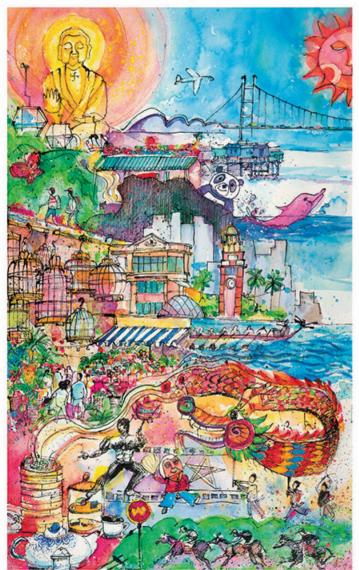
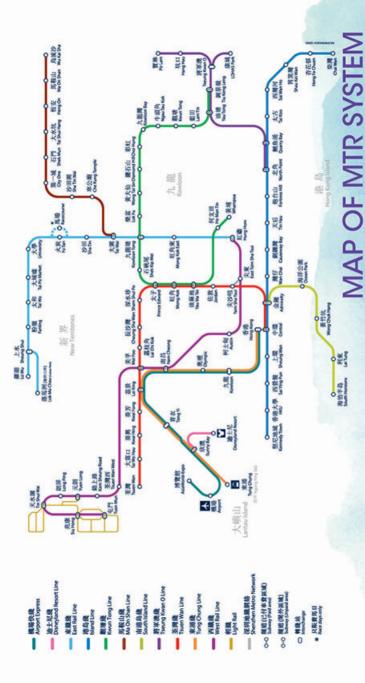
# DISCOVER HONG KONG A Traveller's Guide









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# INTRODUCTION

Hong Kong is extraordinary.

A bustling metropolis endowed with natural beauty; a city where rich Chinese tradition coexists with cutting-edge global trends; a place where the ancient and modern live side by side.

Admire the stunning skyline and get lost in the city streets, or hike through the early morning countryside and spend the day relaxing on an idyllic beach. Load up on souvenirs in local street markets or shop for the latest fashions at upscale malls. Indulge in local cuisine at affordable dim sum spots or splash out at extravagant world-renowned restaurants.

This guide will get you started. With a wide-ranging overview of Hong Kong's countless options, you can discover the best the city has to offer, broken down into easy-to-use sections. It will also direct you to practical online resources that offer in-depth travel information, trip-planning support, off-thebeaten-path guides and all the latest happenings in Hong Kong.

So, read on to get acquainted with an extraordinary city. And get ready for an extraordinary travel experience!









#### Hong Kong's leading shopping mall Harbour City

Located in the heart of Hong Kong and next to Victoria Harbour, Harbour City is a leading shopping mall in Hong Kong housing over 450 shops of all kinds, more than 50 food & beverage outlets, an art gallery, 3 hotels and cruise terminal.

With more than 15 international fashion flagship stores on Canton Road and many other leading luxury brands, Harbour City is also a huge kid's paradise with over 40 children shops and boutiques including the Toys "R" Us Flagship Store in Asia. We also have Michelin-recommended restaurants and over 20 harbour view restaurants, ensuring visitors from all over the world enjoy an incredible one-stop shopping, dining and entertainment experience.

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#### Access

10-minute walk from MTR Tsim Sha Tsui station (Exit A1) or East Tsim Sha Tsui station (Exit L5) to Harbour City 7-minute ride from Central or Wan Chai Star Ferry Pier to Tsim Sha Tsui Pier













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#### Catch the Skyline

It's the one feature of the city that you can't ignore, with its towering skyscrapers, traditional low-rise buildings and futuristic light displays. Take it in strolling down Kowloon's Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade, get a bird's-eye view from The Peak, or simply admire it cocktail-in-hand at a harbourfront hotel. Whichever you choose, look up at exactly 8pm, when the 'A Symphony of Lights' light show takes over the skyscrapers. Blending classical music with immense illumination, the outdoor show is best enjoyed on board the Star Ferry's Harbour Tour, sailing through the harbour on a traditional ship with an open-air viewing deck.

#### Climb the Peak

Reach for the highest point on Hong Kong Island by ascending The Peak. It's the one absolute must-visit during your trip, with plenty for you to enjoy from up top. Take an all-encompassing look from a mountaintop perspective — The Peak Tower and The Peak Galleria have impressive observation decks. But that's only the tip of the thrills: don't miss the restaurants filled with international flavours, chic stores packed with local handicrafts, and the Peak Tram, a century-old funicular that climbs up at incredibly steep gradients. Nature lover? Try the leisurely Peak Circle Walk for sweeping vistas as well as secluded pavillions and parks.



#### **Eat Local**

Eat like a local and dish out on Hong Kong's many native flavours. Start your morning with dim sum, with options suited to every budget: from affordable all-day restaurants to highend offerings in 'tycoon canteens'. For lunch, try a worker-style experience at a dai pai dong (streetside restaurant) or cha chaan teng (Hong Kong-style diner), each serving simple congee, beef brisket and siu mei (roast meat with rice or noodles). Finally for dinner, experience a modern take on classic Cantonese at a contemporary restaurant, or sample island seafood fare at a scenic spot: Lamma Island is noted for ocean-fresh offerings, while Aberdeen is lined with alfresco restaurants.

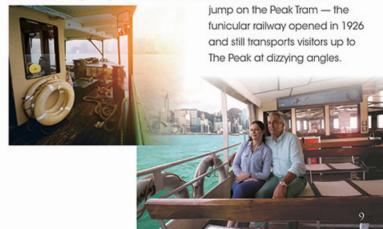






#### **Ride the Past**

Take a trip back through time, by riding an old-fashioned form of transportation. Start your journey on a historic tram: the street cars have been running since 1904. Board at Shau Kei Wan, grab a window seat and soak up sights along the way, including Causeway Bay's shopping streets, Wan Chai's retro-architecture and Admiralty's skyscrapers. Disembark at Central and hop aboard the Star Ferry, which has been carrying passengers across the harbour since 1888. The sea air, spectacular harbour views, wooden seating and rumbling engines combine to create this iconic Hong Kong experience. Finally, head back to Central and





#### **Shop Till You Drop**

Make sure you have plenty of extra luggage space, as Hong Kong truly is a perfect retail destination. Kick off your spending spree at a shopping mall: indoor havens featuring everything from high-end ready-to-wear to high-street accessories. If you're searching for something a little more home-grown, Causeway Bay's mini-malls feature independent Asian labels. Looking for something truly rare? Antique aficionados will love Cat Street, while retro-electronic addicts can geek out on Apliu Street. During the evening, visit a night market — on Temple Street, you can bargain over Chinese jewellery and other local trinkets. Not far from it, Ladies' Market is a late-night paradise for fashion steals and souvenirs.







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#### **Get Festive**

Year's.

No matter which month you visit, you're guaranteed a festive time. In town during Chinese New Year? You'll be astonished at the change the city sees, with bright red lanterns, float-filled parades, massive markets selling auspicious foods and a New Year-themed fireworks display. But there's plenty more: Arts Month will keep you cultured during March, with international works at Art Basel and local talent showcased during the Hong Kong Arts Festival. April and May events include the vibrant Birthday of Tin Hau and the Cheung Chau Bun Festival, while the annual summertime Dragon Boat Carnival in June features athletic prowess and revelling crowds. End your year on a high note, with Western celebrations Halloween, Christmas and New



#### **Take On Traditions** Embrace Hona Kona's

fascinating heritage and culture. Pay your respects at the city's most historic temples: come bearing requests at the immense Sik Sik Yuen Wong Tai Sin Temple, which promises to 'make every wish come true', and light incense at Sheung Wan's striking Man Mo Temple. Visit a Qing dynasty (1644–1911) Mandarin's mansion, learn how to appreciate Chinese tea and discover which parts of the city are high in *feng shui* energy. Finally, keep yourself educated with a museum hop: both the Museum of History and the Hong Kong Heritage Museum

send you on century-charting journeys.

#### Have an Adventure

Escape the concrete jungle and get your adrenaline flowing. Whether you have children in tow or are just a kid at heart, two major theme parks will keep everyone entertained. Ocean Park is a home-grown affair: head up to Thrill Mountain for exhilarating rides, and then catch giant pandas, sharks and other animals in the park's enclosures. The city also has its very own Disneyland, where you can embark on an exciting journey through seven themed lands, filled with beauty, excitement and Disney characters,

and revel in the spectacular glow of the Disney Paint the Night parade in the evening. Finally, try a

Kong Wetland Park is a 60-hectare

more natural adventure: the Hong

reserve where you can
watch wildlife, while you can
explore Hong Kong's protected
countryside on a variety of hikes
for all levels.





#### **Island Hop**

Get out of the city and visit one of the many outlying islands. Make Lantau Island your first stop. Here, the celebrated Tian Tan 'Big Buddha' statue sits atop its peak, easily accessible via the Ngong Ping 360 cable car. But there's plenty more, including the traditional Tai O fishing village and its Heritage Hotel, quiet white-sand beaches and alfresco restaurants in Discovery Bay. Looking for something even more serene? Visit the vehicle-free islands of Lamma and Cheung Chau — hire bicycles and zip around traditional villages, old-time shops, rustic temples and inviting beaches, before finishing your day with a delicious alfresco seafood meal.

#### Be a Good Sport

Experience sporting thrills through unique spectator events. Horse racing is the city's pastime — experience the buzzing atmosphere, massive cheers, and huge rewards at the city's two racecourses. Join the crowds every Wednesday evening at Happy Valley, or take a weekend gamble on

Sha Tin's daytime affair. Catch local-themed thrills during the summertime Dragon Boat Races, where rowers race mythically shaped vessels. In April, the Rugby Sevens sees international teams and thousands of fans descend upon the city for an electrifying weekend. Tickets are hard to come by, but you can savour the energy at the Sevens Village opposite the stadium and the carnival at Chater Garden in Central.



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### **HOW TO GET THERE**

#### **Apliu Street**

Apliu Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon MTR Sham Shui Po Station, Exit C2

#### Big Buddha

A Naona Pina, Lantau Island MTR Tung Chung Station, Exit B. Naona Pina Cable Car, which takes around 25 minutes. Then walk for around 10 minutes to the monastery.

#### **Cat Street**

- A Hollywood Road and Upper Lascar Road, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit D2. Turn right onto Theatre Lane and walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center. Then take the Central-Mid-Levels Escalator to Hollywood Road.

#### Cheung Chau

- ♠ Cheung Chau Island
- 9 Take the ferry from Central Pier 5 (fast ferries take 35 minutes and ordinary ferries take 60 minutes).

#### Discovery Bay

- ♠ Discovery Bay Island
- Take a ferry to Discovery Bay (25) minutes) from Central Pier 3.

#### **Happy Valley Racecourse**

- A Happy Valley Racecourse, Happy Valley, Hong Kong Island
- Sus 1, 8X, 19 or 117. Alight at Wong. Nai Chuna Road and walk for around 10 minutes towards the stadium.

#### Hong Kong Disneyland

- A Hong Kong Disneyland, Lantau Island
- MTR Disneyland Resort Station

#### Hong Kong Heritage Museum

- 1 Man Lam Road, Sha Tin, New
- MTR Che Kung Temple Station, Exit A. Walk for approximately five minutes along the footbridge until you reach the museum.

#### Hong Kong Museum of History

- ↑ 100 Chatham Road South, Tsim Sha Tsui East, Kowloon
- MTR East Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit P2. Walk along Chatham Road South for 10 minutes.

#### Hong Kong Wetland Park

- ♠ Wetland Park Road, Tin Shui Wai, New
- MTR West Rail Tin Shui Wai Station. Change to 705 or 706 Light Rail and alight at Tin Sau Station or Wetland Park Station. From here, follow the signs and walk for another five minutes.

#### Ladies' Market

↑ Tung Choi Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon MTR Mong Kok Station, Exit E2. Walk along Nelson Street for two blocks.

#### Lamma Island

- ↑ Lamma Island

   Take a ferry from Central Pier 4 to Yung Shue Wan (approximately 30 minutes).

#### Man Mo Temple

- ♠ 124-126 Hollywood Road, Sheuna Wan, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit D2 and turn right to Theatre Lane. Walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center Then take the Central-Mid-Levels Escalator to Hollywood Road.

#### Ngong Ping 360

- A Ngong Ping, Lantau Island
- MTR Tung Chung Station, Exit B. Walk for approximately five minutes to the Tung Chung Cable Car Terminal.

#### Ocean Park

A Wong Chuk Hang, Hong Kong Island MTR Admiralty Station, Exit B. Bus 629 to Ocean Park

#### The Peak

- A Mid-Levels, Hong Kong Island
- Peak Tram from the Lower Peak Tram Terminus on Garden Road (reach it by taking bus 15C from Central Pier 8)

#### **Peak Circle Walk**

- Lugard Road, Hong Kong Island Peak Tram from the Lower Peak Tram
- Terminus on Garden Road (reach it by taking bus 15C from Central Pier 8)

#### The Peak Galleria

- ♠ 118 Peak Road, The Peak, Hong Kong Island
- Peak Tram from the Lower Peak Tram Terminus on Garden Road (reach it by taking bus 15C from Central Pier 8)

#### The Peak Tower

- ♠ 128 Peak Road, Mid-Levels, Hona Kona Island
- Peak Tram from the Lower Peak Tram Terminus on Garden Road (reach it by taking bus 15C from Central Pier 8)

#### The Peak Tram

- ♠ Garden Road Peak Tram Lower Terminus, Hong Kong Island
- Sus 15C from Central Pier 8

#### **Sha Tin Racecourse**

- A Sha Tin Racecourse, Sha Tin, New Territories
- MTR Racecourse Station (Only open on race day)

#### Tai O

- A Tai O, Lantau Island
- MTR Tung Chung Station, Bus 11 to Tai O bus terminus (the journey takes approximately 50 minutes).

#### Tai O Heritage Hotel

- A Shek Tsai Po Street, Tai O, Lantau Island
- Walk for five minutes from the Tai O bus terminus to the Rope-drawn Ferry Bridge. Cross the bridge and walk along Tai O Market Street. Turn left to Shek Tsai Po Street and walk another 30 minutes to the street's end.

#### **Temple Street**

- Temple Street, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon

  MTR Yau Ma Tei Station, Exit C, turn
- onto Temple Street at Man Mina Lane

#### Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade

- ♠ Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station Exit E. Walk towards Salisbury Road then turn right, take subway (pedestrian tunnel) next to YWCA to Hong Kong Cultural Centre, then walk to the Star Ferry Pier.

#### Wong Tai Sin Temple

- ♠ 2 Chuk Yuen Village, Wong Tai Sin. Kowloon
- MTR Wong Tai Sin Station, Exit B2, walk for about three minutes



# Dining

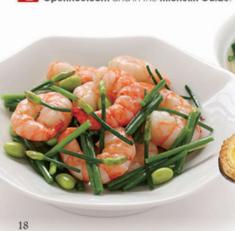
#### My Time for Indulgence

Breakfast on Michelin-starred dim sum; grab a tasty on-the-go taco for lunch; and have a celebrity chef prepare seafood ceviche for your dinner — just one possible day for your taste buds in Hong Kong.

As one of the world's culinary capitals, the city's dining culture is an immense, irresistible medley of varying cuisines, memorable venues and prices to suit all budgets. As a result, Hong Kong attracts everyone from travelling foodies to the world's best chefs, and some of your best memories will be of the city's flavours.







#### Star-studded Dishes

Indulge in star-studded gastronomy with the Hong Kong Michelin Guide. Get the most out of the city through expert advice from the world's finest diners. This year's guide awarded three stars to everything from jet-fresh sushi and classic French, to modern Italian and 'X-treme' Chinese. On a budget? Affordable Michelin indulgence is guaranteed through such inexpensive options as lunchboxes and dim sum.







#### **China Calling**

As the gateway to China, Hong Kong is an ideal place to explore the country's many flavours. Risk the fiery spices of Sichuan, sit down to a banquet of capital Beijing tastes, or try out bargain-priced Chiu Chow flavours. Or keep things local with homegrown Cantonese cuisine: everything from old-fashioned dim sum and stylish, modern offerings to affordable roast meat restaurants.





#### Native Flavours

Take a cue from the locals and dine at a cheap-and-cheerful everyday restaurant. Dai pai dongs are street-side outdoor stalls, while cha chaan tengs are a local type of diner. Order a Hong Kong favourite, including congee, wonton noodles or roast meat with rice. Pair it all with milk tea or yuenyeung (coffeetea mix), and end things with a delicious pineapple bun.







#### **Culinary Affairs**

Feast on world-class food and drink through our annual culinary events. If you're fortunate enough to be here during summer, the Best of the Best Culinary Awards showcases the city's finest Chinese cuisine, while the Food Expo attracts gastronomic connoisseurs and the Lan Kwai Fong Beer & Music Fest caters to those who enjoy a good tipple. Visiting in autumn? The outdoor Wine & Dine Festival sees global winemakers descend upon the city. Finally, warm up with European flavours during winter at the German Bierfest.



#### **Gastro Glamour**

Take in stunning sights and chic atmospheres, along with wonderful cuisine, at some of the city's most distinctive restaurants. Experience vertigo-inducing thrills in skyscraper bars and restaurants. Or soak up striking views from either side of the harbour. There are also plenty of establishments that draw on the city's mixed heritage to offer stylish surroundings for a retro-glamorous rendezvous.



#### **Champion Chefs**

Go gastro-namedropping in Hong Kong. The world's greatest culinary names have been inspired by the city's distinctive cultural mix, and diners can personally enjoy each chef's distinctive skills. Haute cuisine is offered by such notables as Alain Ducasse, Pierre Gagnaire, Richard Ekkebus, Jason Atherton and Hong Kong's very own 'Demon Chef' Alvin Leung. Meanwhile, TV favourites Gordon Ramsay and Jamie Oliver recently opened Hong Kong outposts.





#### **Old-Fashioned Fare**

Experience a true blast from the past with a restaurant steeped in history. Travel back in time in one of the many Britishstyle restaurants that have been holding fort since the colonial period, or taste period Cantonese dishes at a long-running Chinese restaurant.

Age-old favourites can be found all around town — some have even evolved from humble street stalls into internationally renowned brands.

#### Seasonal Dishes

There's always a seasonal dish to be sampled in Hong Kong, from asparagus in the spring through to hearty hot pots and snake soups during the winter. Autumn is the true highlight though, when it's hairy crab season.



#### Dim Sum Culture

Dim sum is Hong Kong's breakfast staple and if you're lacking the lingo, try out these phrases: har gow (shrimp dumplings), siu mai (pork and shrimp dumplings), char siu bao (barbecue pork bun) and cheung fun (rice rolls).





# Shopping

#### My Time for Rewards

Hong Kong is the ultimate shopping destination. Whether you're looking for high-end couture or locally made crafts, unique electronics or street-sold souvenirs, the city has it all. Visit massive malls where all your needs can be catered for, get fitted for a perfectly measured suit at a fine tailor, and roam night markets for true bargains. Your shopping options are endless and the things you bring back home will be as treasured as the experience of buying them. Here are some highlights of the city's many shopping options.

Check out "What's Hot" at DiscoverHongKong.com and get the Hong Kong Insider's Guide tablet app for shopping recommendations!



#### **Under One Roof**

Beat the heat and experience a variety of shopping mall thrills. Start your day at ifc mall and Times Square, two of the city's most popular, and then head across the harbour for shopping bag adventures at Kowloon's Elements and the immense Harbour City. Top it all off with something upscale: the Landmark features high-end stores, while 1881 Heritage is a colonial-era police headquarters converted into an outdoor shopping mall.

#### **Bargain Brands**

Find true bargains at outlet stores. Journey to Tung Chung, where the Citygate Outlets mall offers incredible savings. Get lost in its blend of high-end names at bargain-basement prices, with over 80 international brands constantly offering up to 70 per cent in savings. On Hong Kong Island, Horizon Plaza has warehouses of top-end fashion retailers, along with quality furniture and dining outlets.



#### **High Society**

Go on a spending spree and shop in the world's most prestigious designer stores. Start on Tsim Sha Tsui's Canton Road, the city's hottest spot for pure style, where crowds form around the block to enter vaulted stores. Looking for a more relaxed but equally swank affair? Visit Hysan Avenue on Hong Kong Island, absolutely brimming with the world's most elegant brands.



#### Street Style

Visit dozens of dedicated shopping streets, each focused on specific products. Load up on antiques at Cat Street and grab old-fashioned toys from Tai Yuen Street. Retro-electronic fans will love Apliu Street, shoe addicts won't be able to resist 'Sneaker Street' and jewellery fans will find trinkets on 'Jade Street'. And while you won't take them home, the neighbouring 'Bird Garden', 'Flower Market' and 'Goldfish Market' are



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Bay's Jardine's

Crescent, each packed with everything from colourful lingerie to affordable accessories. Spend a day at Stanley Market, where you can find all sizes in clothes as well as chinoiserie gifts. Finish at the night bazaars: you'll find every Hong Kong keepsake at Temple Street and Ladies' Market, from colonial antiques to souvenir t-shirts. And take the Kowloon Markets Walk tour (see DiscoverHongKong.com), which leads you through the city's best.

Stock Markets
Shop in the
open-air at
Hong Kong's
many outdoor
markets. Start at
Central's Li Yuen
Street lanes

or Causeway





Get yourself measured and look like a million dollars with a bespoke suit. Hong Kong's esteemed history of suit-making is more than alive at the many tailors around the city, and you'll find the biggest selection in Tsim Sha Tsui. Pressed for time? Many will put together a men's or women's two-piece in under 24 hours, while others cater to budget buyers through suit packages. Or visit a hotel tailor for true refinement.

#### **Local Flair**

Bring home unique Hong Kong fashion from local designers. Get lost in the bustle of Causeway Bay and explore tightly packed stores at the local-centric Island Beverly Mall. Hipster at heart? Head to upand-coming Tai Ping Shan Street in Sheung Wan, where neighbouring lanes display European looks. If

your tastes run







#### Piece of the Past

Bring home a piece of Hong Kong's past.
Wander dusty stores and marvel at centuryold antiques on Sheung Wan's Hollywood
Road. For something more affordable but
no less Hong Kong, try arts and crafts:
roam the shops at Edwardian-era
building Western Market, while age-old
department stores are stocked with all
kinds of chinaware, jewellery and other
Oriental items.











#### **Gadget Gear**

Stock up on electronics and bring home unique gadgets. Both the Wan Chai Computer Centre and Sham Shui Po's Golden Computer Arcade are packed wall-to-wall with inexpensive laptops, smartphones and other quirky gadgets.

Shutterbug? Visit Central's Stanley Street or Mong Kok's Sai Yeung Choi Street, each go-to spots for professionals looking for classic film or modern digital shooters.



# **HOW TO GET THERE**

#### 1881 Heritage

- 2A Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit E, walk towards Salisbury Road, turn right, take subway (pedestrian tunnel) next to YMCA to 1881 Heritage

#### **Apliu Street**

Apliu Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon

MTR Sham Shui Po Station, Exit C2

#### Bird Garden

- Yuen Po Street, Prince Edward, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Prince Edward Station, Exit B1. Walk along Prince Edward Road West towards the Mong Kok Stadium for about 15 minutes.

#### **Canton Road**

- nton Road, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit E, walk towards Salisbury Road, turn right, take subway (pedestrian tunnel) next to YMCA to Canton Road

#### **Cat Street**

- Hollywood Road and Upper Lascar Road, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D2. Turn right onto Theatre Lane and walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center. Then take the Central—Mid-Levels Escalator to Hollywood Road.

#### Citygate Outlets

- 20 Tat Tung Road, Tung Chung, Outlying Islands
- MIR Tung Chung Station, Exit C

#### Elements

- 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- . MTR Kowloon Station, Exit C

#### Flower Market

- ♠ Flower Market Road, Prince Edward, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Prince Edward Station, Exit B1. Walk east along Prince Edward Road West until you reach the market.

#### Golden Computer Arcade

- ↑ 146-152 Fuk Wa Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Sham Shui Po Station, Exit D2. Walk along Kweilin Street for about two minutes and turn left onto Fuk Wing Street.

#### **Goldfish Market**

- Tung Choi Street North, Mong Kok, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Prince Edward Station, Exit B2. Walk east along Prince Edward Road West until you reach the market.

#### **Harbour City**

- ★ 3-27 Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit A1. Walk along Haiphong Road for approximately five minutes.

#### Hollywood Road

- Hollywood Road, Sheung Wan, Hong Kona Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D2. Turn right onto Theatre Lane and walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center. Then take the Central—Mid-Levels Escalator to Hollywood Road.

#### **Horizon Plaza**

- 2 Lee Wing Street, Ap Lei Chau, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Diamond Hill Station, Exit C2. From the bus terminus, take bus 671. Alight at Horizon Plaza and walk to Lee Wing Street.

#### Hysan Avenue

- ♠ Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit F. Walk for approximately two minutes.

#### ife mall

- ♠ 8 Finance Street, Central, Hong Kong Island
- Airport Express Hong Kong Station, Exit F

#### Island Beverly Mall

- ↑ 1 Great George Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit E

#### Jade Market

- 🏚 Kansu Street, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Yau Ma Tei Station, Exit C. Walk along Nathan Road to Kansu Street, then continue along Kansu Street until you reach the Jade Market.

#### Jardine's Crescent

- ♠ Jardine's Crescent, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit F

#### Ladies' Market

Tung Choi Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon MTR Mong Kok Station, Exit E2. Walk along Nelson Street for two blocks.

#### Landmark

- ↑ 15 Queen's Road Central, Central, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit G

#### Li Yuen Street

- ★ Li Yuen Street, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit C. Walk along Des Voeux Road Central towards Sheung Wan.

#### Sai Yeung Choi Street

- ♠ Sai Yeung Choi Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon
- MTR Mong Kok Station, Exit D3

#### **Sneakers Street**

- ♠ Fa Yuen Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Mong Kok Station, Exit D3. Walk along Argyle Street to Fa Yuen Street.

#### Stanley Market

- A Stanley New Street and Stanley Market Road, Stanley, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit F1. Walk to Jardine's Bazaar and then take minibus 40.

#### Stanley Street

- Stanley Street, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D2. Turn right onto Theatre Lane and walk up D'Aguilar Street towards Stanley Street.

#### Tai Ping Shan Street

- ↑ Tai Ping Shan Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Sheung Wan Station, Exit A2, go right and walk along Wing Lok Street before turning left onto Morrison Street. Cross Queen's Road Central and go up the steps of Tung Street. Keep going after crossing Hollywood Road, until you reach Tai Ping Shan Street. It's about a 12-minute walk.

#### Tai Yuen Street

- ↑ Tai Yuen Street, Wan Chai, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Wan Chai Station, Exit A3. Walk for around two minutes.

#### **Temple Street**

- Temple Street, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon

  MTR Yau Ma Tei Station, Exit C, turn
- onto Temple Street at Man Ming Lane.

#### **Times Square**

- 1 Matheson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit A

#### Wan Chai Computer Centre

- ↑ 130-138 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Wan Chai Station, Exit A2

#### **Western Market**

- ★ 323 Des Voeux Road Central, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong Island
- 9 MTR Sheung Wan Station, Exit B or C.



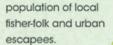
While many know Hong Kong as an urban destination, it is also home to large expanses of countryside as well as wilderness. Uniquely, these natural spaces are often in very close proximity to the bustling city, making for striking contrasts as well as convenient excursions. Take some time to discover Hong Kong's wild side: hike across hills to the beach and surf the waves of the surrounding seas. Cycle around far-flung parts of the city's edges and stop at a nature park to observe wildlife.

Get practical insights in the Great Outdoors section of

DiscoverHongKong.com and the Hong Kong Insider's Guide tablet app.

#### Island Escapes

Escape the city and explore Hong Kong's fascinating outlying islands. First stop: Lantau Island, featuring everything from Hong Kong Disneyland to historic sites. Next, spend your weekend on Cheung Chau, where you'll wander the busy main street, relax on a quiet beach and spend the evening eating traditional seafood. Or visit serene Lamma Island, a charming, laid-back island with a multicultural population of local





#### Small Wonders Dozens of smaller islands

are waiting to be explored.
Marvel at a reimagining of
Noah's Ark Hong Kong on Ma
Wan, or discover abandoned
industrial sites on Peng Chau.
Visit the local fishermen of
Po Toi Island or walk the
grassy hills of Tap
Mun.



Rest your city-sore feet by spending the day on a beach. Hong Kong Island and its neighbouring islets are outlined with sandy shores. Start off at Repulse Bay, a popular choice among locals. Or grab a taxi to Shek O or Big Wave Bay, both secluded escapes worshipped by surfers. Finally, explore an outlying island beach, from Lamma Island's tucked-away shores to Cheung Chau's rocky coasts and Lantau Island's white sands.

#### **Nature Walk**

Head for the hills and seek out hikes to Hong Kong's most beautiful sights. Start slow at the Dragon's Back, where you'll see such scenic spots as Stanley, Shek O and Tai Tam along the way. More challenging? Wake up early and hike up the Lantau Peak, where you'll catch a stunning sunrise. Or check out the guided hikes on DiscoverHongKong, com — there's everything from short treks near the city to more remote excursions to islands.



**Pedal Power** 

Get your legs moving and cycle around Hong Kong's outskirts. Start pedalling in Sha Tin along the Tolo Harbour, with rivers, parks and temples open to exploration. Nature lovers will adore Cheung Chau and Mui Wo, each lined with beach-side views and old-time villages. And for the full experience, try the Hong Kong Biking Tour (see DiscoverHongKong.com), journeying across Deep Water Bay, the Wetland Park and a walled village.

#### **Get Wet**

Take to the seas for an exhilarating aquatic adventure. Hong Kong's surrounding seas offer countless pleasures and you only have to visit a coastal part of the city for a dedicated water sports centre. Windsurf the bays of Cheung Chau, kayak along the coast in Tai Po, surf the wild waves of Sai Kung, or dive the rocky edges of Sharp Island.

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#### The Wild Side

Observe wildlife at Hong Kong's nature parks. Start at Hong Kong Wetland Park, where you'll encounter birds and reptiles. In town during spring or autumn? Watch migratory birds swarm for shelter at the Mai Po Nature Reserve. Avid snorkellers will love Hoi Ha Wan Marine Park, while rock buffs can see land formations at the Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark. Visit its Volcano Discovery Centre to find the best way to explore the Geopark. Have a family fun day at Kadoorie Farm & Botanic Garden, a historic site that pioneers organic growing methods.

#### Pink Dolphins

Hong Kong's most famous wild animal is the endangered pink dolphin. Catch a glimpse on the Dolphin-watching Tour, which sails around their north Lantau Island habitat.





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#### **Remote Restaurants**

Spend the day in the city's quieter neighbourhoods and dine in a friendly seafood restaurant. Visit Aberdeen's serene harbour and eat at Jumbo Floating Restaurant, a historic favourite that serves up ocean delights in palace-like surroundings. Looking for something a little less palatial? Ferry out to Lamma Island, where dozens of restaurants offer fish served alfresco against the island's chilled-out atmosphere.



#### **Park Life**

Enjoy true serenity right in the middle of the bustle by visiting a city park. Spend the day roaming Causeway Bay's Victoria Park: relax on the central lawn, or get sporty on the tennis courts. Culture awaits at Hong Kong Park – alongside fountains and ponds, you can visit the aviary, greenhouse and a tea museum. And relive history at Kowloon Park, a former army barracks with gardens and museums.



# **HOW TO GET THERE**

#### **Big Wave Bay**

- Big Wave Bay Road, Shek O, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Shau Kei Wan Station, Exit A3. Take bus 9 to Big Wave Bay Beach.

#### Cheung Chau

- A Cheuna Chau Island
- 9 Take the ferry from Central Pier 5 (fast ferries take 35 minutes and ordinary ferries take 60 minutes).

#### Deep Water Bay

♠ Deep Water Bay, Hong Kong Island . Take bus 6, 6A or 260 from Central Exchange Square.

#### Dragon's Back

- ↑ To Tei Wan, Shek O Road, Hong Kong
- .9 From MTR Shau Kei Wan Station, Exit A3, take bus 9 at Shau Kei Wan Bus Terminus to To Tei Wan, Shek O Road.

#### Hoi Ha Wan Marine Park

Hoi Ha Wan, Sai Kung, New Territories.
9 MTR Diamond Hill Station, Exit C2.
Take bus 92 or 96R (Sunday and public holidays only) to Sai Kung Town, then change to green minibus 7 to Hoi Ha Tsuen and walk to the marine park.

#### Hong Kong Disneyland

Hong Kong Disneyland, Lantau Island
MTR Disneyland Resort Station

#### Hong Kong Park

- ♠ 19 Cotton Tree Drive, Central, Hong Kona Island
- .9 MTR Admiralty Station, Exit C1. Follow the signs up the escalator to Hong Kong Park.

#### Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark (Volcano Discovery Centre)

- Sai Kung Waterfront Park, Wai Man Road, Sai Kung, New Territories (next to Sai Kung Bus Terminus)
- .9 From MTR Diamond Hill Station, Exit C2, take bus 92 to Sai Kung Bus Terminus then walk to the Centre.

#### Hong Kong Wetland Park

- ★ Wetland Park Road, Tin Shui Wai, New Territories
- .9 MTR West Rail Tin Shui Wai Station. Change to 705 or 706 Light Rail and alight at Tin Sau Station or Wetland Park Station. From here, follow the signs and walk for another five minutes.

#### Jumbo Restaurant

- Shum Wan Pier Drive, Aberdeen, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit A, then take bus 70 from the Exchange Square bus terminus

#### Kadoorie Farm & Botanic Garden

- Lam Kam Road, Tai Po, New Territories
- MTR Tai Wo Station, Exit A, then catch a taxi

#### Kowloon Park

- ↑ Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit A1

#### Lamma Island

- A Lamma Island
- Take a ferry from Central Pier 4 to Yung Shue Wan (approximately 30 minutes)

#### Lantau Peak

- A Lantau Island
- MTR Tung Chung Station, Exit B. At Tung Chung Ngong Ping Cable Car terminal take a 25-minute cable car ride to the Ngong Ping terminal. Then follow the signs and walk along the Lantau Trail for approximately 25 minutes.

#### Mai Po Nature Reserve

Mai Po, Yuen Long, New Territories

MTR Sheung Shui Station, Exit C.
Take bus 76K and alight at Mai
Po Station in Mai Po Village. Then
walk along Tam Kon Chau Road
for approximately 20 minutes to the
main entrance located at the car
park of the World Wide Fund For
Nature Hong Kong.

#### Mui Wo

- Mui Wo, Lantau Island, Outlying Islands
- .9 Take a ferry from Central Pier 6 (fast ferries take 35-40 minutes and ordinary ferries take 50-55 minutes).

#### Noah's Ark Hong Kong

- A Ma Wan
- Take the ferry from Central Pier 2 to Park Island (the journey takes about 20 minutes). Walk to Pak Lai Road then turn left to Pak Lam Road.

#### Peng Chau

- Peng Chau Island
- Ferry from Central Pier 6 to Peng Chau (the journey takes about 40 minutes)

#### Po Toi Island

- n Po Toi Island
- .9 Board a kaito (small ferry) at Aberdeen Pier. The journey takes around an hour. This kaito service operates only on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

#### Repulse Bay

- Beach Road, Repulse Bay, Hong Kong Island
- . PBus 6, 6A, 6X, 66 or 260 from Exchange Square bus terminus (near MTR Hong Kong Station, Exit D) and alight at Repulse Bay Beach

#### Sharp Island

- A Sharp Island
- .9 From MTR Diamond Hill Station, Exit C2, take bus 92 to Sai Kung Town, then board a Kaito at Sai Kung Public Pier. The journey takes around 15 minutes.

#### Shek O

- Take bus 9.

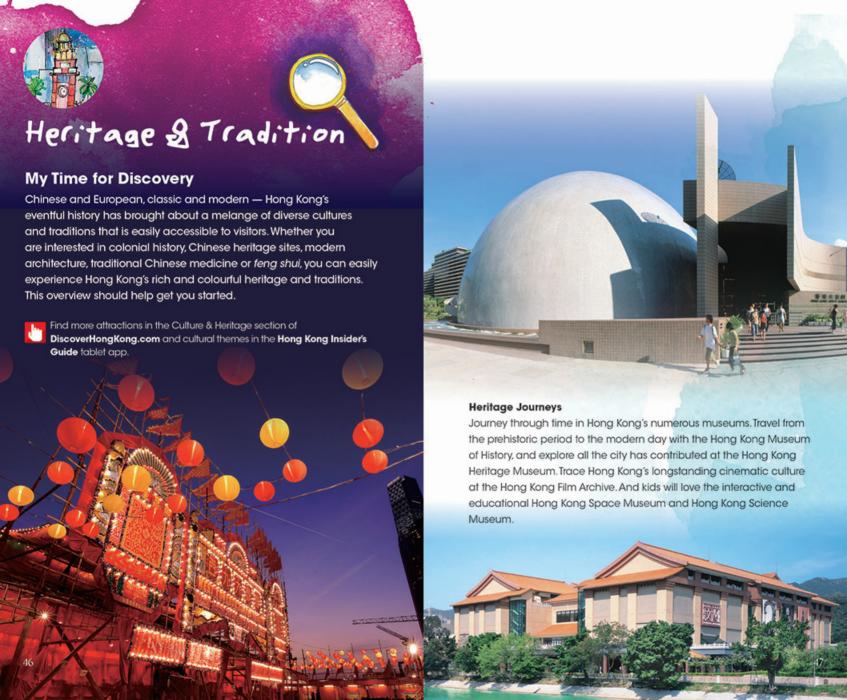
#### Tap Mun

- ↑ Tap Mun
- 9 Take a taxi from MTR University Station, Exit B, to Ma Liu Shui Ferry Pier for a kailo. The journey takes around 1.5 hours.

#### Victoria Park

- 1 Hing Fat Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit E. Walk along Great George Street until you reach the park.











# **HOW TO GET THERE**

#### 1881 Heritage

- 2A Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit E, walk towards Salisbury Road, turn right, take subway (pedestrian tunnel) next to YMCA to 1881 Heritage.

#### **Bank of China Tower**

- 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit J2. Pass through Chater Garden and walk towards Garden Road.

#### Central Plaza

- ↑ 18 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kona Island
- .9 MTR Wan Chai Station, Exit A5. Walk across the footbridge, turn right and walk until you reach the lobby of Central Plaza.

#### Chi Lin Nunnery

\$ 5 Chi Lin Drive, Diamond Hill, Kowloon

MTR Diamond Hill Station, Exit C2,
follow the signs and walk for around
five minutes

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#### **Clock Tower**

- Star Ferry Pier, Kowloon Point, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit E. Walk towards Salisbury Road, then turn right and take the subway (pedestrian tunnel) located next to the YMCA to the Hong Kong Cultural Centre. Turn right again and walk straight ahead towards the waterfront.

#### **Court of Final Appeal**

- 8 Jackson Road, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit J1. Walk along Jackson Road for around two minutes.

#### Flagstaff House Museum of Tea Ware

- ♠ 10 Cotton Tree Drive (inside Hong Kong Park), Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Admiralty Station, Exit C1. Then follow the signs up the escalator to Hong Kong Park.

#### Fringe Club

- ♠ 2 Lower Albert Road, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D1. Turn right on Pedder Street, cross Queen's Road Central and walk up Wyndham Street, It's about a five-minute walk.

#### **Government House**

- Upper Albert Road, Mid-Levels, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit K. Walk through the HSBC Main Building, then across Queen's Road Central and uphill along Garden Road.

#### **Happy Valley Racecourse**

- Happy Valley Racecourse, Happy Valley, Hong Kong Island
- .9 Bus 1, 8X, 19 or 117. Alight at Wong Nai Chung Road and walk for around 10 minutes towards the stadium.

#### Hong Kong Heritage Museum

- ↑ 1 Man Lam Road, Sha Tin, New Territories
- .9 MTR Che Kung Temple Station, Exit A. Walk for approximately five minutes along the footbridge until you reach the museum.

#### Hong Kong Museum of History

- ↑ 100 Chatham Road South, Tsim Sha Tsui East, Kowloon
- MTR East Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit P2. Walk along the Chatham Road South for 10 minutes.

#### Hong Kong Science Museum

- ↑ 2 Science Museum Road, Tsim Sha Tsui East, Kowloon
- .9 MTR East Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit P2 and walk along Chatham Road South for approximately 10 minutes.

#### Hong Kong Space Museum

- 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- .9 MTR East Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit J, walk about 10 minutes to the museum

#### **HSBC Main Building**

- ↑ 1 Queen's Road, Central, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit K

#### International Commerce Centre (ICC)

- 1 Austin Road West, West Kowloon, Kowloon
- MTR Kowloon Station, Exit B

#### **Kowloon Walled City Park**

- ↑ Tung Tsing Road, Kowloon City, Kowloon
- MTR Lok Fu Station, Exit B, then take a taxi to Tung Tau Tsuen Road

#### Man Mo Temple

- ↑ 124-126 Hollywood Road, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit D2 and turn right to Theatre Lane. Walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center. Then take the Central—Mid-Levels Escalator to Hollywood Road.

#### **Petty Person Beating**

- ♠ Junction of Hennessy Road and Canal Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Causeway Bay Station, Exit A. Walk along Canal Road for about five minutes.

#### **PMQ**

- ★ 35 Aberdeen Street, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Sheung Wan Station, Exit E1. Turn right to Des Voeux Road Central, then turn right to Gilman's Bazaar. Go straight towards Queen's Road Central. Walk along Aberdeen Street for around 7 minutes to reach PMQ.

#### Po Lin Monastery

↑ Ngong Ping, Lantau Island

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MTR Tung Chung Station, Exit B, ther take Ngong Ping Cable Car, which takes around 25 minutes. Then walk for around 10 minutes to the monastery.

#### Sky100 Hong Kong Observation Deck

- 1 Austin Road West, Kowloon
- MTR Kowloon Station, Exit C1 and D1. Enter via the Elements shopping mall, in the Metal Zone on the second floor.

#### Sha Tin Racecourse

- ♠ Sha Tin Racecourse, Sha Tin, New Territories
- MTR Racecourse Station (Only open on race day)

#### Tai Fu Tai Mansion

- Wing Ping Tsuen, San Tin, Yuen Long, New Territories
- .9 Take bus 76k at Choi Yuen Garden from opposite MTR Sheung Shui Station, Exit A1. Alight near the post office at San Tin. Then, follow the signs and walk for five to 10 minutes to Tai Fu Tai.

#### Tai O Heritage Hotel

- ♠ Shek Tsai Po Street, Tai O, Lantau Island.
- .9 Walk for five minutes from the Tai O bus terminus to the Rope-drawn Ferry Bridge. Cross the bridge and walk along Tai O Market Street. Turn left to Shek Tsai Po Street and walk another 30 minutes to the street's end.

#### Wong Tai Sin Temple

- 2 Chuk Yuen Village, Wong Tai Sin, Kowloon
- MTR Wong Tai Sin Station, Exit B2, walk for about three minutes



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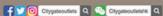
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# Arts



#### My Time for Inspiration

The Hong Kong arts scene is characterised by the city's signature energy and diversity. From fine art galleries to live performances at incredible venues, and up-and-coming designer studios to the city's everlasting cinema culture, a diverse assortment of artistic thrills await you. Whatever your artistic interest, it's bound to be satisfied through Hong Kong's many creative escapes.



Get loads of art information in the Arts & Performance section of DiscoverHongKong.com; find contemporary options in the Hong Kong Insider's Guide tablet app.





#### **Gallery Hop**

Go gallery hopping and grab a piece of fine art. Whether your tastes run classic or modern, Eastern or Western, the city's many gallery spaces exhibit works you'll want to take home. Take a stroll down Hollywood Road and Wyndham Street for larger exhibition spaces, or climb the hills of SoHo to seek out smaller galleries showcasing quirkier works.





#### Thirty-One Days of Thrills

Get completely cultured and spend the month immersed in art. If you're lucky enough to visit Hong Kong during March, you'll be entranced by the annual Arts Month. Visit Art Basel at the exhibition centre, a renowned showcase where you'll see the world's finest galleries and artists. Or, take in a performance at the month-long Hong Kong Arts Festival, featuring opera, music, theatre and dance performances from the world's top artists and stars of tomorrow.







#### **Culture Quarters**

See artists in action and do a bit of home-grown shopping at creative hub PMQ. Right in the middle of Central, PMQ is a revitalised colonial building converted into a space for creatives. Dine on locally sourced meals on the ground floor, shop at independent stores on its lower levels, and then snake your way up to peek into the studios of local artists and designers.



#### **Inventive Areas**

See artists in their natural habitats and visit lesser-known parts of the city. Walk the streets of Sheung Wan, where small studios and designer shops vie for attention.

Head out to the edge of Hong Kong Island, where Chai Wan is home to dozens of studios of up-and-coming artists. And make your way to Kowloon City, to the Cattle Depot Artist Village, an immense former slaughterhouse converted into sizeable spaces for artists.

#### **Culture Spots**

Visit the city's diverse artistic venues, such as the all-encompassing Hong Kong Arts Centre and the equally wide-ranging Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre for rich displays of cutting-edge creativity. Watch live shows to catch local talent in action.

Hong Kong has dozens of acclaimed performing arts companies, each regularly showcasing their works all across town.

Go historic with Chinese opera at the Sunbeam Theatre, Ko Shan Theatre and New Wing You Ma Tei





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Immerse yourself in Hong Kong's lasting cinematic culture. At the Film Archive, you can watch influential local films, before walking through detailed exhibits on the city's cinematic legacy. See a revival screening at Broadway Cinematheque, an art-house cinema with an impressive film library. And during spring, immerse yourself in the latest showcases at the star-studded Hong Kong International Film Festival.

#### **Comix Home Base**

Did you know that Hong Kong is the world's third largest comic market after Japan and the USA? Discover highly creative local comics and animation industries at Comix Home Base which is set in a cluster of restored pre-war houses in Wan Chai. See artists at work in their studios and enjoy exhibitions, workshops, screenings and special events.





#### **Art History**

Learn about Hong Kong's artistic history at its many museums. Drop by a university for a look into the past: the University of Hong Kong's art gallery has pieces dating to the Neolithic period, while the Chinese University's art museum specialises in ancient China. Finally, discover works from the new generation, at the Visual Arts Centre's student exhibition space.



#### **Festival Fare**

Whatever your artistic interest, there's a festival catering to it. Music fan? Catch major international names at Clockenflap, a weekend-long, outdoor, music and arts festival that takes place in the winter. Prefer to dance? Shake your tail during February, at the weeklong Salsa Festival. And if you're a Europhile, the summer brings both Le French May and Made in Italy, two month-long showcases of each country's finest talents.

# **HOW TO GET THERE**

#### Art Museum, CUHK

- Art Museum, Institute of Chinese Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Sha Tin, New Territories
- MTR University Station and take CUHK shuttle bus to Central Campus

#### **Broadway Cinematheque**

- 3 Public Square Street, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon
- MTR Yau Ma Tei Station, Exit C

#### Cattle Depot Artist Village

- 63 Ma Tau Kok Rd, Ma Tau Wai, Kowloon
- .9 Take the ferry from North Point to Kowloon City, and then walk five minutes onto Ma Tau Kwok Road.

#### **Comix Home Base**

- 7 Mallory Street, Wan Chai, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Wan Chai Station, Exit A3. Walk along Johnston Road for approximately 10 minutes and turn right onto Mallory Road.

#### Fringe Club

- ♠ 2 Lower Albert Road, Central, Hong Kona Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D1. Turn right on Pedder Street, cross Queen's Road Central and walk up Wyndham Street, It's about a five-minute walk.

#### Hollywood Road

- Hollywood Road, Sheung Wan, Hong Kona Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D2. Turn right onto Theatre Lane and walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center. Then take the Central—Mid-Levels Escalator to Hollywood Road.

#### Hong Kong Arts Centre

- 2 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Wan Chai Station, Exit C, walk along the foot bridge to Immigration Tower and go straight to Harbour Road. Turn left to the Hong Kong Arts Centre.

#### Hong Kong City Hall

- ♠ 5 Edinburgh Place, Central, Hong Kong Island
- 9 MTR Central Station, Exit J

#### Hong Kong Culture Centre

- ↑ 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- MTR East Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit L6 or J

#### Hong Kong Film Archive

- 50 Lei King Road, Sai Wan Ho, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Sai Wan Ho Station, Exit A, walk through Tai On Street to Lei King Road for five minutes

#### Hong Kong Visual Arts Centre

- ↑ 7A Kennedy Road, Central, Hong Kona Island
- MTR Admiralty Station, Exit B. Take bus 12A to Hong Kong Park and walk to the centre.

#### **Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre**

- ↑ 30 Pak Tin Street, Shek Kip Mei, Kowloon
- MTR Shek Kip Mei Station, Exit C, walk along Wai Chi Street and turn left onto Pak Tin Street. It's about a 10-minute walk.

#### Ko Shan Theatre and New Wing

- 77 Ko Shan Road, Hung Hom, Kowloon
- .9 MTR Mong Kok Station, Exit B2, take minibus 27M from the terminus near Trade Department Tower, Alight at entrance to Ko Shan Road Park.

#### PMQ

- 35 Aberdeen Street, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Sheung Wan Station, Exit E1. Turn right to Des Voeux Road Central, then turn right to Gilman's Bazaar. Go straight towards Queen's Road Central. Walk along Aberdeen Street for around 7 minutes to reach PMQ.

#### SoHo

- ↑ Staunton Street, Central, Hong Kong
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D2. Turn right onto Theatre Lane and walk along Queen's Road Central towards The Center. Then take the Central—Mid-Levels Escalator to SoHo.

#### Sunbeam Theatre

- Kiu Fai Mansion, 413-423 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong Island
- MTR North Point Station, Exit A4

#### University Museum & Art Gallery, HKU

- n Pok Fu Lam, Hona Kona Island
- MTR HKU Station, Exit A

#### **Wyndham Street**

- Wyndham Street, Central, Hong Kong Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D1. Walk up Wyndham Street.

#### Yau Ma Tei Theatre

- ♠ 6 Waterloo Road, Kowloon
- MTR Yau Ma Tei Station, Exit B2. Walk along Waterloo Road for approximately five minutes to Reclamation Road.



# Arts Month

Get cultured and enjoy an array of different events during Arts Month.

Catch a live performance during the Arts Festival, with international names flocking to the city to showcase their talents. Head down to the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and see the renowned Art Basel, where the world's greatest artists showcase their works. Or take part in the many other smaller events that make up the creative month.







# **Sporting Glory**

Whatever the time of year, you'll be able to see a slice of sporting glory. Spring sees the height of the season, kicking off with the Hong Kong Marathon followed by the thrilling Rugby Sevens. Here during summer or autumn? Catch the indoor Volleyball Open and Squash Open. And autumn is the ideal time to take part in the city's historic Harbour Race.

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# **Hong Kong Cultural Celebrations**

Celebrate Hong Kong's diverse culture and enjoy traditional festive activities during the city's Cultural Celebrations. Springtime visitors are treated to four major local festivities in a row: see locals scrambling up a tower of buns at the Cheung Chau Bun Festival, or catch the many lion dances during Tin Hau's birthday. Journey to the Big Buddha on the deity's birthday, or pray for good fortune during Tam Kung's celebration.



# Dragon Boat Carnival

Watch athletes from around the world battle it out in an ancient Chinese sport and take part in the citywide festivities during the summer's Dragon Boat Carnival. Get caught up in the action as the world's finest rowers clash against the backdrop of the skyline. And take a break from it all at BeerFest, where fans enjoy live performances and a tipple or two, and relax against the harbour.



# **Hong Kong Summer Fun**

Beat the heat and join in with an array of exciting activities, with Hong Kong Summer Fun. From musicals to food festivals, major sporting events to computer expos, there's something for every visitor.





# Wine & Dine Month

Eat, drink and be merry at Hong Kong's annual Wine & Dine Festival, A month-

long culinary event set across the city, you can indulge in tasting events, wine tours, and other gastronomic delights. The highlight is the weekend outdoor fest: head down to the harbourfront, grab a glass of wine, snack on fine treats and take in the sights, sounds and flavours of the vibrant city.



# Halloween

Throw on a costume and hit Hong Kong's haunting streets as the city celebrates Halloween. For a classical local approach to the festival, visit one of the city's theme parks, where you'll find Chinese ghost-story attractions. Or, head down to a bar district such as Lan Kwai Fong, and join thousands of costumed fans as they find the lighter side to the dark night.

Mid-Autumn is one of the the city's brightest festivals, and you won't be able to resist its thrilling charms. See creative lanterns floating around Victoria Park, catch Tai Hang's epic Fire Dragon Dance, and indulge in a mooncake

Mid-Autumn Festival

or two.

# **Hungry Ghost Festival**

Don't be scared off by the name: the annual summertime Hungry Ghost Festival is one of Hong Kong's most fascinating, and all across the city you'll see the spirituallyminded offering sacrifices and placating transient ghosts.



Celebrate Christmas in style and experience New Year's like never before during Hong Kong WinterFest. Take in the yuletide spirit with festive foods, seasonal celebrations and other delights. And when New Year's Eve rolls around. you can count down the seconds with the crowds at Times Square, before an unprecedented fireworks display lights up the harbour.





# My Time for Immersion

If you're a night owl, Hong Kong is your ideal escape — a city that never sleeps, with dozens of things to do once the sun goes down. You can roam the historic markets for a bargain or shop in upscale stores open late. You can have a drink or two at a quiet bar or party the night away in a vibrant club. Or, just take in the city's sights and sounds through an after-dark harbour cruise or a hike across the countryside, before camping on a beach. The night-time options are endless, and here are a few highlights.



Keep an eye on "What's Hot" at **DiscoverHongKong.com** and download the **Hong Kong Insider's Guide** tablet app for nightlife options.





# **Night Markets**

Even if you're an early bird, there's one late-night Hong Kong activity you absolutely can't miss: the night markets. Dig around Temple Street's dusty stalls to discover buried antique treasures and retro products. Or, make your way over to Ladies' Market, where you'll find an all-over selection of souvenirs, from tourist t-shirts to discount electronics. It's an afterdark must-do.





# Keep the Party Going

Get the most out of Hong Kong's bars and party till the sun comes up. Staying on Hong Kong Island? Start off in Lan Kwai Fong, the city's nightlife epicentre, and then make your way to Wan Chai, where the bars are always open. Over in Kowloon? Kick things off on Knutsford Terrace, and then journey over to Mong Kok when things quiet down, a local favourite for late-night drinking.





# Late-Night Bites

Satisfy your late-night hunger and dine on a variety of international cuisines at the many open-late restaurants. If you're on Hong Kong Island, Causeway Bay is packed with tucked-away restaurants serving up after-dark delicacies. In Kowloon, roam Tsim Sha Tsui's streets, a cavernous maze of post-midnight meals. Chinese hotpot, as well as Japanese and Korean, are particularly popular cuisines for late-night dining.



# **Night Clubbing**

Rub shoulders with Hong Kong's most desirable and party the night away in a bustling club. Catch world-renowned DJs spinning tracks while you sip cocktails in your own private booth. Visit Central for an upscale clubbing experience, or get more raucous in the clubs of Wan Chai. If it's more of a local experience you're after, Mong Kok's clubs are some of the city's most popular.



# **Evening Cruise**

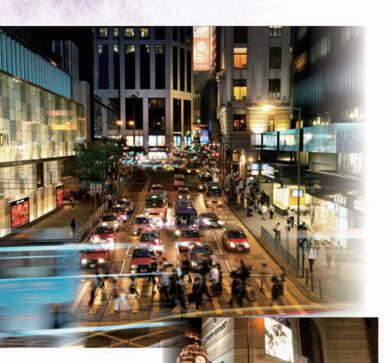
Ride a classic ferry and see the whole Hong Kong skyline at once. The Star Ferry is a must-do on any Hong Kong itinerary, so make a special evening out of it and join a Victoria Harbour Cruise. You'll step aboard an old-fashioned ferry complete with outdoor viewing deck, before being sailed around Victoria Harbour. Time it right and make sure you board the Symphony of Lights cruise for the best view of the spectacular light show.





Fitness Trail will keep you healthy while offering incredible city views. If you're an intermediate-level hiker, the Peak to Pok Fu Lam trail will lead you out of the city and into the forests. And for a real challenge, attempt Lantau Island's Sunset Peak before spending the night at a beach-side campsite.





**After Hours Shopping** 

Hit the after-hours streets and bag late-night bargains. Hong Kong's stores are famously open late and you can shop at its busiest districts well into the

wee hours. Walk the streets of Central and Causeway Bay, with most malls and stores open till 11pm. Then hop across the harbour, before wandering around Mong Kok, where you can shop till you literally drop, with stores open as late as 2am.



screenings after dark. Catch a classical performance at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre or Hong Kong City Hall, with weekend shows starting from 9pm. Rock out with local bands at Fringe Club, where gigs kick off at 10pm. Or, escape to the dark of the cinema — you can watch midnight shows at most multiplexes, while New Territories theatres have screenings from 1am on.



# **HOW TO GET THERE**

# **Bowen Road Fitness Trail**

- ♠ Bowen Road, Mid-Levels, Hong Kong Island
- Take minibus 24A from Admiralty bus station. Get off at the terminus, Shiu Fai Terrace, and walk up the steps behind the housing complex to the middle of the Bowen Road Fitness Trail. It's about a 30-minute journey.

# Fringe Club

- ↑ 2 Lower Albert Road, Central, Hong Kona Island
- .9 MTR Central Station, Exit D1. Turn right on Pedder Street, cross Queen's Road Central and walk up Wyndham Street. It's about a five-minute walk.

# Hong Kong City Hall

- ↑ 5 Edinburgh Place, Central, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit J

# **Hong Kong Cultural Centre**

- ↑ 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- MTR East Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit L6 or J

# **Knutsford Terrace**

- ↑ Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon
- MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station, Exit B1, turn right and walk along Nathan Road for five minutes. Then turn right into Kimberley Road; you'll come to the entry to Knutsford Terrace on the left after a few minutes.

# Ladies' Market

↑ Tung Choi Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon

MTR Mong Kok Station, Exit E2. Walk
along Nelson Street for two blocks.

# Lan Kwai Fong

- ♠ Lan Kwai Fong, Central, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Central Station, Exit D2, walk along Theatre Lane, and up D'Aguilar Street

# The Peak to Pok Fu Lam Trail

- ↑ The Peak, Mid-Levels, Hong Kong Island
- .9 Peak Tram from the Lower Peak Tram Terminus on Garden Road (reach it by taking bus 15C from Central Pier 8)

### Star Ferry

- Central Pier, Central, Hong Kong Island
- MTR Hong Kong Station, Exit A2. Walk to the pier along Man Yiu Street.

# **Sunset Peak**

- ↑ Lantau Island
- MTR Tung Chung Station, Exit B. From the bus terminus next to the MTR station, take bus 11A, (or bus 3M from Mui Wo bus terminus if you take a ferry to Mui Wo), to Pak Kung Au. Turn left to the pavilion, and then go onto the Lantau Trail, which leads to Sunset Peak.

# **Temple Street**

- 🛖 Temple Street, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon
- MTR Yau Ma Tei Station, Exit C, turn onto Temple Street at Man Ming Lane

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# **EVENTS** CALENDAR

Hong Kong is packed with events year-round, from Chinese celebrations in the spring to outdoor occasions in the summer, fine food in the autumn and a world-class fireworks display at the end of the year.

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# CHINESE NEW YEAR

Experience the auspicious sights of Chinese New Year, the city's biggest festival. Browse flower markets, see the New Year's night parade and catch fireworks over the harbour.



Kick off the summer with four different Chinese festivals. Catch lion dances durina Cheuna Chau's Bun Festival, see the Big Buddha on his birthday, and visit temples during the Tin Hau and Tam Kung festivals.



# ARTS MONTH

Get cultured during Arts Month. See the world's finest artists in action during the weekend-long Art Basel, and watch international performance showcases throughout the month with the Arts Festival.

# SPORTING EXTRAVAGANZAS

Watch the Ruaby Sevens during April, and check out more thrilling sports events throughout the year.

# DRAGON

BOAT CARNIVAL

Watch the world's finest dragon boating athletes row it out during the Dragon Boat Carnival, and then join in on beer-filled celebrations as the crowds gather by the

harbour.

# HONG KONG

Soak up summer in the city. Catch live pop performances, indulge in culinary festivals and get major shopping discounts, all during Hong Kong Summer Fun.

# SUMMER FUN

Enjoy fine wines, delicious harbourfront.

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# HALLOWEEN

Dressed up theme parks and raucous costume parties!

# MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

See the moon at its brightest during Mid-Autumn, Visit Victoria Park for its lantern spectacle, and then walk over to Tai Hang to catch the Fire Dragon Dance.

# CYCLOTHON

Join an amateur run, watch the pros race and enjoy the carnival.



# WINE & DINE FESTIVAL

cuisine and live shows on the

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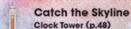
WINTER FEST Take in the

thrills of WinterFest. See skyscrapers lit up with Christmas designs, and then ring in the New Year with a fireworks display all across Victoria Harbour.

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Peak Tram



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Ngong Ping 360

Big Buddha

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Island Hop Big Buddha



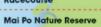
Cheung Chau



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Sha Tin & Happy Valley Racecourse



**Hong Kong Wetland Park** 

Kadoorie Farm and Botanical Garden



Hong Kong Global Geopark of China -

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Sai Kung Volcanic Rock Region



Hoi Ha Wan Marine Park



Disneyland

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# ITINERARY FOR FIRST TIME VISITORS

First time in Hong Kong? See the best of the city with the suggested itinerary below.

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AM - Arrival

**Evening -** Enjoy Chinese or Western cuisine in Tsim Sha Tsui. Later, stroll along the Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade to enjoy the harbour skyline.

Or visit the sky100 Hong Kong Observation Deck — the highest indoor observation deck in town offering a 360-degree view of Victoria Harbour.



AM - Head to Hong Kong Island and visit The Peak, where Sky Terrace 428 and the Peak Circle Walk offer a panoramic view of Hong Kong, Aberdeen Fishing Village and Stanley Market.

PM - Enjoy lunch at a seafront restaurant in Stanley and spend an afternoon at the nearby beach. Then, take the 'Hong Kong TramOramic Tour' 1920s-style open top tram to discover Hong Kong stories past and present.



Evening - Hop aboard a tour boat for breathtaking vistas of the Hong Kong skyline and the 'A Symphony of Lights' show that colourfully lights up prominent buildings at night.

day 3

AM - New Territories Tour (half day)

Take a tour to the New Territories, a vast area with peaceful centuryold villages, ancient temples and untouched fields.

PM - Enjoy a dim sum lunch at a Chinese restaurant followed by shopping.

Evening - Take the open-top bus tour through the neon-lit streets of Kowloon's main thoroughfare and admire the glitter and shine of Nathan Road. After that, go shopping at Temple Street Night Market or Ladies Market.



Full Day - Join the New Lantau Island Tour to enjoy a scenic ferry ride to Lantau Island and then visit some popular attractions such as the Big Buddha and Po Lin Monastery. Lastly, enjoy a variety of shopping and dining options at the themed Ngong Ping Village.

Evening - Night out in Lan Kwai Fong



AM - Departure

Check out the My Hong Kong Guide app for more itineraries from local experts and other travellers.

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

A compact city with an extensive, efficient and value-for-money public transport system, bilingual signs, long opening hours and great connectivity options, Hong Kong is easy to explore and enjoy. Glance at the essentials here and dive right in!

# **GETTING ABOUT**

# Octopus card

Extremely versatile electronic stored-value card accepted on most public transport (and many retailers) Get it at an MTR station customer service centre. Details: www.octopus.com.hk





### MTR

The subway system. Buy tickets with cash from machines at stations, or use an Octopus card. Tourist passes available.

Details: www.mtr.com.hk

## Taxi

Taxis can be hailed on the street (except for restricted areas) and are metered. Red taxis operate almost everywhere; green taxis are restricted to the New Territories; and blue taxis to Lantau Island. All can travel to and from the airport and Hong Kona Disneyland.





### Bus

Destination info, stop names and fares are displayed in English at bus stops. Pay exact fare when you board at the front.

Octopus cards accepted. Hop off at the back.

# Tram

Trams run east or west along Hong Kong Island. Destinations written on the front. Board at the back and pay exact fare of HK\$2.30 when you alight at the front. Octopus cards accepted.





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Ferries go from Hong Kong Island to Kowloon and the Outlying Islands. The main piers are at Central, Tsim Sha Tsui and Wan Chai.

# **Peak Tram**

The fastest way to The Peak. Operates daily at 10- to 15-minute intervals. Octopus cards accepted.

Details: www.thepeak.com.hk/en



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# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

# **MONEY**

Currency exchange counters at the airport and many in the city stay open late. ATMs accept most international cards. International credit cards are widely accepted. Look for signs at business place entrances.

# **PUBLIC HYGIENE**

Please help us keep Hong Kong clean and beautiful! Eating and drinking are not allowed on most public transport. Hong Kong has a fixed penalty fines of \$1,500 for littering or spitting. Public washrooms can be found at most tourist sites and in shopping malls.

Details: www.fehd.gov.hk

# STAYING CONNECTED

# Mobile phones

Prepaid calling cards and mobile data prepaid SIM cards can be purchased from major convenient stores.

# **Discover Hong Kong Tourist SIM Card**

Comes in five- and eight-day versions with mobile data, unlimited local calls, and credit for international calls and texts.

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# Free Wi-Fi

There are many Wi-Fi.HK hotspots available across the city in locations such as major tourist attractions, which offer wireless internet

connection completely free or free for a period of time. Download the Wi-Fi.HK app to search for a list of hotspot locations, where you can connect with the Wi-Fi.HK SSID. You can also find Wi-Fi hotspots at most public transport areas, including Hong Kong International Airport and MTR stations.

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