

SINGAPORE

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Capital: Singapore **Time:** GMT + 8

Background: Founded as a British trading colony in 1819, Singapore joined Malaysia in 1963, but withdrew two years later and became independent. It subsequently became one of the world's most prosperous countries, with strong international trading links (its port is one of the world's busiest) and with per capita GDP above that of the leading nations of Western Europe.

Location: Southeastern Asia, islands between Malaysia and Indonesia

Map References: Southeast Asia

Area: total: 647.5 sq km, land: 637.5 sq km, water: 10 sq km

Climate: tropical; hot, humid, rainy; no pronounced rainy or dry seasons; thunderstorms occur on 40% of all days (67% of days in April)

Terrain: lowland; gently undulating central plateau contains water catchment area and nature preserve

Natural Resources: fish, deepwater ports

Population: 4,151,264 (July 2000 est.)

Nationality: noun: Singaporean(s), adjective: Singapore

Ethnic Groups: Chinese 77%, Malay 14%, Indian 7.6%, other 1.4%

Religions: Buddhist (Chinese), Muslim (Malays), Christian, Hindu, Sikh, Taoist, Confucianist

Languages: Chinese (official), Malay (official and national), Tamil (official), English (official)

Economy: Singapore is blessed with a highly developed and successful free-market economy, a remarkably open and corruption-free business environment, stable prices, and the fifth highest per capita GDP in the world. Exports, particularly in electronics and chemicals, and services are the main drivers of the economy. The government promotes high levels of savings and investment through a mandatory savings scheme and spends heavily in education and technology. It also owns government-linked companies (GLCs) - particularly in manufacturing - that operate as commercial entities and account for 60% of GDP. As Singapore looks to a future increasingly marked by globalization, the country is positioning itself as the region's financial and high-tech hub.

Industries: electronics, financial services, oil drilling equipment, petroleum refining, rubber processing and rubber products, processed food and beverages, ship repair, entrepot trade, biotechnology

Currency: 1 Singapore dollar (S\$) = 100 cents

Railways: total: 38.6 km, narrow gauge: 38.6 km 1.000-m gauge, note: there is a 83 km mass transit system with 48 stations

Highways: total: 3,122 km, paved: 3,038 km (including 150 km of expressways), unpaved: 84 km (1998)

Ports and Harbors: Singapore

Airports: 9 (1999 est.), Airports - with paved runways: total: 9, over 3,047 m: 2, 2,438 to 3,047 m: 1, 1,524 to 2,437 m: 4, 914 to 1,523 m: 1, under 914 m: 1 (1999 est.)

Heliports: 1 (1999 est.)

Visa: required only by the following nationals of: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China(PR), CIS, Egypt, India, Iraq, Jordan, Laos, Lebanon, Libya, Myanmar, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Vietnam, Yemen and holders of Palestinian Authority passports.

Duty Free: permitted goods: 1 litre of spirits; 1 litre of wine and 1 litre of beer; for bonafide tourist, gifts and food items up to the value of S\$150 if away from Singapore less than 48 hours and S\$300 if away from Singapore for 48 hours or more.

Health: a yellow fever certificate of vaccination is required. Hepatitis A and E are widespread; hepatitis B is hyperendemic. Rabies is present.

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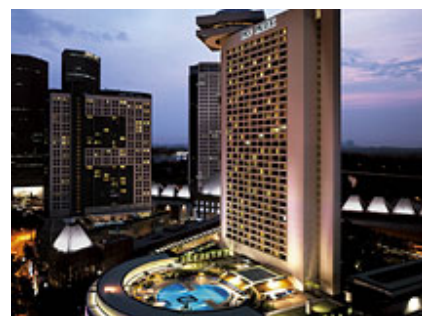


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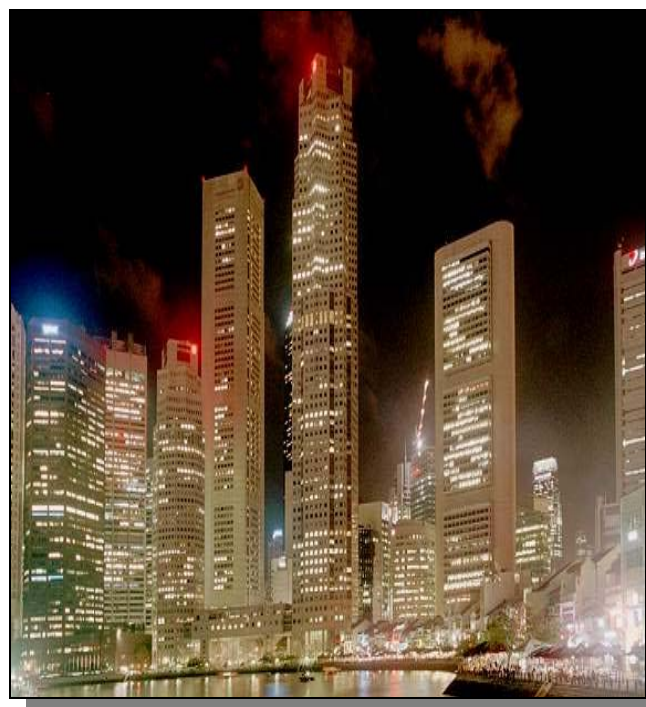
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