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Emergency Contacts

- General emergency number: 999
- Police hotline: +852 2527 7177
- Weather hotline (Hong Kong Observatory): +852 1878 200

Hong Kong is one of the most important financial and business centers in the world. At the same time, administratively it belongs to the People's Republic of China. It is a busy metropolis, a maze of skyscrapers, narrow streets, department stores and neon signs and a population of more than 7 million, making it one of the most densely populated areas in the world. On the other hand, more than 40% of its area is protected as country parks and nature reserves where rough coasts, untouched beaches and deep woods still exist.

Hong Kong is a bridge between east and west – it's a city where cars drive on the left, where British colonial cuisine is embedded in the very fabric of the city, and every sign is in English, too. But at the same time, the street life is distinctively Chinese, with its herbal tea shops, snake soup restaurants, and stalls with dried Chinese medicines. You will encounter remnants of the 'old Hong Kong' with its shabby diners and run-down residential districts situated right next to glitzy clubs and huge department stores.

Hong Kong is a fascinating place that will take hold of your heart at your first visit. Venture beyond the main tourist sights (as fascinating as they are) and dare to discover the subtle and ambiguous world hiding under Hong Kong's marketed image as a world city.

Time Zone

HKT (UTC/GMT +8 hours). No daylight saving time.

Contacts

Tourist Contacts

- Hong Kong Tourism Board Visitor Hotline +852 2508 1234
- Hong Kong International Airport +1 2181 8888

1 Hong Kong Dollar (HKD) = 100 cents.

Hong Kong has no currency controls – you can take in and out as much cash as you like. The most convenient way is to withdraw money from the ubiquitous ATMs. The best exchange deals can be found at the banks, although some of them charge a commission fee. There are also exchange offices in the MTR stations. If possible, avoid exchanging money in hotels, at the airport or with unlicensed exchange stalls in the Tsim Sha Tsui and Mong Kok areas. If you exchange large amounts of money, try to negotiate a better rate.

Using credit cards is very common in Hong Kong. All major cards (Visa, MasterCard, Amex, Diners Club, JCB) are widely accepted.

Tax Refunds

There is no VAT in Hong Kong and therefore, no tourist refunds.

Prices

When compared to the mainland or other Asian cities, Hong Kong is quite expensive. The prices vary, though. While accommodation is extremely expensive, meals and entrance tickets can come quite cheap if you watch your budget. There is no sales tax/VAT in Hong Kong, making it a perfect destination for purchasing expensive and luxury items, be it electronics, cosmetics or watches. However, it's always a good idea to know how much these items cost back home – what might look like a great deal doesn't always turn out to be.

If you plan to visit more than one or two museums during your stay, purchase the Weekly Mu-

seum Pass at the first museum you visit – for only 30 HKD you get unlimited access to all the major museums. Alternatively, you can visit them on Wednesday, when there is no entrance fee.

- Meal, inexpensive restaurant – 40 HKD
- Meal for 2, mid-range restaurant, three-course – 360 HKD
- Combo Meal at McDonalds or similar – 30 HKD
- Bottle of water at supermarket – 7 HKD
- Beer (0.5l can at 7-Eleven) – 16 HKD
- Souvenir t-shirt – 30 HKD
- Gasoline (1 liter) – 16 HKD
- Hostels (average price/night) – 350 HKD
- 4* hotel (average price/night) – 1100 HKD
- Car-hire (medium-sized car/day) – 800 HKD

At the street and wet markets, prices are always subject to negotiation. Never show too much interest in the item you want and always decide for yourself how much you want to pay in advance – and state a much lower price. You can also try walking away or saying that you've seen it elsewhere for a better price.

When buying vegetables or meat, you can usually get a better price (and fresher products) at the wet markets than in the supermarkets. The supermarket prices also vary considerably from chain to chain. Park'n'shop and Wellcome are the cheapest ones, while CitySuper and Taste are more upmarket.

Tipping

Tipping is not customary in Hong Kong – the locals don't tip. If you feel like it, it's enough to simply round the price up. You might also tip the hotel porter 10 HKD per bag. The more expensive restaurants charge a service fee automatically.

Electricity

The standard electricity supply is 220V/50Hz and the sockets are the typical British ones: type G with three square pins. Don't forget to bring an adaptor with you. If you're coming from the US you should check the voltage on your devices and appliances before plugging them in to be sure they are compatible. You may need a power converter.

Languages

The official languages in Hong Kong are Chinese and English, but the most widely spoken language is Cantonese. It is a very difficult language but if you learn a few basic words, your effort will always be appreciated. Thanks to its colonial heritage, English is very widely spoken and you can easily get by with it – even the signs are in English.

Mobile Phones

All of Hong Kong except for the mountains is covered by the standard mobile network (GSM/GPRS/3G). Visitors from North America might want to check compatibility. You might also consider purchasing a 100 HKD prepaid card as the charges are very low.

Internet

Internet is widely available at the hostels / hostels for a small surcharge. There are also free internet kiosks in the MTR stations or malls, and free hotspots in fast food chains (for example McDonalds offers 20 minutes of Internet connection for free).

Internet Resources

- Hong Kong Tourist Website (www.discoverhongkong.com)

- CNNGO – lots of informative articles from the insiders (www.cnngo.com)
- Hong Kong Observatory – don't forget to check the weather reports regularly (www.hko.gov.hk)

- January 1 – New Year's Day
- Chinese New Year – Chinese calendar, first to third day of the first moon.
- Good Friday
- Easter Monday
- April 5 – Ching Ming Festival
- May 1 – Labour Day
- Buddha's Birthday – Chinese calendar, eighth day of the fourth moon.
- Dragon Boat Festival (Tuen Ng Festival) – Chinese calendar, fifth day of the fifth moon.
- July 1 – Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Establishment Day
- Mid-Autumn Festival – Chinese calendar, sixteenth day of the eighth moon.
- October 1 – National Day
- Chung Yeung Festival – Chinese calendar, ninth day of the ninth moon
- December 25 – Christmas Day
- December 26 – Boxing Day

Offices are closed during the above stated holidays. Nevertheless, the majority of the shops remain open except for the Chinese New Year – the most important holiday. Apart from these days, the opening times of museums and other attractions are usually not affected.

Opening Hours

Banks and post offices are usually open Monday to Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sundays. Shops and malls usually stay open longer, until 9 p.m. or later. There are many 7-Eleven or Circle-K shops that are open nonstop and sell a variety of food, snacks and drinks. Restaurants also stay open until late and many bars and clubs on the island keep going through the night.

Public Transportation

Mass Transit Railway (MTR) (www.mtr.com.hk)

– very convenient underground and suburban rail network and the most common means of transport in Hong Kong. It consists of five underground lines, three lines connecting the centre with the New Territories (the East Rail Line will take you to the very border with China – Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau stops) and Airport Express line departing from Central.

Trams – there are two distinctive tram systems.

One, called Light Rail, is a modern network operating in the New Territories. On the Island, there are unique narrow double-decker trams running along the coast. They are somewhat of a historical relic – there's no air conditioning and they tend to be slow. At the same time, no tourist should miss out a ride – the tram from Central to Kennedy Town will take you into the Hong Kong streets and you can get an overview of the less touristy side of the island in 30 minutes. Get on at the back entrance and pay the exact flat fare at the front when getting off the tram. Another popular means of transport for tourists is the **Peak Tram** – quite expensive but worth it for the spectacular views.

Buses – buses are run by several companies depending on the locality. They can be generally divided into two groups. The buses criss-cross Hong Kong in a dense net and usually extend the MTR system. Often, though, there are buses going roughly along the same route as the MTR – they take more time but are cheaper and worth taking for the great views of the city! Also, getting the bus from the airport to the city centre is considerably cheaper than with the MTR Airport line. The **double-decker buses** are run by four main

companies and the exact fares and schedules can be found on their websites. At smaller stops, you need to signal with your hand to stop the bus and press the signal button prior the stop where you want to get off. The **light buses** are green, van-sized and carry up to 16 passengers. Taking them is a little bit of challenge as their routes are not very well signposted and you need to hail them and tell the driver where you are going. The driving style is quite crazy, too – always wear a seatbelt if available.

- KMB (www.kmb.hk)
- CityBus (www.nwstbus.com.hk)
- New Lantau Bus (www.newlantaobus.com)

Ferry – the main lines are operated by Star Ferry. Despite not being the most efficient means of transport, you should not miss the ferry ride between Tsim Sha Tsui and Central – the views of the skyline are just incredible. The ferries connect Kowloon and the Island with the outlying islands. The system is easy to understand, there are schedules posted at the stops. Note that there are fast and slow ferries and the fares are twice as much for the fast ones. There are also surcharges on Sundays and public holidays.

The payment system is the same for all means of public transport. The fare depends on how far you are going and can be found on the companies' websites. The most convenient way to travel around is to get an Octopus card (www.octopus.com.hk). The system is the same as London's Oyster – you top it up at the machine available in all MTR stations and then you can pay with it by simply tapping the terminal. It is also widely used in various shops, vending machines or parking lots. It is valid for all means of transport in Hong Kong and the fare is considerably cheaper with it. It definitely pays off if you're staying for more than few days and plan to use public transport regularly.

The adult Octopus smart card costs 150 HKD with 100 HKD of initial stored value and a 50 HKD refundable deposit.

The night service is very limited and the MTR stops running after approximately 1 a.m. (the exact schedule is posted in the stations). Therefore, the most common way to get around during the night is by taxi. If you're on a tight budget and going from busy areas such as Lan Kwai Fong, Tsim Sha Tsui or Wan Chai, look for the green buses that depart when they fill up. They will take you to the other side of the Harbour for a fair fixed price and you don't have to negotiate the toll surcharges with the driver. You can continue your journey with taxis from the final stop – there will always be several cars waiting.

Taxis

Taxis are quite cheap and plentiful, which makes it a very popular means of transport. They are equipped with meters that should always show the current fare. The majority of cars take up to 5 passengers. They can be easily hailed right from the streets, and there are also numerous taxi stands.

Red taxis – the most expensive ones, they can go all over Hong Kong except for Tung Chung Road and the south side of Lantau Island (but they go to the airport and Disneyland). The fare for the first two kilometres 20 HKD with every subsequent 200 meters for 1.50 / 1 HKD for meter fares of 72 HKD and above.

Green taxis – cheaper, cover only the New Territories, the airport and Hong Kong Disneyland. The first 2 kilometers is 16.50 HKD, and 1.30 HKD for each subsequent 200 meters.

Blue taxis – operate only on Lantau Island with a slightly cheaper fare than the green taxis.

There are surcharges for luggage, animals and phone booking. Note that if you're taking the route through the harbour tunnels, you might be expected to pay the toll – or even twice its amount for the driver's way back. Therefore, always settle this before the journey starts. When hailing a taxi for a cross-harbour route, signal this with a wave-like hand gesture.

The taxi drivers aren't usually very fluent in English and it might come in handy to have the name of your desired destination printed in Chinese characters as the English names are not used colloquially. You could also consider calculating the fare in advance, as the drivers sometimes like to take clueless tourists around the maze of Mong Kok streets to drive the fare considerably.

Phone numbers (red taxis):

- +852 2398 1881
- +852 2728 8282
- +852 2760 0411
- +852 2332 2571

Regional Transportation

When travelling from Hong Kong to China, it is always cheaper to take MTR to the border and then get on the bus/train than to take a direct bus or train from Hong Kong.

Trains

There's an extensive train network – a most popular way to travel long distances. The whole system is well-organized and easy to use. There are four classes:

- Soft sleeper () – most comfortable, the price is usually comparable to domestic flights bought

in advance. Spacious sleep compartment with two or four bunks.

- Hard sleeper (硬) – open to the corridors, three bunks in a column. Space is limited but the bunks are comfortable. Upper bunks (上) are the cheapest and the lowest (下) most expensive, but prices varies only slightly. Hard sleeper is probably the best value for what you get.
- Soft seater (座) – comfortable seats found in day trains traveling on routes up to 8 hours in duration and high speed trains.
- Hard seater (硬座) – the most genuine experience. Padded seats, long-distance journeys as well. There are also standing tickets sold for this class so the train can get really crowded. Despite officially being non-smoking, don't really expect this. Very cheap and adventurous, though.

Tickets can be bought up to seven days in advance. You might get English speaking attendants at major city stations, or at least those willing to communicate despite the language barrier. Since January 2012, it has been necessary to present your ID when purchasing tickets.

General guidelines, what to expect:

- There is one attendant per every train. They will take your ticket and exchange it for a card with your seat number. So they will know your destination and will make sure you don't miss your stop.
- The toilets are locked when the train is approaching a station.
- Bring enough food, as the dining cars vary and you might end up eating instant soups for an exaggerated price. Boiled water is available.

Buses

Using buses, even for the long distances, is increasingly popular and some routes can be equally

as comfortable as trains and even quicker. It really varies, though, as some roads still remain in shocking condition and the buses may be old and crowded. Don't be surprised by the erratic driving style or the attendant telling jokes and stories into the loudspeaker throughout the journey. The buses are also easily delayed thanks to construction works, weather conditions and congested streets.

For longer distances, you generally need to purchase your ticket at the bus station while shorter distance tickets can be paid for on board to the attendant.

Ferries

Shenzhen, Macau or Guangzhou can be easily reached by ferry. There are numerous connections but the tickets are best booked ahead. Travelling by ferry is not very practical, it is usually done only for the experience.

The ferries depart from Shun Tak, Hong Kong China Ferry Terminal at Tsim Sha Tsui and the Airport terminals. Some companies: Turbojet (www.turbojet.com.hk) Cotai Water Jet (www.cotaijet.com.mo)

Driving

Renting a car is quite an unusual thing to do in Hong Kong. The public transport system is nearly perfect and the roads are often congested and the parking expensive. Renting a car is worth considering only if you plan on travelling longer distances in the New Territories. The traffic operates on the left side.

- Expressways – 80 km/h
- North Lantau Highway – 110 km/h
- Urban roads – 30 to 70 km/h, follow the signs

- Blood alcohol limit – 55 mg of alcohol per 100 ml of blood (0.22 mg alcohol per litre breath alcohol content)
 - Seat belts are compulsory for all passengers.
 - Every driver must have third-party insurance.
 - Your phone can be used only with a hands-free device.
 - You must always give way to buses and mini-buses.
 - Expect the traffic rules to be heavily enforced.
- There is a toll collected at tunnels and harbour crossings. The most convenient way to pay is to register with Autotoll (www.autotoll.com.hk), then you will be able to enter the priority lines and the toll will be deducted automatically from your account.

Walkability

The Kowloon peninsula is quite walkable and exploring it on foot (combined with the MTR) is definitely the best way. The situation on Hong Kong Island is more complicated – there are many skyways and pedestrian bridges going through shopping centers and office buildings, interconnected into quite complex and chaotic systems – give yourself plenty of time, pay attention to the signs and you'll be fine. You need to be very careful when crossing the streets – taxis and minibuses in particular tend to drive recklessly – don't expect them to stop at crosswalks.

Hong Kong is a perfect destination for barrier-free travel. The MTR provides a convenient way to get around the city and public spaces are designed with accessibility in mind.

Don't be afraid to eat the local fare right from the streets, cooked food centers or small restaurants off the main streets – the level of hygiene is generally unproblematic, the meals delicious and prices very fair!

- Dim sum – a Cantonese speciality, a variety of steamed dumplings and buns with meat or vegetable fillings. Most popular: BBQ buns, shrimp dumplings.
- Siu mei – roasted pork flavoured with honey, served with rice
- Congee – rice porridge, a popular comfort food
- Curry fish meat balls
- Hotpot – choose meats, vegetables, seafood and fish balls and boil them yourself in a broth
- Chicken feet – boiled or fried, a very popular delicacy – a must-try!
- Hong Kong-style French toast – fried toast with peanut butter
- Stinky tofu – legendary street food
- Sweet tofu soup
- Wife and husband cakes, mooncakes – traditional Chinese pastries made of sesame seeds and beans
- Cantonese preserved sausage
- Egg tart – British snacks adapted to the Chinese taste
- Yung Kee's roast goose – roast duck served with fermented eggs
- Snake soup – thick soup served in the winter season for its presumed warming effect. Goes with turtle rice.
- Claypot Rice – fried rice with various ingredients
- Sweet and sour pork or garoupa – a signature dish made with vinegar, preserved plums and hawthorn candy
- Cheng Chau dumplings – usually filled with duck egg

- Waffles filled with cocoa or chocolate paste
- The most distinctive non-alcoholic drink is probably the ever-present milk tea from Cha chaan teng eateries and Hong Kong chains such as Cafe de Coral, the reasonably priced local bistros serving an interesting blend of British and Chinese cuisine. Also, definitely try bubble tea – it can be found at almost every corner and comes in endless varieties – green or black tea with milk, flavorings and oatmeal or tapioca pearls.

The most popular alcoholic drink is beer (the 'local' brands are Tsing Tao and San Miguel). Locals also like to drink rice whisky – very cheap but not everyone can take its sharp taste. Drinking in restaurants, bars and clubs is quite expensive, so the way around this is to purchase beer at 7-Eleven and party right on the street.

Legal Age

The legal drinking age is 18 and proof of age is often required when entering clubs. Smoking is banned in both restaurants and clubs.

February

- Chinese New Year
- Hong Kong Arts Festival (www.hk.artsfestival.org)
- Hong Kong Marathon (www.hkmarathon.com)

March

- Hong Kong Flower Show (www.lcsd.gov.hk)
- Spring Lantern Festival
- Man Hong Literary Festival (www.festival.org.hk)
- Hong Kong Art Walk (www.hongkongartwalk.com)
- Hong Kong International Film Festival (www.hkiff.org.hk)
- Hong Kong Rugby Sevens (www.hksevens.com)

April

- Ching Ming Festival
- Tin Hau Festival

May

- Cheung Chau Bun Festival (www.cheungchau.org)
- Le French May (www.frenchmay.com)
- Lan Kwai Fong Beerfest (www.lankwaifong.com)

June

- Dragon Boat Festival
- Chinese Opera Festival

July

- Lan Kwai Fong Julyfest (www.lankwaifong.com)
- Hong Kong International Kung Fu Festival (www.kungfufestival.com)

August

- Hong Kong Ani Comics and Game Fair (www.ani-com.hk)
- Hong Kong Food Fair (www.hktdc.com)

September

- Mid-Autumn Festival

October

- Cheung Yeung Festival
- Halloween in Hong Kong

November

- Cricket Sixes (www.cricketsixes.com)

December

- Cathay Pacific International Races (www.cxhkir.com)

Free Things To Do

- A Symphony of Lights – light show best to be observed from the Avenue of Stars. Every day at 8 p.m.
- Hike – Lion Rock, Ma On Shan, Kam Shan, Dragon Back or Sharp Peak are the most popular destinations.
- Hong Kong Zoological and Botanical Gardens
- Kowloon Walled City Park
- Yuen Po Street Bird Garden
- Hong Kong Museum of Art, Hong Kong Heritage Museum, Hong Kong Museum of History – free admission on Wednesdays
- Museum of Tea Ware
- Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre
- Beaches – all Hong Kong beaches are public and free
- Victoria Park – come here early in the morning and watch the locals practice tai chi
- Chi Lin Nunnery, Wong Tai Sin and other Hong Kong temples

Chungking Mansions

- Bank of China Tower – a spectacular view from the 43rd floor, take your ID with you
- 2IFC – observation desk on the 55th floor

Shopping

Hong Kong is known more for its tax-free shopping than for particular souvenirs. Popular shopping items are electronic gadgets, expensive brands, luxury cosmetics, antiques and Chinese medicine. On the other hand, many people indulge in shopping for fakes at local markets.

Markets worth your attention if you like to shop for fakes and typical souvenirs:

- Ladies Market – cheap fake labels, handbags, clothes, toys, souvenirs

- Temple Street – clothes, funny gadgets, sex toys
- Apliu Street – very cheap and second-hand electronics
- Stanley Market – the best selection of souvenirs

Other souvenirs include: custom-made suits or Chinese dresses (cheongsam), tea, porcelain, key-chains, Chinese calendars. If you're looking for less touristy stuff, try G.O.D. store that recreates Hong Kong traditional culture and history in modern design.

- DO take a regular ferry from Tsim Sha Tsui to Central – the view of the skyline is breathtaking.
- DO eat in dai pa dongs (street stalls) – the food is cheap and delicious there!
- DO venture beyond the main tourist and business areas – the city is overall very safe and the real Hong Kong street life very fascinating.
- DO visit the horse races – they take place every Wednesday at Happy Valley.
- DO get an Octopus card.
- DO always have some kind of ID with you – it is the law in Hong Kong and the local police may check.
- DO NOT stick your chopsticks into your food – it is considered improper as it is traditionally a way to offer food to deceased ancestors.
- DO NOT restrict your stay only to the urban areas – the nature in Hong Kong is breathtaking and hiking here unforgettable.
- DO NOT go to the Big Buddha and Ngong Ping village if you don't like the usual touristy stuff – the Buddha is relatively newly-built and the adjacent brand new village has a Starbucks in it.
- DO NOT bring clocks, pear-shaped objects or anything related to the number 4 to any Chinese friend or host – these things are regarded to be connected with death and thus offensive as gifts.

Safety

Thanks to its extensive police force, surveillance systems and unique culture, Hong Kong is one of the safest cities in the world.

That said, you should always use your common sense. You are likely to end up in densely crowded areas, such as markets and MTR stations, where pickpockets have an easy job –

always keep a close eye on your personal belongings and don't leave your bag or purse unattended.

Around Nathan Road and Kowloon Park, do your best to avoid the street sellers offering tourists a variety of goods, from fake Rolex and leather bags to hash. Never agree to go 'just upstairs' to see the goods as it is never safe – if you are interested in fakes, they can be purchased in public at the numerous markets. Avoid the Temple Street park at the night – it is a well-known hotspot for drug addicts. If you're a lone female traveler, it is best to avoid visiting Chungking Mansion on your own as you might be hassled by the immigrant men working or living inside. The same applies for being accommodated there.

You have probably seen some famous movies about the Hong Kong gangs (triads) operating in Kowloon but there's no need to be afraid – if they are still active, the chances that you will come across them is virtually nil unless you engage in illegal loans and gambling.

At the markets, however, you are likely to come across various scams and fakes – always take your time to check the item you are purchasing thoroughly. If you want to buy more expensive or brand name items, always go to branded retail shops and never risk buying on the street – if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

In Hong Kong, you are expected to obey all the many rules and regulations, and they are strictly enforced. They include a smoking ban at public transport stops, skyways and parks, or sitting at places that are not designated for it. Always obey the traffic lights and never go into the street when there's a red light – Hong Kong drivers can

DOS AND DO NOTS

be quite erratic and the fines for jaywalking are high. Do your best to avoid even light drugs such as marijuana or MDMA – possession is heavily prosecuted.

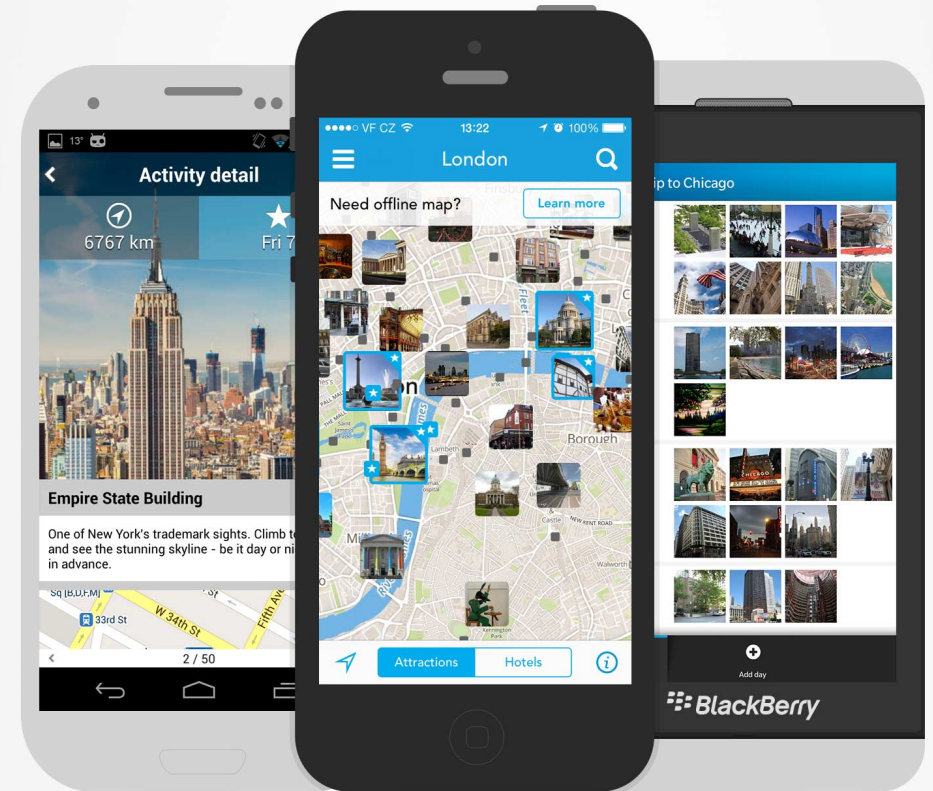
If you decide to hike in the Hong Kong mountains, always have your journey well-planned or take a map with you – the signposting is quite bad. Also, never forget to take plenty of water with you as the heat can be treacherous.

It also a wise idea to visit only beaches that have shark nets installed and operating safeguards.

Typhoons (another word for hurricanes) are most likely to occur from May to November. Follow the Hong Kong Observatory reports and stay inside if typhoon signal no. 8 is issued – when it is announced, the majority of services, including public transport, stays shut down and public events are cancelled. The same applies for red or black rain storm signals.

Generally, tap water should be safe to drink but many houses have very poor plumbing. Thus it is better to use a filter or buy bottled water.

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DAY 1



Miramar Uniqlo

Nathan Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.30065, E114.17215



DAY 2



Shogun Camera

42 Lock Rd, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong

iSQUARE, Lock Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29754, E114.17162



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Matsuya Camera

2nd hand MF Matsuya Camera SHOP NO15, TSIM SHA TSUI MANSION, 89 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON, HONG KONG

Nathan Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29754, E114.17211

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Tin Cheung 2nd Hand Priority

Tin Cheung Camera Co.Address:Shop 301, 3/F, K11, 18 Hanoi RoadTsim Sha Tsui, KowloonHong Kong +852 2722 1265

Hyatt Regency Hong Kong, Tsim Sha Tsui, 18 Hanoi Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29742, E114.17406

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Lomography Shop

Shop E, G/F, Nos.52, 52 Granville Circuit, Hong Kong lomographyasia.com

Granville Circuit, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29983, E114.17560

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Zhao Xiang Guan Camera Workshop Studio

12/F, Kimberley House, 35-35A Kimberley Road金巴利道35-35A號金巴利中心12/FHong KongKowloon, Tsim Sha TsuiGet DirectionsPhone number +852 2722 0068Business websitezgx.com.hk

Kimberley Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.30064, E114.17353

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Dot-Well Photo Workshop

Shop offering film, film processing, and second hand camera gear, with an analogue focus.

The ONE, Granville Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.30036, E114.17326

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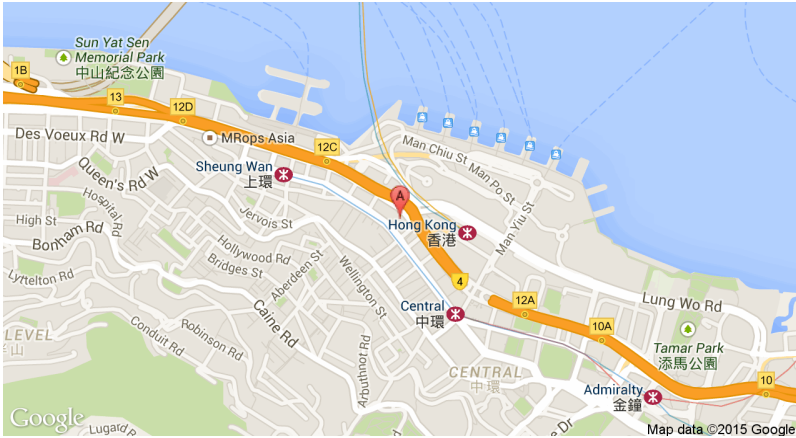
Champagne Court

Champagne Court, 16-20 Kimberley Rd, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong

Kimberley Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.30052, E114.17301

DAY 3



White Cube
Over 6000 square feet of exhibition space that hosts the biggest names of contemporary art – such as Damien Hirst or Gilbert & George.
50 Connaught Road Central, Central, Hong Kong
GPS: N22.28512, E114.15587
Phone:
+852 2592 2000
Opening hours:
Tue – Sat: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.





Hong Kong Space Museum / 香港太空館

Planetarium accompanied by Space Theater and vast exhibition space staging displays related to astronomy and space in general.

10 Salisbury Rd, Kowloon, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.29432, E114.17171

Phone:

+852 2721 0226

Opening hours:

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 1 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Sat, Sun, Public Holiday: 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Tue (except Public Holidays) & first 2 days of the Lunar New Year: closed

Christmas Eve & Lunar New Year's Eve: closed at 5 p.m.

Admission:

Exhibitions:

Adult: HKD 10

Student, Senior (60+), Disabled: HKD 5

Child under 4: free

Shows:

Adult: HKD 24/32 (front stalls / the rest)

Student, Senior (60+), Disabled: HKD 12/16

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West Kowloon Waterfront Promenade / 西九龍海濱長廊

Nicely manicured promenade decorated with various forms of public art, including paintings and calligraphy. A nice place to stroll around.

GPS: N22.30131, E114.15500

Opening hours:

Open 24/7.

air: 2.1 miles [Get directions](#)



Kennedy Town / 堅尼地城

Taking the double-deck tram from Central to Kennedy Town is a quick and convenient way to see the real, everyday Hong Kong.

GPS: N22.28329, E114.12794

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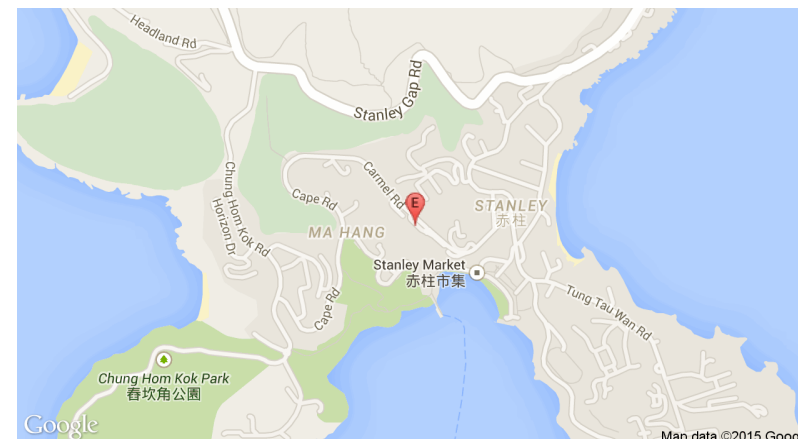


Aberdeen Floating Village / 香港仔水上人家

Take sampan and explore this peculiar harbor where the Tanka fishermen still live and work on their junks.

GPS: N22.24778, E114.15167

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D



Classified

This is the place to go if you have a soft spot for cheese. Open air terrace, good selection of vegetarian meals and attentive staff.

Shop No. G08A, Stanley Plaza, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.22001, E114.20937

Phone:

+852 2525 3454

Opening hours:

Mon – Fri: 9 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Weekend & holidays: 8 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Last order 30 minutes before closing.

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DAY 5

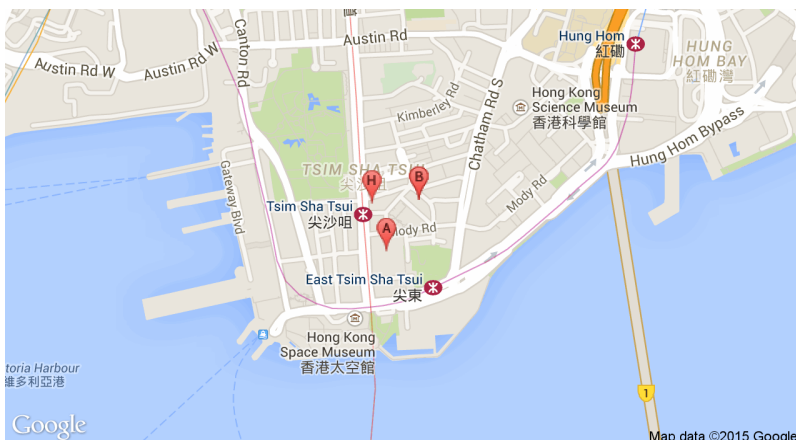
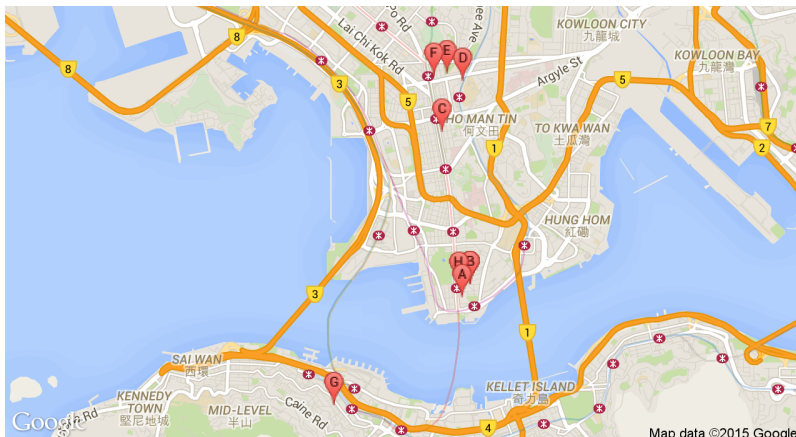


China Ferry Terminal to Macau

Canton Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29910, E114.16664

A



Chungking Mansions / 重慶大廈

Infamous complex of cheap hostels and illegal migrants' dwellings. Anyway, the best Turkish and Indian food is served here at great prices.

44 Nathan Rd, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.29642, E114.17296

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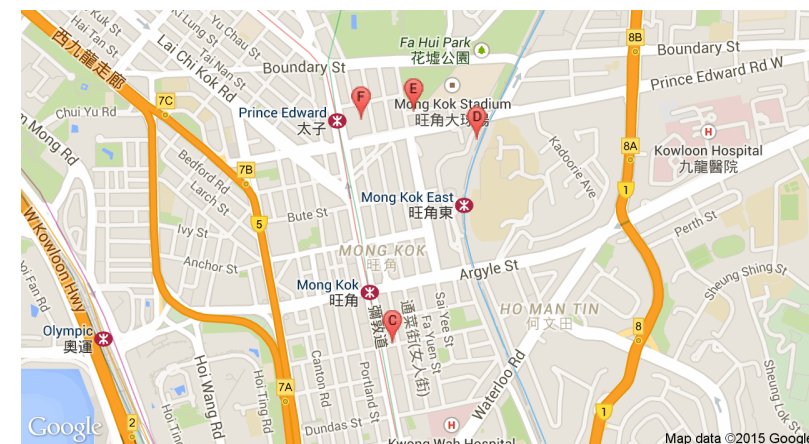
c9.99 Antique Cameras

C9.99 Antique Cameras and Equipment RM 1301, Lee Wai Commercial Building, 1 – 3a Hard Avenue, Tsim Sha Tsui

Lee Wai Commercial Building, 1-3 Hart Avenue, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29806, E114.17408

air: 1.4 miles [Get directions](#)



Tin Cheung

Tin Cheung Camera Co. (Mong Kok)Address: Shop 120 – 122 & 136, 1/F, Sim City, 47-51 Shantung StreetMong Kok, KowloonHong Kong +852 2722 1255

Sim City, 47-51 Shantung Street, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.31762, E114.17014

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L&H Photo Mong Kok

Shop 422, 4F, Grand Century Place, 193 Prince Edward Rd West, Mong Kok, Kowloon

Royal Plaza Hotel, 193 Prince Edward Road West, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.32413, E114.17304

air: 0.2 miles [Get directions](#)



Flower Market / 花墟

What a sight! Colorful mix of flowers, plants and even Christmas trees. Just walk around and marvel at the motley display.

GPS: N22.32504, E114.17086

Opening hours:

Daily: 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

air: 0.1 miles [Get directions](#)



Goldfish Market / 金魚街

Countless bags with abundance of goldfish and other decorative species mark off the famous Fish Market. The fish are a symbol of luck.

GPS: N22.32478, E114.16906

Opening hours:

Daily: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

air: 3 miles [Get directions](#)



Tin Cheung

Stanley Street, Central and Western District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.28261, E114.15531

air: 1.5 miles [Get directions](#)



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SHOP C, G/F & BASEMENT, CHEONG HING BUILDING 72 NATHAN ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI, KOWLOON, HONG KONG

Cheong Hing Building, 72 Nathan Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29796, E114.17247

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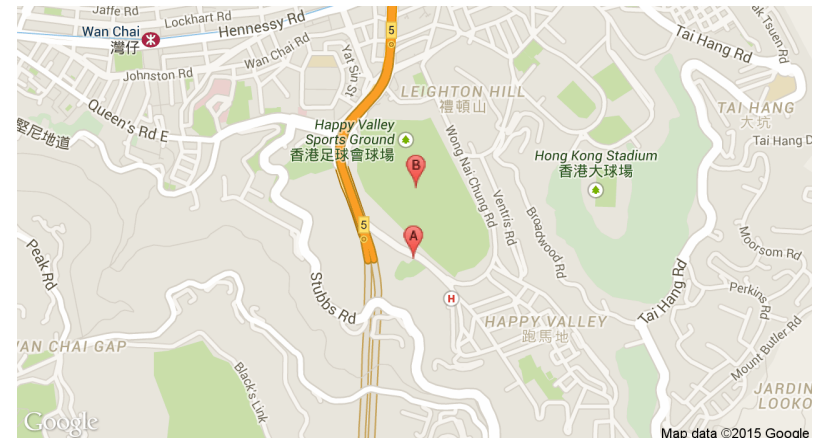
704, Lee Wai Commercial Building, No.1-3 Hart Ave, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Lee Wai Commercial Building, 1-3 Hart Avenue, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29806, E114.17408

H

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Hong Kong Cemetary

Wong Nai Chung Road, Wan Chai District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.27060, E114.18198

air: 0.2 miles [Get directions](#)

A



Happy Valley Racecourse / 快活谷馬場

Popular Hong Kong past-time on Wednesday nights. Excitement, cheap draft beer and opportunity to win quite a chunk of money.

GPS: N22.27286, E114.18206

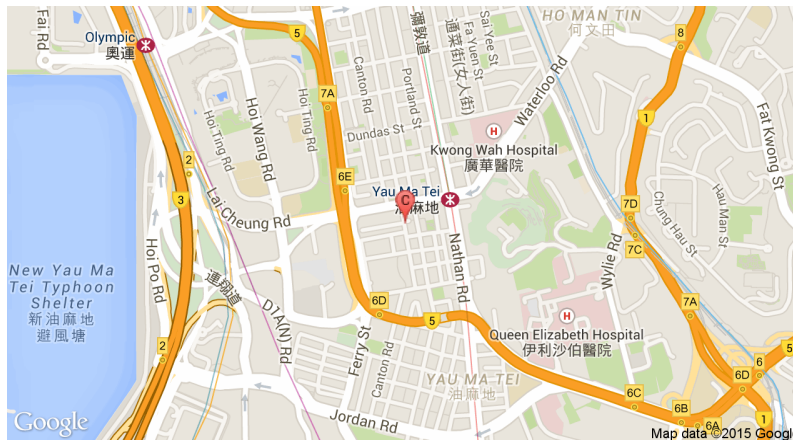
Opening hours:

The races are usually held September to June on Wednesdays and weekends, first race at 7:30 p.m.

Admission:

General ticket: HKD 10

air: 2.8 miles [Get directions](#)



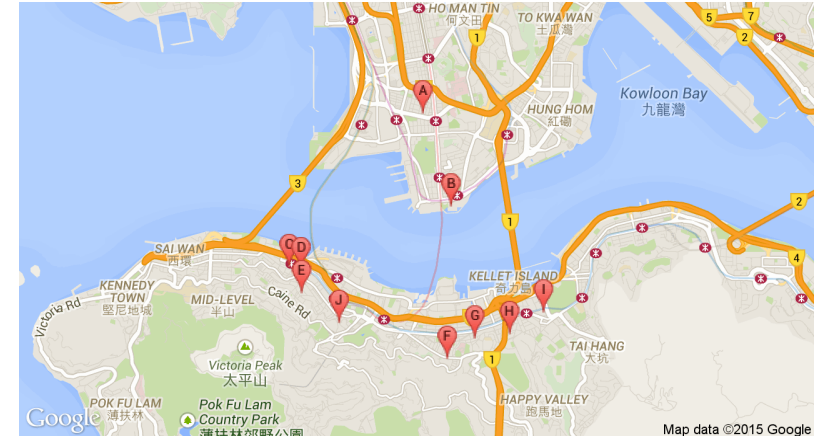
Wholesale Fruit Market

<http://www.lonelyplanet.com/china/hong-kong/sights/markets-bazaars/wholesale-fruit-market>

Shek Lung Street, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.31207, E114.16912

B



Temple Street Night Market / 廟街

The legendary street market consists of small vendors with delicious food and stalls selling everything from sex toys to shoes and bags.

GPS: N22.30581, E114.16993

Opening hours:

The market is most lively after 7 p.m. and closes around midnight.

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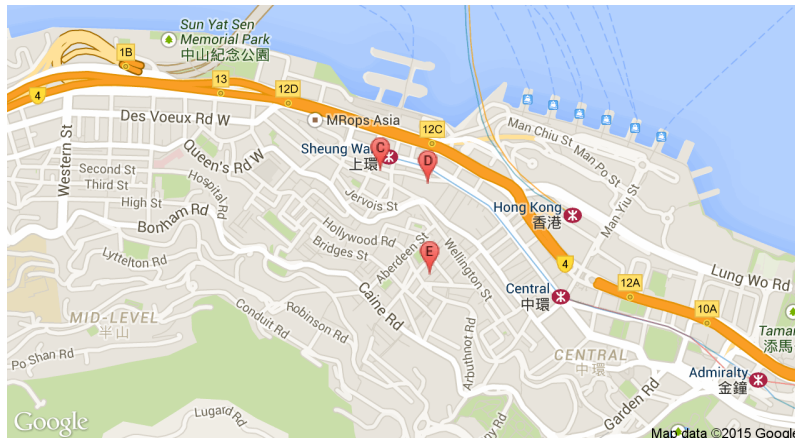


Intercontinental Hotel Lobby

Intercontinental, 18 Salisbury Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.29387, E114.17383

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B

Photo Scientific

Photographic film and chemical supplies

Wing Lok Street, Central and Western District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.28610, E114.15158

air: 0.1 miles [Get directions](#)

The Photocrafters

Photographic film and chemicals supplies 3/F Hang Fat Building, 140 Wing Lok Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong

Wing Lok Street, Central and Western District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.28569, E114.15320

air: 0.2 miles [Get directions](#)



Graham Street Market / 嘉咸街市

Visit the longest operating market in Hong Kong and take in its busy atmosphere. Dried goods, veggies, fruits and snacks are sold here.

GPS: N22.28278, E114.15326

air: 1.4 miles [Get directions](#)

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E



Old Wan Chai Post Office / 舊灣仔郵政局

This small historical building is the oldest surviving post office in Hong Kong. Stop by if you're around.

221 Queen's Rd E, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.27433, E114.17328

Opening hours:

Daily: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tue & public holidays: closed

air: 0.3 miles [Get directions](#)

Oriental 188 Shopping Arcade

level 1 – check it out for compacts

Wan Chai Road, Wan Chai District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.27695, E114.17707

air: 0.3 miles [Get directions](#)



F

G

FilMe

Analogue and film camera shop

Redana Centre, 25 Yiu Wa Street, Wan Chai District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.27747, E114.18181

air: 0.4 miles [Get directions](#)

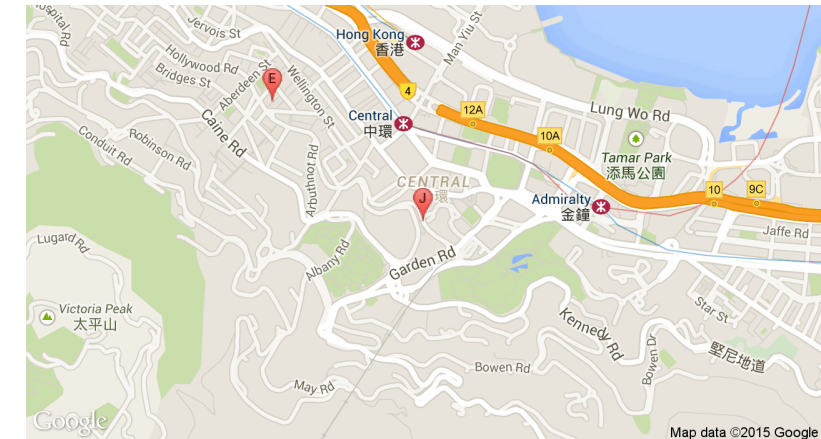
Tin Cheung Camera Shop

Tin Cheung Camera Co. (Causeway Bay)Address:Shop B26, B/F, Windsor House, 311 Gloucester Road, Causeway BayCauseway Bay, Hong KongHong Kong +852 2722 1363

Windsor House, 311 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

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Fringe Club Drinks

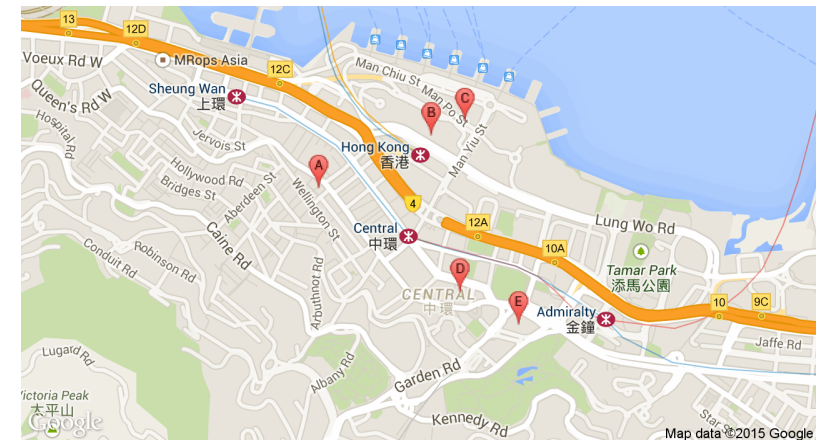
2 Lower Albert Rd, Central, Hong Kong

Lower Albert Road, Central and Western District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

GPS: N22.27895, E114.15845

J

DAY 9





Central-Mid-Levels Escalator / 中環至半山自動扶梯

Don't miss out the longest escalator in the world, serving as a regular means of public transport. Wonderful view of adjacent streets.

GPS: N22.28361, E114.15470

Opening hours:

The escalators run downhill daily from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and uphill from 10:30 a.m. to midnight.

Admission:

The escalator ride is free.

air: 0.3 miles [Get directions](#)



2 International Finance Centre / 國際金融中心

Landmark skyscraper dominating HK skyline. It holds an upscale shopping mall and various restaurants. Lookout platform on the 55/F.

GPS: N22.28530, E114.15855

Opening hours:

Mon – Fri: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

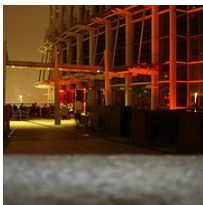
Sat: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sun, public holidays: closed

Admission:

No entrance fee, you only need to present an ID.

air: 0.1 miles [Get directions](#)



IFC Mall Roof

The landscaped rooftop terrace holds several bars and restaurants – and also lots of space for your own private party stocked by 7-11.

8 Finance St, Central, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.28576, E114.15970

Opening hours:

Open 24/7.

air: 0.4 miles [Get directions](#)



HSBC Main Building / 香港豐總行大廈

Award-winning skyscraper notable for its unique construction technology: it can be disassembled and moved to other location.

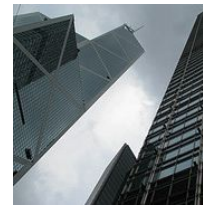
1 Queen's Road Central, Central, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.28031, E114.15954

Opening hours:

There are no official opening hours for the public. Nevertheless, you can take a glass escalator up to the 52 m high atrium that is used as a counter area.

air: 0.1 miles [Get directions](#)



Bank of China / 中銀大廈

This landmark skyscraper was built with an emphasis on feng shui. Take your ID and visit the lookout 'terrace' on the 43rd floor for free.

1 Garden Rd, Central, Hong Kong

GPS: N22.27924, E114.16155

Opening hours:

The observation deck is usually accessible until 4 p.m.

Admission:

No entrance fee, you only need to present your ID and pass through security checks.

air: 1.3 miles [Get directions](#)



Spoon Restaurant

Intercontinental, 18 Salisbury Road, Yau Tsim Mong District, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China
GPS: N22.29387, E114.17383



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DAY 11

You have no plans for this day