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City Tour

An Orientation tour of our city which begins with a stop at the “colonial heart” for a view of Padang, Cricket Club, Parliament House, Supreme Court and City Hall. Enroute to **Mount Faber** for a panoramic view of the city. This is followed by a visit to a **local handicraft center** before arriving at the **National Orchid Garden** located within the beautiful **Botanic Gardens**. Our final stop at **Little India** will entrance you with the scent of joss sticks, jasmine and spices.

Note: Entrance fee to the National Orchid Garden is included.

Cost per person : S\$27.00 nett per person

<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
3.5 Hours daily	8.30 am	9.00 am
	1.30 pm	2.00 pm

Ethnic Flavour – New Asia Singapore

The Dutch were the first to monopolize it and prospered greatly. Then the British got into the act, and Singapore became the focus in the fight for command of one of the most exotic trading routes in the world – the Spice Route, Pepper, Cloves, Cinnamon, Saffron...filled the bowels of ships brought with it a steady stream of immigrants afield as India, China, the Middle East and the Malay Archipelago.

Today, spices lace the foods of Singapore, made unique by the fusion of the traditional cuisine of its immigrants. Indeed, no visit to Singapore can be complete without hearty “pig – out” on the scrumptious local ethnic fare. We’ll walk you through a spice garden – the original site of the first Botanic Gardens. Followings this is a visit to **Peranakan showroom** to see what kept the womenfolk out of the public eye just decades ago. **Little India**, where we will explore narrow streets overflowing with gold and spices, pots and pans, saris and jasmine, and allow our senses to be assailed by the exotic fragrance of curries and a chance to sample a meal.

Next, on to a wet market at **Geylang Serai**, to witness the scene of shrewd housewives jostle to ensure that only the freshest foods get laid out at the dinner table. Proceed with a drive pass **Katong** where a majority of Peranakan families have set up their home and business before making our final stop in **Chinatown**, where the Chinese secret of keeping healthy and young traditional way is revealed.

Cost per person : S\$28.00 nett per person

<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
3.5 Hours daily – except Sundays, Mondays & Public Holidays	8.00 am	8.30 am

Feng Shui – A Myth Unfold

Feng Sui or Geomancy, is the ancient Chinese practice of harnessing the powers of nature to promote business and one’s general well being. A combination of science and art with a dash of common sense, this practice is very much alive in cosmopolitan Singapore. Join the tour and learn more about this age-old practice and how it influences the daily lives of Singaporeans.

The tour kicks off with a visit to a **feng shui gallery** where you will be able to see some interesting artifacts as well as the tools used for this trade. Find out where the five dragons, auspicious mythological creatures, lie in Singapore and as you ride into the city centre, see if their positions have indeed contributed to the island’s prosperity. Then as you take in the breathtaking view of the city atop **one of the tallest buildings in Singapore**, find out how feng shui concepts have played a part in the design and shaping of some prominent buildings. A walk along historical streets will reveal that this practice of keeping harmony with nature dates back to the days of our forefathers. Stumble upon signs that suggest the ancient roots of this practice.

Moving on to **Suntec City**, Singapore’s main exhibition and convention centre, experience the influence of feng shui. As you “stand” in the palm of the development, feel the energy or ‘qi’ that is created by an inward flowing stream of water at the **Fountain of Wealth**. Water or shui symbolizes wealth and fortune and this inward flowing stream of water is believed to create prosperity for the centre. By touching the water at the Fountain of Wealth, you may experience the “qi” and, hopefully, absorb some of its energy. Standing in the very center of the World’s Largest Fountain, listen to tales of people who have found success after visiting the fountain. Fact or Fiction? Only time will tell...

Cost per person : S\$33.00 nett per person

<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>3.5 Hours daily – except Saturdays, Sundays & Public Holidays</i>	<i>1.30 pm</i>	<i>2.00 pm</i>

Founding Footsteps of Raffles

Raffles’ vision of Singapore was for her to become a vital international port and trading center for the Far East. This tour helps to retrace the course of the ‘dream come true’. The tour begins with a bumboat ride from **Clarke Quay**, down the **Singapore River**. These hardy vessels was once used to shutter cargo but today, it steer us through a kaleidoscope of Singapore historic river and harbor images set against the towering skyline of the modern business district and hotel city. Back on land, the journey continues to a **Chinese temple** dedicated to Goddess of Mercy – Kuan Yin. Our next stop is the newly restored **National Museum**; the exhibits trace Singapore’s heritage and offer insight into the rich cultures of Southeast Asia. For the ultimate in nostalgia, we visit the legendary **Raffles Hotel**, newly restored to its colonial splendor.

Note: No Bermudas or Thongs are allowed.

Cost per person : S\$39.00 nett per person

<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>3.5 Hours daily – Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays</i>	<i>8.00 am</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>

Jurong Bird Park and Ming Village

Jurong Bird Park, located on 20 hectares of lush greenery in Singapore’s model industrial estate, is home to over 8,000 birds from more than 600 species. Take a ride on the air – conditioned **Panorail** for a panoramic view of the Park and into a tropical world of jungle mists at the **Waterfall Aviary**. Enjoy the spectacular **Penguin Exhibit** with an underwater viewing gallery and do not miss the **All-star Bird Show**, reputed as world – class.

Passengers on the morning tour with lunch inclusive will proceed to **The Lodge** for an International Buffet lunch with a good view of the beautifully landscaped **Flamingo Lake** with its waterfalls. The rest of the group will have a leisure self-exploratory walk in the Bird Park. The coach will depart Jurong Bird Park at approximately 12.30 pm to return to the city. Included is a visit to the **Ming Village** where you will discover some of the finest replicas of priceless originals from the Sung, Yuan, Ming and Qin dynasties painstakingly crafted by hand. Experience for yourselves how the wonders of ancient China are recreated by molding, handthrowing, glazing, handpainting and firing.

Cost per person : With Buffet Lunch (AM only)	: S\$49.00 nett per person	
Without Lunch (AM & PM)	: S\$35.00 nett per person	
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>4 Hours daily</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>
	<i>1.30 pm</i>	<i>2.00 pm</i>

Night Safari

Passengers with **dinner** inclusive will proceed to the **Rainforest Café**. South East Asia first unique dining experience inspired by the adventure of the rainforest amidst lush surroundings, exotic animatronic animals, elephant stampedes and gorillas that thump their chests.

Next stop at the World’s first Night Safari, developed and managed by the Singapore Zoo, which will unfold the mystery and drama of the jungle at night with stunning effect. This is a 40 hectares parcel of land adjoining the Zoo. Consisting largely of untouched secondary forest, it displayed a myriad of nocturnal animals in a wild rainforest settling under artificial lighting. Your guide will lead you on a **train-ride** to cover the **East and West Loop** where you will be able to view the animals in complete safety and comfort with a sense of roaming through wild and vast jungle. For the adventurous, **walking trails** are available.

Note: Dinner is not included, dining is available at the Night Safari.

Cost per person : With Dinner	: S\$59.00 nett per person	
Without Dinner	: S\$42.00 nett per person	
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>4 Hours daily – except Sundays & Public Holidays</i>	<i>6.00 pm</i>	<i>6.30 pm</i>

Our Heartlands

The tour begins with a visit to the **Malay Village**, which showcases the rich cultural heritage of the Malays and relieves life in a Malay kampung in the 50s and 60s.

From here, we will drive pass Katong – a predominantly Peranakan and Eurasian heartland in the eastern part of Singapore. Next, stop at the compound of the infamous **Changi Prison** to visit the museum and to view a replica of the **chapel**, which was used during World War II. Enroute let our guide recount the collective spirit, which rose through the darkest times of World War II. The tour then proceeds to **Changi Village** passing by **Changi Yatch Club**, and giving visitors a chance to see the relaxing side of Singapore. Finally a drive through Tampines New Town, a typical heartland of present day Singapore with a stop at a **Chinese Temple** that houses 9 deities under one roof.

Cost per person : S\$29.00 nett per person

<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>3.5 Hours daily – except Sundays & Public Holidays</i>	<i>1.30 pm</i>	<i>2.00 pm</i>

Round Island Tour

Award
Winning

This award winning tour offers an interesting insight into life outside city. The tour starts with a visit to **Pasir Panjang Wholesale Market** where you'll see an abundance of exotic fruits. Next, we visit **Ming Village**, which produces handcrafted replicas of Chinese porcelain antiques. The tour then proceed to **Kranji Dam**, which was once a swampy area used as the first landing spot for Japanese Advance Boats before they proceed to Lim Chu Kang territory. Today, this northwestern point of the island gives a clear view of Johore Bahru. Next, we proceed to **Kranji War Memorial**. Unveiled in the 1957, the memorial overlooking the Straits of Johore, is the last resting-place for many of the allied soldiers who lost their lives in World War II. It commemorates by names over 20 000 men and women of the forces who have no known graves. After **lunch** at a seafood restaurant in Sembawang, we visit the **Bright Hill Temple**, which is famous for its Chinese crematorium and well-stocked turtle ponds. The last destination, is the **Changi Village**.

Note: Highly recommended. Value for money tour covering popular attractions in the West Coast. Tour operates with a minimum of 2 paxs.

Cost per person : S\$69.00 nett per person

<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>7 Hours – Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>

Sentosa Underwater World Tour

Get away from the hustle and bustle of the city to Sentosa – the Resort Island of peace and tranquility. It starts with a **cable car ride** to the island where you will visit the **Images of Singapore**, which houses the Pioneers of Singapore, Surrender Chamber and Festivals of Singapore museum. Next, a monorail ride will take you to the **Underwater World**, Asia’s largest and most innovative tropical oceanarium that is home to over 2300 marine specimens. A scenic coach ride across the causeway brings you back to the main land.

Cost per person : S\$50.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>AM - 4 Hours daily</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>
<i>PM – 4 Hours daily except Sundays & Public Holidays</i>	<i>1.30 pm</i>	<i>2.00 pm</i>

Sentosa at Sunset

Enjoy a scenic **cable car ride** to Sentosa where you can catch a bird’s eye view of Singapore skyline and its busy port. The tour on the island begins with a visit to the **Images of Singapore** that comprises of the pioneers of Singapore, Surrender Chambers and Festivals of Singapore museum. From here, a bus ride will bring you to the **Underwater World**, Asia’s largest and most innovative tropical oceanarium. Taking a monorail, the tour will bring you to Rasa Sentosa Food Center, where you may sample our local food at your own expense. The tour ends with a relaxing 15 minutes spectacular **musical fountain show** at the Garden Plaza. A coach ride across the causeway brings you back to the mainland.

Note: Dinner is not included in tour price.

Cost per person : S\$51.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>4.5 Hours daily – except Sundays & Public Holidays</i>	<i>4.00 pm</i>	<i>4.30 pm</i>

Singapore Discovery Tour

The tour brings you to **Singapore Discovery Center** – the island’s latest attraction where you are able to hear the past, see the present and touch the future. Experience on hand a world class attraction that offers fun and entertainment through high tech and interactive exhibits that showcase Singapore’s milestones and achievements. You will be fascinated by the **iWERKS theatre** which screen movies in a new dimension of theatrical viewing on a **5 storey high GIANT screen iWERKS Theatre** with 3-D and laser capability. Be totally enthralled as larger-than-life 3-D images come “charging” at you in the latest most sensational and breathtaking movie. Other exhibits that you will be able to enjoy are the **Singapore Dynamics Gallery, Tactics Gallery, Technology Gallery, Motion Simulator and Shooting Gallery**, so come down and have a unique experience at the centre.

Note : Fees for Motion Simulator & Shooting Gallery are NOT INCLUDED.

Tour operates with a minimum of 4 pax.

Cost per person : S\$29.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>3.5 Hours daily – except Mondays</i>	<i>8.00 am</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>

Singapore by Night

Enjoy al fresco dining at **Boat Quay**, Singaporean’s latest haunt at sunset. After dinner enroute to the **World’s largest fountain** taking in the beautiful sight of the Central business district and Singapore’s skyline by night via **Benjamin Sheares Bridge**. Next, proceed to **Bugis Street** where our guide will take you for a stroll along the night market or ‘pasar malam’ where you may chance upon bargains you have never imagined. From here, our coach will take you on a drive along the Esplanade for a glimpse of the Merlion before stopping at the famous **Raffles Hotel** for a sample of Singapore’s very own concoction, ‘the **Singapore Sling**’ – as the saying goes, ‘If you have not been to Raffles, you have not been to Singapore’.

Note: Drinks during dinner is not included.

Cost per person : With Singapore Sling : S\$54.00 nett per person		
Without Singapore Sling : S\$43.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>3.5 Hours nightly</i>	<i>6.00 pm</i>	<i>6.30 pm</i>

Colonial Era

Take a trip down memory lane to Colonial Singapore and be mesmerized by the history of this little island. First stop at the **National Museum** where you will be taken back to the beginning of Singapore Island. Next stop, is the hive of activity for the high – society in the 1800s – **Raffles Hotel**. This Grand Old Lady has been restored to its original splendor; here you will enjoy an **Afternoon Tea** of English canapes, scones and local delicacies.

After Raffles Hotel, we proceed for a **bumboat river cruise** for a glimpse of the façade of yesterdays before stepping off at Clarke Quay – a riverside festival village, spend the next hour exploring **Clarke Quay** before returning to your hotel. However, you may want to spend more time at Clarke Quay – being the largest riverside entertainment and shopping hub with over 170 shops, 20 restaurants, pubs and an 18 – stall Hawker’s Alley, before returning to your hotel on your own.

Note: Drinks are not included in tour price. No Bermudas or thongs are allowed.

Cost per person : S\$63.00 nett per person		
Duration	Pick-up Time	Starting Time
5 Hours – except Mondays, Saturdays, Sundays & Public Holidays	1.30 pm	2.00 pm

Morning at the Zoo

Leave the city behind as we head north to Mandai, which is located by the serene Seletar Reservoir. Arrive at the Zoo just in time for **breakfast with our friendly Orang Utans**. Take a tram ride around the Zoological Gardens – a totally new concept in animal keeping with its beautifully landscape gardens and very few cages!

Cost per person : With Breakfast with Orang Utan : S\$49.00 nett per person		
Without Breakfast: S\$37.00 nett per person		
Duration	Pick-up Time	Starting Time
3.5 Hours daily	8.00 am	8.30 am

Afternoon at the Zoo

28 hectares of secondary forest, surrounded by the tranquil waters of the Seletar Reservoir, it is acclaimed as the finest zoo in Asia and one of the most beautiful in the world. The Zoo houses 1600 animals many of which are endangered species. The animals are exhibited in tastefully landscaped enclosure amidst lush greenery and open concept enclosures. A truly wonderful experience awaits you at the Singapore Zoological Gardens.

Note: High tea served in set menu.

Cost per person :		
With High Tea : S\$47.00 nett per person		
Without High Tea : S\$35.00 nett per person		
Duration	Pick-up Time	Starting Time
3.5 Hours daily – except Sundays & Public Holidays	1.30 pm	2.00 pm

Malaysia Tours

Johore Bahru

Drive across the causeway linking Singapore and Malaysia. After immigration formalities, we commence our tour of **Johore Bahru** with a visit to a **Handicraft Centre** to observe batik painting. This is followed by a visit to **Sultan Abu Bakar Mosque** before arriving at **Kampong**. The final stop will be at a Muslim Cemetery with a view from the The Royal Mausoleum before proceeding back to Singapore.

Note: Please check with your respective embassies whether a visa is required to enter Malaysia. If no visa is required, please ensure that your passport has a minimum of 6 months validity.

Cost per person : S\$27.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>3.5 Hours daily – except Public Holidays</i>	<i>8.00 am</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>

Johore Bahru Extension

Continuing from the Half-Day Johore Bahru tour, you will proceed to a local restaurant for **lunch**, which is followed by a visit to a **local bazaar** – an opportunity to experience the local atmosphere. Next, the tour will continue to the **Principal Palace** of the Sultan of Johore. Though the Palace is open to visitors wanting to view the priceless Royal artifacts and heritage, are still functions as a palace: making this tour one of its kind in the world. Your final photo stop will be outside the magnificent **Sultan Ibrahim Building**, where General Yamashita planned his attack on Singapore, before returning across the causeway to Singapore.

Note: Tour operates with a minimum of 4 participants

Cost per person : S\$61.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>4 Hours daily – except Mondays, Fridays & Public Holidays</i>	<i>Continue from Half Day Johore Tour</i>	<i>12.00 pm</i>

Kukup and Orchid Valley Tour

This highly popular tour to Kukup allows you to explore a typical fishing village built on stilts and planks. The leisurely drive provides a glimpse of Malaysia's diversity and beauty. Enroute, you will visit **Orchid Valley**, a 100 acres of land with 1.5million tropical orchid plants of more than 80 breeds. Orchid Valley is located only 28km from Johor Bahru.

The tour then continue to Kukup, on arrival, you will be treated to a sumptuous **seafood lunch**. After lunch, your tour includes a boat ride to visit one of the many offshore fishing farms. You will also have to explore and observe the lifestyle in this **fishing village** built partially on stilts.

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Tour operates with a minimum of 4 pax*

Cost per person : S\$67.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>8 Hours daily – except Public Holidays</i>	<i>8.00 am</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>

Malacca

Visit Malaysia's most historical city, which has seen the rise and fall of major empires struggling to retain their foothold in the region. Malacca was governed by the Malay Sultanate, Portuguese, Dutch and British who have left behind a wealth of the past, evident in Malacca medieval charm, picturesque buildings, multi – racial population and narrow streets. This tour includes a visit to historic sites such as **St.Paul's Hill** where St.Francis Xavier was interned, **Cheng Hoon Teng Temple** – oldest Chinese temple in Malaysia and **Porta De Santiago** – the Portuguese fortress. **Lunch** at Malacca is included.

Cost per person : S\$75.00 nett per person		
<i>Duration</i>	<i>Pick-up Time</i>	<i>Starting Time</i>
<i>12 Hours daily – except Public Holidays</i>	<i>8.00 am</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>