

Sultans of Spice™ A Kampong Glam (Malay-Islamic Quarter) Walk

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Tour Synopsis

How was Singapore sold to the British for 60,000 Spanish Dollars?

Find out about the man who did it, and the man who forced him to. No one remembers the sultans that used to rule, *except us*. The old Royal Palace, the Sultan Mosque, the Tombs of the Malayan Princes: they all carry an air of royalty snatched away too quickly. Uncover a curious blend of Malay folk traditions and Islam in the legends of the mysterious *keris* (dagger), exotic perfumes, *jamu* remedies to every conceivable ailment and the story of the faith that is so often misunderstood. Don't miss this hidden cultural enclave where Singapore's indigenous culture still thrives!

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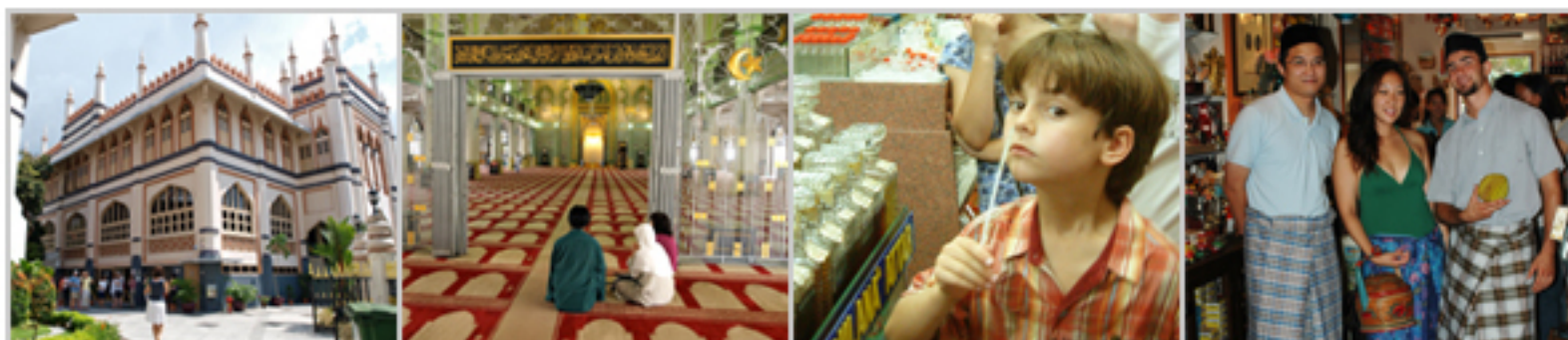
Every Thursday / 9.30am – 12.00nn
Meet at Bugis MRT Station, outside Exit B



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By Cab: There are two MRT exits along Victoria Street. Alight at MRT exit on the side where Raffles Hospital is.

End Point: Jalan Kubor



Tour Highlights:

- Get the inside scoop on the British East India Company's attempts to control the Spice Trade Route
- Unearth rare artefacts and a peculiar tale or two at the Antique Store
- Gain valuable insights to Islam at the historic Sultan Mosque and find out who-buys-what at the Traditional Muslim Supplies Shop
- Explore some of the oldest (and narrowest!) streets in Singapore
- Catch a glimpse of dying trades, some of the last remaining in the urban city
- Take in the grandeur of the former Malay Palace (Old Istana Kampong Glam) before finding the Royal Graveyard in a most extraordinary state

Additional Information:

- If you'd like to enter the mosque, please wear a sleeved blouse/shirt and long skirt or pants. A limited number of robes are also available at the mosque.