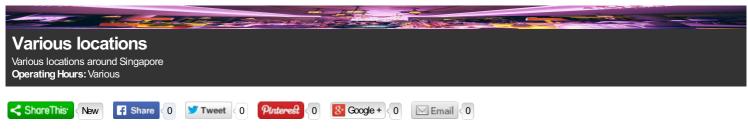


# The essential guide to Singapore

Singapore's best restaurants, bars, events, attractions, activities and more.

# 5 Staycation Getaways with Awesome Bars



Planning your next weekend getaway? A hotel with a fantastic bar can take your experience to a whole new level (literally!) and help you chill out like never before. It so happens that Singapore is home to many exquisite hotel bars, some of which are even world-famous for their deco, ambience, view, service, and of course, drinks. Here, we share with you our top 5 staycation picks with fabulous bars.

### W Singapore - Sentosa Cove: WOOBAR



There's nothing quite like W Singapore - Sentosa Cove when it comes to glamour and modern luxury. Enveloped in the serenity of the resort island, this venue is a top choice among staycationers for its contemporary and arty spaces, top notch service, comfortable rooms, and beautiful outdoor WET® Pool. Much credit goes to WOOBAR as well, W Singapore's stylish lounge bar (think custom-designed chairs and sofas) that's open all day long!

Natural daylight fills the space during the day as you hang out with your friends over high tea; Put on your dancing shoes when the sun sets, as W Hotel's Asia Pacific Music Director Has Sidik and other acclaimed DJs take over the console to transport you across sonic landscapes. Oh, have we mentioned the bespoke cocktails (crafted with herbs from the garden), premium spirits, and wines from all over the world? If your intention is to meet cool people and party, W Singapore is the place for you.

W Singapore - Sentosa Cove is located at 21 Ocean Way, Singapore 098374. WOOBAR's opening hours are Mon to Fri: 11.30am - 1.00am, Sat, Sun, and Public Holidays: 9:00am - 1:00am. Check out W Singapore's Facebook page here for the latest WOOBAR events.



### Park Hotel Alexandra: Aqua Luna



Located in the central-south neighbourhood of Alexandra is Park Hotel Alexandra, a newly-opened hotel that's located away from the crowded bustle of town, yet still close enough to great food and shopping. If you're not convince, get this: there's an absolutely gorgeous 25-metre infinity pool on the 7th floor with a stylish open-concept poolside bar (you can actually swim right up to it!), Aqua Luna. Come nightfall, Aqua Luna practically glows with twinkling lights, as you indulge in a selection of speciality cocktails by in-house mixologists, bar treats, and entrancing beats.

Park Hotel Alexandra, is located at 323 Alexandra Road, Singapore 159972. Aqua Luna (Level 7)'s opening hours are Sun to Thu: 12.00pm - 11.00pm, Fri & Sat: 12.00pm - 1.00am. Check out Park Hotel Alexandra's Facebook page here for the latest events.

## Hotel Vagabond: Vagabond Bar



If you're a fan of the arts, you'll definitely want to check this one out. Singapore's newest luxury boutique hotel has one mission: to create an art-driven experience for its guests, featuring an arts programme comprising of activities ranging from art openings to recitals, plays, and fashion shows. In addition to housing a carefully curated art collection, the first floor (known as *The Salon*) houses Proof & Company's latest hotel bar project, Vagabond Bar. An immaculately designed bar that offers handcrafted cocktails, artisan spirits and wines, you can expect surprising and novel offerings, as well as exciting renditions of your favourite classic drinks. Their current Artist-in-Residence, Captain Planet will be spinning at the bar from Wednesdays to Saturdays.



Hotel Vagabond is located at 39 Syed Alwi Rd, Singapore 207630. Vagabond Bar's opening hours are Daily: 6.00pm to 12.00am. Check out Hotel Vagabond's Facebook page here for the latest events.

#### M Hotel: J Bar



Although it's billed as a premiere business hotel, M Hotel is just as popular a downtown staycation venue for weekend getaways due to its spacious rooms, excellent amenities, and proximity to the Tanjong Pagar neighbourhood and Chinatown heritage centre. And of course, there's the leading contemporary J Bar up on the 9th floor, home to some of Singapore's top local bands (performing every day from 8.30pm) – making it an excellent venue for unwinding over beer, tapas, and one of their special blended one-of-a-kind martinis. There's even a Ladies Night every Saturday. J Bar's still a bit of an undiscovered gem, for it's mostly hotel guests who stumble across it. That's not really a bad thing though...more for us!

M Hotel is located at 81 Anson Road, Singapore 079908. J Bar (Level 9)'s opening hours are Mon to Thu: 5.00pm - 1.00am, Fri, Sat, Eve of PH, and Public Holidays: 5.00pm - 2.00am. Check out J Bar's Facebook page here for the latest events.

## Klapsons, The Boutique Hotel: Fabrika



Set on the southern outskirts of Singapore's CBD, the boutique hotel can be summed up in two words: *custom* and *unique*. After all, you don't get much more personalised than custom-made fittings and individually designed guest rooms. Boasting a spacious location, you get breath-taking views



of Singapore's port and Tanjong Pagar estate, especially from their alfresco sky-bar, Fabrika.

Inspired by colourful flairs of the Middle East, the space is furnished with fun, colourful mosaic lamps, scattered with shimmering candles, cabana beds, and sofas. Here, there's also a view of the central business district - watch people hard at work in their offices while you're chilling out with a drink in hand and listening to the occasion live band. Fun, huh?

Klapsons, The Boutique Hotel is located at 15 Hoe Chiang Road, Singapore 089316. Fabrika (Level 17)'s opening hours are Mon & Tue: 5.00pm -12.00am, Wed to Fri & Eve of PH: 5.00pm - 1.00am. Check out Fabrika's Facebook page here for the latest events.

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FRESH! Review: Funky Cocktails and a 90's Vibe at Sultan Hotel
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Remember when Justin was still in Nsync? How about when Kurt Cobain was belting out rage-filled Grunge numbers? And need we remind ourselves of the time



when internet connections had to be dialled up?! Yep, that's right. Welcome to the 90's, where a multiplicity of quirky personalities, outrageous trends, and superb music made up a good portion of human history's pop culture. Bringing that same ...

♥ FRESH Singapore, 101 Jalan Sultan, The Sultan, #02-01, Singapore 199002





Two Singaporean Bars Make The World's 50 Best Bars 2015 Written on Friday, 09th October 15 by Errily Seow

SG50 might be over, but there's more than enough #sgpride to go around with the announcement of the 2015 edition of The World's 50 Best Bars in London last



night. An annual poll for the industry, by the industry, the results are consolidated from the opinions of 412 industry experts on the panel, up from 334 last year. Lauded as "the vanguard of better drinking
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**Just Opened October 2015: 10 New Restaurants and Bars to Check ...** Written on Thursday, 08th October 15 by Joel Conceicao

From a barrage of foreign dining establishments making their debut to new additions along the increasingly popular Gemmill Lane, this month's edition of Just



pened gives you the lowdown on the hottest no e latest brainchild of Moosehead Kitchen &arr		ver Hyde (formerly of Pollen), lvaggle	e Joan's is
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Disco Cocktails and Comfort Food at L'Aiglon: Review Written on Tuesday, 06th October 15 by Uday Duggal

Since its grand opening in 2014, L'Aiglon has swiftly established itself in the hearts of discerning drinkers islandwide. One year on, this cocktail bar on Neil Road has

eral Manager, he's joining forces with L'Aiç	llon's gifted head bartender,		
iglon , 69 Neil Road, Singapore, 088899			



Say Hello to Bukit Pasoh's New Cocktail and Seafood Bar - ...

Written on Thursday, 01st October 15 by Emily Seow

The folks at Jigger and Pony are on a roll. Having done well with Amoy Street stalwart cocktail bar Jigger and Pony, as well as fun rum-and-grill dining establishment

ibson , Level 2, 20 Bukit Pasoh Ro	oad, Singapore 089832		



**Locally Inspired Cocktails at Hopscotch: Review** Written on Monday, 21st September 15 by Emily Seow

If you love drinks with a local touch, you'll find yourself perfectly at home at Hopscotch. Hidden within the confines of Red Dot Traffic Building, this cocktail bar by



bartending solutions company. Mixes From Mars, is named after a childhood game close of our hearts (at least mine, anyway). Helmed by the ever-inventive Kino Soh – formerly of Bar Stories - and other members of
♥ Hopscotch, RedDot Traffic Building, 28 Maxwell Road, SIngapore 069120.

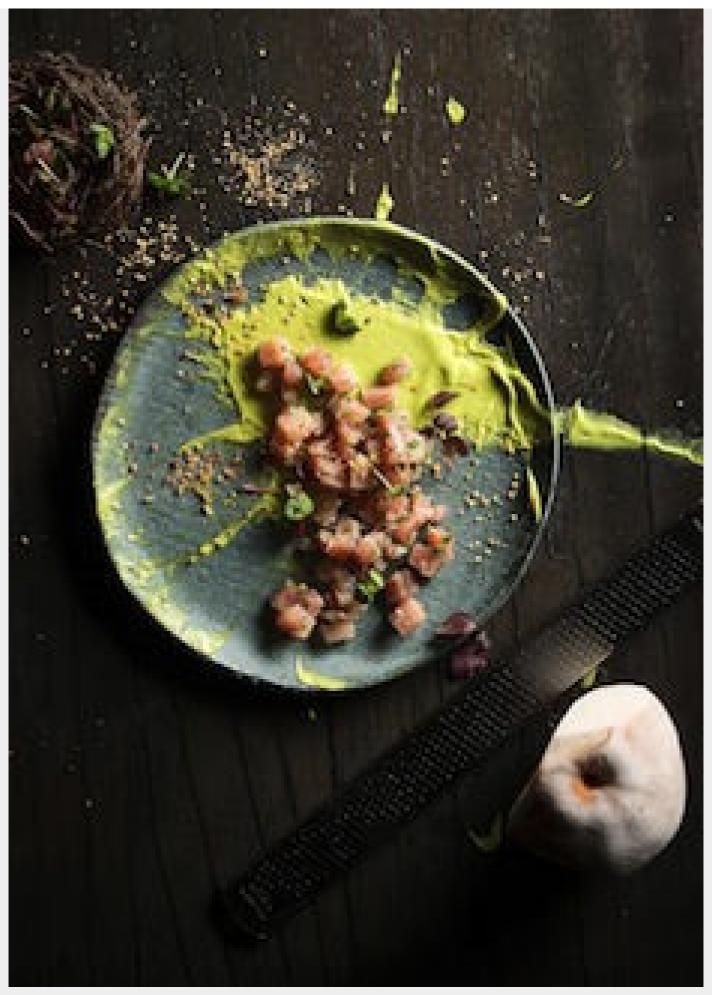


The Weekly Grub: 16 September 2015 Written on Wednesday, 16th September 15 by Joel Conceicao

From an absolute bargain on champagne deal to an all-new cocktail menu at ME@OUE, this week's edition of The Weekly Grub gives you the lowdown on the latest

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The single-seated, open cockpit, Formula One racing car isn't the only speed demon in Singapore this September. From Jamie Oliver's second restaurant in



Singapore to a Peruvian rooftop bar at Ann Siang Hill, these 10 new restaurants and bars have whizzed to the forefront of Singapore's food & Deverage scene quicker than a Lamborghini. RedBank Bar & Deverage Scene quicker than a Lamborghini. RedBank Bar & Deverage Scene quicker than a Lamborghini.

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