



A chinese heritage institution tracing Dr. Sun's revolutionary activities in the Southeast Asian region and highlights the impact of the 1911 Chinese Revolution on Singapore as well as Singapore's contributions to the Revolution.

**Getting There**: NS19 Toa Payoh and transfer with bus 139 or 145, alight after 3 stops OR NS20 Novena and transfer to bus 21 or 131, alight once more after 3 stops



## 6. LOCAL CARD GAME STORES

#### **Agora Hobby**

Kitchener Complex French Road Block 809 #06-154 200809 Singapore

(https://agorahobby.com)

Nearest MRT: EW11 Lavender

#### CardMasterGames - Dhoby Ghaut

60 Orchard Road, Dhoby Ghaut MRT Station, #B1-01/02/03, Singapore 238889

(https://www.facebook.com/CardMaster-Games-Dhoby-Ghaut-592442767441054/)

Nearest MRT: NS24 / NE6 / CC1 Dhoby Ghaut

#### **Dueller's Point**

Blk 450, Hougang Ave 10, #B1-541 Singapore 530450

(https://www.facebook.com/DuellersPoint/)

Nearest MRT: NE15 Buangkok

#### Flagship Games (formerly SG Cards / GameForge)

38 Jalan Pemimpin #05-03 577178 Singapore

(https://www.facebook.com/flagshipgames/)

Nearest MRT: CC16 Marymount

#### **Games Haven**

736A, Geylang Road, #02-00 Singapore 389647

(https://www.facebook.com/gameshavensg)

Getting there: EW8 / CC9 Paya Lebar

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#### **Grey Ogre Games**

83 Club Street #04-01 069451 Singapore

(https://www.facebook.com/greyogregames/)

Nearest MRT: DT18 Telok Ayer

#### MTG Asia - Bugis

Blk 261 Waterloo Street, #03-28 Waterloo Centre 180261 Singapore

(http://www.mtg-asia.com/)

Nearest MRT: CC2 Bras Brasah

#### **Gamersaurus Rex**

259A Upper Thomson Rd 574386 Singapore

(https://www.facebook.com/GamersaurusRex/)

Nearest MRT: CC16 Marymount



No trip to Southeast Asia is complete without sampling our local scrumptious and exotic cuisines, and we are very sure that you've worked up a big appetite after the Grand Prix!

Singapore enjoys the luxury of having the fusion of South East Asian cuisines from places like the Malay Archipelago and Thailand to the far reaches of Western and European continents. We love red hot chilli as much as our fellow Southeast Asian neighbours do. Our country shares many types of food like our neighbour up north: Malaysia. However, there are quite a few distinct differences in the food.

There are countless food venues to try in Singapore, and most if not all are amazing. We have racked our brains to put together some of the best eateries to get you started off. Beyond that, it's a matter of self-discovery!

Regardless of how you choose to go about your food adventures, we highly recommend using gothere.sg to get to your food locations from wherever your starting destination is.

Have fun!



#### IVINS NYONYA SPECIALTIES



Nonya (Peranakan) food is easily one of the most iconic cuisines of Southeast Asia, and it's no surprise that we've decided to feature this venue as an exemplary example! When the sole chef is an old granny, you know you are in the right place! As this restaurant is immensely popular, do expect long queues during lunch and dinner hours.

Dishes to try : Babi Pondeh, Bakwan Kepeting, Bubur Chacha

Address: : 205 Hougang Street 21, #02-00 Heartland Mall

Singapore 530205

Opening Hours : 11:00am - 10:00pm daily

**Getting There** : NE13 Kovan, it is located in the mall above the train

station

## BEACH ROAD SCISSORS CUT CURRY RICE (JALAN BESAR)



This gooey mess of Hainanese origin may not look appetising at first, but once you had a spoonful, you will never stop eating! It is open till the wee hours and is the supper-of-choice for many local players after a late-night session of EDH or draft.

Dishes to try : Chicken Wing; Pork Cutlet, Curry Chicken

**Address**: : 229 Jalan Besar, Singapore 208905

Opening Hours : 11:00am – 3:30am daily

**Getting There**: EW11 Lavender

#### **SWEE CHOON DIM SUM**



One of the most popular Dim Sum restaurants in Singapore. This establishment offers the Singaporean version of Dim Sum: while it is similar to its counterpart in Hong Kong, they serve a few unique dishes not found anywhere else such as Fried Mee Suah which has shallots and bits of pork fried into a cake-like form.

Dishes to try : Custard Bun (Liu Shar Bao), Siew Mai, Fried Mee Suah

Address: : 183-191 Jalan Besar, Singapore 208882

**Opening Hours** : 11:00am - 02:30pm & 06:00pm - 06:00am daily

Closed on Tuesdays

Getting There : EW11 Lavender

#### HON NI KITCHEN NASI LEMAK





A local hawker stall serving the iconic Southeast Asian Malay dish. The food centre that its located in also serves as a great place to grab a hearty breakfast. The chicken wing is fried with prawn batter to give it a crispy exterior and juicy texture. Each dish is served with their homemade chilli sauce which goes well when mixed into the rice!

CAUTION: The chilli sauce is extremely spicy. Think Bogardan Hellkite spicy. We would highly recommend exercising extreme restraint in adding too much chilli to your dish unless you possess a stomach made of Darksteel.

**Dishes to try** : Nasi Lemak dish set, Fried Chicken Wing, Long Beans

Address: : #01-07, 216 Bedok North St 1 Market and Food Centre

Singapore 460216

**Opening Hours** : 5.30am – 1pm daily

**Getting There**: EW5 Bedok

## CHAI CHEE KWAY CHAP 菜市粿汁





Located in the same Food Centre as Hon Ni Kitchen Nasi Lemak, this establishment serves Kway Chap: a breakfast comfort food for many locals and it consists of taupok (type of fried bean curd that soaks up the goodness of the broth), pork intestines, rind, half an egg, and some pork with rice noodles simmered in pork broth.

**Dish to try** : Kway Chap

**Address**: : #01-67, 216 Bedok North St 1 Market and Food Centre

Singapore 460216

**Opening Hours**: 9am – 3pm daily, Closed on Mondays

Getting There : EW5 Bedok

#### JOO CHIAT CHIAP KEE





Also located in the same food market as the Kway Chap and Nasi Lemak store, this stall serves a traditional dish of Fishball noodles soup and it easily has the longest queue anywhere in the food market!

The fishballs are handmade every morning by the owners and it possesses a springy texture unlike those seen in commercially mass-produced fishballs. Each dish comes with a helping of sambal chilli and is a must-try to go with the noodles.

Dish to try : Fishball Soup, Fishball Noodles Soup, Sambal Chilli

Address: : #01-67, 216 Bedok North St 1 Market and Food Centre

Singapore 460216

Opening Hours : 7am – 130pm daily, Closed on Wednesdays

**Getting There**: EW5 Bedok

#### **DELICIOUS BONELESS CHICKEN RICE**





An iconic Singaporean dish served in a hawker stall located in an old shopping centre. There are 2 essential ingredients to making an awesome plate of chicken rice: tenderness of the meat and the tangy spice of the chilli garlic. This stall has the best of both worlds, plus Achar (pickled carrots, cucumbers and pineapples) and awesome chicken soup to top it all off.

While hunting for this place, do take note not to get confused with the nearby i12 Katong Mall. If you find yourself in a hip and upscale mall, you are in the wrong place!

Dish to try : Chicken Rice, with even more chilli!

**Address**: : #B1-85/87, Katong Shopping Centre,

865 Mountbatten Road, Singapore 437844

**Opening Hours** : 10am – 8pm daily

Getting There : CC8 Dakota

## 7. Food!

#### LONG BEACH SEAFOOD





This Singapore iconic seafood dish is a "die-die" must-try!

The most important part of chilli crab dish is the freshness of the crab. Stale crabs have their meats sticking to the shell and taste funky. Long Beach is one of the few places that serves up authentic fresh chilli crab and other seafood.

Do note however that the food here is quite pricey but we guarantee that it's very much worth every penny!

Dish to try : Chilli Crab, Homemade Beancurd with Chef's Sauce

Address: : 220 Stadium Boulevard, Kallang Park,

Singapore 397803

Opening Hours : 11am - 3pm & 5pm - 11pm

Fri, Sat & Eve of PH: till 12am

**Getting There** : CC6 Stadium

# 8. CONTACT INFORMATION

## **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

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Fire & Ambulance : 995
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