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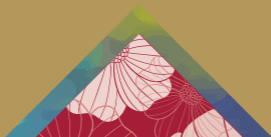


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HOTEL BUGIS



EXPLORE Bugis

Experience a slice of bustling Singapore right at the doorsteps of Village Hotel Bugis. With the hundreds of shops, restaurants, promenades and even a bazaar selling some of the cheapest knick knacks in town, this handy guide helps you live like a local and get the most out of the colorful streets of Bugis.



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Welcome to this vibrant food haven and treat yourself to some of the most popular favourites in town. Do not be misled by their modest shopfronts and let your taste buds reveal why locals from all over the island come here to dine.

Singapore Zam Zam Restaurant

Behold the culinary magic in one of Singapore's best known Indian-Muslim restaurants. Take your pick from their aromatic *nasi biryani*, to meaty *murtabak* and authentic *roti prata*. They've been serving these up for more than 100 years!

MUST TRY

Murtabak with sardines or mutton

LOCAL SLANG

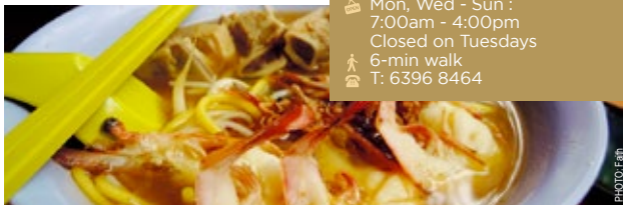
Murtabak (a local flour pancake stuffed with egg, onion and meat), *Nasi biryani* (mixed rice dish made with spices, lentils, meat and vegetables), *Roti Prata* (pan-fried flour-based savoury pancake)

📍 699 North Bridge Road
 🕒 7:00am - 11:00pm
 🚶 2-min walk
 ☎ T: 6298 6320



Blanco Court Prawn Mee

Shelled prawns? Jumbo prawns? Prawns with pork ribs? Be spoilt for choice with the many variations to choose from at one of the best places to have *hae mee*. The rich soup broth and lingering sweet aftertaste will leave you craving for more!



MUST TRY

Order a side serving of *ngoh hiang* to complete your meal

LOCAL SLANG

Hae Mee (prawn noodles),
Ngoh Hiang (an assortment of deep fried spicy meat roll and prawn fritters)

📍 243 Beach Road
🕒 Mon, Wed - Sun :
7:00am - 4:00pm
Closed on Tuesdays
🚶 6-min walk
☎ T: 6396 8464

Rich and Good Cake Shop

Whether you prefer the *kaya* or the durian Swiss rolls, the full-bodied layers of cream or durian flesh will convince you that this cake shop truly lives up to its name.



MUST TRY

Kaya swiss roll

LOCAL SLANG

Kaya (coconut egg jam)

📍 24 Kandahar Street
🕒 Mon - Sat : 9:00am - 5:00pm
Closed on Sundays
🚶 5-min walk
☎ T: 6294 3324



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Hop on a magic carpet ride for a thirst-quenching Arabian night in Singapore. Fly down to oases at Arab Street for your beverage of choice—from a glass of Moroccan mint tea or even a cocktail named after you.

Blu Jaz Cafe

Come for the live music, stay for the *makan* and company. The bar snacks and drinks menu will not take long to figure out, but choose your seating area wisely as each of the sections - the dining and alfresco area on the ground floor, bar and dance floor on the second floor, and lounge on the third floor - offers a different vibe.

MUST TRY

Apple crumble

LOCAL SLANG

Makan (food or eat)

📍 11 Bali Lane
 🕒 Mon - Thu : 12:00noon - 1:00am
 Fri : 12:00noon - 2:00am
 Sat : 3:00pm - 2:00am
 Closed on Sundays
 🚶 4-min walk
 ☎ T: 6292 3800



Bar Stories

Feeling *sian* after a long tiring day? Head down to this quirky bar located amidst the rows of shophouses at the hip Haji Lane. Their no menu approach will definitely lighten up your mood as you get served with your own custom drink!

MUST TRY

Ask for a special cocktail

LOCAL SLANG

Sian (bored or frustrated)

- 📍 55/57A Haji Lane
🕒 Sun - Thu : 4:00pm - 1:00am
Fri & Sat : 4:00pm - 2:00am
🚶 3-min walk
☎ T : 6298 0838



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Maison Ikkoku Cocktail Bar

In this part of Bugis, grab your *kakis* and head over to this intimate café that offers quality coffee by day and amazing cocktails by night. Head up to the second floor and enjoy a heartfelt conversation over a handcrafted cocktail mixed especially for you.

MUST TRY

Cocktail handcrafted by the mixologist

LOCAL SLANG

Kakis (close friends or buddies)

- 📍 Level 2, 20 Kandahar Street
🕒 Sun - Thu : 4:00pm - 1:00am
Fri & Sat : 4:00pm - 2:00am
🚶 5-min walk
☎ T : 6294 0078



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PLAY

Test your bargaining skills at this popular shopping strip in Singapore. It will be worth your while to compete with other shopping enthusiasts to get the best value for your dollar. If you can't find it here, it'd be tough finding a better deal elsewhere.

Arab Street




Visit the many small shops on Arab Street that sell everything from Persian carpets to lace, *kain batik*, semi-precious stones and an assortment of handicrafts. You are sure to find a unique buy in this little piece of Singapore's Middle East.

MUST SEE

Exquisite fabrics on display

LOCAL SLANG

Kain batik (traditional wax-resist dyeing technique applied to cloth)

-  Arab Street
-  Stores vary; best to head down between 12:00noon - 7:00pm
-  1-min walk



Haji Lane

Discover Haji Lane, a street away from the Sultan Mosque, a charming street that is a dream come true for both fashionistas and foodies alike. Stocked with independent boutiques, stylishly cool second-hand clothing stores and quirky food outlets, this is *confirm chop* one of the best one-stop spots to shop and dine in Singapore.



MUST SEE

Street art on the walls

LOCAL SLANG

Confirm chop (guarantee)



Haji Lane



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2-min walk

Bugis Street

Let Bugis Street meet your every shopping need with its wide selection of merchandise that caters to shoppers lucky enough to find themselves in this shopping haven. Having undergone a new facelift and several upgrading phases, Bugis Street currently houses about 800 shops, which makes it the largest street shopping location in Singapore. Get your bags ready to *borong* it all!

MUST SEE

Korean-themed shops on Level 2

LOCAL SLANG

Borong (local Malay slang for excessive spending)



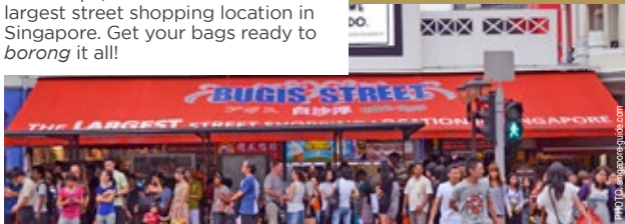
3 New Bugis Street



11:00am - 10:00pm



6-min walk



When you are done with the shops, spend some time to take in the rich heritage of the arts and heritage district in Singapore's civic centre. Besides being a shopping paradise, Bugis also houses several architectural sites that preserve the culture of days past in Singapore.

Malay Heritage Centre

Trace the history and material culture of the Singapore Malays as well as their contributions towards nation-building. Built 160 years ago by Sultan Ali, the son of Sultan Hussein Shah, the Istana Kampong Glam is home to the Malay Heritage Centre. *Jalan-jalan* through the sprawling grounds to explore the artefacts, murals and multimedia displays across nine galleries.

MUST SEE

English guided tours available on these timings (Tue - Fri : 11:00am, Sat & Sun : 2:00pm)

LOCAL SLANG

Jalan-jalan (sight-see)

- 📍 85 Sultan Gate
- 🕒 Tue - Sun : 10:00am - 6:00pm
- 🕒 Last admission at 5:30pm
- 🕒 Closed on Mon
- 🚶 7-min walk
- ☎ T: 6391 0450



Masjid Sultan

Pay a visit to one of Singapore's most impressive religious buildings - *Masjid Sultan*. Its massive golden dome formed out of many glass bottles collected by devotees is a great sight to behold. Be sure to check out the main prayer hall that can hold up to 5,000 worshippers. Please dress conservatively and remember to remove your footwear before entering the prayer hall.







MUST SEE

Dome base formed out of glass bottles

LOCAL SLANG

Masjid Sultan (Sultan Mosque)

-  3 Muscat Street
-  Sat - Thu : 10:00am - 12:00pm/
2:00pm - 4:00pm
- Fri : 2:30pm - 4:00pm
-  3-min walk
-  T: 6293 4405



Jamal Kazura Aromatics

Learn about smells and create your own signature scent. Stocked with a dazzling array of fragrances from the Middle East, France, India and beyond, this scent shop specialises in alcohol-free Arabic perfumes. Simply inform the perfume maker of your favourite smells and the type of occasion you will be wearing the perfume for, and a scent will be crafted for you for a small fee.

MUST SEE

Glass shelves lined with vials of natural oils from around the world

-  21 Bussorah Street
-  Mon - Fri : 10:00am - 7:00pm
- Sat & Sun : 10:00am - 6:30pm
-  3-min walk
-  T: 6293 2350



SINGAPORE SLANG

9 Singlish (Singaporean English) words to get you started.

LAH

Used at the end of sentences to indicate tone of anger or agreement
e.g. Yes lah... / Yes lah!

LEH

Used at the end of sentences to sound more placating in a disagreement or to persuade
e.g. No leh... / Yes leh, he did leh. / Go leh.

LOR

Used at the end of sentences to agree or give in
e.g. Ok lor. / Go lor.

MEH

Used questioningly
e.g. No meh? / Yes meh?

WAH

Exclamation to express shock or disappointment
e.g. Wah lao! / Wah lao...
How could he do that?

ALAMAK

Exclamation to express when one makes a mistake
e.g. Alamak, I forgot my passport!

PAISEH

Sorry; used to express embarrassment or apology
e.g. Paiseh, I didn't mean to knock into you.

SIAO

Crazy
e.g. Siao! That's daylight robbery.

SHIOK

Tastes or feels good
e.g. This burger/massage is so shiok!

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

WE HOPE YOU DON'T HAVE TO CALL.

Police : 999
Traffic Police : 6547 0000
Police Hotline : 1800 2250000

Fire & Ambulance
995

Non-Emergency Ambulance
1777

Nearest Hospital
Raffles Hospital
585 North Bridge Rd
Singapore 188770
Main Line (24 hours): 6311 1555

QUEEN ST

KANDAHAR ST

ARAB ST

MUSCAT ST

VICTORIA ST

HAJI LN

BALI LN

BAGHDAD ST

NORTH BRIDGE RD

ROCHOR RD



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