



Singapore

**“All you’ve got to do is decide to go
and the hardest part is over.**

So go!”

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-  Buddhist
-  Castle
-  Christian
-  Hindu
-  Islamic
-  Jewish
-  Monument
-  Museum/Gallery
-  Ruin
-  Winery/Vineyard
-  Zoo
-  Other Sight

Eating

-  Eating

Drinking & Nightlife

-  Drinking & Nightlife
-  Cafe

Entertainment

-  Entertainment

Shopping

-  Shopping

Sleeping

-  Sleeping
-  Camping

Sports & Activities

-  Diving/Snorkelling
-  Canoeing/Kayaking
-  Skiing
-  Surfing
-  Swimming/Pool
-  Walking
-  Windsurfing
-  Other Sports & Activities

Information

-  Post Office
-  Tourist Information

Transport

-  Airport
-  Border Crossing
-  Bus
-  Cable Car/Funicular
-  Cycling
-  Ferry
-  Metro
-  Monorail
-  Parking
-  S-Bahn
-  Taxi
-  Train/Railway
-  Tram
-  Tube Station
-  U-Bahn
-  Other Transport

Routes

-  Tollway
-  Freeway
-  Primary
-  Secondary
-  Tertiary
-  Lane
-  Unsealed Road
-  Plaza/Mall
-  Steps
-  Tunnel
-  Pedestrian Overpass
-  Walking Tour
-  Walking Tour Detour
-  Path

Boundaries

-  International
-  State/Province
-  Disputed
-  Regional/Suburb
-  Marine Park
-  Cliff
-  Wall

Geographic

-  Hut/Shelter
-  Lighthouse
-  Lookout
-  Mountain/Volcano
-  Oasis
-  Park
-  Pass
-  Picnic Area
-  Waterfall

Hydrography

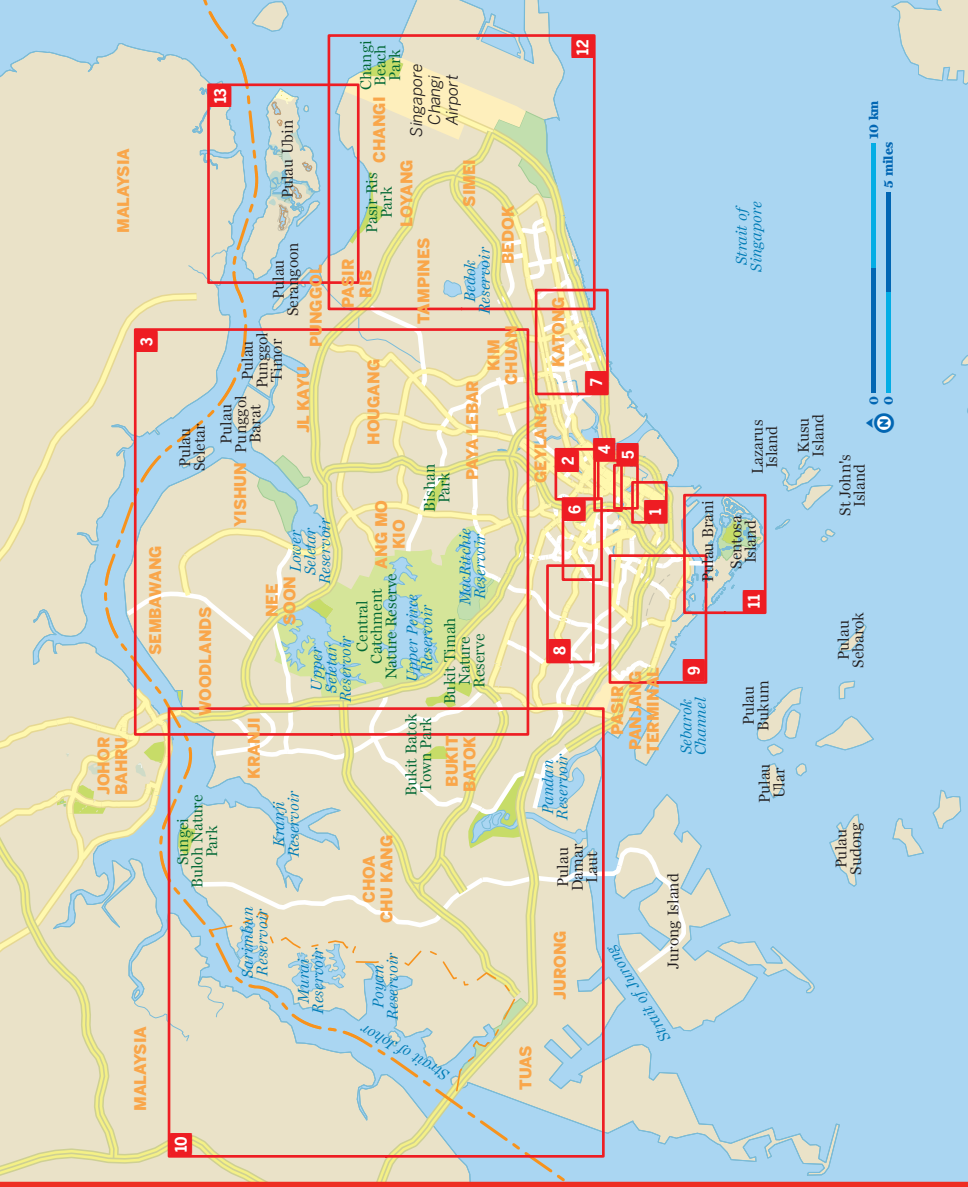
-  River/Creek
-  Intermittent River
-  Swamp/Mangrove
-  Reef
-  Canal
-  Water
-  Dry/Salt/Intermittent Lake
-  Glacier

Areas

-  Beach/Desert
-  Cemetery (Christian)
-  Cemetery (Other)
-  Park/Forest
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3	Seng Wong Beo Temple	D6
4	Singapore City Gallery.....	D4
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6	Thian Hock Keng Temple.....	E3
7	Wak Hai Cheng Bio Temple.....	F1

Eating

8	Annalakshmi Janatha.....	E3
9	Blue Ginger	C5
10	Chinatown Complex.....	C2
11	Ci Yan Organic Vegetarian Health Food.....	D3
12	Cumi Bali	C5
13	Dim Joy.....	B4
14	Kim Joo Guan.....	D2
15	Lan Zhou La Mian.....	D3
16	L'Angelus.....	D3
17	Lau Pa Sat	G3
18	L'Entrecote	C5
19	Maxwell Road Hawker Centre.....	D3
20	Nanyang Old Coffee.....	D3
21	Spizza.....	E2
22	Spring Ju Chun Yuan.....	F2
23	Tong Heng.....	D3
24	Ya Kun Kaya Toast & Coffee.....	E2
25	Yanti Nasi Padang	B4

Drinking & Nightlife

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27	Hood	B3
28	Le Carillon de L'Angelus	D3
29	Pigeon Hole.....	C5
30	Plain.....	B5

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31	Screening Room.....	D3
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33	Toucan Irish Pub	C4
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38	Toy Factory Theatre Ensemble.....	C2

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40	People's Park Complex.....	C1
41	Tong Mern Sern Antiques	B5
42	Utterly Art	D2
43	Yong Gallery	D2
44	Yue Hwa Chinese Products.....	C1

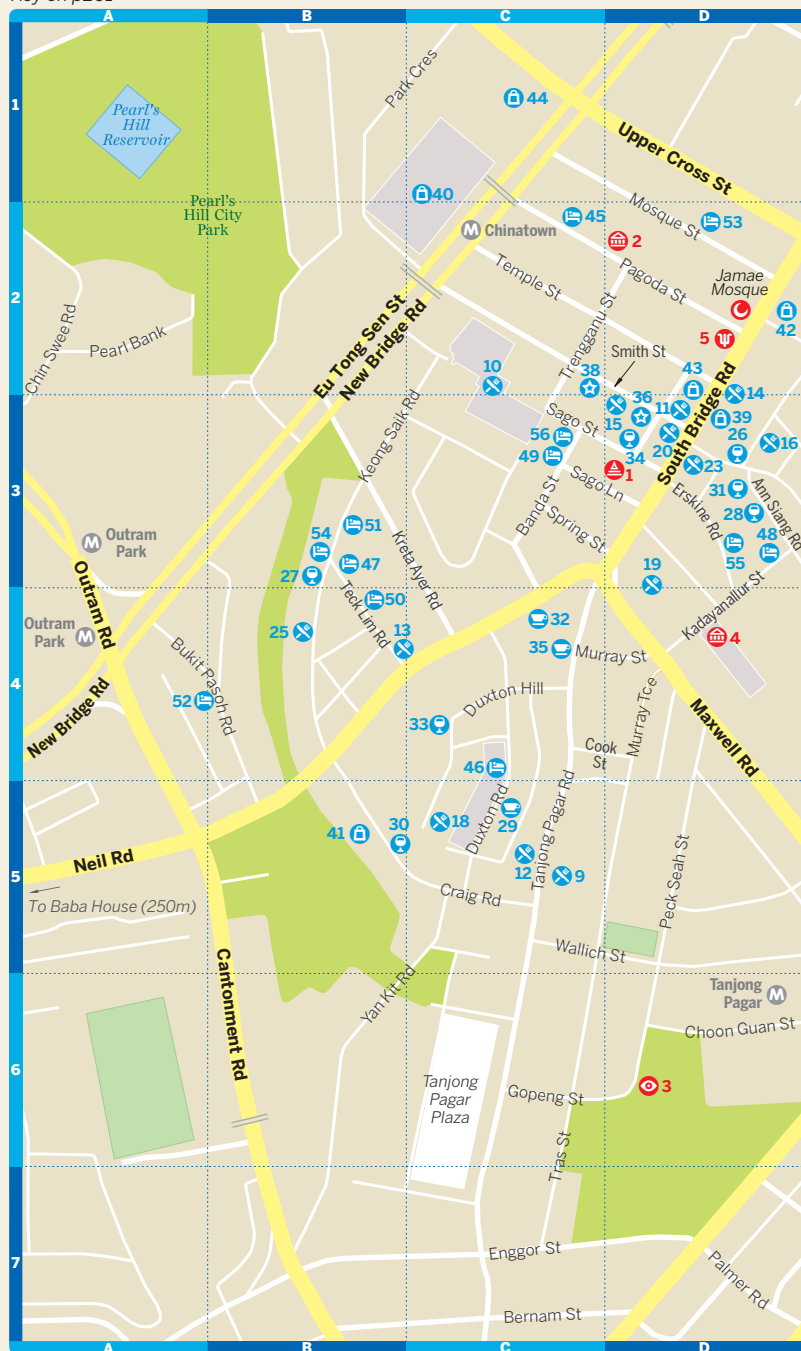
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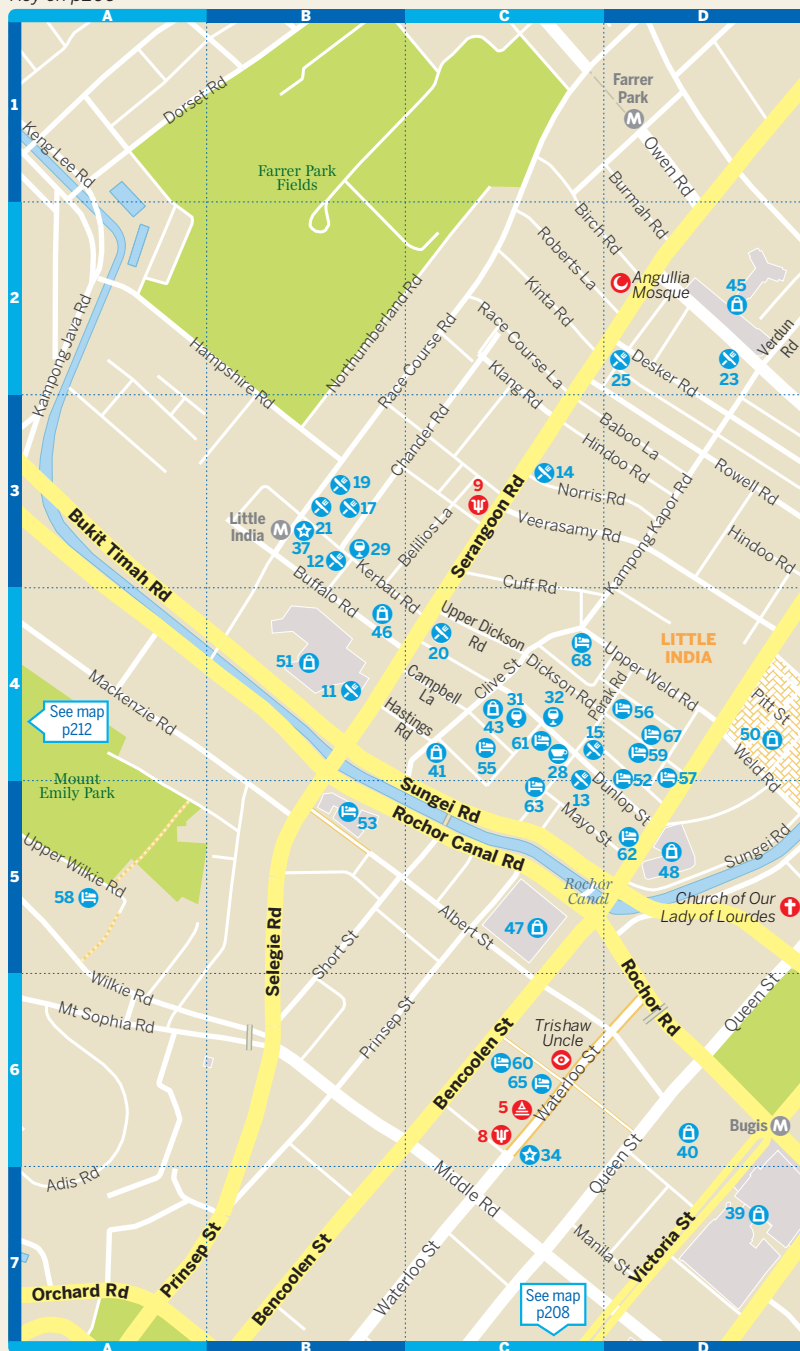
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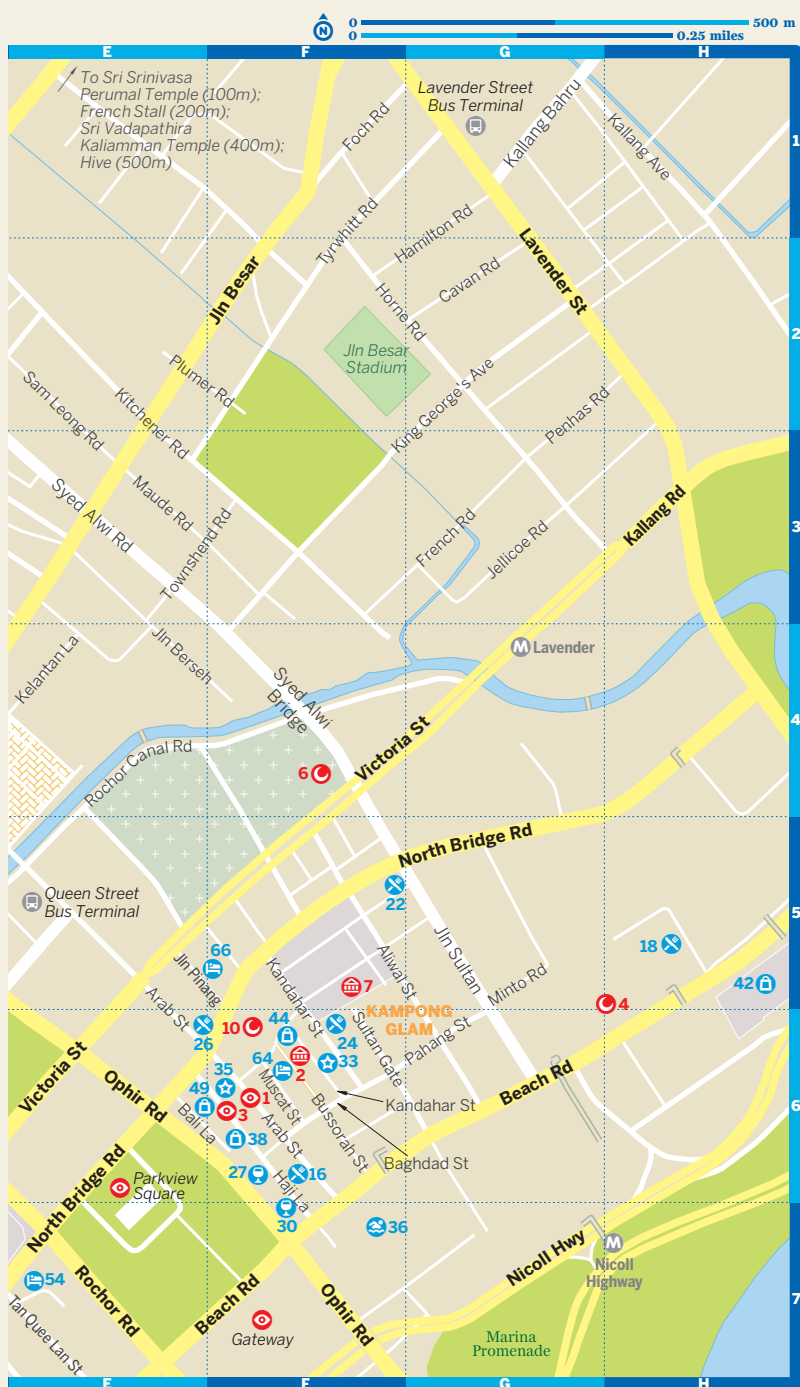




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LITTLE INDIA & KAMPONG GLAM





LITTLE INDIA & KAMPONG GLAM *Map on p204*

Sights

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- 1 Arab St F6
- 2 Children Little Museum F6
- 3 Haji Lane F6
- 4 Hajjah Fatimah Mosque H5
- 5 Kuan Im Thong Hood Cho Temple C6
- 6 Malabar Muslim Jama-Ath
Mosque F4
- 7 Malay Heritage Centre F5
- 8 Sri Krishnan Temple C6
- 9 Sri Veeramakaliamman Temple C3
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Eating

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- Ah-Rahman Royal Prata (see 51)
- 11 Ananda Bhavan B4
- 12 Andhra Curry B3
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- 14 Azmi Restaurant (Norris Rd
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- 15 Bismillah Biryani C4
- 16 Café Le Caire F6
- Cocotte (see 67)
- 17 Gandhi Restaurant B3
- 18 Golden Mile Food Centre H5
- 19 Jaggi's B3
- 20 Komala Vilas C4
- 21 Mustard B3
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- 27 BluJaz Café F6
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- 31 Prince of Wales C4
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- 33 Bian Cafe F6
- 34 Nrityalaya Aesthetics Society C6
- 35 Sanctum F6
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- 38 Blog Shop F6
- 39 Bugis Junction D7
- 40 Bugis St Market D6
- 41 Celebration of Arts C4
- 42 Golden Mile Complex H5
- 43 Indian Classical Music Centre C4
- 44 Little Shophouse F6
- 45 Mustafa Centre D2
- 46 Nali B4
- 47 Sim Lim Square C5
- 48 Sim Lim Tower D5
- 49 Straits Records E6
- 50 Sungei Rd Thieves Market D4
- 51 Tekka Centre B4

Sleeping

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- 52 28Dunlop D4
- 53 Albert Court Village Hotel B5
- 54 Backpacker Cozy Corner E7
- 55 Checkers Inn C4
- 56 Footprints D4
- 57 Haising Hotel D4
- 58 hangout@mt.emily A5
- 59 Hotel 81 D4
- 60 Ibis Singapore on Bencoolen C6
- 61 InnCrowd C4
- 62 Mayo Inn D5
- 63 Perak Hotel C5
- Prince of Wales (see 31)
- 64 Sleepy Sam's F6
- 65 South-East Asia Hotel C6
- 66 Superb Hostel F5
- 67 Wanderlust D4
- 68 Zenobia Hotel C4



- Top Sights (p98)**
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 - 2 Night SafariA2
 - 3 Singapore ZooA2
 - 4 MacRitchie Reservoir ParkB4
 - 5 Memories at Old Ford FactoryA4
 - 6 Sasanaramsi Burmese Buddhist Temple.....(see 8)
 - 7 Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall.....C4
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- 1 Ang Mo Kio Town Garden East.....C3
 - 2 Cheng Huang Temple (see 3)
 - 3 Darul Makmur MosqueC1
 - 4 Lian Shan Shuang Lin MonasteryC4
 - 5 Lorong BuangkokD3
 - 6 MacRitchie ReservoirB4
- Eating (p81)**
- 9 Durian CultureD4
- Sports & Activities (p99)**
- 10 Paddle Lodge.....C4
 - 11 Treetop WalkB4

COLONIAL DISTRICT

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200 m
0.1 miles



COLONIAL DISTRICT Map on p208

Top Sights

- Fort Canning Park A2

Sights

- 1 8Q SAM D2
2 Armenian Church C3
3 Battle Box B2
4 MINT Museum of Toys E2
5 National Museum of Singapore C2
6 Peranakan Museum C3
Raffles Hotel (see 41)
Raffles Hotel Museum (see 32)
7 Singapore Art Museum D1
8 St Andrew's Cathedral D3

Eating

- 9 Artichoke D1
10 Chef Chan's Restaurant C2
11 Empire Café E2
12 Equinox D3
13 Food for Thought D2
14 Hai Tien Lo F3
15 Kopitiam C1

- 16 Purvis St Food Outlets E2
Raffles City (see 31)

- 17 Seah St Food Outlets E2

- 18 Wah Lok D2

Drinking & Nightlife

- Long Bar (see 32)

- 19 Loof D2

- New Asia Bar (see 12)

- 20 Paulaner Brauhaus F3

- Raffles Hotel (see 41)

- 21 Soho Coffee C3

- 22 Timbre@Substation C2

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- 23 Action Theatre D1

- 24 Singapore Dance Theatre B2

- Theatreworks (see 24)

Shopping

- 25 CityLink Mall E3

- 26 FunanDigitalLife Mall C4

- Granny's Day Out (see 29)

- 27 Marina Square F4

- 28 Millenia Walk G3
29 Peninsula Plaza D3
30 Peninsula Shopping Centre C4
31 Raffles City D3
32 Raffles Hotel Arcade E2
33 Suntec City F3

Sleeping

- 34 Ah Chew Hotel E1

- 35 Backpacker Cozy Corner (p143)

- Guesthouse E1

- 36 Beach Hotel F1

- 37 Fort Canning Hotel B3

- Hotel Bencoolen C1

- 39 Naumi E2

- 40 Park View Hotel F1

- 41 Raffles Hotel E2

- 42 Ritz-Carlton G4

- Somerset Bencoolen (see 38)

- 43 Swissôtel the Stamford E3

- 44 Victoria Hotel D1

- 45 YMCA International House B1



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- 1** Asian Civilisations Museum..... D3
2 Boat Quay D4
3 Clarke Quay A2
4 Merlion E3
5 New Supreme Court D1
6 Old Parliament House D2
7 Padang D2
8 Parliament House C2
9 Supreme Court D2
10 Victoria Theatre & Concert Hall..... D2

Eating

- 11** Central Mall B2
 DB Bistro Moderne..... (see 32)
12 Gluttons Bay F2

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- 13** 1 Altitude D4
14 Archipelago Brewery C3
15 Attica A2
16 Brewerkz A2
17 Butter Factory E3
18 Crazy Elephant B1
19 Harry's C3
20 Home Club C2
 Ku Dé Tah (see 32)
21 Lantern E4
22 Molly Malone's C3
23 Over Easy E3
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24 Zirca Mega Club A1

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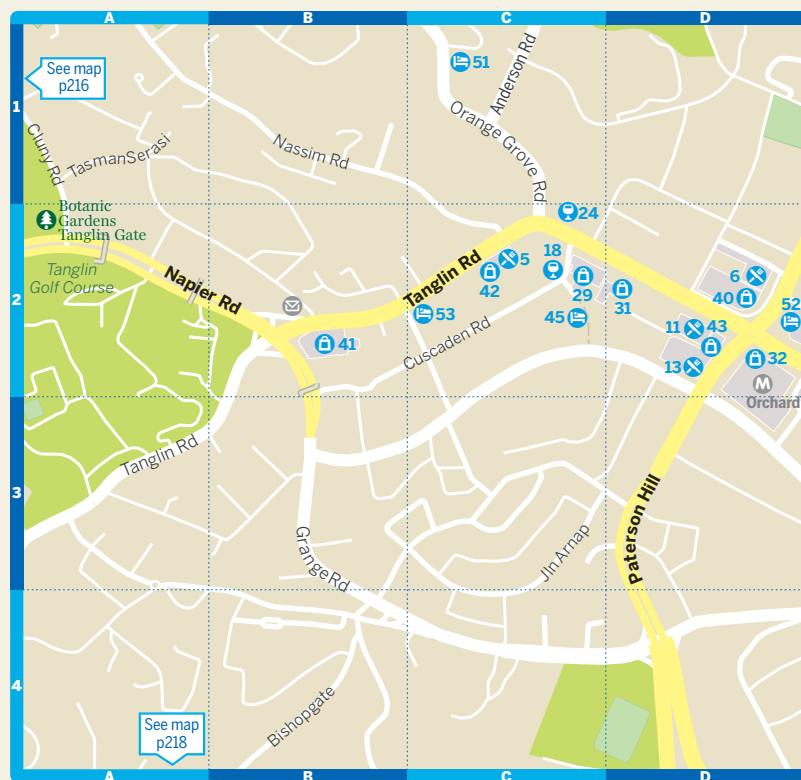
- 25** Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay F2
26 G-Max Reverse Bungy B1
27 GX5 B1
 Marina Bay Sands..... (see 32)
28 MICA Building..... C1
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- Marina Bay Sands..... (see 32)
29 Marina Square..... G1
30 Royal Selangor A2

Sleeping

- 31** Fullerton Hotel E3
32 Marina Bay Sands..... G4



Sights

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- 1 Cathay Gallery H3
- 2 Emerald Hill Road F3
- 3 Istana G2
- Ngee Ann Foot
- Reflexology (see 33)
- 4 Tan Yeok Nee House G4

Eating

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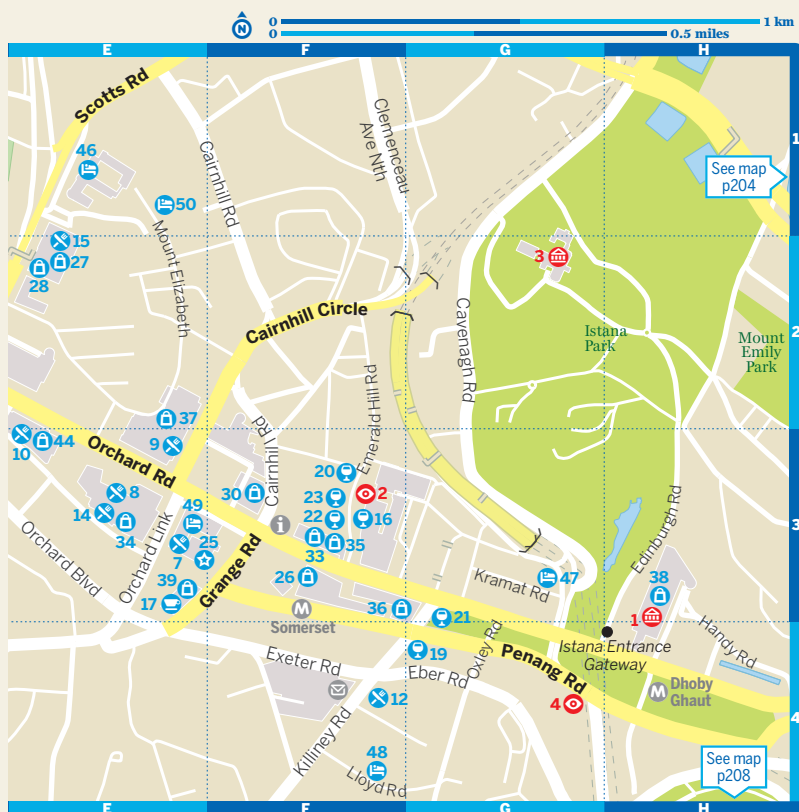
- 5 Bombay Woodlands
- Restaurant C2
- 6 Canteen D2
- 7 Chatterbox (Top of the
- M) E3
- 8 Crystal Jade La Mian
- Xiao Long Bao E3
- 9 Din Tai Fung E3
- 10 Food Republic E3
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- 11 Iggy's D2

- 12 Killiney Kopitiam F4
- Oriole Bistro & Bar (see 26)
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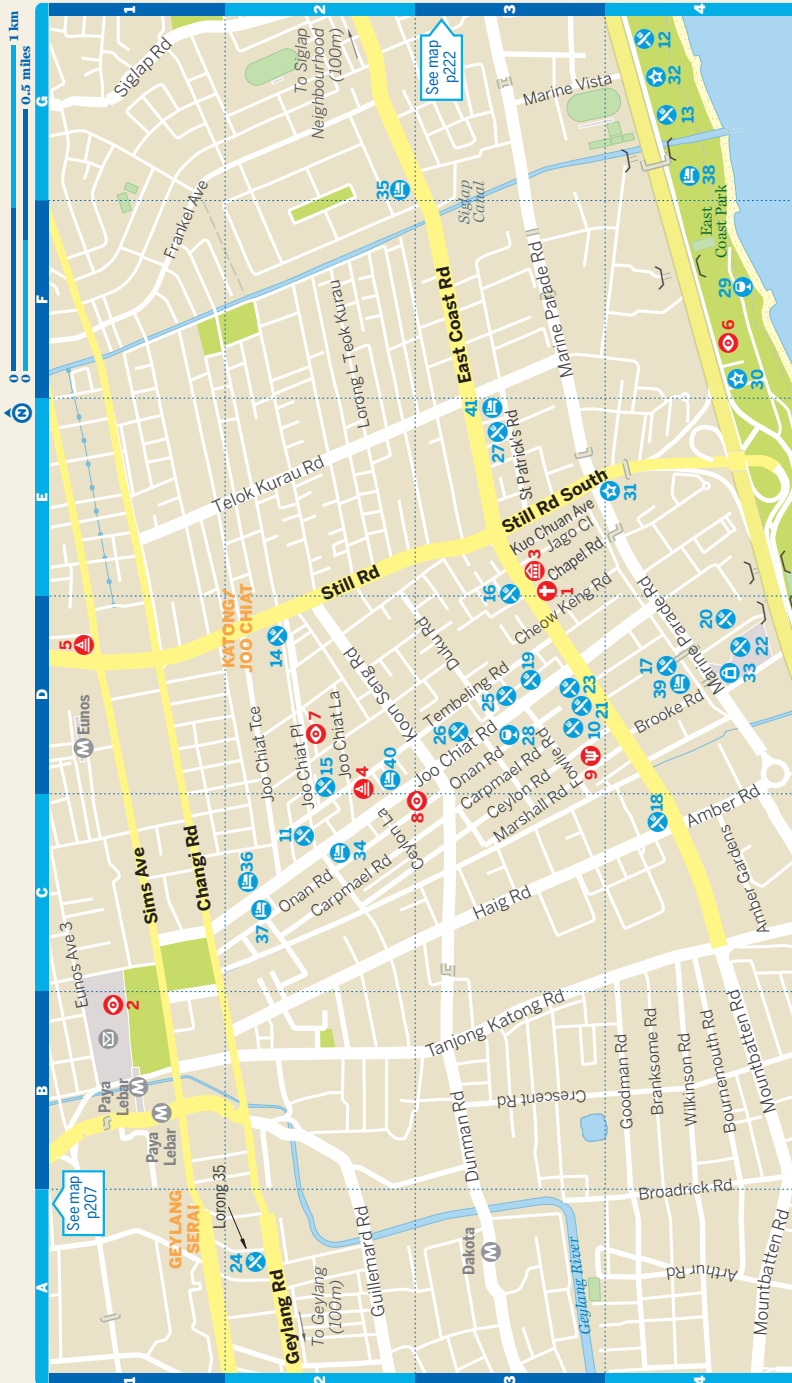
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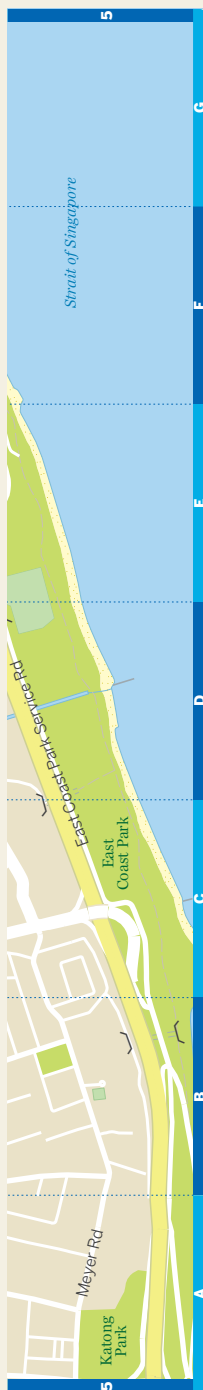
- 16 Alley Bar F3
- 17 Curious Teepee E3
- 18 Cuscaden Patio C2
- 19 Dubliners G4
- 20 Ice Cold Beer F3
- 21 KPO G3
- 22 No 5 F3
- 23 Que Pasa F3
- 24 Tab C2
- Top of the M (see 7)
- TWG Tea (see 32)



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25 Cathay Cineleisure		Select Books(see 42)
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26 313 Somerset	F3	42 Tanglin Shopping CentreC2
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28 Far East PlazaE2		
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30 HeerenF3		45 Four Seasons HotelC2
31 Hilton Shopping GalleryD2		46 Goodwood Park HotelE1
32 ION OrchardD2		47 Hotel SupremeG3
33 Midpoint OrchardF3		48 Lloyd's InnF4
34 Ngee Ann CityE3		49 Mandarin OrchardE3
35 One Price StoreF3		50 QuincyE1
36 Orchard CentralF3		51 Shangri-La HotelC1
37 ParagonE2		52 Singapore MarriottD2
		53 St RegisC2

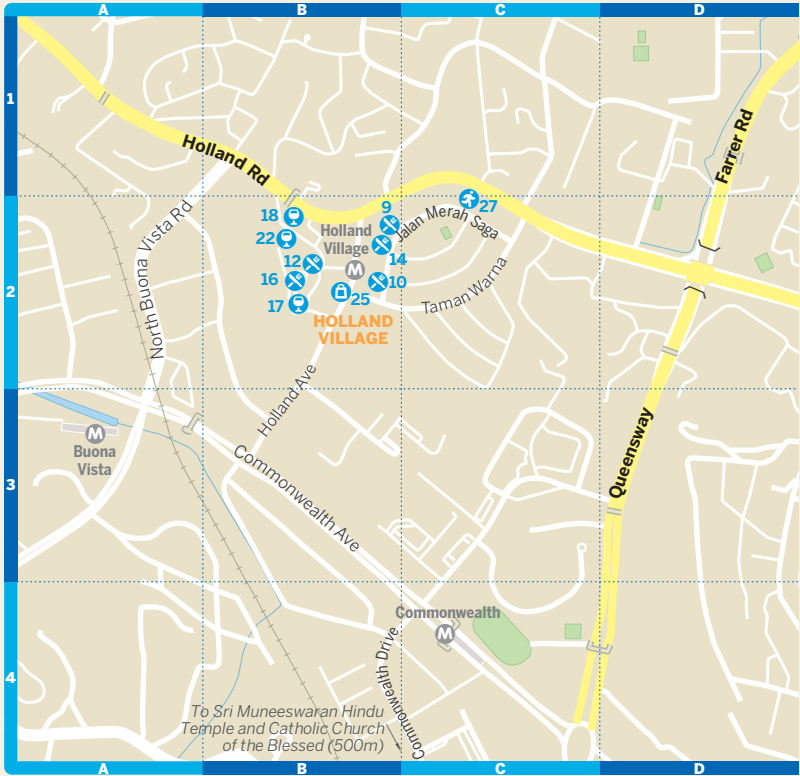
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3 Katong Antique House..... E3		Confectionery..... (see 1)	Rumah Bebe..... (see 21)	
4 Kuan Im Tng Temple..... D2		12 East Coast Lagoon Food Village..... G4		
5 Mangala Vihara..... D1		13 East Coast Seafood Centre..... G4	🛌 Sleeping	(p150)
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7 Peranakan Terrace Houses (Joo Chiat Pl)..... D2		15 Guan Hoe Soon..... D2	35 Fernloft..... C2	
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9 Sri Sempaga Vinayagar Temple..... D3		17 Jia Wei..... D4	37 Gateway Hotel..... C2	
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10 328 Katong Laksa..... D3		22 Roland Restaurant..... D4		
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		29 Sunset Bay Garden Beach Bar..... F4		
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HOLLAND VILLAGE & DEMPSEY HILL



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2	Museum of Contemporary Arts (MOCA)	F4		9 Da Paulo Pizza Bar	B2
3	National Orchid Garden	F2		10 Daily Scoop	B2
4	Rain Forest	G1		11 Halia	G2
5	Swan Lake	G3		12 Holland Village Food Centre	B2
				13 Jones the Grocer	E4
				14 Original Sin	B2



HOLLAND VILLAGE & DEMPSEY HILL

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| 15 | Samy's Curry Restaurant..... | F3 | 22 | Wala Wala Cafe Bar | B2 |
| 16 | Yee Cheong Yuen Noodle Restaurant..... | B2 | Shopping | | (p107) |
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| 17 | 2am: Dessert Bar | B2 | 24 | Eastern Discoveries | F3 |
| 18 | Baden..... | B2 | 25 | Holland Rd Shopping Centre | B2 |
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| 20 | Red Dot Brewhouse..... | F3 | Sports & Activities | | (p27) |
| 21 | Tippling Club | E4 | 27 | Shermay's Cooking School | C2 |

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 - 2 Haw Par Villa.....A2
 - 3 Hort Park.....B2
 - Hua Song Museum.....(see 2)
 - 4 Kent Ridge Park.....A1
 - 5 Labrador Nature Reserve.....C4
 - 6 Mt Faber.....E3
 - 7 Mt Faber Cable Car Station.....E3
 - 8 Reflections at Bukit Chandu.....B2
 - 9 Telok Blangah Hill Park.....D2
- 🍴 Eating**
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- 10 Emerald Lodge.....D3
 - 11 Eng Lock Koo.....B2
 - 12 Jewel Box.....E3
- 🎮 Entertainment**
- (p115)**
- 13 St James Power Station.....E4
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- (p116)**
- 14 VivoCity.....E4





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- 1 Chinese Garden.....C3
 2 Jurong Bird Park.....C4
 3 Kranji War Memorial.....D2
 Omni-Theatre.....(see 4)
 4 Singapore Science Centre.....D4

- 5 Singapore Turf Club.....D1
 6 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve.....C1
 7 Tiger Brewery.....A3

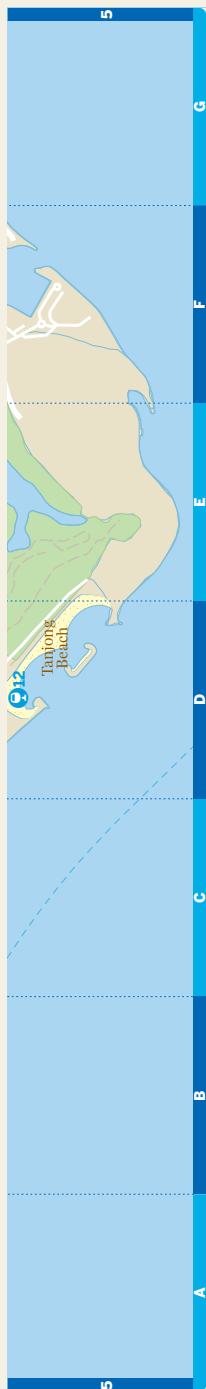
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SENTOSA ISLAND





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1 Butterfly Park & Insect Kingdom.....B2		19 Luge & Skyride.....B3	
2 Dolphin Lagoon.....B2		20 MegaZip.....B2	
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6 Underwater World.....A2	Entertainment	24 Spa Botanica.....D4	
7 Universal Studios.....C2	13 Cineblast, 4D Magix & Desperados.....B2	25 Wave House.....B3	
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8 Cliff.....D4	Sports & Activities	28 Shangri-La's Rasa Sentosa Resort.....A2	
9 Koufu Foodcourt.....C4	16 Flying Trapeze.....A2		
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- 1 Changi Prison Museum & ChapelC2
 - 2 Changi VillageC1
 - 3 Loyang Tua Pek Kong Temple.....C2
 - 4 Pasir Ris Park.....B1

- Eating (p92)**
- Changi Village Hawker Centre..... (see 2)
 - Charlie's Corner..... (see 2)

- Drinking & Nightlife (p93)**
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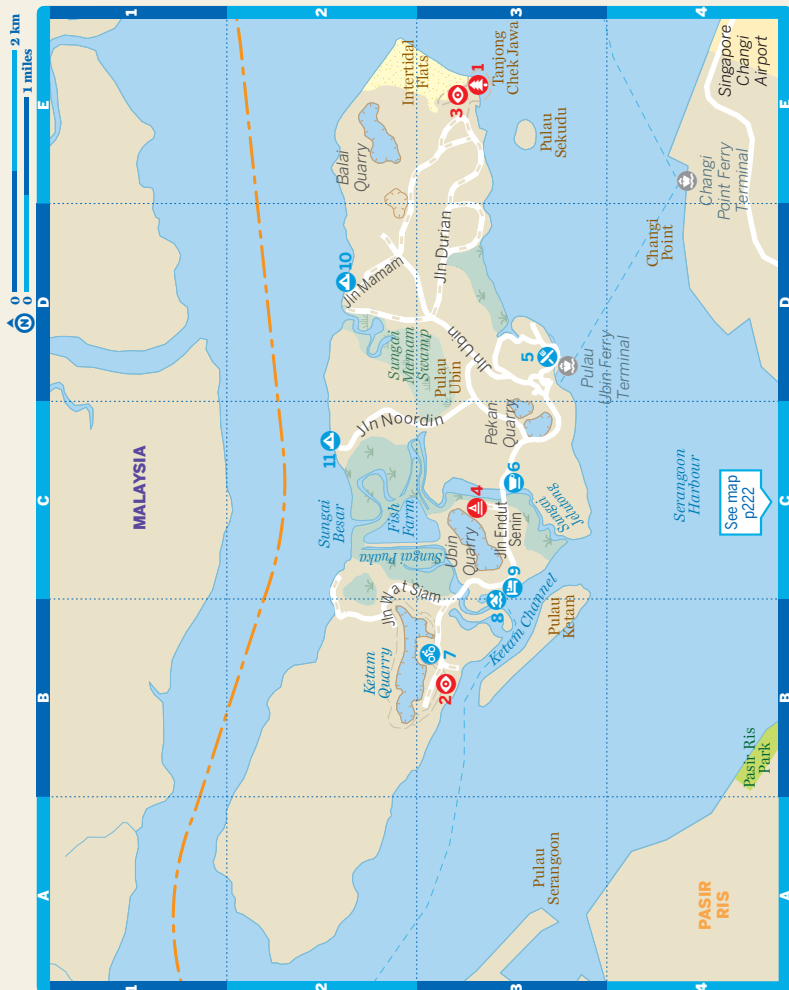
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Our Story

A beat-up old car, a few dollars in the pocket and a sense of adventure. In 1972 that's all Tony and Maureen Wheeler needed for the trip of a lifetime – across Europe and Asia overland to Australia. It took several months, and at the end – broke but inspired – they sat at their kitchen table writing and stapling together their first travel guide, *Across Asia on the Cheap*. Within a week they'd sold 1500 copies. Lonely Planet was born.

Today, Lonely Planet has offices in Melbourne, London and Oakland, with more than 600 staff and writers. We share Tony's belief that 'a great guidebook should do three things: inform, educate and amuse'.

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Top Itineraries

Day One

Colonial District, Marina Bay & the Quays (p40)

 A stroll around this area offers visitors a glimpse at the colonial influence left on the city. Get museumed out at the **Singapore Art Museum**, the **National Museum**, the **Asian Civilisations Museum**, or the **Peranakan Museum**. Take your pick – they're all worth your time.



Lunch Maxwell Rd Hawker Centre (p60).

Chinatown & the CBD (p55)

 While the whole area has a tourist-trap feel about it, the **Sri Mariamman Temple**, **Buddha Tooth Relic Temple** and **Thian Hock Keng Temple** are worth checking out. Wander around the revitalised **Ann Siang Hill** and **Duxton Hill** areas – loads of cool bars, restaurants and coffeeshops are kicking out the seedy KTV bars.



Dinner Splash out at popular Peranakan restaurant Blue Ginger (p58).

Northern & Central Singapore (p96)

 Come late evening, make a date with nocturnal animals at the **Night Safari**. Kids and adults alike enjoy getting up close and personal with the animals via the train-car ride.

Day Two

West & Southwest Singapore (p109)

 The **Southern Ridges** walk is one of the best routes in Singapore. Do the (mostly) shaded 4km route from **Kent Ridge Park**, through **HortPark** across to **Telok Blangah Park**, going along the stunning **Henderson Waves** walkway before finishing at **Mt Faber**, from where you can take a cable car down the hill. Bring lots of water and start early to beat the heat.



Lunch Eat at one of the *nasi padang* places in Kampong Glam (p72)

Little India & Kampong Glam (p65)

 The golden-domed **Mohammad Sultan** mosque in Kampong Glam is the centrepiece of Singapore's Malay district. Radiating out around it are an eclectic mix of restaurants, shophouses, bars and the former **Sultan's Palace**.



Dinner Tapas and drinks at Zsofi (p69), after biryani at Bismillah Biryani (p69)

Little India & Kampong Glam (p65)

 A stroll through frenetic Little India will erase every preconceived notion of Singapore as a squeaky-clean metropolis. Come weekends and nights, the place gets packed and chaotic. Stalls spill goods across the five-foot ways and the scent of spices permeates everything. And if you can't sleep, **Mustafa Shopping Centre** is open 24 hours – the place stocks EVERYTHING.

Day Three

Holland Village, Dempsey Hill & the Botanic Gardens (p102)



A morning stroll through the idyllic **Botanic Gardens** at the end of Orchard Rd will calm your nerves in preparation for the afternoon shopping scrum. The **Orchid Garden** has an amazing array of species and the Singapore Symphony Orchestra performs for free some weekends.



Lunch For a casual, al-fresco feed, grab a wood-fired pizza at Casa Verde (p106)

Orchard Road (p77)



You're on a mission when you come to Orchard Rd. It's shop till you drop here. With over 20 malls to choose from, your credit card might fail before your feet. Retail overload at its very best. When you're done, head to **Emerald Hill** for happy-hour pints.



Dinner Order the *crab bee hoon* at Sin Huat Eating House (p90).

Eastern Singapore (p85)



Keeping with the theme of excess, **Geylang** is a seedy red-light district juxtaposed against temples, mosques, and some of the best food in Singapore. Pick a local coffeshop, order a cheap Tiger beer and watch the world go by.

Day Four

Sentosa & Other Islands (p116)



Head to Changi where you can catch a bumboat to **Pulau Ubin**. This is Singapore, 1960s style. Rent a bicycle and go around the island to check out tin-shacked houses and walk along the mangrove boardwalk. There's even a mountain-bike park with trails for varying skill levels.



Lunch Pick a seafood restaurant around the Pulau Ubin pier (p118).

Sentosa & Other Islands (p116)



After lunch, continue your exploration of sleepy **Pulau Ubin** with a visit to the **Wei Tuo Fa Gong Temple**. When you get off the bumboat in Singapore, wander around the shops at **Changi Village**. This might very well be Singapore's sleepest neighbourhood!



Dinner Enjoy local hawker fare at the Changi Village Hawker Centre (p93).

Colonial District, Marina Bay & the Quays (p40)



Take a stroll along the Singapore River. Start at Boat Quay: look out for the grand **Fullerton Hotel** and grab a pint or two before heading down towards **Clarke Quay**. It's party central here, with clubs and bars galore. If you'd rather sit by the riverside for a drink, continue on to **Robertson Quay**.

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