



SENTOSA & SINGAPORE

DESTINATION DIGEST
JANUARY - MARCH 2021

THE BARRACKS
HOTEL

SENTOSA

SMALL
LUXURY
HOTELS
OF THE WORLD

POWERED BY
LUXE
CITY GUIDES

© Charite Tong - iStock

JANUARY - MARCH 2021

NEW & NOTED

APPETITE



© Appetite

Nestled above Chef Ivan Brehm's Mich-starred resto Nouri, this Chinatown shophouse is a multi-concept fine-diner that pays tribute to vinyl era tunes and gallery aesthetics. Previously a lawyer's office, the second and third floor have been transformed into a cosy living room lounge... And in its earlier iteration, Appetite was a culinary research programme helmed by Kaushik Swaminathan. Plan ahead to nab seats at their ticketed dinners and don't skimp on the wine, which includes the Chateau Bargylus from Syria.

72A Amoy Street / +65 97525300 / 6pm-late Tue-Sat / appetitesg.com

GIN LEE MAKE



© Gin Lee MAKE

Behind Lee and Niv's Ginlee fash brand comes MAKE, a workshop-studio where you can design your own pleated bags, pouches and cushion covers. Inside the Great World City branch, find hints of their Israeli roots from leafy palms to pebbled floors that look like they've been airlifted from the Med.

Great World City Shopping Centre / 1 Kim Seng Promenade / +65 8949 4154 / by appointment / ginleestudio.com

SAGO HOUSE



© Sago House

Fresh new cocktail bar off Chinatown's back streets helmed by former Monkey Shoulder brand ambassador Jay Gray, Spiffy Dapper owner George C Abhishek and ex-28 HongKong Street and EC Proof's Desiree Silva. Sip on the weekly rotational menu of six core classic drinks: Martini, Old Fashioned, Sidecar, Flip, Highball and Sours. Come for the cocktails, stay for the conversation.

40B Sago Street / +65 8874 9936 / 6.30pm-10.30pm Wed, 6pm-midnight Thu-Sun / shop.sagothouse.sg

FRENCH FOLD



© French Fold

It's crepes and galettes galore in this bijou. The black/white entryway welcomes city workers and the mwah mwah crowd for all-day cafe treats amidst muralled palms and potted greens. Go for the cafe au lait. Fab.

Tip: It's impossible to get a res for lunch – go in the morning or arvo for a late breakfast crepe instead.

204 Telok Ayer Street / 8am-10.30pm daily / mercimarcelgroup.com/fold/telok-ayer-singapore

JANUARY - MARCH 2021

LUXE LOVES

NATIONAL MUSEUM



© National Museum

Beautifully restored C.19th building for an intro to Singapore's history. Flit through 'living galleries' about local food, fashion, art and film, and have a gander at rotating art exhibits. Pop into colonial-chic Flutes for a glass of vino.

93 Stamford Road / +65 6332 3659 / 10am-7pm daily / nhb.gov.sg/nationalmuseum

CORIANDER LEAF



© Coriander Leaf

Feel like your life laksa lil' something? Spice it up with pan-Asian cooking classes from Samia Ahmed and her top chef team. Demos or hands on workshops in designer bistro kitchen, and you get to feast on your fare afterwards, match. Check website for schedule and book ahead.

30 Victoria Street / +65 6837 0142 / lunch and dinner Mon-Fri, 6pm-10.30pm Sat / corianderleaf.com

LE SALON BY LING WU



© Le Salon by Ling Wu

Don't expect to leave Madame Ling Wu's ab-fab maison of style empty handed – everything from her exotic own-label sacs to niche n' novel accessories, fine jewellery and home bib-bobs are up for grabs.

43 Jalan Merah Saga / +65 9696 3118 / 11am-5.30pm Mon-Fri / lingwu.sg

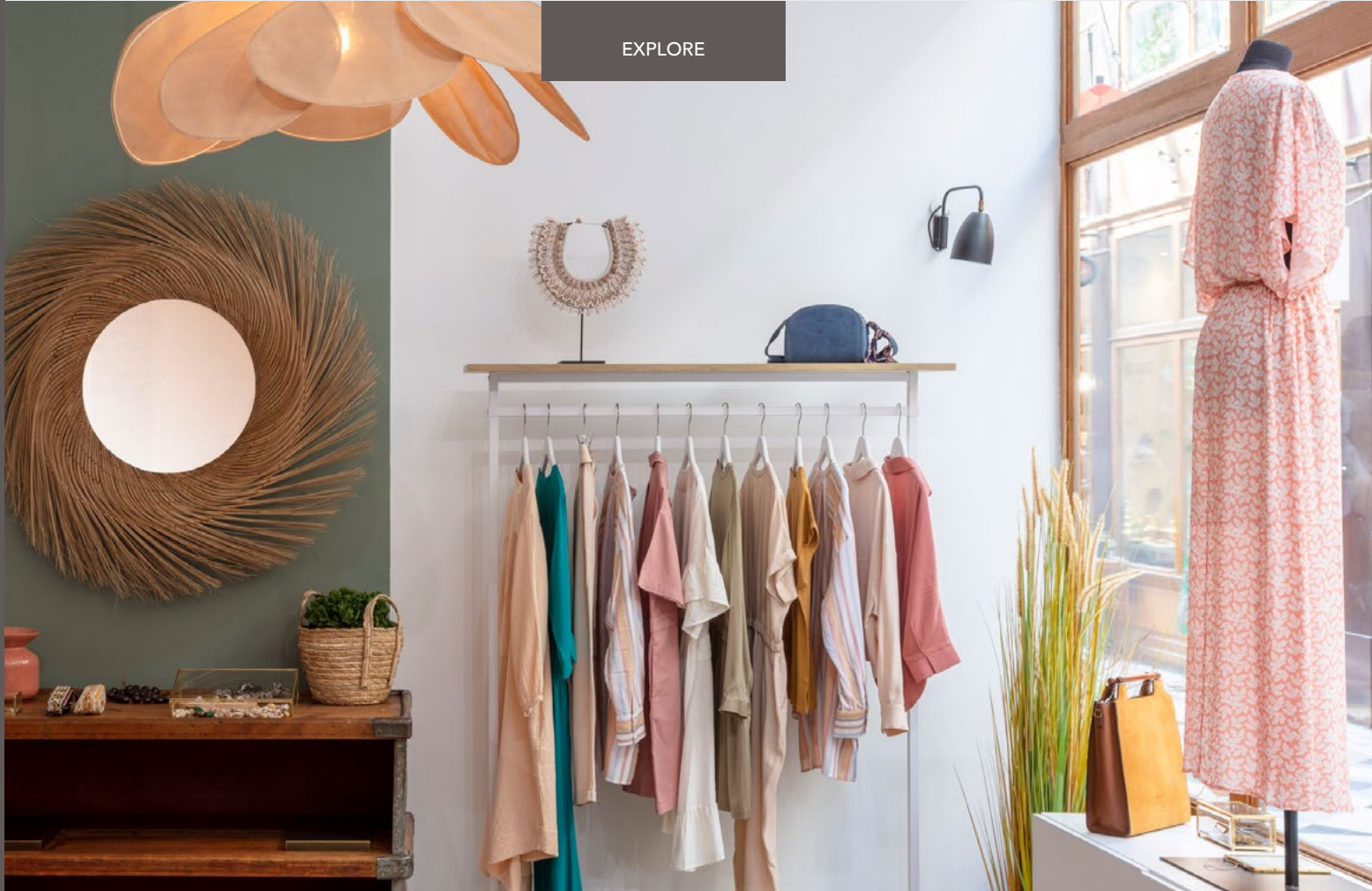
TEA BONE ZEN MIND



© Tea Bone Zen Mind

Divine and instructive by-appointment-only tea-tasting sessions complete with nibbles are held in a converted shop house tucked behind Orchard's bustling malls. Also sells tea and chai-making paraphernalia.

18 Jalan Lada Puteh / +65 6334 4212 / 11am-7pm Mon-Sat / teabonezenmindshop.com



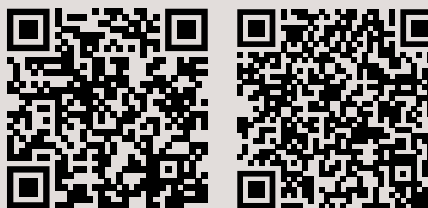
ITINERARY

THE TOP DESTIS FOR A WEEKEND OF DISCOVERY

Make like a local and re-discover the Red Dot – from heritage trails, architectural wonders, local eats to fine-diners – for an action-packed weekend of the city’s best haunts. The best part? You’ll be able to use SingapoRediscoverers vouchers to book tickets for selected tours and attractions in the itineraries, too. For any reservations or land transfer, the hotel’s Equerry team is at your service to sort out the logistics, easy peasy.



Get the LUXE App packed with regularly updated maps, addresses, contact info and opening hours.



©Palem

DAY 1

KRANJI & SINGAPORE RIVER

MORNING - LUNCH - AFTERNOON

© Asian Civilisations Museum

WOK 'N' STROLL FOOD TOUR

Come hungry to chow down at Singapore's best farm-to-table haunts. Get picked up by Wok 'n' Stroll for a half day tour of Singapore's Kranji countryside and urban eco-enclaves – a pic-prettly exploration.



Starting at the Bollywood Veggies farm, you'll learn about organic farming, local medicinal herbs and the city's banana fields. For a refuel, they've got you covered with a nasi lemak platter. Sneakers and mossie repellent are a must.

Next up, a visit to the world's first low carbon hydraulic commercial farming system to learn about vertical and urban farming. Then to eat, you'll finish at Open Farm Community in Dempsey. Sit down in the restaurant's edible garden and enjoy a specially curated menu of local produce.

Pick up from hotel / +65 8338 3571 / res required / woknstroll.com.sg/product/from-farm-to-table

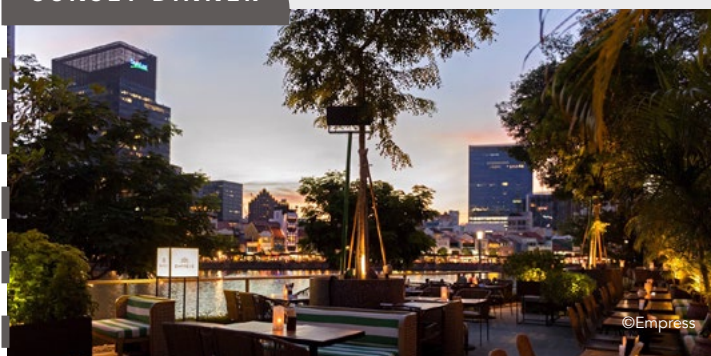
AFTERNOON

ASIAN CIVILISATIONS MUSEUM

This little cutie offers a glimpse into Singaporean and Southeast Asian history and culture with a fab stash of antique jewellery, fabrics and masks. Give yourself two hours.

1 Empress Place / +65 6332 7798 / open daily / nhb.gov.sg/acm

SUNSET DINNER



EMPRESS

For sundowners and dinner, this alfrisky terrace with river vistas is perf posi'd for a mid-Colonial totter flop. Attracts post-work yuppies during the week; a mix of locals and expats at the weekend. Pan-Asian bites from the Canto resto won't tantalise tastebuds, but will help soak up the booze.

1 Empress Place / +65 6776 0777 / lunch and dinner daily / empress.com.sg

DAY 2

MOUNT
FABER

MORNING

SINGAPORE CABLE CAR

Gaze through one of the many telescopes that are placed along various sides of the ridge for a panoramic view of the southern part of Singapore. At the highest point, Faber Peak, check out the mural depicting the Lion City's historical events.

Faber Peak / 109 Mount Faber Road / +65 6377 9688 / 10am-7pm daily / onefabergroup.com

LUNCH



WILDSEED CAFE @THE ALKAFF MANSION

In pic-perfect surrounds, refuel and snap away at this terrace cafe and greenhouse. The conservatory offers garden views and sun-soaked rattan chair furny – plus, it's pooch-friendly. Leave space for sweets and waffles.

Level 1 / 10 Telok Blangah Green / +65 8126 8484 / 8am-4pm daily / wildseedcafe.sg/the-alkaff-mansion

MAISON 21G

Next up is a scent-sational afternoon at Johanna Monange's elegant perfume atelier, where you can blend your own custom fragrance from the myriad of elixirs and precious essences.

77 Duxton Road / +65 6226 2677 / by appointment only / maison21g.com

THE SOUTHERN RIDGES WALK

Whether you're an avid trekker or more of a 'saunter with a kombucha in hand' type, you've got options when you start from the hilly parks of Mount Faber. Make your way through Telok Blangah Hill and Kent Ridge, then to Labrador Nature Reserve and the themed gardens in Hort Park. Skip/add trails as you go along, but finish at Alkaff Mansion for lunch, coffee and a patisserie.

Mount Faber Park / 109 Mount Faber Rd

AFTERNOON

PALEM

If you're in the mood for a spot of shopping, call ahead to Palem's Duxton showroom and browse French-soaked resort wear by designer Juliette. Dress up in ocean blues, silks and sand-coloured linens.

Tip: Get the girlfriends together for private parties with bubbly to boot.

75C Duxton Road / +65 9449 7815 / by appointment only / palem-brand.com/sg

DINNER

CATFISH

Chef Andrew Walsh's tribute to all things under the sea is a brand new addition to the shophouses of Gemmill Lane. The contempo fish grill and raw bar hosts a bright open-air kitchen with lush greenery that matches the daily catches, natch.

Tip: A buck fifty goes a long way if you're in need of a weekend brunch deal or bento set.

05 Gemmill Lane / +65 6226 1395 / lunch and dinner Tue-Sun / catfish.sg

DAY 3

DOWNTOWN
& SENTOSA

MORNING

JANE'S SINGAPORE TOURS

Jane Iyer and her crack team are walking encyclopedias of local knowledge and real-deal Singapore adventures. We recommend the Black & White Houses Stroll for design, history and architecture buffs.

info@janestours.sg / +65 9732 0706 / res required / janestours.sg

SUNSET



ONE15 LUXURY YACHTING

Aye, aye captain! Don your finest breton stripes and hop aboard a catamaran or yacht for sunset sips at sea. Grab a line and try your hand at scoring the catch of the day.

11 Cove Drive, #01-01 / Sentosa Cove / +65 6305 9676 / one15luxuryyachting.com

While we make every effort to ensure the veracity and validity of our entries, the weather, opening hours, scissor-happy hairdressers and all things variable that make up life's rich tapestry are sadly beyond our control and may change. We therefore cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage, consequential or otherwise due to these changes.

AFTERNOON



© Brass Lion Distillery

BRASS LION DISTILLERY

Singapore's first standalone micro-distillery specialises in small-batch, botanical-infused gins. Arrange a tour of the herb garden, bottling room and distillery, then pull up a pew in the intimate, vintage-vibed tasting room and get stuck in. Gin gin!

40 Alexandra Terrace / +65 6954 0602
/ 4pm-10.30pm Tue-Fri, 1pm-10.30pm Sat, 1pm-7pm Sun / brassliondistillery.com

DINNER & DRINKS

PANAMERICANA

Senoritas, line up for the hottest ticket in town – this Latin resto sits atop the Sentosa Golf Club. Book ahead to snag an alfresco perch on the verandah overlooking the sea and you'll be treated to scenic sangrias while digging into ceviche and platters of grilled meats. Dress to impress.

27 Bukit Manis Road / Sentosa Golf Club / +65 6253 8182 / 12pm-10pm daily / panamericana.sg