

Pearl of the Peranakan Orient (Walking Tour)

Validity: 01 Feb 2023 – 30 Sep 2023

Tour Summary

Day & Time

Every Saturday
09:30am – 12:30pm (3 hours)

Location

Outside Toast Box at City Square
Mall, 180 Kitchener Road, #01-43
(Farrer Park MRT Station)

*Please be at the meeting point 10 minutes
before tour schedule*

Tour Price

Please email us for pricing
from 2 to go (maximum 12 pax)

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Itinerary

The Peranakan people, sometimes referred to as the Straits Chinese or Straits-born Chinese, are an ethnic group defined by their genealogical descent from the first waves of Southern Chinese settlers to maritime Southeast Asia. Peranakan culture, especially in the dominant Peranakan centres of Malacca, Singapore, Penang and Medan, is characterized by its unique hybridization of ancient Chinese culture with the local cultures of the Nusantara region, the result of a centuries-long history of transculturation and interracial marriage. Singapore is arguably the crown of the Peranakans!

On this journey through surviving relics and modern day iterations of Peranakan culture, you get to experience an incredible amount of nostalgia, good conversation, the melodious Peranakan patois (a charming blend of Hokkien and Malay), and perhaps if you're lucky, catch a whiff of the bunga rampay (a potpourri of shredded pandan leaves and flower petals topped with safflower oil)!

We begin our journey on a leisurely morning stroll exploring the Peranakan gems hidden in plain sight around Singapore city. Discover 19th-century Peranakan houses around Petain Road and Neil Road which have been restored to their former glory. Bask in the incredibly stylish architecture, furnishings, and the intricately painted ceramic tiles of yesteryear.

We will then take you to Emerald Hill, a tiny hilly enclave which is both petite and picturesque. The Emerald Hill area highlights historic architectural styles and many of the colourful shophouses are adorned with traditional Peranakan touches. This area is also populated with a handful of really interesting bars which occupy the old shophouses. Your guide walks you through them and you'll get the chance to carry on your own journey from here on whether to a bar or onto Orchard Road!



Tour Timings

09.30am – 10.15am: **Petain Road Houses and History**

10.15am – 10.30am: **MRT ride to Outram Station**

10.45am – 11.40am: **Neil Road**

11.45am – 12.00pm: **MRT ride to Somerset Station**

12:00pm – 12.30pm: **Emerald Hill and Orchard Rd History**



Inclusions

- 2 way MRT rides
- English speaking guide

Exclusions

- Gratuities for guide

Remarks

- Tour will be conducted by English speaking guide
- Everyone must wear masks at all time for public transport
- Wear comfortable shoes for walking as this is a walking tour
- This tour has many photo-taking opportunities but watch out for traffic as some roads/streets are narrowed
- In the event of closure of any place/places of visitation in the itinerary, we reserve the right to replace with alternative place / places
- There is a shopping stop as part of an experience and it is not your typical tourist shop (nobody gets commission). But a stop that your grandma, uncles or aunties will enjoy shopping for old schools' kitchen wares.

For booking enquires email us on

resv@thetraveller.sg

Conditions

- Prices are in Singapore dollar, nett on per person basis
- No refund for last minute cancellation within 36 hours and no shows.
- Tours are non-refundable once confirmed
- Rates are subject to change with two weeks' notice (should local attractions increase their rates)
- ^ Advance booking is required for the tour

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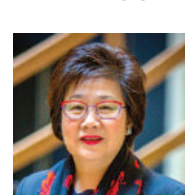
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We look forward to hear from you and sincerely hope that we can render our services in Singapore and Malaysia.

With Best Regards,



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