

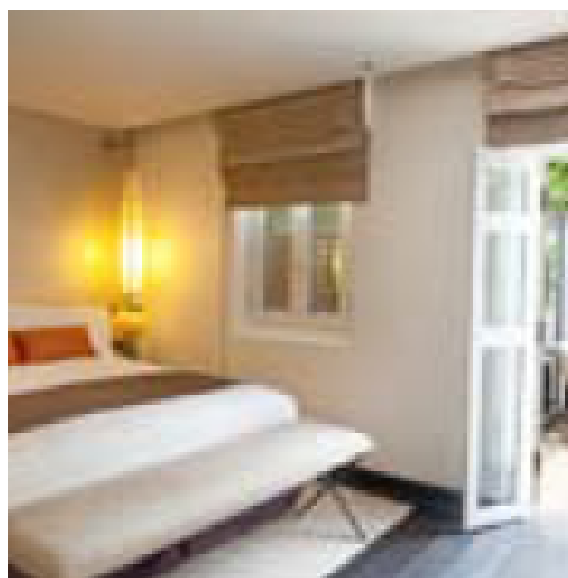
Singapore essentials

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BA, Qantas and Singapore Airlines fly from Heathrow to Singapore Changi airport (from £640; singaporeair.com). Singapore Airlines also flies from Manchester with a one-hour layover in Munich. Shuttle buses to the city centre take around 40 minutes (singles £4.60; changiaairport.com). Taxis make the trip in around 30 minutes, charging in the region of £10–£20. Public transport, in the form of buses and MRT (subway) trains, is run by two companies, SBS and SMRT, with a consolidated guide at publictransport.sg. The MRT network also serves the airport (singles from £1).

🏠 WHERE TO STAY

① The newly opened **Mayo Inn** provides good-sized, IKEA-fitted rooms in a converted 1930s shop-house on the edge of the Little India district. More expensive rooms come with their own roof terrace (from £60; 9 Jalan Besar; mayoinn.com).



Behind the bright façade, Naumi Liora goes for a Minimalist look

② At **Naumi Liora** (formerly the Saff), three beautifully renovated 1920s shophouses in Chinatown combine to create an affordable boutique hotel. Some of the rooms have outdoor terraces (from £120; 55 Keong Saik Rd; naumiliora.com).

③ The **New Majestic Hotel** is arguably the best of Chinatown's boutique hotels. The place offers 30 individually styled rooms done up with a mix of vintage and designer furniture (from £160; 31-37 Bukit Pasoh Rd; newmajestichotel.com).