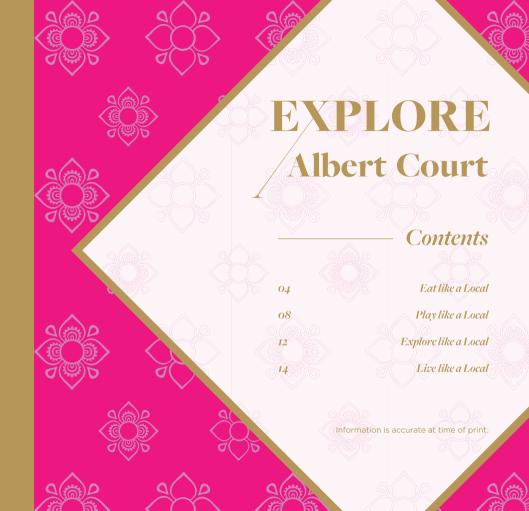
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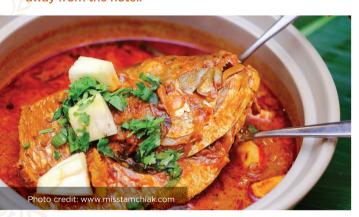
From our friendly Village Chief -Hairul Bin Anis

"Singapore is a vibrant tapestry of cultures, and there's no better place to experience it than Little India, located just a stone's throw away from our hote!

To help you delve deeper into this fascinating neighbourhood, we've created a special guide filled with insider tips. This handy resource will be your key to "Living like a Local" and exploring the exciting mix of food, retail and recreational options waiting to be discovered."



Embark on a gastronomical adventure by visiting the many culinary gems, ranging from Indian curries to meltin-your-mouth Chinese desserts, located just minutes away from the hotel.



Muthu's Curry 14-min walk

Feast to your heart's content at this household name that serves a wide range of mouthwatering North and South Indian dishes, such as fish head curry, *naan*, *tandoori* chicken, and chicken *tikka*.

MUST TRY

Fish Head Curry

LOCAL SLANG

Naan (leavened, oven-baked flatbread), Tandoori (roasted chicken prepared with yogurt and spices), Tikka (pieces of marinated meat usually served as an appetiser)





★ 4-min walk

Belachan Fried Rice or Black Pepper Beef? Order a bottle of Tiger Beer to go along with, and satisfy yourself at this restaurant which has a long history passed down through generations.

MUST TRY

Homemade Tofu











Komalas Vilas 10-min walk

Savour the flavours of South and North Indian vegetarian cuisine as you feast on sumptuous thali meals, delicious dosais and aromatic South Indian chai in a lively authentic setting.



MUST TRY

Thali, Masala Chai

LOCAL SLANG

Dosais (Indian pancake made from fermented batter), Masala Chai (flavourful black tea brewed with milk and a mixture of Indian spices like ginger, cardamom and cinnamon)



Rochor Original Beancurd

★ 3-min walk

Try the famous silky smooth beancurd, a popular local sweet dessert made from soya beans and enjoyed by the young and old alike. Have it hot or cold and add *you tiao* for maximum deliciousness!

MUST TRY

Beancurd paired with a "Butterfly" Fritter

LOCAL SLANG

You Tiao (fried dough fritter)

3 Meals a Day

★ 5-min walk

Imagine sizzling woks filled with succulent meats, crisp vegetables, and bold sauces, all cooked to perfection right before your eyes. Whether you're craving a classic sweet and sour pork or a spicy sambal kang kong, this zi char stall packs a punch of flavor without breaking the bank.

MUST TRY

Salted egg chicken rice

LOCAL SLANG

Tze Char (a type of Singaporean eatery that serves affordable, home-style Chinese dishes)











Get the best bang for your buck from the myriad of shopping venues in Little India that will leave you spoilt for choice with their exciting variety of local keepsakes.



Mustafa Centre

↑ 17-min walk

For those after a bargain and who enjoy shopping late into the wee hours, this is the one-stop megamall for you. Find the best deals on just about everything here, including clothes, perfumes, electronics and even groceries!

MUST SEE

Think of any product category (e.g. chocolates) and check out the sheer variety!

Arab Street 13-min walk

Visit Arab Street, Singapore's little Middle East that sells everything from Persian carpets to an assortment of handicrafts. Hop over to Haji Lane, a charming street that is stocked with independent boutiques, *stylo milo* thrift stores, and quirky food outlets.

LOCAL SLANG

Stylo milo (Singlish term which means 'stylish, fashionable')













Bugis Street ↑ 7-min walk

With 800 shops, Bugis Street is the largest street shopping location in Singapore, that will meet your every shopping need. A preferred locale for the local *kiasu* looking for the best buys.



LOCAL SLANG

Kiasu (anxious not to miss an opportunity)

City Square Mall

↑ 19-min walk

Meet, play and shop at City Square Mall, which boasts a wide array of value-for-money merchandise and services, exciting promotional activities and international cuisine. This family-friendly 'town-centre' also has an eco-playground, interactive play fountain and free kiddy cabs. Wah!



LOCAL SLANG

Wah! (Singlish term to express delight or surprise)

Bugis Junction

★ 9-min walk

Shop to your heart's content at this one-stop shopping mall which is pretty much bao ka liao; fashion, beauty, lifestyle, and dining options at every turn.

LOCAL SLANG

Bao ka liao (all encompassing)











Enrich your stay by discovering the unique art, culture and heritage of Singapore through the various temples and galleries located around Albert Court.



Sri Veeramakaliamman Temple

🟌 14-min walk

Built in 1855 and extensively refurbished over the years, discover this landmark Hindu temple in Little India which displays classic Dravidian architecture and colourful statues of deities. Check out the temple at its liveliest during each of the four daily *puja* sessions.

MUST SEE

LOCAL SLANG

Puja Sessions

Puja (Prayer)

Kwan Im Thong Hood Cho Temple

🕏 8-min walk

Get blessings from the Goddess of Mercy in one of the oldest temples in Singapore. The temple is popular with the Chinese community and is believed to bring worshippers good fortune.

MUST SEE

LOCAL SLANG

Devotees seeking divination in the main hall

Huat Ah (Chinese calls of prosperity)

National Museum of Singapore

★ 15-min walk

Visit one of Singapore's architectural icons which is also the city's oldest museum. Housing cutting-edge galleries with immersive and interactive exhibitions, learn about the story of Singapore in a venue that redefines the conventional museum experience.













Exclamation to

express when one

makes a mistake

Eg. Alamak, I forgot mv passport!

The Village Guide to SINGLISH

Singlish is a language unique to Singapore, which blends elements of English, Chinese, Malay and Tamil. It is a central expression of the cultural and historical background of Singapore.

Try incorporating some of these Singlish words into your conversations to speak like a local!

Leh

Used at the end of sentences to disagreement or to persuade

Shiok

Order drinks like a Local

Singapore has a well-established kopitiam (coffee shop) culture that many locals hold close to their hearts.

Kopi in Singapore is made from Robusta beans, which have on average 83% more caffeine than standard arabica coffee! The beans are roasted in a wok with butter or margarine with sugar, enhancing the coffee's flavour.

You may notice quirky practices, particularly during order takings for beverages. Here is a guide to acquaint you with some of the unique terms Singaporeans use when ordering their preferred drink!









Sugar













Teh Halia

Kopi O Kopi Gao







Teh Tarik

Kopi C

Kopi C Kosong



Milo Dinosaur



Dai



Kopi Siew Kopi Gah Dai





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Directions to Village Hotel Albert Court

Train

DT13 Rochor (3-min walk)

■ Bus

▲ 857, NR6, 1N, 2N, 3N, 4N, 5N, 6N, 56, 64, 65, 131, 139, 147 and 166

A Car/Taxi

10 mins from the city centre 20 mins from Changi Airport

Taxi hotline

+65 6552 1111 Comfort Taxi SMRT Taxi +65 6555 8888 Limousine Cab +65 6535 3534

EMERGENCY NUMBERS



Opening Hours

Komalas Vilas

am - 10.30pm 9 76 - 78 Serangoon Rd

Rochor Original Beancurd

Sun - Thurs : 10.30am - 11.30pm Fri - Sat : 10.30am - 12.30am

2 Short St

Muthu's Curry

10.30am - 10.30pm 9 138 Race Course Rd

Wing Seong Fatty's Restaurant

Tues - Sun: 11.45am - 2pm, 4.45pm - 9pm

o 175 Bencoolen St. #01-31 **Burlington Square**

3 Meals a Day

9am - 7.45pm Q 1 Rochor Canal Rd #02-01

Bugis Street

10am - 10pm

3 New Bugis St

City Square Mall

10am - 10pm

9 180 Kitchener Rd

Bugis Junction

10am - 10pm 200 Victoria St

Arab Street

Opening hours of shops vary: best to head down between 12pm - 7pm

O Arab St

Sri Veeramakaliamman Temple

5.30am - 12pm, 5 - 9pm

141 Serangoon Rd

Kwan Im Thong Hood Cho Temple

A 7am - 6.30pm Every 1st & 15th day on lunar months: 6am - 7pm

9 178 Waterloo St

National Museum of Singapore

10am - 6.30pm 93 Stamford Rd

Mustafa Centre

24 hours

Q 145 Syed Alwi Rd

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