

Your Complete Guide To Hong Kong

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## Section 1 LIVING IN HONG KONG



# Getting To Know Hong Kong

#### 1.1 BACKGROUND AND HISTORY

Hong Kong in English means a fragrant harbour. It is located at the southeastern tip of the People's Republic of China, at the South of the Tropic of Cancer and at the same latitude as Mexico City, the Bahamas and Hawaii. Hong Kong is divided into four distinct parts that cover 404 square miles: Hong Kong Island, Kowloon Peninsula, and the New Territories, including 262 outlying islands.

#### **EARLY HISTORY**

Its modern history begins in 1841 when Hong Kong Island was ceded to the British as a colony after the defeat of the first Opium War. Kowloon Peninsula and Stonecutters Island were added to the colony 1860 after the second Opium War, and in 1898 the New Territories including the outlying islands were leased to Britain for 99 years.

An agreement between China and Britain to return Hong Kong to Chinese sovereignty is embodied in the Sino-British Joint Declaration theoretically allowing Hong Kong to retain its present social, economic and legal systems for at least 50 years after 1997. Hong Kong is now designated as a Special Administrative Region (SAR), which in effect allows it to exist under "one country, two systems".



Hong Kong - Pearl of the Orient

#### 1.2 CLIMATE

Hong Kong has a tropical monsoon climate. Two seasons dominate the year. One is consistently hot, wet and humid (the Southern Monsoon in Spring/Summer) while the other is cool and dry (the Northern Monsoon in Autumn/Winter).

#### 1. SPRING (MARCH to MID-MAY)

Temperature and humidity rise gradually in spring. The weather is cool but lightweight jackets suffice. The average temperature ranges from 18°C to 27°C while humidity is around 82%.

#### 2. SUMMER (LATE MAY TO MID-SEPTEMBER)

Hot and humid. Temperature ranges from 26°C to 33°C and humidity is around 86%. Short sleeves and cotton clothes work best, with a lightweight jacket for indoor areas, as these places tend to set air-conditioning on high. An umbrella or a hat works well to ward off heavy rain and sun. Thunderstorms are common at this time of year.

#### 3. AUTUMN (LATE SEPTEMBER TO MID-NOVEMBER)

Warm, clear and sunny days are the norms in autumn. Short sleeve jackets are most suitable at this time of year. Nights are cool with low humidity and the daily range of temperature is small.

#### 4. WINTER (MID-NOVEMBER TO FEBRUARY)

The weather normally remains sunny during the day but the nights are considerably cooler. The humidity is usually low. Though the temperature ranges between 14°C and 20°C, it can drop to 10°C or lower. Occasional chills make woollens and overcoats necessary.

#### 5. TYPHOON SEASON

Typhoons may be expected from May to September. Typhoon and monsoon warning signals are forecasted via visual signals in the harbour, and regularly broadcast on radio and television.

TYPHOON SIGNAL	ACTION
T1	A tropical cyclone is centered within about 800 kilometres (km) off Hong Kong.  Pay attention to weather forecast if planning for outdoor activities.  All schools schedule remain normal.
<b>1</b> 3	Strong wind is expected or blowing, with sustained speed of 41-62 km/h, and gusts exceed 110 km/h.  • Flowerpots, outdoor furniture and loose objects should be secured. Public transportation operates normally.  • All kindergartens and schools for handicapped are closed. Other schools schedules remain normal.
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<b>X</b> 9	Gale or storm force wind is increasing or expected to increase significantly in strength.  + Students and those who work in office should stay homes.
+10	Hurricane force wind is expected or blowing, with sustained speed reaching upwards from 118 km/h and with gusts that may exceed 220 km/h.  • The public should stay homes or stay under cover.

#### 6. RAINSTORM WARNING

There are three levels of warning, namely amber, red and black.

### • AMBER

It will be hoisted when it is raining heavily or generally throughout Hong Kong, exceeding 30 minimeters in an hour. There will be flooding in low-lying and poorly drained areas. The public is advised to pay attention to the coming weather changes.

## • RED Red II

It will be hoisted when it is raining heavily or is expected to rain generally throughout Hong Kong, exceeding 50 mini-meters in an hour, and is likely to continue for a period of time. Heavy rain might cause serious road flooding, and people who have to travel should carefully watch out for the weather and road conditions.

## BLACK Black

It will be hoisted when it is raining very heavily or is expected to rain generally throughout Hong Kong, exceeding 70 mini-meters in an hour, and is likely to continue for a period of time. Road flooding and weather conditions are serious. People should take shelter in a safe place.

#### 1.3 PEOPLE AND LANGUAGE

#### **PEOPLE**

In end-2009, the population of Hong Kong was 7.02 million. Chinese made up 95% of the total population, other ethnicities include Filipino, Indonesian, American, British, Thai, and Japanese occupied the rest of 5% total population.

#### LANGUAGE

English and Cantonese are the official languages of Hong Kong. All road signs and notices are posted in both languages. Cantonese is the most widely spoken dialect. Most staffs in restaurants and hotels understand and speak English. Taxi drivers are familiar with the names of hotels and streets. English proficiency is comparatively low among bus drivers and security guards.

#### 1.4 THE LEGAL SYSTEM AND GOVERNMENT

#### THE LAW

The legal system of Hong Kong is firmly based on the rule of law and the independence of the Judiciary. The Basic Law provides for the constitutional framework of the legal system. Under the principle of 'one country, two systems', it is based on the common law and is supplemented by a large amount of local legislation.

#### THE GOVERNMENT

The Executive Council advises the Chief Executive on government policy and any decisions. The council is composed of the Chief Secretary, the Attorney General, the Financial Secretary and other members appointed by the Chief Secretary.

The Legislative Council discusses interest of the public and gives advice to the government. Members of the Legislative Council are elected by Hong Kong citizens aged 18 years or above.

# Banking

#### 2.1 BANK SERVICES

Hong Kong operates on a three-tier banking system comprised of licenced banks, licenced deposit-taking companies and registered deposit-taking companies. There are numerous Hong Kong-based banks as well as foreign banks and banking institutions in Hong Kong. They offer a full range of banking facilities in Hong Kong dollars, as well as major foreign currencies, fixed-term deposits, loans, remittances, insurance and other services.

#### **BANK ACCOUNTS**

To open an account, you are required to present your ID card or passport, address proof and sign forms at the bank. In addition, your employment contract is required for overdraft facilities and credit card application. In addition, most banks have an initial deposit requirement.

#### 1. SAVING ACCOUNT

With a saving account, you will be able to:

- use it for everyday transactions such as payment, transfers and standing instructions
- access your account with an account card at various ATM locations or phone banking
- monitor your account with a passbook or statement

Most banks induce a minimum balance requirement that customers will be surcharged if the rolling average balance of their account falls below the requirement. Interest highly depends on the balance.

#### 2. CURRENT ACCOUNT (CHECK ACCOUNT)

With a current account, you will be able to:

- write checks for day-to-day payments and monitor your account with a statement
- access your account with an account card at various ATM locations or phone banking.

No interest is provided for the current account at most of the banks.

#### CHECK ISSUANCE

The regulations cover the issuing and cashing of checks in Hong Kong are similar to the negotiable instrument laws of Great Britain. All checks are considered 'bearer' checks unless the words 'or bearer' are deleted. Thus, a check without crossing can be cashed without endorsement by anyone, although most banks usually require some identification for large amount.

To protect against loss, checks with pre-printed crossing should be used. Otherwise, two parallel diagonal lines in the upper left-hand corner of the check should be drawn or the word 'or bearer' should be deleted after filling in the payee's name. The check must be deposited into an account. If the words 'A/C payee only' are inserted between the crossed lines, the check can only be deposited to the account of the payee.

Local checks generally clear overnight. Foreign check clearing times depends on your relationship with your banker and the amount of the check: sometimes banks will buy a foreign currency check immediately, other times overseas checks take three to four weeks to clear.

#### 3. INTEGRATED ACCOUNT

With an integrated account, you can enjoy a wide range of services:

- · make deposits in HK dollars and foreign currencies
- overdraft protection for check account and ready secured and unsecured credit
- invest in securities unit trusts, bonds, and gold
- · insurance packages

Most banks charge a monthly / annual fee for this account type.

#### 2.2 OTHER SERVICES

#### 1. AUTOPAY

It authorizes your bank to automatically pay regular accounts for electricity, gas, telephone, subscriptions, and some stores.

#### 2. ATMS

The HSBC (Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) and its subsidiary, the Hang Seng Bank, operate 24-hour electronic banking facilities (ETC) throughout the territory. The account cards allow you to access your bank accounts in over 100 countries and territories through the HSBC Group's ATM network. Other banks like The Standard Chartered Bank and Bank of China (HK) also use ETC machines sharing a same network system named JETCO' in many locations.

#### 3. EASY PAY SYSTEM (EPS)

It allows you to pay for purchases at a participating restaurant or store by using either a bank credit card or automatic teller machine card. Your account is instantly debited, and funds are transferred to the merchant's bank account.

#### 4. PAYMENT BY PHONE SERVICE (PPS)

Once you have opened a bank account with an ATM card, a PPS account can be opened by simply swiping the card over the PPS terminals. Choose a PPS access code and wait for the PPS account number to be printed. Payment can then be arranged 24 hours a day by using a tone phone or via the Internet. Funds will automatically be transferred from the bank account to the merchant's account. Website: <a href="https://www.ppshk.com">www.ppshk.com</a>

# Transportation

#### 3.1 PUBLIC NETWORK

#### **RAILWAY NETWORK**

#### 1. MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY (MTR) & THE AIRPORT EXPRESS

The MTR is a heavily utilized railway network in Hong Kong. The operations of MTR and Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation were merged in December 2007, forming an even more extensive network of railway service. Currently it consists of nine lines:

- Kwun Tong Line, Tsuen Wan Line, Island Line, Tseung Kwan O Line, Tung Chung Line, East Rail Line, West Rail Line, Ma On Shan Line, and Disneyland Resort Line. The East Rail Line operates intercity through train services to major cities across Mainland China, including Guangzhou, Shanghai and Beijing. MTR also operates the dedicated Airport Express and the Light Rail network, which take you to Hong Kong International Airport and North West New Territories respectively.

The Airport Express provides a swift link between Hong Kong International Airport and the heart of Hong Kong in just 23 minutes. It operates from 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. daily. The Airport Express stations offer in-town check-in, Airport Express Shuttle Bus Service and many other facilities.

Adult single journey fares on the MTR lines range from \$4 to \$33, and \$60 to \$100 for the Airport Express.

Website: www.mtr.com.hk

#### 2. TRAM

Electric trams have been running in Hong Kong since 1904. Hongkong Tramways operates six routes along the north shore of Hong Kong Island on a 13-kilometre track. It runs between Shau Kei Wan and Kennedy Town and around Happy Valley. The adult fare is \$2. The company also has two open-balcony trams for tourists and private hire.

#### 3. THE PEAK TRAM

Another tramway is a cable-hauled funicular railway, operated by Peak Tramways Company Ltd since 1888. The 1.4-kilometre line runs between Central and The Peak, with four stops en route, climbing 373 meters on gradient as steep as one-in-two. The line mainly carries tourists and local sightseers. A single trip for adults costs \$25.



#### ROAD TRANSPORT

#### 1. BUSES

#### KOWLOON & NEW TERRITORIES

Kowloon Motor Bus operates over 400 bus routes in Kowloon and the New Territories and 71 crossharbour routes. Fares for urban routes range from \$2.5 to \$7 and from \$2.6 to \$40 for New Territories routes.

Website: www.kmb.com.hk

#### HONG KONG ISLAND

New World First Bus operates about 74 Hong Kong Island routes, 59 cross-harbour routes and 5 routes serving Kowloon and Tseung Kwan O. Fares range from \$3.1 to \$10.6 for Hong Kong Island routes and \$3.4 to \$14.8 for Kowloon and Tseung Kwan O routes.

Website: www.nwfb.com.hk

Citybus is the other franchised operator on Hong Kong Island. It operates over 140 bus routes, including 61 Hong Kong Island routes, 48 cross-harbour routes and 33 routes to Tung Chung and the airport. Fares range from \$3.2 to \$9.8 for Hong Kong Island routes and \$3.5 to \$48 for Tung Chung and the airport routes.

Website: www.citybus.com.hk

#### LANTAU ISLAND

The Long Win Bus Company Ltd provides bus service to north Lantau and the airport. It operates 24 routes. Fares range from \$3 to \$29.2.

The New Lantao Bus Company operates 18 routes on Lantau Island. Fares range from \$2.4 to \$43.

#### 2. MINIBUSES

Public Light Buses (PLBs) are minibuses with not more than 16 seats. Green PLBs offer scheduled services and red ones offer non-scheduled services (red minibuses).

Green minibuses operate on fixed routes at fixed fares which are generally higher than those of franchised buses. A number is posted on the windshield as well as on the destination sign. The fare is posted on the bottom of the windshield in the middle and it is reduced at certain points along the route.

Red minibuses are free to operate anywhere, except where special prohibitions apply, without fixed routes or fares. They are permitted to deviate from an exact route if the bus driver chooses to do so, although they must arrive at the destination posted on the sign.

The mini-bus drivers stop to pick up people who wave, provided that it is not full and it is a legal place to stop. They stop when passengers request to disembark.

#### **FERRIES**

#### 1. STAR FERRY

The Star Ferry Company operates four cross-harbour services with 8 vessels. Fares range from \$2 to \$6.3. The most frequently used is the Central to Tsim Sha Tsui ride. It takes about 7 minutes. Other routes go between the Wanchai Ferry Pier to Tsim Sha Tsui and Hung Hom, and Central to Hung Hom.

Website: www.starferry.com.hk

#### 2. DISCOVERY BAY FERRY

The Discovery Bay ferry takes passengers to and from Discovery Bay on Lantau Island 24 hours a day. The service departs from the Central Pier No. 3.

#### 3. OUTLYING ISLAND FERRIES

New World First Ferry operates other ferries travelling to Lantau Island and the outlying islands of Peng Chau and Cheung Chau. Services depart from the outlying islands piers No. 4 to 6. Normally, ferries run on a schedule of about once an hour.

Hong Kong & Kowloon Ferry operates ferries travelling from Central to Lamma Island.

The Central Outlying Islands Pier:

- Pier 4 to Lamma (Yung Shue Wan or Sok Kwu Wan)
- · Pier 5 to Cheung Chau
- · Pier 6 to Mui Wo (Lantau) and Peng Chau

#### 3.2 USAGE OF THE OCTOPUS CARD

Octopus card is a multiple use smart card. To use, swipe the card over the electronic device at the entry/exit machine. It can be used on MTR, The Airport Express, Tramways, KMB, Citybus, New World First Bus, HK Ferry and most green minibuses.

Octopus card can be purchased at any MTR station. There are four types of cards: Adult, Student, Child, and Elder/Senior. Any amount paid is then credited to the card, the minimum amount being \$150, which includes a \$50 deposit. If the remaining value of the card is insufficient to cover a journey, a maximum negative value of \$35 is applied. Adding value to the card can be done at 7-Eleven convenience stores or through "Add Value Machine" at MTR stations.



Octopus Hotline: 2266 2222

#### 3.3 TRANSPORT TO MACAU

TurboJETs or Catamarans, which differ in speed, comfort and price, are the major ferries that bring passengers from Hong Kong to Macau. TurboJET takes you about one hour from Hong Kong to Macau or vice versa and they operate almost 24 hours. The ticket price ranges from HK\$134 to HK\$275. Trips are made between the Hong Kong Ferry Terminal located in the Shun Tak Centre at Sheung Wan and the Macau Ferry Terminal located in the Outer Harbour.

Enquiry Hotline: 2859 3333

Website: www.turbojet.com.hk

Catamarans from the First Ferry offer roundtrip sailings to and from Macau and Kowloon, arriving at the China (HK) Ferry Terminal in Tsim Sha Tsui. The journey takes about 70 minutes. The ticket price ranges from HK\$133 to HK\$275.

Enquiry Hotline: 2131 8181

Website: www.nwff.com.hk

Advance booking is recommended for holidays and weekends.

#### Cross Boundary Passenger Ferry Terminal

TurboJET Sea Express runs 3 routes between Hong Kong International Airport and Shenzhen, Macau SAR and Guangzhou. Passengers can transit into or out of the Pearl River Delta region via HKIA without the need to pass through HK Customs and Immigration formalities and also hassle free from delivering their luggage to the ferry terminal. The Macau Route is approximately 45 minutes. Ticket price ranges from HK\$215 to HK\$470.

Website: www.turbojetseaexpress.com.hk

#### Helicopters

East Asia Airlines and Helicopters Hong Kong Ltd operate aircraft between the helipads on the Macau and Hong Kong Ferry Terminals. The flight takes only 15 minutes.

Enquiry Hotline: 2108 9898

Website: www.helihongkong.com

## Health Sense

#### 4.1 HEALTH CONCERNS

#### **AIR QUALITY**

Upper respiratory infections, allergies and asthma are common illnesses in Hong Kong. The warm climate and high humidity promote the growth of flora and fauna, including bacteria, moulds and mildews. The perennial spring in the air means that different plants are often in bloom, adding to the misery of patients with allergies.

To monitor and investigate air pollution, air pollutant levels are measured constantly at 11 general and 3 roadside monitoring stations. An Air Pollution Index (API) was introduced in June 1995 to provide a simple and concise indication of air quality. From July 1999, information on API has been released every hour via the Internet, TV and telephone hotline.

#### **BCG-TUBERCULOSIS**

As mentioned previously, babies born in Hong Kong are vaccinated at birth. Tuberculosis is a common disease in Asian countries, which can be contracted from people coughing or spitting. It can cause chest infection, meningitis and may affect other parts of the body.

#### DIPHTHERIS, TETANUS & POLIO

An initial immunization course is given before six months of age, and then boosters are required at five years, 15 years and every 10 years thereafter.

#### **FOOD QUALITY**

Food sold in Hong Kong's many restaurants and markets is of generally high quality. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department conducts food surveillance and food labelling inspections. Samples are taken each year for chemical and microbiological testing to ensure that consumers are not exposed to components in food, which may pose a health risk. Food surveillance reports are released to the public regularly.

It is important to note that the food vendors, or hawkers, who roll their cook carts and sell interesting varieties of cooked cuisine on sidewalks are not sanctioned by the government and do not have cooked food licences.

Retail fresh food markets must adhere to government licensing regulations, including the maintenance of strict sanitation standards.

However, some fresh fruits and vegetables coming from Mainland use agricultural chemicals. Recently, the consumption of contaminated vegetables has resulted in periodic outbreaks of pesticide poisoning. The government conducts random sampling procedures at various border points and major wholesale vegetable market in Wanchai.

Meat, fish and shellfish must be selected with caution, too. Recently, typhoid outbreaks were traced to fish that had been kept alive in restaurant tanks filled with tainted water. Bacteria, viruses or parasites, local fish and shellfish may also be tainted by heavy metals from industrial wastes dumped into the harbour. Luckily, most of the produce, fish and meat that may be purchased in the major supermarkets in Hong Kong require no special preparation before storage or use. Meat, poultry and fish from Australia, New Zealand and the United States sold in grocery stores are shipped frozen.

#### HEMOPHILUS INFLUENZA GROUP B (HIB)

It is given routinely to babies in three doses before six months of age. It protects against one of the forms of meningitis and epiglottis. It is recommended that older children who missed the first schedule should also receive this vaccination up until six years of age.

#### **HEPATITIS A**

It is the most common form of hepatitis in Hong Kong, accounting for about 80% of all cases. It is also a virus and causes an acute illness, which commonly takes 6-12 weeks to recover. It is spread by contaminated water, food (particularly shellfish) and poor hygiene. Symptoms include fever, fatigue, diarrhea, headache, loss of appetite, jaundice and vomiting.

#### HEPATITIS B

Hong Kong has a relatively high incidence of Hepatitis B and about 10% of the population is carriers of the infection. It is caused by a virus that is spread through bodily fluids, such as, blood, semen and saliva, and can cause liver failure and an increased incidence of liver cancer. Children receive routine vaccinations at birth, one month and six months of age.

#### MEASLES, MUMPS & RUBELLA (GERMAN MEASLES)

Administered as one dose at 12 months of age. Girls are given a rubella booster at 11-13 years of age. Side effects include a rash or temperature.

#### **PARASITES**

Infestations of threadworms and roundworms are the most common types of parasites in Hong Kong. Treatment includes using drugs such as Vermox or Combantrin.

#### RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS

Coughs, colds, and middle ear infections are common due to the pollution, humidity, crowded environment and temperature extremes between indoor and outdoor environments.

#### TYPHOID, JAPANESE ENCEPHALITIS, MENINGITIS A & C

They are contracted from contaminated food and water. Vaccinations are necessary for extensive travel throughout some Asian countries - areas with poor water quality and poor hygiene.

#### 4.2 HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Hong Kong's residents are provided with a comprehensive range of medical and health services by the public and private sectors.

#### GOVERNMENT / PUBLIC SERVICES

The Hospital Authority is an independent body responsible for the management of all public hospitals. It provides medical treatment and rehabilitation services to patients through hospitals, specialist clinics and outreach services.

#### **PUBLIC HOSPITALS**

#### 1. HONG KONG EAST

Cheshire Home \*
128 Chung Hom Kok Road,
Chung Hom Kok
Tel: 2813 9823

Pamela Youde-Nethersole Eastern Hospital \* 3 Lok Men Road, Chai Wan Tel: 2595 6111

Ruttonjee Hospital \* 266 Queen's Road East, Wanchai

Tel: 2291 2000

Tang Shiu Kin Hospital 282 Queen's Road East, Wanchai Tel: 2291 2000

Tung Wah Eastern Hospital \*
19 Eastern Hospital Road, Causeway Bay
Tel: 2162 6888

Wong Chuk Hang Hospital \*
2 Wong Chuk Hang Path, Wong Chuk Hang
Tel: 2873 7222

#### 2. HONG KONG WEST

Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital \* 12 Sandy Bay Road, Pokfulam Tel: 2817 7111

Grantham Hospital \*
125 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen
Tel: 2518 2111

MacLehose Medical Rehabilitation Centre \* 7 Sha Wan Drive, Pokfulam Tel: 2817 0018

Nam Long Hospital \* 30 Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Tel: 2903 0000

Queen Mary Hospital 102 Pokfulam Road, Pokfulam Tel: 2855 3111

Tsan Yuk Hospital \*
30 Hospital Road, Sai Ying Pun
Tel: 2589 2100

Tung Wah Group of Hospitals

– Fung Yiu King Hospital \*
9 Sandy Bay Road, Pokfulam
Tel: 2855 6111

Tung Wah Hospital \*
12 Po Yan Street, Sheung Wan
Tel: 2589 8111

#### **PUBLIC HOSPITALS**

#### 3. KOWLOON EAST & CETRAL

HK Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service\*

15 King's Park Rise, Ho Man Tin Tel: 2710 1234

Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital \*
10 Heng Lam Street, Lok Fu

Tel: 2339 6111

Hong Kong Eye Hospital \* 147K Argyle Street, Kowloon City Tel: 2762 3007

Kowloon Hospital \* 147A Argyle Street Tel: 3129 7111

Queen Elizabeth Hospital 30 Gascoigne Road, Jordon Tel: 2958 8888

Haven of Hope Hospital \*
8 Haven of Hope Road, Tseung Kwan O
Tel: 2703 8000

Tseung Kwan O Hospital \* No. 2 Po Ning Lane, Hang Hau, Tseung Kwan O Tel: 2208 0111

United Christian Hospital \* 130 Hip Wo Street, Kwun Tong Tel: 3513 4000

#### 4. KOWLOON WEST

Caritas Medical Centre \*
111 Wing Hong Street, Sham Shui Po
Tel: 3408 7911

Kwong Wah Hospital \* 25 Waterloo Road, Yau Ma Tei Tel: 2332 2311

Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital \* 118 Shatin Pass Road, Wong Tai Sin Tel: 2320 2121

TWGHs Wong Tai Sin Hospital \* 124 Shatin Pass Road, Wong Tai Sin Tel: 2320 0377

#### PRIVATE SERVICES

There are more than ten private hospitals in Hong Kong. The most popular ones are The Hong Kong Adventist, The Matilda and War Memorial Hospital and the Canossa Hospital.

#### PRIVATE HOSPITALS

#### 1. HONG KONG ISLAND

#### Canossa Hospital

1 Old Peak Road, Mid-Levels

Tel: 2522 2181

Website: www.canossahospital.org.hk

#### HK Adventist Hospital

40 Stubbs Road, Mid-Levels

Tel: 2574 6211

Website: www.hkah.org.hk

#### HK Central Hospital

1B Lower Albert Road, Central

Tel: 2552 3141

Website: www.hkch.org

#### HK Sanitarium & Hospital

2 Village Road, Happy Valley

Tel: 2572 0211

Website: www.hksh.com

#### Matilda & War Memorial Hospital

41 Mt. Kellet Road, The Peak

Tel: 2849 0111

Website: www.matilda.org

#### St. Paul's Hospital

2 Eastern Hospital Road, Causeway Bay

Tel: 2890 6008

Website: www.stpaul.org.hk

#### 2. KOWLOON

#### Baptist Hospital

222 Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong

Tel: 2339 8888

Website: www.hkbh.org.hk

#### Evangel Hospital

222 Argyle Street, Kowloon City

Tel: 2711 5221

Website: www.evangel.org.hk

#### Precious Blood Hospital (Caritas) \*

113 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po

Tel: 2386 4281

Website: www.pbh.hk

#### St. Teresa's Hospital

327 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City

Tel: 2711 9111

Website: www.sth.org.hk

\* Without casualty

#### **CLINICS**

Fees charged by private practitioners in Hong Kong vary, usually from \$200 to \$500 or more for a specialist consultation. In some cases, these fees include the cost of medicine, but separate charges are more common. Patients also have to pay exclusively for laboratory tests, X-ray examinations, etc.

# Section 2 EXPLORING HONG KONG



# Hong Kong Culture

#### 5.1 FESTIVALS IN HONG KONG

#### CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR

It is the start of the lunar calendar, which is the most important holiday in Hong Kong.

#### TRADITIONS (YEAR-END DAY)

Before the day of New Year, house should be cleaned, debts should be paid, and respects are paid to the "Kitchen God" and the shrines of ancestors. Everyone should have new clothes. Families enjoy a big festive meal at home at the year-end day at night, which all family members are supposed to attend. They visit huge flower fairs to shop for lucky flowers and plants to herald the Lunar New Year. At around midnight, throngs offer prayers at the Wong Tai Sin Temple, hoping their wishes will be granted in the New Year. People queue up early on the day to be first in line to make their offerings to this popular deity.



A Chinese Temple

#### • PUBLIC ACTIVITIES - THE FLOWER FAIRS (BEFORE LUNAR NEW YEAR)

There are huge flower fairs in Choi Hung Chuen, Mong Kok, Victoria Park and other districts in Hong Kong. Hawkers and New Territories gardeners sell thousands of potted plants, fresh flowers, and tree branches during the four days they remain open. There are also toys, lights, food, candies and other goods. Going shopping or sightseeing at the fairs is a wonderful experience for those who love crowds.

Homes are decorated with flowers: chrysanthemums, peach and plum blossoms and kumquat trees. They are symbols of good luck and prosperity.

#### NEW YEAR'S DAY (1ST – 15TH OF LUNAR JANUARY)

Everyone greets one another with 'kung hei fat choy' which is roughly 'Happy New Year' and literally, 'Good wishes, good fortune' or also 'prosperity'. Relatives visit each other and 'lai see' are given out on these occasions. These red envelopes contain a sum of money and are given to children or unmarried adults by married couples. Red is the symbol of luck and is believed to exorcise evil; the gesture of giving bestows luck on the giver and the recipient. Gifts like chocolates, cookies, wine and baskets of fruits are exchanged during visits.

Families enjoy a vegetarian dinner with dishes signifying good fortune in the year to come.

'Lai see' is usually distributed to newspaper boys, delivery people, building caretakers etc when you see them after the start of Chinese New Year. It is a form of tipping to the people who have served you well over the year. 'Lai see' are customarily opened after 15th of 1st Lunar month.

#### THE 2ND DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR

Families start the New Year with a sumptuous lunch featuring dishes whose names signify good fortune and blessings. Customarily, there are fireworks displays at the Victoria Harbour on the 2nd day of Lunar New Year night. Many people gather at both sides of the harbour to enjoy the fireworks display. Sea-view hotels are fully booked, too.

#### THE 3RD DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR

Although the Che Kung festival falls on the 2nd day, families visit Che Kung Temple on the 3rd day instead of their friends and relatives' homes since it is believed that people tend to quarrel on that day.

#### • THE 7TH DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR

It is everyone's birthday.

#### + THE 15TH DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR (SPRING LANTERN FESTIVAL)

To eat sweet dumplings is a tradition on this day. It is also a Chinese Valentine's Day where young men and women meet and date to enjoy the magic of the colourful lanterns. This festival also marks the end of the Lunar New Year celebrations.

#### + BUSINESS

During Lunar New Year, shops and businesses, including food stores and markets, will close for a 3-day period traditionally. However, most shops open on the second day of Lunar New Year nowadays. Barbers and beauty parlours charge double during the week prior to the holiday. The Chinese Amah will have at least four days to a week off.

As a celebration and symbol of "good luck", shops often arrange lion dance on the first day of opening in the New Year. Some property estates also arrange lion dance show in New Year.

#### **CHING MING FESTIVAL**

It is on the 4th or 5th of April. Chinese families go graves sweeping annually to show respect to their ancestors. They clear away weeds, touch up gravestone inscriptions and make offerings of wine and fruit. Incense and papers are burned for the dead.

#### BIRTHDAY OF LORD BUDDHA

It is on the 8th day of the fourth moon. The birthday of Lord Buddha is a celebration of great reverence in Hong Kong's Buddhist temples. Worshippers show their devotion throughout the day by bathing Buddha's statue. Many people enjoy sumptuous Chinese vegetarian dishes cooked by the monks at Po Lin Monastery.

#### DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL (TUEN NG)

It is held on the 5th day of the fifth moon. The festival commemorates the death of Chu Yuan, a popular Chinese national hero, who drowned himself in Mi Lo River over 2000 years ago to protest against corruption in government. His friends then threw cakes into the water to divert the fish, and used paddles to create waves to scare them away. This practice is then transformed into the traditions of making and eating rice and meat dumplings wrapped in bamboo leaves, and paddling in Tuen Ng Festival nowadays.



Dragon Boat Race

#### PUBLIC ACTIVITIES – DRAGON BOAT RACES

Furious Dragon Boat races are held at Taipo, Stanley, Aberdeen, Cheung Chau and other places. Long narrow boats with dragonheads and tails seat 6 to 20 rowers. Gongs or drums beat loudly and flags fly. It has also become a yearly international event with many fine overseas teams participating in the International Dragon Boat Race.

#### MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

It is held on the 15th night of the eighth moon. It commemorates the cunning plan uprising in the 14th century when China was against the Mongols (Yuan Dynasty). The rebels wrote the call to revolt on pieces of paper and embedded them in small pastry cakes that they smuggled to compatriots. All bakeries in Hong Kong now produce a variety of moon cakes. The most traditional ones made of ground lotus and sesame seed paste, egg-yolk and other ingredients. People carry their colourful lanterns and go to high places and beaches to see the moon rise. At night, families and groups of children hang around the streets and parks waving paper, moon faced lanterns lighted with small candles or often comical plastic lanterns in bizarre shapes such as aircrafts, cartoon characters and spaceship imitations.

#### **CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL**

It is another major festival to respect and remember ancestors. It is held on the 9th day of the ninth moon. During the Han Dynasty, a man followed the advice of a sage to take his family to a high place. On returning, they found floods and sicknesses had destroyed everything. On this holiday, everyone visits mountaintops to ward off future disasters. Thousands of people go by tram to visit, sweep and honour the cemeteries.

#### 5.2 RELIGIONS & BELIEFS

Ancestor worship (respect) is the fundamental basis of Chinese society and religion. Nearly every home and shop has a small and decorated ancestral altar at which candles (or red electric bulb) and incense are burnt and food laid out to invoke the blessings from ancestor. The Chinese almanac, Tung Shing, is widely consulted whenever any change (e.g. choosing a wedding date) is contemplated.

There is also a pantheon of deities, earth gods, kitchen gods, and patron saints for professions, events, and aspects of daily life. Most of them are inherited directly from rural animism. Most people go to temples at the beginning of the year to invoke blessing for luck, health and wealth and the end of the year to thank the 'gods'. People also go to the temples to celebrate the birthday of respective god or when they need feeling of comfort.

Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism are the major traditional ethical and ceremonial systems that meet the western ideas of religion. They are not exclusive, though.

#### 1. CONFUCIANISM

Confucius lived from about 551-475BC. He was a great and respected sage that defined the code of humanity and love, and specified the duties and obligations to harmony. All officials in China were selected from those who passed the exam in the Confucian Classics thereafter. Confucianism is said to be an ethical system that concentrates on moral and social standards and practices.

#### 2. TAOISM

It is much magical and mystical where Taoist priests supervise worship, officiate at burials and marriages and form a religious hierarchy of the pantheon of gods and goddesses, dragons and other spirits. It is common that people consult 'tung shing' and 'feng shui' when placing buildings and furnishings.

#### 3. BUDDHISM

Buddha taught compassion for all living things and directed all human beings to seek their own roads to truth. The religion accepted many local divinities and shamanistic practices. Buddhism plays an important role in Hong Kong. There are more than 400 Buddhist temples and these smoky shrines, laden with incense and offerings of fruit and flowers, can be seen everywhere.

Hong Kong Buddhist Association	The Buddhist Youth Centre
2/F, Lok Yau Building, 338 Lockhart Road,	4/F, Block C, Bay View Mansion,
Wanchai	13-33 Moreton Terrace, Causeway Bay
Tel: 2574 9371	Tel: 2808 1885

#### 4. ISLAM

There are some 80,000 followers of the Islamic faith in Hong Kong. Most of them are Chinese. The incorporated Trustees of the Islamic Community Fund, recognized by the HK Government, is responsible for the management and maintenance of mosques and cemeteries, arrangements for the celebration of Muslim festivals and the supervision of charitable work.

Hong Kong Dawoodi Bohra Association 1/F, Abdoolally House, 20 Stanley Street, Central Tel: 2810 8110	The Islamic Union of Hong Kong 7/F, 40 Oi Kwan Road, Wanchai Tel: 2575 2218
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#### 5. CHRISTIANITY

Hong Kong has an estimated base of half a million of Christians, including Roman Catholics and Protestants of many denominations such as Baptists, Adventist, etc. Christian churches play a prominent role in the Hong Kong community. They run schools, colleges, hospitals and social centres throughout the territory.

A 1: D: CII IZ 0-M	CI: YAKOA CII IZ
Anglican Diocesan of Hong Kong & Macau	Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong
Diocesan Office, 1 Lower Albert Road, Central	4/F, Administration Building, 23 Waterloo Road,
Tel: 2526 5335	Yau Ma Tei
	Tel: 2771 9111
Christian Action	Hong Kong Bible Society
4/F, New Horizons Building, 2 Kwun Tong Road,	902, 9/F Oriental Centre,
Kwun Tong	67 Chatham Road South, Tsim Sha Tsui East
Tel: 2382 3339	Tel: 2368 5147
Hong Kong Christian Council	The Hong Kong Council of the Church of
9/F, Christian Ecumenical Building,	Christ in China
33 Granville Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	2/F, Morrison Memorial Centre,
Tel: 2368 7123	191 Prince Edward Road, Price Edward
	Tel: 2397 1022
The Hong Kong Y.W.C.A.	The Salvation Army
1 MacDonnell Road, Mid-Levels	G/F, 11 Wing Sing Lane, Yau Ma Tei
Tel: 2522 4291	Tel: 2332 4531

The major cathedrals in Hong Kong are located at\*:

Anglican	Roman Catholic
St John's Cathedral 4-8 Garden Road, Central	Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception 16 Caine Road, Mid-Levels
Tel: 2523 4157	Tel: 2522 8212
St Steven's Cathedral	Our Lady of Carmel
22 Tunt Tau Wan Road, Stanley Tel: 2813 0408	1 Star Street, Wanchai Tel: 2527 7240
	St Joseph's
	37 Garden Road, Central Tel: 2522 3992

<sup>\*</sup> church services are also publicized in the South China Morning Post on Saturday

#### 5.3 FENG SHUI THEORY

#### AN ANCIENT CHINESE ART TO SEEK AN IDEAL HOME

Feng Shui is an ancient Chinese art. In Chinese language, Feng Shui literally means "wind and water". When Chinese people talk about Feng Shui, it is about the art of placement of things, ranging from the orientation of buildings to the arrangement of furniture to influence of the chi (breath of nature) of a site. The purpose of such arrangement is to live in harmony with wind and water of the earth so one could attract good luck and prosperity. Such concept of living in harmony with the natural environment brings good fortune has been believed and practiced in the Oriental society for thousands of years.

#### FENG SHUI OF SIGNATURE HOMES PROPERTIES

From a small poor fishing village, Hong Kong has experienced rapid industrial and economic development in the past fifty years. Now, Hong Kong is one of the most important cities in the world and has gained much reputation in the international arena. Therefore, people believe that Hong Kong is a piece of auspicious land with good Feng Shui.

#### 5.4 ETIQUETTE

Hong Kong is an international city with rich Chinese culture that ancient traditions and ancestral rites are deeply embedded in the culture. Below are some very general customs:

#### 1. GENERAL GUIDELINES

#### Behaviour In Social meetings

Avoid losing temper and disagreeing with someone straight as it is regarded as impolite and embarrassing.

#### · Body Touch

Chinese are more formal than foreigners. They are reluctant to have direct body contact with strangers except shaking hands.

#### Chinese Wedding Dinner

It is customary to give some money in a red packet ("Lai See") or a gift check inside a nice envelope if you are invited to a Chinese wedding banquet.

#### · Giving/Receiving Gifts

It is polite to use both hands to give or receive gifts. The gift should be set aside and opened later. Never open it in front of the giver unless you are told to do so.

#### · Names

For Chinese names, the surname is always written first: for instance, Tsang Yam-kuen is referred to Mr Tsang or Mr Y. K. Tsang. Many Chinese give themselves a western first name. Thus, Tsang Yam Kuen, Donald, is equivalent to Mr Donald Y. K. Tsang in Western nomenclature.

#### 2. BUSINESS

#### · Business Cards

Business cards with English on one side and Chinese on the reverse side are commonly used in Hong Kong. They should be given and received with both hands. It is considered respectful to examine the card after receiving it.

#### · Dress Standards

Suits are worn year-round, even during the hot, humid summer months. Hong Kong people also like to dress up for occasions like business and social entertaining, cocktails, dinner parties and formal banquets.

#### Punctuality

Punctuality is very important.

#### · Tea & Coffee Offer

Tea and coffee should be served during a meeting. Visitors should wait for the host to begin.

#### 3. DINING

#### · Food Dishes

Chinese foods are placed in central platters on the table and everyone shares by selecting morsels directly from the plate with chopsticks. It is a sign of courtesy for the host to put food into your bowl with his/her own chopsticks (some people use the handle-side to dish up). Simply eat it and say that it's delicious. Or, leave the food untouched and thank the host politely. Never eat from the central dish directly.

#### · Bones

Bones may be removed from the mouth with the help of chopsticks and placed on the side plates or tablecloth.

#### · Chinese Banquets

It is not necessary to bring a gift unless it is for a special reason such as birthday. Guests will always wait for the host before they begin to eat. Toasts are proposed frequently throughout the meal, especially at the beginning of the meal and when the Shark's Fin soup is served. "Gan Bei" or "Yum Sing" in Cantonese equals to cheers. Fruit or fresh towels are served at the end of the meal at banquets.

#### · Chopsticks

Chopsticks should always be laid on the chopstick rest provided and not on your bowl or your plate. Don't stick your chopsticks in your bowl of rice. This is reminiscent of funerary ritual.

#### · Fish

The fish head should be positioned to point towards the guest of honour or senior family member. When its top half is eaten, it is considered to be bad luck to 'over-turn' the fish as it is believed that the fishing boat will capsize. Usually, the host or waiter will do the separation of the skeleton.

#### · Pay & Order

It is customary to let the host order food. When the meal is served, the guest should wait for the host to invite others to begin. Avoid taking the last piece of food from the dish as it signals to the host that insufficient food is ordered. Let the host pay for the meal.

#### · The Guest Of Honour

The guest of honour always receives the choicest morsels of each dish; for instance, the cheek of fish. Chinese guests do not like chatting at the end of a meal. Usually, they leave promptly and it is suggested to wait and see what the host or the guest of honour does.

#### Toothpicks

When toothpick is used to deal with lodged fragments of food, it is polite to cover your mouth with one hand while the toothpick is being used with the other hand.

## Dining

Hong Kong is the "Gourmet Paradise", where cuisines from different nations are found.

#### **6.1 CHINESE CUISINES**

There are a wide range of Chinese regional cuisines in Hong Kong. In this section, we introduce the most popular ones in Hong Kong, such as Cantonese, Chiuchow, Peking, Shanghainese and Sichuan cuisine, each of which will be followed by a list of fine restaurants we recommend.

#### **HOW TO USE CHOPSTICKS**

A quick lesson on how to use chopsticks!



Step 1: Hold one chopstick still in your thumb joint.



Step 2: Balance the other chopstick between your index and mid finger.



Step 3: Use our thumb, first and index fingers to manipulate the top chopstick in a pincer movement.

#### **CANTONESE**

Cantonese cuisine is well known for its lightly spiced, subtle and delicate balance of flavours. Dishes are usually steamed or stir-fired.

Try the traditional Cantonese custom, "yum cha" (drinking tea) and savour the delicate flavours of "dim sum" (delectable Cantonese snacks: usually three to four pieces per order placed in a steamer basket), you will feel your heart being touched by its delicacy. (dim sum means "to touch the heart" literally). Remember that it is Chinese custom to tap your fingers on the table near your cup twice as thank you when your teacup is being filled.

Popular dim sum dishes include:



- · Cha Siu Bau Steamed barbecued pork bun
- · Chun Kuen Deep-fried spring roll
- Cheung Fun
   Steamed rice flour rolls with
   Barbecued pork, beef or shrimp
- · Har Gau Shrimp dumplings
- · Siu Mai Meat dumplings

You may also go to Dai Pai Dong (outdoor cooked-food stall) or Cha Chan Tang ("tea house") for simple Cantonese food such as seafood, noodles and rice dishes.

Followings are list of restaurants of both Chinese and non-Chinese cuisine with good reputation in Hong Kong:

Lung King Heen	Summer Palace
<ul> <li>The only Chinese restaurant in the world receiving three Michelin stars. It provides excellent cuisine and spectacular Vitoria Harbour view.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The 2-star Michelin restaurant offers various Cantonese specialities with friendly services.</li> <li>5/F Island Shangri-La Hotel, Pacific Place, 88</li> </ul>
4/F Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 3196 8888	Queensway, Admiralty Tel: 2820 8570
Fook Lam Moon Restaurant  One of the best Cantonese restaurants in Hong Kong, delicacies like "Braised shark fins", "Sweetened double boiled bird's nest in whole fresh coconut."  35 Johnston Road, Wanchai Tel: 2866 0663	Luk Yu Teahouse  • An old-fashioned teahouse, making a must go yum cha spot for historic value.  24-26 Stanley Street, Central Tel: 2523 5463
55 Kimberley Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2366 0286	
Lei Garden	Yung Kee Restaurant
<ul> <li>Authentic Cantonese dishes such as Crispy roasted pork and Deep-fried prawns coated with salted egg yolk are popular among the locals.</li> </ul>	Offers good quality Cantonese Classics including tea-smoked pork & braised garoupa. The roasted goose there is a must try.
Shop 2068-2070, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2196 8133	32-40 Wellington Street, Central Tel: 2522 1624
Shop 3008-3011, ifc mall, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 2295 0238	

#### Victoria City

• Consistent high quality of food. Famous for its authentic dim sum.

Shop 2/F, Sun Hung Kai Centre, 30 Harbour Road, Wan Chai Tel: 2827 9938

Shop 3202, 3/F, Gateway Arcade, Harbour City, 17 Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2956 2882

#### **CHIU CHOW**

Similar to the flavours of Cantonese cuisine, Chiuchow dishes are light in taste. Famous Chiuchow dishes include shark's-fin soup and steamed eel. To stimulate the appetite before a meal and to aid digestion after it, you may drink a tiny cup of strong Tiet Kwun Yum (tea from Fujian Province).

#### Pak Loh Chiu Chow Restaurant

+ A chained restaurant specializing in Chiu Chow cuisine with over 40 years' history.

G/F, 23-25 Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay Tel: 2576 8886

Shop 1028D, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 3691 9168

#### **PEKING**

Originating in Beijing, which was once the base of the Imperial Court of China, Peking dishes are fit for an emperor's enjoyment. Peking dishes are heavier in flavour and oilier than Cantonese. Noodles, dumplings and breads are preferred to rice.

Among Peking dishes, roasted Peking duck is the most famous. It is usually prepared for a minimum of 6 people and deftly cut into slices at the table. The sliced pieces of tantalizing crispy skin are served with onions or leeks, cucumber, turnip and yummy plum sauce, wrapped in thin pancakes. Please note that many restaurants require this famous Peking dish to be ordered 24 hours in advance.

#### Dong Lai Shun

 Peking duck and lamb hot pot are surely the must try!

B2, The Royal Garden, 69 Mody Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2733 2020

## Peking Garden Restaurant

Famous for its Peking duck and beggar's chicken.

Shop B1, 1/F, Alexandra House, 16-20 Charter Road, Central Tel: 2526 6456

3/F Star House, 3 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2735 8211

## Hu Tong

• Famous for their contemporary Peking cuisine.

28/F, 1 Peking Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 3428 8342

#### **SHANGHAINESE**

Shanghainese dishes are traditionally richer, heavier and oilier than Cantonese. Also, noodles and buns are preferred to rice. Sweet and sour soup, steamed dumplings and eel dishes are Shanghainese specialties.

## Shanghai Garden

· Shanghai dumplings is a must try.

1/F, Hutchison House, 10 Harcourt Road, Central Tel: 2524 8181

#### Jardin De Jade

 With 18 shops all over China, the newly opened Hong Kong shop continues to offer their authentic Shanghainese dishes and contemporary fushion dishes.

Shop G 3-4, G/F, Sun Hung Kai Centre, 30 Harbour Road, Wan Chai Tel: 3528 0228

#### Snow Garden

• Reservations are definitely necessary to dine in this well-known restaurant.

2/F, Ming An Plaza, Sunning Road, Causeway Bay Tel: 2881 6837

## **SICHUAN**

Sichuan cuisine is famous for its fiery flavours with peppers, onions, chillies and garlic. But not all Sichuan dishes are spicy. So remember to check the chilli content on the menu carefully if you don't like spicy food. Sichuan dishes are usually smoked, simmered and served with buns and noodles.

San Xi Lou	Red Pepper
7/F, Coda Plaza, 51 Garden Road, Mid-Levels	G/F, 7 Lan Fong Road, Causeway Bay
Tel: 2838 8811	Tel: 2577 3811

# **6.2 INTERNATIONAL CUISINE**

Non-Chinese restaurants are also abundant in Hong Kong. Here are some fine eateries from all over the world.

## **AMERICAN**

Bubba Gump	Dan Ryan's Chicago Grill
• From the movie Forrest Gump, the restaurant	Offer authentic American food in a lively,
showcases a lot of memorable items of the movie.	upscale atmosphere.
You can try various shrimp dishes here.	
	Shop 114 Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty
Shop 304-305, 3/F, The Peak Tower, 128 Peak	Tel: 2845 4600
Road	
Tel: 2849 2867	Shop OT315 Ocean Terminal Harbour City,
	Tsim Sha Tsui
	Tel: 2735 6111
	LG228 Festival Walk, Kowloon Tong
	Tel: 2265 8811

## CONTINENAL

Aqua  • Innovative modern fusion cuisine in a light & airy restaurant with stylish décor.	The Verandah  • Enjoy quality Continental food in this beautiful colonial setting.
29-30/F, 1 Peking Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 3427 2288	109 Repulse Bay Road, Repulse Bay Tel: 2292 2822
Watermark	Harlan's
• Steak & seafood are the recommendations. Enjoy the romantic atmosphere with your loved	<ul> <li>Signature dishes such as Kobe beef carpaccio and Lobster bisque are worth trying.</li> </ul>
one.	Shop 2075, Podium Level 2, ifc mall, 8 Finance
Star Ferry, Central Pier 7, Central Tel: 2167 7251	Street, Central Tel: 2805 0566

## **EGYPTIAN**

#### Habibi

• The first and only Egyptian restaurant in Hong Kong serving authentic Egyptian food in a comfortable 1930's Cairo atmosphere.

108 Wellington Street, Central Tel: 2544 6198

#### **FRENCH**

#### Caprice

• Award-winning renowned French restaurant receiving 3 Michelin stars in 2010 and UK's 'Restaurant – Best 100 in the world' in 2009.

6/F, Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 3196 8860

#### **INDIAN**

## Bombay Dreams

 Romantic atmosphere, decorated with antiques, and traditional wood furniture. Signature dishes include chicken tikka with onion and tomato gravy and lamb roganjosh in red pepper sauce. Reservations recommended.

1/F, Carfield Commercial Building, 75 Wyndham Street, Central Tel: 2971 0001

## Spice Restaurant & Bar

 Romantic and relaxing environment. Tandoor lamb chop, Seafood curry are their signature dishes.

2/F, 1 Knutsford Terrace, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2191 9880

#### **IRISH**

## Delaney's Wanchai

- Unique Irish food, draught beers and Irish folk music. Live band on every Thursday.
- · Happy hours from 5pm-9pm.

2/F One Capital Place, 18 Luard Road, Wanchai Tel: 2804 2880

#### **ITALIAN**

## Cova Ristorante & Café

• Originated from Milan since 1817, it offers excellent Italian delicacies and service.

G10, G/F, The Lee Gardens, Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay Tel: 2907 3399

Shop G220, G/F, Gateway Arcade, Harbour City, 17 Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2907 3882

#### Sabatini

• Here, a traditional "Roman cuisine" menu is overseen by the Sabatini brothers and is served in a picturesque "countryside" setting.

3/F The Royal Garden Hotel, 68 Mody Road, Tsim Sha Tsui East Tel: 2721 5125

#### Nicholini's

 Dishes are beautiful and tasty. Was voted "Hong Kong's Best Restaurant" by Hong Kong Tatler magazine.

8/F, Conrad International Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty Tel: 2521 3838

#### La Piazzetta

• Traditional home made food at reasonable prices.

G/F, 5 Tsun Wing Lane, SOHO, Central Tel: 2522 9505

#### H One

• Three themed private dinning rooms are available. You can find a wide range of wine delicately selected by its top-class sommelier here.

Shop 4008, Podium Level 4, ifc mall, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 2805 0638

#### Va Bene

• A popular Italian restaurant in Lan Kwai Fong area offering antipasti buffet & set lunch.

58-62 D'Aguilar Street, Lan Kwai Fong, Central Tel: 2845 5577

## **JAPANESE**

Sushi Tenjakur  • Excellent reputation among Japanese and locals for its good food and service quality.  3/F Circle Tower, 28 Tang Lung Street Causeway Bay Tel: 2833 5337	Irori  • Quick Service; dishes are presentable and tasty.  4/F Circle Plaza, 499 Hennessy Road, Causeway Bay Tel: 2838 5939
MEGU Modern Japanese Cuisine  New York's award-winning Japanese fine dining restaurant. Offer modern Japanese dining with traditional craftsmanship.  R002-03, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 3743 1421	Sen-ryo  • Serving top-quality "conveyor belt" sushi and some very special appetizers.  Shop 3099-3100, ifc mall, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 2234 7633  Shop 1086, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2196 8209
Ingagiku 100	

+ The Ingagiku family started their business 100 years ago. Now, this Japanese fine-dining place has become an award winning restaurant perfect for business, family and friends.

1/F, The Royal Garden, 69 Mody Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2733 2933

Podium 4, Four Seasons Hotel, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 2805 0600

#### **KOREAN**

#### Han Ah Rum Korean Restaurant

• Nicely decorated Korean restaurant with authentic food and reasonable price.

6/F, Causeway Bay Plaza 1, Causeway Bay Tel: 2877 7797

## Arirang Korean Restaurant

 Sizzling Korean Barbecues and other popular Korean dishes are available.

Shop 1105, Food Forum, Times Square, 1 Matheson Street, Causeway Bay Tel: 2506 3298

Shop 2307 Harbour City, 25 Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2956 3288

## **MEXICAN**

#### Caramba Mexican Cantina

 Serves serious Mexican food, cool tunes; have variety of Mexican beers and margaritas. Taco lunch on weekdays and brunch on weekends.

Shop G08A, G/F, D Deck, Discovery Bay Tel: 2987 2848

## Coyote Bar & Grill

Hong Kong's first margarita bar with over 50 varieties.

114-120 Lockhart Road, Wanchai Tel: 2861 2221

## NEPALESE

## Nepal

Offers aromatic Royal Nepalese cuisine in a friendly environment.

G/F, 14 Staunton Street, Mid-Levels Tel: 2869 6212

#### Kath+Man+Du

• Serves nouvelle Nepalese cuisine and provides professional catering services at the restaurant or at any venue.

G/F, 11 Old Bailey Street, Central Tel: 2869 1298

#### **PORTUGUESE**

## Casa Lisboa Portuguese Restaurant & Bar

· Serves the best Portuguese food.

8/F Lan Kwai Fong Tower, 55 D'Augilar Street, Lan Kwai Fong, Central Tel: 2905 1168

#### Beira Dos Namorados

 Pan-Fried French Foie Gras with Angus Tenderloin, Seafood Platter, Portuguese Barbecue are their signature dishes.

Shop GB02-07, Phase B, 45 Tai Hong Street, Lei King Wan, Sai Wan Ho (SOHO East) Tel: 2567 8889

#### **SPANISH**

#### Rico's

• Causal and friendly environment with guitar playing in the background.

UG/F, 51 Elgin Street, SOHO, Central Tel: 2840 0937

#### Mijas Spanish Restaurant

• Causal and friendly environment with guitar playing in the background.

Shop 102, 1/F, Murray House, Stanley Plaza, Stanley Tel: 2899 0858

#### **THAI**

#### Cafe Siam

 Specializes in authentic Vietnamese cuisine served in an elegant setting; the selection on the menu is wide, from traditional to contemporary Thai dishes.

40-42 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central Tel: 2851 4803

#### Phukets Thai

• Enjoy the delicious Thai food in a relaxing environment with live music.

1/F, The Elgin, 51 Elgin Street, SOHO, Central Tel: 2868 9672

## VIETNAMESE

Lian
A good place for Vietnamese cuisine and its
signature drinks.
Shop 2004, ifc mall, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 2521 1117
1el: 2521 1117
Le Soleil
Award-winning San Francisco restaurant
specializes in a style of cuisine that has come to be
known as Asian-fusion. It offers a medley of tastes
and flavors.
3/F The Royal Garden Hotel, 68 Mody Road,
Tsim Sha Tsui East
Tel: 2733 2033

# Shopping

#### 7.1 WHERE TO SHOP

Hong Kong is a famous "Shopper's Paradise". You can take the advantage of Hong Kong's duty-free status and shop around the following major shopping areas:

#### **HONG KONG ISLAND**

#### 1. Central

The most famous shopping complex in the district:

- ifc mall is an exciting new shopping and dining experience on Hong Kong's Central Waterfront
- The Landmark, Prince's Building and Alexandra House are linked together where housing shops of leading international brand names can be found.

## Fascinating back-street culture:

- Hollywood Road and Upper Lascar Row (also known as Cat Street) are famous for curio and antique shops, selling products like Chinese furniture, china, porcelain, Buddha status, ikebana baskets form Japan, snuff and perfume bottles.
- + Li Yuen Street East and Li Yuen Street West are packed with stalls and shops selling bargain-priced clothes, leatherwear, knick-knacks, etc.
- Lyndhurst Terrace is full of shops selling ancient maps, paintings, stationary, crafts, antiques, linens and fine silks.
- Pottinger Street is lined with stalls selling ribbons, bows, buttons and more.
- Stanley Street is a photographers' paradise selling cameras, film and camera accessories.

#### 2. Admiralty

One-stop city shopping point:

• Pacific Place that is linked with Queensway Plaza is a dazzling showcase of exclusive stores, fashion boutiques and leading international labels, selling products from fashion to jewellery, antiques, artifacts...etc.

#### 3. Causeway Bay

Modern shopping malls everywhere:

- Sogo (top of Causeway Bay Station, located on Hennessy Road) is one of the most popular Japanese department stores in Hong Kong selling high fashion clothing, accessories and toys.
- Times Square (on Russell Street) is one of the largest shopping complexes in Hong Kong with shops selling a dazzling variety of goods.
- World Trade Centre (on Gloucester Road) is another well-liked shopping complex in the district.

#### Local street stalls:

Take Exit F from Causeway Bay MTR Station, you will find Jardine's Crescent, where street stalls sell domestic goods such as clothing and accessories at great value.

#### 4. Wanchai

Good quality export goods at reasonable price:

 Wanchai Road and Spring Garden Lane are good places for locally made clothes and variety of other goods. Products there are originally made for export, in good quality and at responsible prices.

## 5. Stanley

Combination of market and shopping centre:

- Stanley Market is packed with shops selling everything from souvenirs to painting, porcelain to silk garments.
- Situated between Carmel Road and Stanley Main Street is a five-storey shopping mall with a wide range of shops.

#### KOWLOON

#### Tsim Sha Tsui

Best-known for shopping and hotels:

- · 3 blocks connected huge shopping arcades right beside the pier are the Ocean Terminal, the Harbour City and the Ocean Centre forming a labyrinth of 600 shops.
- Various kinds of stores along Nathan Road and Granville Road: from boutiques, to jewellery stores, electronics shop.
- The Sun Arcade at 28 Canton Road is a shopping paradise where you can find the Duty Free Shop, Branded and fashionable goods bargaining shops. Some of the best restaurants in town are also available.

## 2. Mong Kok/ Yau Ma Tei

Famous for its specialty markets:

- The Bird Garden (the junction of Yeun Po Street & Flower Market Road) has around 70 songbird stalls.
- The Flower Market (on the road of the same name) sells everything from roses to orchids.
- The Goldfish Market (along Tung Choi Street) sells aquariums, corals and exotic fish.
- Fa Yuen Street and the Ladies' Market (along Tung Choi Street) for bargain-priced clothes, accessories, knick-knacks and beauty products.
- Shanghai Street for traditional Chinese products, e.g., herbal tonics and dried seafood.



- The Jade Market (a few blocks east of Temple Street) features 450 stalls selling jade of all types, shapes, sizes and prices.
- Nelson Street, Shan Tung Street and Hak Po Street are lined with shops selling car accessories.

#### 3. Kowloon Station

A newly developed shopping and entertainment complex:

- · Over one million square feet of area, Elements is a concept mall subtly themed after the five Chinese elements. Some of the world's most luxurious brands can be found here.
- Website: www.elementshk.com



## 1. Apm (Kwun Tong)

Reflected from its name, which is a combination of AM and PM, it provides an innovative late night shopping and entertainment concept. Located just a step from the MTR Kwun Tong Station, it is easily accessible. Most of the retailers will stay open until midnight, restaurants to 2:00am and entertainment spots till dawn.

Website: <u>www.apm-millenniumcity.com</u>

## 2. Citygate (Tung Chung, Lantau)

Positioned at the heart of Tung Chung new town, Citygate is an exciting new statement in retail and leisure. Directly adjacent to Tung Chung MTR Station, it has 500,000 square feet of shopping and entertainment outlets spread across five floors. Citygate offers some of Hong Kong's best shopping.

+ Website: www.citygate.com.hk

## 3. Cityplaza (Taikoo Shing)

Cityplaza is regarded as the most popular shopping, dining and entertainment destination on Hong Kong Island East. It is accessible directly from the Taikoo MTR station, or by bus or tram. With over 180 shops, restaurants and entertainment venues, it is also considered one of the most popular malls for families and friends in Hong Kong.

Website: www.cityplaza.com

## 4. Festival Walk (Kowloon Tong)

Festival Walk is a stunning sky-lit complex of over 200 shops, restaurants and entertainment venues. It is conveniently located right next to Kowloon Tong MTR Station. It is also home to the latest in lifestyle and fashion events.

Website: <u>www.festivalwalk.com.hk</u>

## 5. Maritime Square (Tsing Yi)

Maritime Square is a nautical-themed mall. Occupying a total of 500,000 square feet, the mall houses a superior range of shops and restaurants. Located right next to the MTR Tsing Yi Station, this new mall is absolutely worth visiting.

· Website: www.maritimesquare.com

## 6. New Town Plaza (Shatin)

New Town Plaza, adjacent to Shatin Station, is one of the biggest malls in the New Territories. This super mall consists of phase 1, phase 3 and Grand Central Plaza. Almost everything for leisure can be found in the mall. With Snoopy's World nearby, New Town Plaza is definitely one of the best places for a warm family gathering.

Website: www.newtownplaza.com.hk

#### 7.2 WHAT TO BUY

#### Audio & Visual

Literally thousands of shops fill the demand for cutting-edge technology, electronics and home appliances. The latest products are often on sale here before they are available in other countries. On top of that, prices are competitive compared to other parts of the world.

#### Arts & Crafts

Hong Kong is the ideal place to make major purchases of antiques and artifacts. For a variety of goods, such as porcelain, silk garments, musical instruments, seals and handicrafts, Chinese department stores offer a wide range and make good one-stop shops. In some cases, valuable Chinese antiques, such as delicate vases, imperial embroidery and ancient pots can also be found, as well as traditional silk garments, centuries-old opium pipes and historical photographs. Many shops can arrange to insure, pack and ship your goods safely back home.

#### Clothing & Tailors

In Hong Kong, there is something for every fashion finder's budget and plenty for those who want to make a style statement all of their own. From chic local brands to unique custom-made designs, it's all out there for you to explore! A figure-hugging traditional cheongsam (Chinese dress) might make the perfect gift for yourself or someone special. Furs in Hong Kong are often of higher quality but are much cheaper than in most Western cities.

## 7.3 HOW TO BUY

#### 100% Refund Guarantee Scheme

You are entitled to a full refund within 7-14 days of purchase at major department stores and retail shops, provided that the goods sold are returned intact and unused. If you are not satisfied with a purchase during shopping activities arranged by your travel agent, you should first approach your guide for assistance. Do not forget to keep original copies of your sales receipts.

## Bargain Shopping

Bargaining is not at all common in Hong Kong when compared to Shenzhen, China. Hong Kong shoppers tend to buy goods or services without bargaining except some open-air markets like Jade Market and Temple Street.

#### Credit Cards

Shopping with credit cards is a breeze in Hong Kong, with all major credit cards widely accepted.

#### **Duty-Free Prices**

Shopping is a dream in Hong Kong because all goods, other than alcohol and tobacco, are tax-free. This makes Hong Kong become one of the world's most attractive shopping destinations.

## Opening Hours

Hong Kong stores generally operate seven days a week. Smaller stores often remain opened until late in the evening. Some stores close at Chinese New Year.

## 7.4 GROCERY STORES

The two major supermarket chains in Hong Kong are Park'n shop and Wellcome, while City Super and ThreeSixty are famous for imported food and products. Here are some of their stores. You can also shop online by visiting their websites.

## City'Super

City'Super is known as a store catering to international consumers. Products sold include various imported goods (which are quite hard to buy in the two local supermarkets). Not only products from the West can be bought, but also products from countries nearby like Korea and Japan. Its high-class profile and unique lifestyle shopping experiences will not disappoint you.

#### Customer Service Hotline

Tel: 2956 2668

Website: www.citysuper.com.hk

LOCATION	STORE NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Causeway Bay	Times Square	Basement One, Times Square, Causeway Bay	2506 2888
Tsim Sha Tsui	Harbour City	Shop 3001, Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui	2375 8222
Central	ifc mall	Shop 1041-1049, ifc mall, 8 Finance Street, Central	2234 7128

## ThreeSixty

ThreeSixty is another place for international consumer goods. It is known to provide a one-stop destination for organic, natural and wholesome food. Besides, it also offers an extensive range of take-home and ready-to-eat food options, together with a selection of earth friendly household products, non-chemically based personal care items and wellness related lifestyle products.

E-mail: info@threesixtyhk.com/ Website: www.threesixtyhk.com/
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LOCATION	STORE NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Central	The Landmark	3/F and 4/F, The Landmark, Central	2111 4480
Kowloon	Elements	Shop 1090, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui	2196 8066

## Park'n Shop

The largest supermarket in Hong Kong, Park'n shop offers all kinds of products. Supermarkets can be divided into ordinary stores and superstores, with the latter being equivalent to hypermarkets in western countries. It has so many stores scattered throughout Hong Kong that you can always find one nearby.

Customer Service Hotline	Home Delivery Hotline
Tel: 2606 8658	Tel: 2609 0948
Fax: 2145 4165	Fax: 2186 3389
Website: www.parknshop.com	Email: Parknshop.info@aws.com.hk
E-mail: ParknshopCS@asw.com.hk	

#### Wellcome

Wellcome is a keen competitor of Park'n shop with a significant market share. Since the competition is very intense, weekly sales are held every Friday between the two supermarkets. Consumers, who stand to benefit most, should watch out for the regular newspaper ads every Friday.

Customer Service Hotline	Home Delivery Hotline
Tel: 2299 1133	Tel: 2870 8888
	Fax: 2555 9622
Website: www.wellcome.com.hk/en/index.php	
	Email: wdservice@dairy-farm.com.hk

#### Great

Similar to City'Super, Great sells various imported food such as cheese and wine. Both Western and Japanese products can be found.

LOCATION	STORE NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Admiralty	Pacific Place	Basement One, Pacific Place, Admiralty	2918 9986

#### Oliver's Delicatessen

The shop has many foodstuffs from Europe and US. It is associated with the sandwich chains that also sell salads and baked potatoes.

LOCATION	STORE NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Central	Prince's Building	6 Chater Road, Central	2810 7710

## 7.5 PUBLIC MARKETS

Although Hong Kong supermarkets sell almost every kind of food, the locals tend to buy from public markets governed by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD).

The markets sell food from wet to dry. Wet food includes fresh fruit, vegetables, meat and fish, while dry food is processed. Besides food, you may also find clothes, plants and pets in the public markets. Shopping and sightseeing in these public markets is regarded as one of the best ways to glimpse the local life.



"Cat Street"

## Here are some of the public markets:

LOCATION	MARKET	ADDRESS
Causeway Bay Market		142 Electric Road, Causeway Bay
	Tang Lung Chau Market	59 Jardine's Bazaar, Causeway Bay
Central	Bridges Street Market	2 Bridges Street, Central
Sheung Wan	Sheung Wan Market	Sheung Wan Complex, 345 Queen's Road Central, Sheung Wan
Stanley	Stanley Temporary Market	20 Stanley Market Road
Wanchai	Bowrington Road Market	21 Bowrington Road, Wanchai
	Lockhart Road Market	225 Hennessy Road, Wanchai
	Wanchai Market	G/F 258 Queen's Road East, Wanchai
Tsim Sha Tsui	Haiphong Road Temporary Market	30 Haiphong Road, Tsim Sha Tsui

For more information of the public markets, you may contact Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD). Follows are its contact:

Enquiry Hotline	Website: www.fehd.gov.hk/english/index.html
Tel: 2868 0000 (24 hours daily)	

# Leisure

There are always many things to do in Hong Kong. Once you arrive, you will never be bored and will have fun from weekdays to weekends and from day to night if you like.

## 8.1 NIGHTLIFE

Nightclubs and bars are quite popular in Hong Kong. Most of them have happy hours from 5:00pm to 9:00pm and some of them have ladies' night. You can go to the following areas where clubs and bars are concentrated to enjoy a drink.

## Lan Kwai Fong, Central

Bars at Lan Kwai Fong offer a casual setting and atmosphere to enjoy the hours after work with friends. Take Exit D1 from the Central MTR station and head up to D'Aguilar Street, you will find the narrow and cobblestone lanes of Lan Kwai Fong, with dozens of up-market and trendy restaurants, bars and clubs. Wild parties are usually held in Lan Kwai Fong during holidays, particularly on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

## Lockhart Road, Wanchai

You can find every style of club or pub there, from Japanese to American, Irish to British.

## Knutsford Terrace, Tsim Sha Tsui

Here you can find a wide variety of international culinary delights. Not only Asian and western cuisines but also exotic cuisines like Turkish and Russian. Some people regard it as "Kowloon Lan Kwai Fong". There are open-air pubs and restaurants along the street where you are offered a sensational dining experience. Most pubs are opened till after mid-night.

#### Canton Road & Nathan Road, Tsim Sha Tsui

Up-market clubs can be found in the basement along the complexes of Ocean Terminal, Harbour City and Ocean Centre, at prices similar to those in Lan Kwai Fong. The expenses of bars around Peking, Haiphong and Hanoi Roads in Nathan Road West are similar to those along Lockhart Road. However, once you arrive at Tsim Sha Tsui, you will find the bars and clubs there have a different atmosphere from those in Lan Kwai Fong and Lockhart Road.

#### 8.2 ARTS & CULTURE

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) is responsible for promoting high quality arts, cultural, leisure and sports activities. To know more about arts and cultural events in Hong Kong, contact:

Customer Service Hotline	Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk
Operator Tel: 2414 5555 (0800-2400 daily)	E-mail: Enquiries@lcsd.gov.hk
Automatic Tel: 2603 4567 (24 hours)	

#### **PERFORMING ARTS**

Performing arts and cultural festivals, like opera, musical and classical ballet, take place all year round. The venues are usually City Hall, The Arts Centre, The Cultural Centre, theatre or stadium.

Details of performances such as times and venues are available in the daily newspaper, the website of the LCSD, City Hall and the Urban Services Computerized Ticketing System (URBTIX) outlets.

URBTIX is a computerized ticketing system, which provides convenient and reliable ticketing service for performing arts and cultural events. URBTIX outlets:

TICKET AVAILABILITY	ENQUIRY
URBTIX Outlets (Branches of Tom Lee Music and City Hall)	2314 4228
	(general hotline)
Telephone Reservations	2734 9009
	(1000-2000 daily)
Telephone booking by credit card (minimal service charge)	2111 5999
	(1000-2000 daily)
Internet booking (some events only – minimal service charge)	www.urbtix.hk

#### **MUSEUMS**

Museums are all over Hong Kong. Here are just a few:

Hong	Kong	Heritage	M	luseum
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• This visitor-oriented museum offers diversified, dynamic and participatory exhibitions and programs covering different aspects of Hong Kong history, arts and culture.

1 Man Lam Road, Sha Tin Tel: 2180 8188

Website: www.heritagemuseum.gov.hk

Open Mon-Sat 1000-1800 Sun & public holidays 1000-1900 Closed Tue

## Hong Kong Museum of Coastal Defence

• The building itself was converted from the hundred year old Lei Yue Mun Fort, and inside is an exhibition covering the 600 years of Hong Kong's coastal defence.

175 Tung Hei Road, Shau Kei Wan Tel: 2569 1500

Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/hkmcd/

Open daily 1000-1700 Closed Thu

## Hong Kong Museum of Art

• The ideal place for you to see and appreciate classical and contemporary arts from all over the world.

10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2721 0116

Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk
Email: enquiries@lcsd.gov.hk

Open daily 1000-1800 Sat 1000-2000 Closed Thu

## Hong Kong Museum of History

• The best place to help you understand Hong Kong history and culture.

100 Chatham Road South, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2724 9024

Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/Museum/ History/

Open daily 1000-1800 Closed Tue (except public holidays)

## Hong Kong Science Museum

• Interactive exhibits let you and your children learn science easily and happily.

2 Science Museum Road, Tsim Sha Tsui East Tel: 2732 3232

Website: hk.science.museum/

Mon-Fri 1300-2100 Sat-Sun & public holidays 1000-2100 Closed Thu

## Hong Kong Space Museum

• Its unique egg-shaped dome is one of the most famous landmarks in Hong Kong, You can watch OMNIMAX films or learn about space through a series of entertaining and educational exhibits.

10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2721 0226

Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/Museum/Space/

Mon-Fri 1300-2100 Sat-Sun & Public Holidays 1000-2100 Closed on Tue (except public holidays)

#### **LIBRARIES**

#### Public Libraries

If you are a book lover, the Hong Kong Central Library is the place for you.

## Hong Kong Central Library

66 Causeway Road, Causeway Bay Tel: 3150 1234

Mon-Sun (except Wed) 1000-2100 Wed 1300-2100 Public holidays (except as specified) 1000-1900

Email: hkcl ref@lcsd.gov.hk

As well as the central library, there are smaller public libraries in other districts of Hong Kong.

City Hall Public Library	Lockhart Road Public Library
2-5/F & 8-11/F, City Hall High Block Central Lending Service	4-5/F, Lockhart Road Complex, 225 Hennessy Road, Wanchai
Tel: 2921 2555	Tel: 2879 5560
Reference Service	10. 2077 3300
Tel: 2921 2672	Email: lhrpl@lcsd.gov.hk
Email: chplr@lcsd.gov.hk	
Tsim Sha Tsui Public Library	Opening Hours of Major Libraries
1/F., Concordia Plaza, 1 Science Museum Road,	Mon-Thu 1000-1900
Tsim Sha Tsui East	Fri 1000-2100
Tel: 2926 1072	Sat-Sun: 1000-1700
Email: tstpl@lcsd.gov.hk	Public Holidays (Except Specified): 1000-1700

For information on public libraries in Hong Kong, please visit the following website of public libraries at www.hkpl.gov.hk.

## Private Libraries

There are also some other private libraries open to the general public:

British Council Library 3/F, 3 Supreme Court Road, Queensway Tel: 2913 5100	Japanese Information and Culture Office  • Books about Japanese culture  46/F, 1 Exchange Square, Central  Tel: 2522 1184
St James Settlement Library and Study Centre 7/F, 85 Stone Nullah Lane, Wanchai Tel: 2835 4333	

The following private libraries are open to members only:

Alliance Française  French books and films Tel: 2527 7825	American Club Library Tel: 2842 7400
Caritas-Hong Kong Libraries Tel: 2524 2071	Goethe Institute  • German books and films Tel: 2802 0088
Helena May Institute Tel: 2522 6766	Italian Cultural Society  Italian books Tel: 2573 0343

## University Libraries

University libraries in Hong Kong are generally not open to public, except by special arrangement. For enquiries, you can contact the universities:

City University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong Baptist University
88 Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon Tong	Kowloon Tong, Kowloon
Tel: 2788 7654	Tel: 3411 7363
Website: www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/	Website: www.hkbu.edu.hk/library/
Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Hong Kong University of Science and
Hung Hom, Kowloon	Technology
Tel: 2766 7734	Clear Water Bay, Kowloon
Website: www.lib.polyu.edu.hk	Tel: 2358 6000
THE RESIDENCE IN THE LABOR.	Website: http://library.ust.hk/
Lingnan University	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
8 Castle Peak Road, Tuen Mun,	Shatin, New Territories
New Territories	Tel: 2609 7000 / 2609 6000
Tel: 2616 8888	Website: www.lib.cuhk.edu.hk
Website: www.library.ln.edu.hk	
The Hong Kong Institute of Education	The University of Hong Kong
10 Lo Ping Road, Tai Po,	Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong
New Territories	Tel: 2859 2203
Tel: 2948 6653	Website: www.lib.hku.hk
Website: www.lib.ied.edu.hk	

## **CINEMAS**

The two major cinema chains in Hong Kong are the UA (City Line) and the Broadway Circuit. Here is some more information:

## 1. UA / City Line

• Cinemas

UA Times Square	UA Queensway
G/F Times Square, Causeway Bay	G/F Pacific Place, Admiralty
Tel: 2506 2822	Tel: 2869 0322

- + Telephone Tickets Booking Service 2317 6666 (0630-2330 Daily)
- On-Line Tickets Booking Service <u>www.cityline.com.hk</u> (0630-2345 Daily)

## 2. Broadway Circuit

+ Cinemas

Windsor Windsor House, 311 Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay	Palace IFC 1/F, ifc mall, 8 Finance Street, Central Tel: 2388 6268
Tel: 2882 2621	10.2500 0200
Broadway Cinematheque	Mongkok Broadway
Prosperous Garden, 3 Public Square Street,	6-12 Sai Yeung Choi Street, Mong Kok
Yau Ma Tei Tel: 2332 9000	Tel: 2332 5731

+ On-Line Tickets Booking Service www.cinema.com.hk

#### 3. The Grand Cinema

Located inside Elements, it features a capacity of around 1,600 seats and equipped with the state-of-theart Infrasonic system, creating a completely new cinematic experience.

2/F Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2196 8170 www.thegrandcinema.com.hk

## 8.3 LEISURE & SPORTS

If you want to know more about leisure and sports activities, you should consult the LCSD. Please refer to the section previously.

#### SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

There are numerous other associations organizing sports and leisure activities and classes that you can join. Please refer to "Sports Clubs" in the reference list.

## **BEACHES & SWIMMING POOLS**

At present, there are more than 30 beaches and around 15 swimming pools under the management of the LCSD.

#### 1. Beaches

These are some popular beaches on Hong Kong Island:

## Chung Hom Kok Beach



Take Citybus No. 61 from Central Exchange Square

## Repulse Bay Beach



Take Citybus No. 61, 6, 6A, 6X or 260 from Central Exchange Square

## Deep Water Bay Beach



Take Citybus No. 6, 6A, 6X or 260 from Central Exchange Square to Deep Water Bay, Island Road

## Stanley Main Beach



Take Citybus No. 61, 6, 6A, 6X or 260 from Central Exchange Square to Stanley Village Road · For further information about beaches in Hong Kong, you can visit: www.lcsd.gov.hk

## 2. Swimming Pools

Morrison Hill Swimming Pool**	Pao Yue Kong Swimming Pool
7 Oi Kwan Road, Wanchai Tel: 2891 7335	2 Shum Wan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Tel: 2553 3617
Victoria Park Swimming Pool	Wanchai Training Pool**
Victoria Park, Hing Fat Street, Causeway Bay Tel: 2570 8347	27 Harbour Road, Wanchai Tel: 2827 5240
Kowloon Park Swimming Pool**	
Kowloon Park, 22 Austin Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2724 3577	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Heated in winter

+ For other pool information and opening hours, please visit the following website: <a href="http://www.lcsd.gov.hk">http://www.lcsd.gov.hk</a>

## 8.4 GARDENS & PARKS

Although Hong Kong an urban centre, there are lots of green areas where you can rest and take a fresh breath. Here are some of the popular ones:

## Hong Kong Park

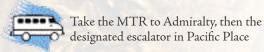
• Attractions include the largest aviary in Hong Kong with more than 100 bird species, an observation tower and the Museum of Tea Ware.

19 Cotton Tree Drive, Central Tel: 2521 5041 Website: <a href="www.lcsd.gov.hk/parks/hkp/en/index.php">www.lcsd.gov.hk/parks/hkp/en/index.php</a>

## Hong Kong Zoological and Botanical Garden

· A good place to go with your kids for educational

Albany Road, Central
Tel: 2530 0154
Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/LEISURE/LP/hkzbg/english/howtoaccess/howtoaccess.html





Take Citybus No. 12 from Central Ferry Piers

#### Ocean Park

• A family amusement park with spectacular aquariums, exhilarating rides and adorable animals. It is definitely a theme park where everyone can enjoy a day out

Website: www.oceanpark.com.hk



Take Citybus No. 629 from the Admiralty MTR station

#### Kowloon Park

+ The most popular park in Kowloon and home to the Hong Kong Museum of History is located

22 Austin Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2724 3344

Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/parks/kp/en/index.php



Visit Pandas at Ocean Park

#### Victoria Park

• Various recreational facilities and festival functions. It gets extremely crowded during holidays.

Causeway Road, Causeway Bay Tel: 2570 6186

Website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/parks/vp/en/index.php



Take the MTR to Tsim Sha Tsui



Take the MTR to Causeway Bay or Tin Hau

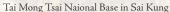
There are also designated Country and Marine Parks throughout Hong Kong. To check these out, please visit the website of the Country and Marine Parks Authority at <a href="https://www.afcd.gov.hk/eindex.html">www.afcd.gov.hk/eindex.html</a>

## 8.5 OUTWARD BOUND PROGRAM

To build up children's physical, mental and social strength, the Outward Bound Program, opened in 1970 offers ranges of outdoor activities for children and teenagers. It has two public courses for children: Discovery, for children aged 8 to 13, and Youth Adventure, for teenagers between 13 to 17 years. There are two Outward Bound Bases in Hong Kong:

#### Wong Wan Chau Adventure Base in Double Haven







Wong Wan Chau Adventure Base in Double Haven

Reference: www.outwardboundhk.org/

#### 8.6 VOLUNTEER SERVICE

It is easy to find volunteer work that suits your talents and preference. All you have to do is to register as a volunteer with the Agency for Volunteer Service (AVS).

#### About AVS

AVS is a non-profit organization, which aims to build a civil and caring Hong Kong through the promotion and development of sustainable volunteerism. To meet this objective, AVS develops partnership with all sectors of the community to provide diversified volunteer service including escorting, tutoring, visiting, sports, environmental, counselling, medical care, etc. for children, youth, elderly, patients, mentally handicapped, new immigrants, drug addicts, etc. The terms of service are from short to long depending on the needs of service and the service recipients.

#### Volunteer Referral Service

The Volunteer Action Centre (VAC) of AVS provides a volunteer referral service to its registered volunteers, which refers them or organizations to undertake volunteer services according to their wishes and talents.

To register as a volunteer at AVS, you only need to download the "Volunteer Registration Form" from the website of AVS (www.avs.org.hk), fill it up and send it to

The Volunteer Action Centre
1/F, Yuen Fai Court
6 Sai Yuen Lane

Sai Ying Pun

For enquiries, you can call VAC at 2546 0694 or send email to vac@avs.org.hk.

## 8.7 OTHER MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

#### DOLPHIN WATCHING

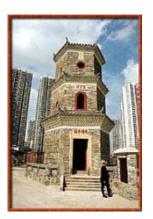
A dolphin watch cruise can provide you a precious opportunity to watch endangered "Chinese white dolphins" play and swim freely in their natural habitat in the waters off Lantau Island.

#### **HERITAGE TOUR**

There are lots of historic sites hidden in the New Territories. Besides the most common temples and ancestral halls, you may want to visit the Leung Long Tai Fu Tai which was once the stately residence of a Mandarin, or the Lo Wai Walled Village in Fanling, which was the first walled village built by one of the five indigenous clans of Hong Kong—the Tangs, and Tai Po Lam Tsuen Wishing Trees.

For more information on Heritage Tours and Dolphin Watch Cruises, you may contact:

Hong Kong Tourism Board	Tel: 2508 1234
Antiquities and Monuments Office (Heritage Trails)	Tel: 2721 2326



Tsui Shing Lau, Yuen Long

## HONG KONG WETLAND PARK

Being home to a stunning array of wildlife including birds, dragonflies, amphibians, mammals, reptiles, butterflies and fish, Hong Kong Wetland Park is a new ecological attraction that allows visitors to get up close to different habitats of wildlife. With rich educational and recreational values, this place is definitely worth visiting with families and friends.

Website: www.wetlandpark.com



Take MTR to Tin Shui Wai Station Exit E, interchange for Light Rail 705 or 706

#### KADOORIE FARM & BOTANIC GARDEN

This is another choice of green scenic spots besides Hong Kong Wetland Park. Kadoorie Farm & Botanic Garden showcases Hong Kong's wealth of natural flora and fauna. The orchards and vegetable fields there are almost 100% organic. And you can get a chance to involve in the conservation activities like rehabilitating birds of prey as well.

Website: www.kfbg.org.hk



#### **NOAH'S ARK**

Noah's Ark is one of the newest attractions in Hong Kong. In Ma Wan Park, there is the world's only fullsize replica of Noah's Ark where you can find both entertaining and educational activities. All the healthy activities aim to promote the love of life, family, the Earth and other positive values. The attraction also showcases unique culture and history of Ma Wan. The park is definitely a wonderful place for tourists and families.

For more information on Ma Wan Park and Noah's Ark, please visit the following website:

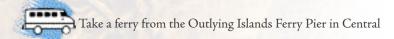
Noah's Ark official web site (Online Tickets are available)	www.noahsark.com.hk/eng/index.php	
Hong Kong Tourism Board	www.discoverhongkong.com/eng/attractions/nt-noahs-ark.html	



Big Buddha at Po Lin Monastery

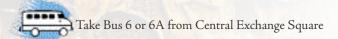
#### **OUTLYING ISLANDS**

Enjoy a day off to visit the world's largest seated outdoor bronze Buddha and the unique stilt houses in the traditional fishing village, Tai O, on Lautau Island. Or you can visit the most-populated fishing island in Hong Kong, Cheung Chau, where vehicles are restricted and the famous Cheung Po Tsai Cave is located. Other popular outlying islands for visitors include Lamma and Peng Chau.



#### **STANLEY**

Besides Stanley Market, which was introduced in the "Shopping" chapter, there are other attractions worth visiting in Stanley. For example, Murray House is one of the oldest Western buildings in Hong Kong and the Military Cemetery is in memory of the allied soldiers and Hong Kong citizens who died in World War II.





## THE PEAK

The panoramic view of the Victoria Harbour, Hong Kong Island and Kowloon Peninsula from the wok-shaped Peak Tower makes The Peak a must visit place for people new to Hong Kong. For more information on attractions in Hong Kong, you can visit the Hong Kong Tourism Board.

+ Hotline: 2508-1234 (0800-1800 daily)

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INFORMATION AND SERVICES CENTRES	SERVICE HOURS
G/F, The Centre, 99 Queen's Road Central	0800-1800 daily
Star Ferry Concourse, Tsim Sha Tsui	0800-1800 daily
Hong Kong International Airport Buffer Halls and	0700-2300 daily
Transfer Area E2	24 hours Tourist Literature and I Cyberlink

# Organizations For Foreigners

# 9.1 NATIONAL (CULTURAL) ASSOCIATIONS

Many countries have established their own clubs, associations, societies etc in Hong Kong. They hold various activities and functions to make people who come from their own country feel homey.

ASSOCIATION	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Alliance Française	123 Hennessy Road, Wanchai,	2527 7825
	G/F-3/F, 52 Jordan Road, Jordan	2730 3257
American Chamber of	19/F Bank of America Tower, 12 Harcourt	2530 6900
Commerce	Road, Central	
American Club	47/F, Exchange Square Tower II, Central	2842 7400
	28 Tai Tam Road, Tai Tam	2813 1784
Australian Association	Room 306, 3/F Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's	2530 4461
	Road East, Wanchai	
British Council	3 Supreme Court Road, Admiralty	2913 5100
Canadian Chamber of	Suite 1301 Kinwick Center, 32 Hollywood	2110 8700
Commerce	Road, Central	
China Club	13-15/F, Old China Bank Building, Bank Street,	2521 8888 /
The state of the s	Central	2840 0233
Filipino Club	10 Wylie Road, King's Park, Ho Man Tin	2388 8193
HK Japanese Club	18-19/F, 68 Yee Wo Street, Causeway Bay	2577 3669
Japanese Society c/o	46/F, One Exchange Square, 8 Connaught Place,	2522 1184
Japanese Consulate	Central	
India Club	24 Gascoigne Road, King's Park, Ho Man Tin	2388 8184

ASSOCIATION	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Indian Association	GPO Box 96625, HK	
Italian Cultural Society of HK	12/F, Tung Chai Building, 88 Wellington Street, Central	2810 5992
Jewish Community Centre	1 Robinson Place, 70 Robinson Road, Mid-Levels	2801 5440
Korean Residents Assn of HK	Unit 1212, Cosco Tower, 103 Queens Road, Central	2543 9387
New Zealand Society of HK	GPO Box 8817, HK	
St Andrew's Society (Scottish)	4/F, Shiu Fung Building, 53 Johnston Road, Wanchai	3113 6940
St Patrick's Society of HK (Irish)	GPO Box 615, HK	
Singapore Association	4304, China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2366 3982
Spanish Society (La Sociedad Hispanica de Hong Kong)	GPO Box 11751, HK	
Swiss Assn	GPO Box 9873, HK	
US Democrats Abroad	Email: dahk@dekai.net	
US Republicans Abroad	26/F,The Hennessy, 256 Hennessy Road, Wanchai	3741 0000

# 9.2 SPORTS CLUBS

Below is a list of most sports club offices that provide venues or training for a number of sporting activities.

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
ARCHERY	HK Archery Assn	1010 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8148
	HK Island Archery Club	GPO Box 5000, HK	9801 0830

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
BADMINTON	HK Badminton Assn	2005 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8318
BACKGAM- MON	HK Backgammon Club	Ladies Recreation Club, 10 Old Peak Road, Central	2805 2981
BASEBALL	HK Baseball Assn	1003 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8330
BASKETBALL	HK Basketball Assn	1006 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8181
BODY BUILDING	China HK Bodybuilding Assn	1028 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8246
BOWLING	HK Tenpin Bowling Congress	2004 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2891 9786
	Kowloon Bowling Green Club	123 Austin Road	2368 7733
BOXING	HK Boxing Assn	1012 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8130
BRIDGE	HK Contract Bridge Assn	PO Box 1445, HK	2272 3820 (Mr. Zen)
CANOEING	HK Canoe Union	2014 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8186
CHESS	HK Chess Federation	Room 303, 3/F Blissful Building, 247 Des Voeux Road Central, Sheung Wan	9732 9792
CRICKET	HK Cricket Assn	1019 Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8102
	HK Cricket Club	137 Wong Nai Chung Gap Road, Happy Valley	3511 8668
	Craigengower Cricket Club	188 Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley	2577 8331

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
CRICKET	Kowloon Cricket Club	10 Cox's Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	3473 7000
CYCLING	HK Cycling Assn	1015 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8176
	HK Mountain Bike Assn	Email: bob.smith@hkmba.org	
DANCING	HK Arts Centre	2 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2582 0200
	Jean M. Wong School of Ballet	1/F, 139 Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley	2577 2112
DARTS	HK Darts Assn	Room 305, Block A-B, 3/F. Wing Hin Factory Building, 31-33 Ng Fong Street, San Po Kong	2117 9790
DIVING	HK Underwater Assn	1026 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8154
	HK Institute of Scuba Training	Email: karen@hkist.com.hk	6199 9069
	Pradive Scuba Diving Resort Inc.	Flat G, 1/F, Cheong Ming Building, 86 Argyle Street, Mong Kok	2355 7010
	Pro-Dive (HK- USA) Ltd	2/F, No. 129 - 131 Lockhart Road, Wanchai	2890 4889
	Scuba World Club	3/F, 1 Wan King Path, Sai Kung	9488 4148
DRAGON BOAT	HK Dragon Boat Assn	1032 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	8106 8134
FENCING	HK Fencing Assn	1011 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8106
FIELD HOCKEY	HK Hockey Assn	Admin Block, 1/F King's Park Hockey Ground, 6 Wylie Road	2782 4932
FISHING	HK Amateur Fishing Society	16D, Lucky House, 18 Jordan Road, Jordan	2730 0442

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
FLYING	Hong Kong Aviation Club	31 Sung Wong Toi Road, Kowloon City	2713 5171
FOOTBALL (SOCCER)	HK Football Assn Ltd	55 Fat Kwong Street, Ho Man Tin	2712 9122
	Hong Kong Football Club	3 Sports Road, Happy Valley	2882 5040 / 2830 9500
GO	HK Go Assn	1/F Wang Gee Mansion, 252 Hennessy Road, Wanchai	2893 9157
GOLF	HK Golf Assn	2003 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8659
GYMNASTICS	Gymnastics Assn of HK	1002 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8233
	California Fitness Centres	1 Wellington Street, Central	2522 5229
HANDBALL	Handball Assn of HK	2007 Sports Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8119
HORSEBACK RIDING	HK Riding Union	DD111 Kam Tin Road, Shek Kong Stable, Yuen Long	2488 6886
	International Riding Centre	228 Fan Kam Road, Yuen Long	2488 0828
	Pokfulam Public Riding School	75 Pokfulam Reservoir Road	2550 1359
	Tuen Mun Public Riding School	Tuen Mun Recreation and Sports Centre, Lot 45 Lung Mun Road, Tuen Mun	2461 3338
	Beas River Country Club	Sheung Shui	2966 1981
ICE HOCKEY	HK Ice Hockey Assn	1023 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8189
ICE SKATING	Glacier Ice Rink	Festival Walk, Kowloon Tong	2844 3588
	HK Skating Union	1023 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2577 8010

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
ICE SKATING	Ice Palace	City Plaza II Taikooshing, Quarry Bay	2844 8688
	Riviera Ice Chalet	3/F, Riveria Plaza, 28 Wing Shun Street, Tsuen Wan	2407 1100
	Elements Ice Rink	G/F, Elements, 1 Austin Road West, Tsim Sha Tsui	2196 8016
JUDO	Judo Assn of HK	1024 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8360
KARTING	HK Kart Club	1030 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8293
KENDO	HK Kendo Assn	1029 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8145
LAWN BOWLS	HK Lawn Bowls Assn	2010 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8249
MARTIAL ARTS	HK Chinese Martial Arts Assn	1008 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8164
MOUNAINE- ERING	HK Mountaineering Union	1013 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8124
	HK Mountaineering Training Centre	G/F, 1K Fa Yuen Street, Mong Kok	2770 6746
NETBALL	HK Netball Assn	1016 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8208
ORIENTEE- RING	HK Orienteering Club	Flat E, 19/F, Goldfield Industrial Building, 144-150 Tai Lin Pai Road, Kwai Chung	2421 3408
	HK Orienteering Assn	1014 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8112
PARAGLIDING	HK Paragliding Assn	Email: chairman@hkpa.net	9289 4157 (Mr. Barnes)

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
PARACHUT- ING	HK Parachute Assn	Hong Kong Aviation Club, 31 Sung Wong Toi Road, Kowloon City	9480 4866
PHYSICAL FITNESS	HK Physical Fitness Assn	603 Win Century Centre, 2A Mong Kok Road, Mong Kok	2838 9594
ROLLER HK Amateur SKATING Roller Skating Assn		1016 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8203
ROWING	HK, China Rowing Assn	Shatin Rowing Centre, 27 Yuen Wo Road, Shatin	2699 7267
RUGBY	HK Rugby Football Union	2001 Olypmic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8311
RUNNING	Hasg House Harriers	Email: george_harrison@hotmail.com	9870 0727 (Mr.Harrison)
	HK Amateur Athletic Assn	2015 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8215
	HK Distance Runners Club	GPO Box 10368, HK	
	HK Ladies Road Runners Club	Email: hklrr@yahoo.com	9139 3127
SAILING	HK Yachting Assn	1009 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8159
	Hebe Haven Yacht Club	10.5 Miles Hiram's Highway, Pak Sha Wan, Sai Kung	2719 9682
SHOOTING	HK Shooting Assn	2011 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8138
SOFTBALL	HK Softball Assn	Tin Kwong Road, Kowloon City	2711 1167
SQUASH	HK Squash Rackets Assn	HK Squash Centre, 23 Cotton Tree Drive, Central	2869 0611
SWIMMING	HK Amateur Swimming Assn	1003 Queen Elizabeth Stadium, 18 Oi Kwan Road, Wanchai	2572 8594

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SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
TABLE TENNIS	HK Table Tennis Assn	2008 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2575 5330
TAEKWONDO	Hong Kong Taekwondo Assn	2012 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8116
TENNIS	HK Tennis Assn Ltd	1021 Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8266
	HK Sports Institute (17 courts)	Hong Kong Sports Institute, 25 Yuen Wo Road, Sha Tin	2681 6888
	Public Courts: Rese	ervation via Sportix No. 2314 7702	
	HK Tennis Centre (17 courts)	133 Wong Nai Chung Gap Road, Wanchai	2574 9122
	South China Athletic Assn (6 courts)	King's Park, Ho Man Tin	2385 8985
	Kowloon Tsai Park (8 courts)	Kowloon Tsai Park, Kowloon City	2336 7878
	Tin Kwong Road (4 courts)	15 Tin Kwong Road, Kowloon City	2711 1532
	Victoria Park (14 courts)	Victoria Park Road, Causeway Bay	2590 5824
TRIATHLONS	The Triathlon Assn	1020 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8282
VOLLEYBALL Volleyball Assn of HK		1007 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2771 0293
WALKING	HK Hiking Association	PO Box 79882, HK Email: hkhachina82@yahoo.com.hk	
	Oxfam HK (Trail walker)	17/F, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point	2520 2525
WATER SKIING	HK Water Ski Assn	1025 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8168

SPORT	CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
WEIGHT- LIFTING/ POWER- LIFTING	HK Amateur Weightlifting & Powerlifting Assn	1005 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8193
WINDSURF- ING	Windsurfing Assn of HK Ltd	1001 Olympic Hse, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay	2504 8255
YOGA	Pure Yoga	16/F, The Centrium, 60 Wyndham Street, Central	2971 0055
		14/F, The Peninsula Office Tower, 18 Middle Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	8129 8800

A few organizations provide inter alias, venues and training programs for a variety of sports:

South China Athletic Association

88 Caroline Hill Road, Causeway Bay Tel: 2577 6932

YMCA

41 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui Tel: 2268 7087

YWCA

1 MacDonnell Road, Admiralty Tel: 3476 1300

Outward Bound HK

Tai Mong Tsai, Sai Kung Tel: 2792 4333

### Sports for the Disabled

ASSOCIATION	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
HK Sports Assn for the Mentally Handicapped	Unit 2 Lower G/F, Lek Yuen Community Hall, Shatin	2697 3731
HK Sports Assn of the Deaf	Block B, 8/F, Wah Hing Commercial Centre, 383 Shanghai Street, Yau Ma Tei	3104 1213
HK Sports Assn of the Physically Disabled	Unit 141-148, G/F, Block B, Mei Fu Hse, Mei Lam Estate, Shatin	2602 8232

ASSOCIATION	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Riding for the Disabled	75 Pokfulam Reservoir Road, Pokfulam	2875 7711
Assn		

## 9.3 HOBBIES / SPECIAL INTERESTS

There are many special interest and social groups in Hong Kong. Below is a list of some societies.

GROUPS	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Amnesty Int'l HK Section Ltd	Unit D, 3/F, Best-o-Best Commercial Building, 32-36 Ferry Street	2300 1250
HK Archaeological	GPO Box 5133, HK	2723 5765
Society		
HK Art Club	Email: public2@hkartclub.com	
HK Artistic Orchid Assn	GPO Box 9038, HK Email: ckh_berry@yahoo.com.hk	
Asia Society	13/F, Baskerville, 13 Duddell Street, Central	2103 9511
Royal Asiatic Society	GPO Box 3864, HK	2813 7500
HK Branch		
HK Aviation Club	31 Sung Wong Toi Road, Kowloon City	2713 5171
HK Bird Watching Society	14/F, Ruby Commercial Building, 480 Nathan Road, Yau Ma Tei	2377 4387
Cathay Camera Club	Photographic Studio, Basement, 49 Bonham Road, Mid-Levels	9377 9964 (Jeff)
HK Cat Fanciers Society	GPO Box 21166, HK Email: hkcfc.com@gmail.com	
HK Cellarmasters Wine Club	9/F, Tin Fung Industrial Mansion, 63 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen	2791 6332
HK Bach Choir	GPO Box 2334, HK Email: chamber@bachchoir.org.hk	
Classic Car Club of HK	Suite 3202 Admiralty Centre Tower One, 18 Harcourt Road, Admiralty	2865 6108

GROUPS	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
HK Folk Society	Email: unclemichael@hkfolk.org	9039 8206 (Michael)
HK Fringe Club	2 Lower Albert Road, South Block, Central	2521 7251
HK Gardening Society	GPO Box 231, HK Email: chair@gardeninghongkong.com	2817 8939
Gemmological Assn of HK	Unit 801, 12 Kut Shing Street, Chai Wan	2366 6006
Goethe Institute HK	German Cultural Centre, 14/F, HK Arts Centre, 2 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2802 0088
HK Kennel Club	3/F, 28B Stanley Street, Central	2523 3944
HK Macintosh Users Group	GPO Box 2109, HK	2762 2166
HK Mensa	GPO Box 9858, HK Email: enquiries@mensa.org.hk	3011 5178 (Fax)
HK Natural History Society	Email: dengland@hknhs.org	2688 1302
HK Philatelic Society	GPO Box 446, HK Email: hkpsociety@yahoo.com	2847 7865 (Mr. Kwan)
Radio Assn of HK	Flat A, 2/F, Timmer Court, 10-12 Wing Hing Street, North Point	2522 5783
HK Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (HARTS)	GPO Box 541, HK Email: 0910excom@harts.org.hk	8112 1812
Sky Observer's Assn	4/F, 23 Kim Shin Lane, Cheung Sha Wan	2786 5678
Victoria Toastmaster's Club	The Galleria, 33/F, Clifton's Conference Room, 9 Queen's Road, Central GPO Box 7204, HK Website: www.vtoast.com	
HK Wine Society	Email: thehongkongwinesociety@gmail.com	

## **GREEN GROUPS**

GROUPS	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Environment	1904 Bank of America Tower, 12 Harcourt Road,	2530 6900
Committee (American	Central	
Chamber of Commerce		
in HK)		
Friends of the Earth	Unit 1301-1302, 13/F, Block A, Sea View Estate, 2 Watson Road, North Point	2528 5588
Greenpeace China	8/F, Pacific Plaza, 410-418 Des Voeux Road West, Sai Ying Pun	2854 8300
Green Power	Room 2314, 23/F, Park-In Commercial Centre, 56 Dundas Street, Mong Kok	3961 0200
HK Dolphin	GPO Box 65457, HK	2866 2652
Conservation Society		
World Wide Fund for	Suite 1002, Asian House, 1 Hennessy Road,	2526 1011
Nature HK	Wanchai	

# WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
7C Monticello, 48 Kennedy Road, Mid-Levels	2527 2961
St. John Cathedral, 4 Garden Road, Central	2523 4157
35 Garden Road, Central	2522 6766
GPO Box 1526, HK	6342 2755
Email: info@hkabpw.org	
435 Lockhart Road, G/F, Wanchai	2833 6131
The Women's Forum, 3A Kam Yuen Mansions, 3	6680 4225
Old Peak Road, Mid-Levels	
10 Old Peak Road, Mid-Levels	3199 3500
	7C Monticello, 48 Kennedy Road, Mid-Levels  St. John Cathedral, 4 Garden Road, Central  35 Garden Road, Central  GPO Box 1526, HK  Email: info@hkabpw.org  435 Lockhart Road, G/F, Wanchai  The Women's Forum, 3A Kam Yuen Mansions, 3 Old Peak Road, Mid-Levels

GROUPS	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Latin American Women's Assn	18 Shouson Hill Road	2554 2294
Women Lawyers Assn	Email: info@women-lawyers.org	2811 1767 (Ms. Yim)
Women in Publishing Society	GPO Box 7314, HK Email: info@hkwips.org	
YWCA English Speaking Members	3/F, 1 McDonnell Road, Mid-Levels	3476 1340
Zonta Club of HK	GPO Box 428, HK Email: info@zontahk.org.hk	2895 2250

#### 9.4 PRIVATE CLUBS BY MEMBERSHIP ONLY

Social life for expatriates in Hong Kong often involves clubs. Membership of various clubs is included in the list of benefits in employment contracts as many clubs offer corporate debentures.

There is only one professional debenture broker service throughout the territory. It represents corporate and individual clients seeking opportunities to purchase, sell or swap private club debentures.

Hong Kong Debenture Exchange

Tel: 2810 4300

#### **BUSINESS CLUBS**

Business Clubs are situated in business districts and emphasized on bar, dining, gym and sauna facilities.

GROUPS	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
The American Club	48-49/F, Exchange Square Tower II, Central	2842 7400
(Town Club)		
The Dynasty Club	Southwest Tower, Convention Plaza, 1 Harbour	2824 1122
	Road, Wanchai	
The Foreign	2 Lower Albert Road, Central	2521 1511
Correspondents' Club		
The Hong Kong Club	1 Jackson Road, Central	2525 8251
The Kowloon Club	Level Two, Harbourfront Horizon All Suite Hotel,	2369 2816
	8 Hung Luen Road, Hunghom Bay	

GROUPS	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
World Trade Centre Club	38/F, World Trade Centre, 280 Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay	2808 2288

### **RECREATION CLUBS**

Recreation and golf clubs are normally suburban and offer sport, recreation and dining facilities.

CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Aberdeen Boat Club	20 Shum Wan Road, Aberdeen	2552 8182
Aberdeen Marina Club	8 Shum Wan Road, Aberdeen	2555 8321
The American Club (Country Club)	28 Tai Tam Road, Tai Tam	2813 3200
Craigengower Cricket Club	188 Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley	2577 8331
Discovery Bay Marina Club	Discovery Bay, Lantau Island	2987 9591
Hong Kong Country Club	188 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Deep Water Bay	2552 4165
Hong Kong Cricket Club	137 Wong Nai Chung Gap Road, Happy Valley	3511 8668
Hong Kong Football Club	3 Sports Road, Happy Valley	2830 9500
Ladies' Recreation Club	10 Old Peak Road, Mid-Levels	3199 3500
Hong Kong Jockey Club	25 Shang Kwong Road, Happy Valley	2966 1333
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club	Kellett Island, Causeway Bay Middle Island Sai Kung Shelter Cove	2832 2817 2812 0365 2792 2744
Hong Lok Yuen Country Club	8 Town Centre Crescent, Hong Lok Yuen, Tai Po	2657 8899
Club De Recreio	20 Gascoigne Road, King's Park	2388 8194
Hebe Haven Yacht Club	10.5 miles, Hiram's Highway, Pak Sha Wan, Sai Kung	2719 9682

CLUB	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Hilltop Country Club	10 Hilltop Road, Lo Wai, Tsuen Wan	2412 0201
Kowloon Bowling Green Club	123 Austin Road, Jordan	2368 7733
Kowloon Cricket Club	10 Cox's Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	3473 7000
Kowloon Tong Club	113A Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong	3652 7878
Mariners' Club	11 Middle Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	2368 8261
Pacific Club Kowloon	Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui	2118 1802
United Services Recreation Club	1 Gascoigne Road, King's Park, Ho Man Tin	2367 0672
GOLF CLUBS		
Chung Shan Hot Spring Golf Club Hong Kong Office	Room 1403, 14/F, Tower 1, New World Tower, 18 Queen's Road Central, Central	2521 0377
Clearwater Bay Golf and Country Club	139 Tai Au Mun Road, Clearwater Bay	2335 3700
Discovery Bay Golf Club	Valley Road, Discovery Bay, Lantau Island	2987 7273
Hong Kong Golf Club	19 Island Road, Deep Water Bay	2812 7070
	PO Box 1, Shek Wu Hui, N.T.	2670 1211
Lotus Hill Golf Resort Hong Kong Office	Unit 804, China HK City Tower I, 33 Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	2882 1811
Shek O Golf & Country Club	5 Shek O Road, Shek O	2809 4458

# Quick Reference List

## 10.1 FREQUENT-USE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

# ENQUIRY / HOTLINE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPERATORS

AIR	
Hong Kong International Airport	2181 8888
BUS	
Citybus Ltd	2873 0818
New World First Bus Services Ltd.	2136 8888
The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd	2745 4466
New Lantao Bus Co. (1973) Ltd	2984 9848
FERRY	
Chuen Kee Ferry Ltd	2375 7883
Coral Sea Ferry Service Co. Ltd.	2513 1835
Discovery Bay Transportation	3651 2345
Fortune Ferry Co. Ltd	2994 8155
New World First Ferry Services Ltd.	2131 8181
The Hong Kong & Kowloon Ferry Ltd	2815 6063
The Hong Kong & Yaumati Co. Ltd	2394 4294
The "Star" Ferry Co. Ltd	2367 7065
Tsui Wah Ferry Service Co. Ltd.	2272 2022
RAILWAY	
Mass Transit Railway Corp (MTR)	2881 8888

TAXI	
Fraternity	2527 6324
Kam Ling	2571 2929
Kong Luen	2529 8822
Wai Fat	2861 1008
Wing Tai	2527 8524 / 2861 1011
Yau Luen	2527 6324
N.T. Taxi	2457 2266
Lantau Island	2984 1328
TRAM	
Hong Kong Tramways Ltd	2548 7102
The Peak Tramways Co. Ltd	2849 0819

EMERGENCIES	
Accidents, Police, Fire Dept, Ambulances	999

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS	
Civil Aviation Department	2867 4203
Customs & Excise Department	2815 7711
Environmental Protection Department	2838 3111
Hongkong Post	2921 2222
Department of Health	2961 8989
Highways Department	2926 4111
HK Police Force	
- General Enquiries	2527 7177
- Crime Prevention	2860 5012
- Complaints	2866 7700
Hospital Authority Emergency	2300 6555
Immigration Department	
- General Enquiries	2824 6111
HK Identity Card Application	2598 0888
Inland Revenue Department	187 8088
Labour Department	2717 1771

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS	
St. John's Ambulance	2576 6555
Transport Department	2804 2600
WEATHER ENQUIRY	
General Enquiry	2926 8200
Local	187 8200
Typhoon Enquiry	2835 1473
Aviation Weather Enquiry	2910 6920
PCCW	
Enquiries	1000
Fault Report	109
Telephone Directory	1083
Time / Weather	18501
International Calls	10010 / 10011
CREDIT CARDS LOST & STOLEN	
American Express	2811 6122
Bank of China (Hong Kong)	2544 2222
Manhattan	2881 0888
Citibank and Diners Club	2860 0333
Hang Seng Bank Ltd	2836 0838
HSBC Corp	2748 4848
Standard Chartered Bank	2886 4111
OTHERS	
Hong Kong Tourism Board Visitor Information Services	2508 1234
Consumer Council	2929 2222
Taxi Union Lost Report Hotline	2385 8288 / 2311 8663
Taxi Complaints Hotline	2889 9999
Tel-Law	2521 3333 / 2522 8018

AIRLINES	
Aeroflot Russian Airlines	2537 2611
Air Canada	2867 8111
Air China	3970 9000
Air France	2501 9433
Air India	2522 1176
Air Mauritius	2523 1114
Air New Zealand	2862 8988
Alitalia	2575 4001
All Nippon Airways	2810 7100
American Airlines	3678 8500
British Airways	3071 5083
Cathay Pacific Airways	2747 1888
China Airlines	2868 2299
Continental Airlines	3198 5777
Delta Air Lines	2810 4288
Dragonair	3193 3888
Emirates Airline	2801 8777
Japan Airlines	2523 0081
KLM Royal Dutch	2808 2168
Korean Air	2366 2001
Lufthansa German Airlines	2868 2313
Malaysia Airlines	2916 0088
Philippine Airlines	2301 9300
Qantas Airways	2822 9000
Royal Brunei Airways	3180 3232
SAS Scandinavian	2865 1370
Singapore Airlines	2520 2233
South African Airways	2877 3277
Swiss International Air Lines	3002 1330
Thai Airways International	2179 7777
United Airlines	2801 4888
Virgin Atlantic Airways	2532 6060

COUNTRIES	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
ARGENTINA	1210 Jardine House., 1 Connaught Place, Central	2523 3208
AUSTRALIA	23-24/F, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 8881
AUSTRIA	2201 Chinachem Tower, 34-37 Connaught Road Central, Central	2522 8086
BAHAMAS	Room1906, Hutchison Centre, 10 Harcourt Road, Admiralty	2521 3121
BANGLADESH	3807 China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 4278
BELGIUM	9/F, St. John's Building, 33 Garden Road, Central	2524 3111
BELIZE	14/F, Tien Chu Comm Building, 173 Gloucester Road, Wanchai	2838 2331
BRAZIL	201 Dina House, 11 Duddell Street, Central	2525 7002
CANADA	12/F, Tower 1, Exchange Square, Central	2810 4321
CANADA –ALBERTA	1004, Tower 2, Admiralty Centre, 18 Harcourt Road, Admiralty	2528 4729
CANADA – BC	8/F, CNAC Building, 10 Queen's Road Central, Central	2545 8547
CANADA – Manitoba	902A China Building, 29 Queen's Road Central, Central	2523 3375
CANADA – QUEBEC	13/F, Tower 1, Exchange Square, Central	2810 9332
CHILE	1408 Great Eagle Centre, 23 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 1826
CHINA	5/F, China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2585 1700
COLOMBIA	6A, CMA Building, 64-66 Connaught Road Central, Central	2545 8547
CUBA	Room 1112, Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central	2525 6320
CYPRUS (VISA)	Room 402, Woonlee Comm Building, 7-9 Austin Avenue, Tsim Sha Tsui	2739 6261
CZECH	1207 Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2802 2212
DENMARK	2402B Great Eagle Centre, 23 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 8101

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EGYPT	11/F, Citic Plaza, 8 Causeway Road, Causeway Bay	2827 0668
ECUADOR	Rm 1601-02, 16/F, 1 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central	2540 9914
FINLAND	1818 Hutchison House, 10 Harcourt Road, Central	2525 5385
FRANCE	26/F, Tower 2, Admiralty Centre, Admiralty	2529 4351
GERMANY	21/F, United Centre, 95 Queensway, Admiralty	2527 1334
GREAT BRITAIN	1 Supreme Court Road, Admiralty	2901 3000
GREECE	913, Block B, Hung Hom Commercial Centre, 37-41 Ma Tau Wai Road, Hung Hom	2774 1682
ICELAND	47/F, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai	2876 8888
INDIA	504, Tower 1, Admiralty Centre, Admiralty	2527 5821
INDONESIA	127 Leighton Road, Causeway Bay	2890 4421
IRELAND	22/F, Prince's Building, Central	2527 4897
ISRAEL	701, Tower 2, Admiralty Centre, Admiralty	2529 6091
ITALY	805 Hutchison House, 10 Harcourt Road, Central	2522 0033
JAPAN	46/F, Tower 1, Exchange Square, Central	2522 1184
JORDAN	939 New World Office Building, East Wing, 1 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	2311 9023
KOREA	5/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Admiralty	2529 4141
MALAYSIA	24/F, Malaysian Building, 50 Gloucester Road, Wanchai	2527 0921
MALDIVES	201-205 Kowloon Centre, 29-39 Ashley Road, Tsim Sha Tsui	2376 2114
MAURITIUS	103 Wing On Plaza, 62 Mody Road, Tsim Sha Tsui East	2744 4063
MEXICO	1304 Great Eagle Centre, 23 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2511 3318
MONGOLIA	4 Somerset Road, Kowloon Tong	2338 9033
MOROCCO	Marine Deck, W1 Ocean Terminal, Tsim Sha Tsui	2736 7286
MYANMAR	2421 Sun Hung Kai Centre, 30 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 7929
NETHERLANDS	301 China Building, 29 Queen's Road Central, Central	2522 5127
NEW ZEALAND	2705 Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central	2525 5044

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NIGERIA	3309 China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 8813
NORWAY	1502 Great Eagle Centre, 23 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2591 6880
PAKISTAN	3806 China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2827 1966
PANAMA	1008 Wing On Centre, 111 Connaught Road Central, Central	2545 2166
PARAGUAY	9/F, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2591 6880
PERU	10/F, Wong Chung Ming Commercial House, 16 Wyndham Street, Central	2868 2622
PHILIPPINES	6/F, United Centre, 95 Queensway, Admiralty	2823 8500
POLAND	1006, Tower 1, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty	2840 0779
PORTUGAL	905 Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2802 2587
RUSSIA	2932 Sun Hung Kai Centre, 20 Harbour Road, Wanchai	2877 7188
SEYCHELLES	2813 HK Plaza, 186 Connaught Road West, Sai Ying Pun	2549 5337
SINGAPORE	901-2, Tower 1, Admiralty Centre, Admiralty	2527 2212
SOUTH AFRICA	27/F, Sunning Plaza, 10 Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay	2577 3279
SPAIN	8/F, Printing House, 18 Ice House Street, Central	2525 3041
SRI LANKA	22/F, Dominion Centre, 43 Queen's Road East, Wanchai	2866 2321
SWEDEN	8/F The HK Club Building, 3A Chater Road, Central	2521 1212
SWITZERLAND	3703 Gloucester Tower, 11 Pedder Street, Central	2522 7147
TAIWAN (AGENT)	4/F, Lippo Tower 1, 89 Queensway, Admiralty	2525 8316
THAILAND	8/F., Fairmont House, 8 Cotton Tree Drive, Central	2521 6481
TONGA	8/F., New Henry House, 10 Ice House Street, Central	2522 1321
TURKEY	301 Sino Plaza, 255 Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay	2572 1331
U.S.A.	26 Garden Road, Central	2523 9011
URUGUAY	1701 Dina House, 11 Duddell Street, Central	2868 0330

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VENEZUELA	3902 Central Plaza, Wanchai	2730 8099
VIETNAM (VISA)	15/F., Great Smart Tower, 230 Wanchai Road, Wanchai	2591 4517

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