



27 Oct

ON OUR RADAR...

SINGAPORE EVENTS

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2019

DEEPAVALI



The Indian Festival of Lights sees Little India aglow with 'grammable illuminations and abuzz with festive spirit for several days surrounding the holiday. (See the Little India itinerary in your LUXE app).

Serangoon Rd / Little India

HALLOWEEN

31 Oct



If you're staying in Sentosa over Halloween, you're in for a treat. Resorts World Sentosa enters into the spooky spirit with its Halloween Horror Nights, held throughout October. Tickets sell out, so book ahead.

8 Sentosa Gateway / Sentosa / pop online for dates and times / halloweenhorrornights.com.sg

SINGAPORE BIENNALE

22 Nov-22 Mar 2020



Drawing local and regional talents, critics and admirers, the Lion City's preeminent art-scapade takes place at the National Gallery, Gillman Barracks and other venues around the city.

National Gallery Singapore / Saint Andrew's Rd / and Gillman Barracks / Lock Rd / +65 6697 9753 / singaporebiennale.org

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

21 Nov-1 Dec



Spotlighting Asian cinema, this 10-day celebration of celluloid includes screenings, masterclasses and panel discussions. The full program is published 22 Oct.

See website for screening times and venues / sgiff.com

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NEON LIGHTS 2019

23-24 Nov

Brit folk band Mumford & Sons, boundary-pushing pop sensation Halsey and Nick Murphy (aka Chet Faker) are among the stellar lineup at this bright n' bold festival in Fort Canning.

Fort Canning Park / from 1pm / neonlights.sg

U2 THE JOSHUA TREE TOUR

30 Nov-1 Dec



The world's biggest stadium band makes its Singapore debut with their globetrotting Joshua Tree Tour.

National Stadium / doors open 5.30pm / livenation.sg/show

LEGACY FESTIVAL 2019

21 Nov-1 Dec



There's no need to venture far from your room for this epic two-day extravaganza of music, immersive technology and digital art. Tiësto, Don Diablo and Cosmic Gate are among the starry lineup.

Siloso Beach / Sentosa / legacy-festival.com

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CLOUDSTREET

The upmarket sibling to the beloved Cheek Bistro is hands-down Singapore's most exciting opening in recent months. Chef Rishi Naleendra distils his native Sri Lanka into beautifully plated mod-Euro dishes that push the envelope without pretension. Wines range from the well-known greats to under-the-radar indie makers; the seductive style-setting interior of Persian carpets, vertical gardens and eye-catching gauze-clad chandeliers backdrops the buzz of the open kitchen. Frock up and pack your appetite.

84 Amoy St / lunch Tue-Fri, dinner Mon-Sat / $+65\ 6513\ 7868$ / cloudstreet.com.sg

KIMME



Korea meets Japan meets Italy at this shophouse siren on buzzy Amoy Street. Three floors of dining run the gournet gamut of communal tables on the ground floor to private dining perched on top. Fusion done right.

47 Amoy St / lunch and dinner Mon-Fri, dinner only Sat / +65 6514 1588 / kimmerestaurant.com

STARTER LAB SINGAPORE



The cult Bali bakery answers all your gluten-filled dreams with its signature sourdough, lovingly crafted by ex Per Se and Tartine baker Emerson. Also fresh out of the oven are moreish goodies like Danish rye, banana bread and fancy toast (made with housemade mascarpone and sustainably sourced honey, topped with crushed walnuts and bee pollen, no less), plus ripper coffee. Great for brekkie, lunch and any time inbetween.

721 Havelock Rd / 8:30am-5pm daily / +65 9839 0408 / @starterlab.sq

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THE COCONUT CLUB



For hawker-style fare without the sweat and strip lighting, beeline to this hip ship tucked between the bars of Ann Siang and Club Street. The straightforward menu spotlights Nasi Lemak and a handful of sides, plus craft brews, organic wines or a fresh lime juice to go with. Shimmy over early for dinner to avoid the queues.

28 Ann Siang Rd / lunch daily, dinner Mon-Sat / +65 6635 2999 / thecoconutclub.sg

MADURO



Jazzing up the Singapore bar scene one live act at a time is this convivial whiskey-imbued lounge helmed by the charismatic silver fox Mr P. Drop by on Tue, Fri or Sat for fresh bee-bop; classical and other genres are performed the rest of the week. Gallic neighbour Atout is on hand when hunger strikes.

40C Harding Rd / Dempsey Hill / 2pm-1am Mon-Sat / +65 9756 4775 / maduro.sg



BRASS LION DISTILLERY

But a swish of the Merlion tail from Sentosa, Singapore's first standalone micro-distillery specialises in small-batch, botanical-infused craft spirits. Arrange a tour of the herb garden, bottling room and distillery, or simply pull up a pew in the intimate, vintage-vibed tasting room and get stuck in. Gin gin!

40 Alexandra Terrace / 5pm-midnight Tue-Fri, from 2pm Sat and 2pm-7pm Sun / +65 6954 0602 / brassliondistillery.com

ITINERARY

SINGAPORE IN 3 DAYS

Compact, clean and convenient, Singapore is easy to explore in 3 days. This itinerary gives you a snapshot of the city's diversity from colonial-era architecture and lush gardens, to vibey Chinatown, ending with laid-back Sentosa beach vibes.



Check your LUXE app for addresses, contact info and maps.



MORNING

BOTANIC GARDENS

Make an early start and get thee to the beautifully manicured and lush Botanic Gardens, host to tropical flora, fauna and the truly lovely Ginger and Orchid Gardens. Leave by 11am to prevent wilting.

BRUNCH Open Farm Community

AFTERNOON

NATIONAL GALLERY SINGAPORE

Fuelled up, time to switch it up from green scenes to cultural must-sees. If you only have time for one of Singapore's galleries or museums, make it the National. This showstopper architectural union of the former Supreme Court and City Hall, connected via a vast, elegant atrium and sleek modern skywalks is worth visiting for the design alone. Inside you'll find the largest stash of modern Southeast Asian art in the world.

OPEN FARM COMMUNITY

Into a cab you hop to Dempsey Hill, former colonial barracks turned leafy lifestyle compound, host to plentiful eating, drinking and shopportunity. Helmed by trailblazer Ryan Clift, OFC has its own kitchen garden – expect to feast on straight-forward, beautifully-plated, patch-fresh produce. Keep peepers peeled for the farmer's market on select weekends and a roster of gardening, cooking and eco workshops.

SUNDOWNERS

DINNER

NATIONAL KITCHEN BY VIOLET OON

You'll need to reserve ahead for a coveted table at Vi's nostalgic pretty tiled Peranakan nook. The tantalising menu draws family recipes repping hybrids of Chinese, Malay, Indian and Eurasian dishes – go hungry!

SMOKE & MIRRORS

Scoot upstairs for a crafty cocktail at sultry deck Smoke & Mirrors. Inside is all dim-lit, slinky glam, but you're here for the view, so book ahead for a louche rattan chair on the terrace and soak up the marvy Marina aspects.



DAY 2: CHINATOWN

SRI MARIAMMAN & BUDDHA TOOTH RELIC TEMPLE

Chinatown is home to a clutch of historic temples. Two worthy of a look-see are the bling but marvellously monikered Buddha Tooth Relic Temple, and the eye-catching Sri Mariamman, the city-state's oldest Hindu temple. The annual fire-walking ceremony on 20 Oct is well worth a gander.

AFTERNOON

LITTERED WITH BOOKS

Book lovers rejoice at this charming nook in pic-pretty Duxton shelving a sharp edit of fiction, non-fiction and children's lit.

OD WELLNESS

Relieve shopper's shoulder or tired trotters with a nifty rub down at this cheap n' cheerful massage haunt. Ask for a heated rice pillow while having your tootsies tended, ahhh!

DRINKS

JIGGER & PONY

One of the first high-end cocktailers to open in Singapore, Jigger & Pony attracts a stylish local crowd with a its old-fashioned thirst-quenchers or classics with a twist. Nab a horseshoe booth and settle in for the evening.

MORNING

THE SOCIAL SPACE

Start your day the right way, at this ethical boutique and cafe. Rack up the karma points shopping for Fair Trade jewellery, candles, and artisan ceramics; stock up on beauty and cleaning essentials at the 'refillery', then reward yourself with a smoothie bowl and an eco-mani at the social enterprise salon.

LUNCH

OLIVIA

Part of Keong Saik's co-working space meets upscale hostel KẽSa House, this relaxed, rustic terracotta and rawbrick restaurant showcases el Bulli alum Alain Devahive's nuanced take on Catalan cuisine. Particularly good set lunches.

MONUMENT LIFESTYLE

Browse Cali surf wear, grooming, decor and gifty bits n' bobs at this laidback dude's den. The petite cafe out back serves a decent cup of Joe, a strapping Samovar tea, and an impeccable artisanal toast.

DINNER

THE COCONUT CLUB

Dining choices abound in this part of town, but for something low-key and local, beeline to this hip convivial cubby tucked between the bars of Ann Siang and Club Street. The simple menu stars Nasi Lemak and a handful of sides, plus craft brews, organic wines or a zingin' fresh lime juice to go with. Go early if you want to avoid queuing.



MORNING

QUAYSIDE ISLE @ SENTOSA COVE

Head to this the local resident go-to for easy dockside eats with a side of yacht and people watching. See your LUXE guide for dining reccos.

LUNCH & AFTERNOON

TANJONG BEACH CLUB

Sea views and glamour vibes abound at the original Sentosa beach club, TBC. Weekdays are quiet, while weekend mornings attract families; come late afternoon the resident DJ arrives to take it up a notch or few. Aim to book a daybed for guaranteed lounging and bar-to-beach service.

DAT G. SINTOSA



ACTION STATIONS

Active types looking for some stimulation? You've hit the jackpot. Take your pick off bungy jumping at AJ Hackett, or practicing your surfer moves at Wavehouse.



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