# FOREIGN PLAYER'S GUIDE TO SINGAPORE

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# 1. GETTING TO SINGAPORE

Singapore is an international transport hub with many airlines connecting daily.

Southeast asian players may look for the following budget airlines:

- Air Asia (most of Asia pacific)
- Scoot
- Jetstar

International players may look for the following airlines:

- Singapore Airlines
- Qantas
- ANA
- JAL
- Cathay
- Silkair
- United airlines
- Delta
- Qatar Airlines
- UAE Airlines

#### **Entering Singapore**

IMPORTANT: Players are responsible for the application of their own tourist visas for their relevant countries.

More information:

https://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart

## 2. ACCOMODATION

We recommend staying in the central cluster of Singapore where the majority of hotels are located. Most budget hotels are in the Bugis or Geylang area, both of which are conveniently situated along the train lines which will lead you to the tournament venue via public transport.

#### Hotel suggestions:

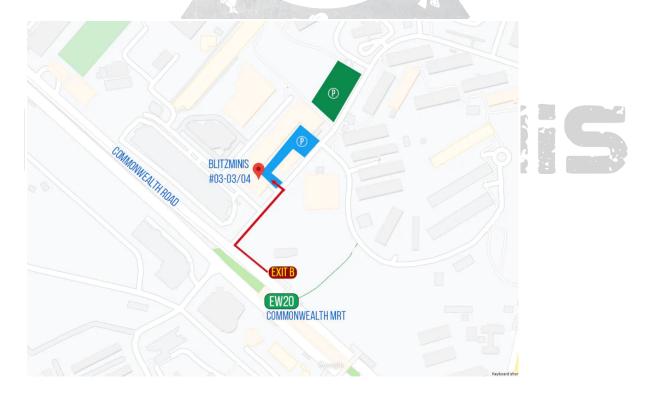
- lyf one-north Singapore 80 Nepal Park, 139409 Singapore (very close to blitzminis)
- Oxford hotel 218 Queen St, Singapore 188549
- Peninsula Excelsior Hotel 5 Coleman Street, City Hall, 179805 Singapore
- Ibis Singapore on Bencoolen 170 Bencoolen Street, Bencoolen, 189657
- Strand Hotel 25 Bencoolen Street, Bencoolen, 189619 Singapore
- Arena eSports Hotel @ Bugis Village 166 Rochor Road Level 2, 188441 Singapore

# 3. Tournament Location

#### **Blitzminis store**

115A Commonwealth Drive #03-03/04, Singapore 149596.

It is a 5 minutes walk from Commonwealth MRT( EW20) EXIT B, a train station on the East-West Line. The store is located in the light industrial building as indicated on the map.



# 4. Getting Around

Public transport and private hire cars are the preferred method of getting around in Singapore.

## Taxis and private hire cars

The dominant booking platform for both taxis and private hire cars in Singapore is GRAB, which can be downloaded into your device. Credit card payment ONLINE is the preferred method of payment, but take note street hire taxis predominantly prefer cash.

## **TRAIN**

Upon arrival at the airport, you can purchase a tourist pass card to get 1-3 days unlimited ride on trains and buses. Depending on the type of tourist pass, you can either purchase at the Transitlink Ticket Office at the station at Terminal 2, or the cheers outlet at Terminal \(^1/3\). More info can be found at:

<u>Type of Passes - The Singapore Tourist Pass</u> <u>Where To Buy - The Singapore Tourist Pass</u>

To get to the city, take the train from Changi Airport MRT Station (**CG2**) to Tanah Merah MRT Station (**EW4**), then transfer to the East West Line towards Tuas Link MRT Station (**EW33**).

Alternatively, take the train from Changi Airport MRT Station (CG2) to Expo MRT Station (CG1/DT35), then transfer to the Downtown Line towards Bukit Panjang MRT Station (BP6/DT1).

From Changi Airport MRT Station to Tanah Merah MRT Station:

First train

Monday to Saturday: 5:31 AM

Sunday and public holidays: 5:59 AM

Last train

Connecting to Tuas Link: 11:18 PM, daily

More information:

http://journey.smrt.com.sq/journey/station\_info/changi-airport/first-and-last-train/

Interactive Train Map:

https://www.lta.gov.sg/content/ltagov/en/map/train.html

#### **Buses**

Bus rides in singapore utilise the same travel card system as the train network and can be a convenient method to get around to other locales.

https://www.visitsingapore.com/travel-guide-tips/getting-around/

## 5. Sight-seeing

## **Eating out**

Singapore is renowned for its choice of cuisines and especially buffet options, with szechuan and Chongqing cuisine, in particular spicy hot pots, being the latest addition to things to try.

Local fare can usually be found at hawker centres or speciality restaurants catering to either Chinese or Indian Muslim (Mamak) Fare. NOTE: Most hawker centres close around 9pm so you will want to visit in the daytime. Hawker centres are still mainly cash-only places so be sure to have some on hand!

Drinking out is a popular, if pricy pastime and the hotspots are all located in the city centre or Holland Village, which is conveniently a 10 minute walk behind Blitzminis.

#### Local fare suggestions:

- Alexandra Village Food Centre 120 Bukit Merah Lane 1, Singapore 150120
- Keng Eng Kee Seafood @ Alexandra Village 124 Bukit Merah Lane 1, #01-136, Singapore 150124
- Chinatown Complex Market and Food Centre 46 Smith St, Singapore 058956
- Maxwell Food Centre 1 Kadayanallur St, Singapore 069184
- Golden Mile Food Centre 505 Beach Road Singapore 199583
- Tekka Centre 665 Buffalo Road, Singapore 210665 (indian cuisine)
- Al-Azhar Restaurant 11 Cheong Chin Nam Rd, Singapore 599736 (Halal)

#### Pubs and Bars

- The Pit 21 Lor Liput, Singapore 277733 (blitzminis bar of choice)
- Bottoms Up 106 Clementi Street 12, #01-46/50, Singapore 120106
- Miss G's Grill & Bar 45 Pekin St, #44, Singapore 048775
- Joji's Diner & Bar Stanley St, 3, Singapore 068722
- The Cider Pit 328 Joo Chiat Rd, #01-03, Singapore 427585

## **Looking around**

Singapore is home to a rich heritage of pre and post-colonial history, alongside several cutting-edge experiences for visitors.

#### For military history aficionados

### Former Ford Factory. 351 Upper Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 588192

The Former Ford Factory is located along Upper Bukit Timah Road at Bukit Timah in Singapore. It is the place where the British Army forces surrendered to Imperial Japanese Army forces on 15 February 1942 after the Battle of Singapore.

https://www.visitsingapore.com/see-do-singapore/history/history-museums/former-ford-factory/

## Battlebox 2 Cox Terrace, Singapore 179622

The Battle Box is the popular name of the Fort Canning Bunker, formerly known as Headquarters Malaya Command Operations Bunker, constructed under Fort Canning Hill, Singapore, as an emergency, bomb-proof command centre during the Malayan Campaign and the Battle of Singapore

https://www.battlebox.com.sg/

#### Labrador ATMB Battery 12 Port Rd, Singapore 117630

Fort Pasir Panjang or Labrador Battery is located within the lush Labrador Park at the southern tip of Singapore island. It was one of the 11 coastal artillery forts built by the British in the 19th century to defend the western passageway into Keppel Harbour against piracy and foreign naval powers.

**Beach Road Army Market** 505 Beach Road, #02-159, Golden Mile Food Centre, 199583 The Golden Mile Food Centre was completed in 1975 to house resettled hawkers from the Jalan Sultan street market. The food centre is also known for its "Army Market" on its third storey due to its high concentration of army supply shops.

The concentration of such shops could be attributed to the market's proximity to the former headquarters of various uniformed organisations such as the Singapore Volunteer Corps (or the People's Defence Force), the Singapore Military Forces, Boys Brigade, St John's as well as the Beach Road Camp which housed several SAF units and was used for military training.

#### Heritage and sightseeing

### Little India

Little India is a vibrant cultural enclave with temples and mosques, street art and brightly painted shophouses. Along the main drag, Serangoon Road, unfussy canteens and hip eateries sit next to shops selling gold jewelry, colourful silks and fresh flower garlands. Nearby, Mustafa Centre welcomes shoppers 24/7. The ethnic district is liveliest during Hindu celebrations like the Deepavali festival of lights.

#### Chinatown

Chinatown's maze of narrow roads includes Chinatown Food Street, with its restaurants serving traditional fare like Hainanese chicken rice, noodles and satay. Souvenir shops and indie boutiques dot the area, offering clothes, crafts and antiques, while Club Street is full of

trendy wine bars. Cultural institutions here include the 1827 Sri Mariamman Temple and the ornate Buddha Tooth Relic Temple and Museum.

#### Joo chiat

Joo Chiat Road is one of the roads in Katong and a residential conservation area located in the east coast of Singapore. It has won several architectural and heritage awards including the United Nations' UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation at 125 Joo Chiat Road.

### Pulau Ubin (full day required)

Pulau Ubin is an island northeast of mainland Singapore. Cycle trails and footpaths criss-cross the hills, going past disused granite quarries and traditional kampongs (villages). Kingfishers and bulbul birds inhabit the tidal flats and mangroves of the Chek Jawa Wetlands. Accessible from Changi Village Jetty via bumboat ride.

#### Sentosa

Sentosa is an island resort off Singapore's southern coast, connected to the city by road, cable car, pedestrian boardwalk and monorail.

