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## History In The Making

The result of an historic collaboration forged in 2011 between Malaysia's Khazanah and Singapore's Temasek can now be seen in the rising of Singapore's two new city centre integrated developments — **DUO** and **Marina One**. Set to dominate the Ophir-Rochor district skyline, **DUO** comprises premium residences, Grade-A offices, a five-star hotel and retail gallery set in a park-like environment.

**Marina One** comprises a prestigious mix of luxury residences, Grade-A offices and a retail podium nestled within a lush green heart. City Pulse brings you the latest news on these two iconic projects.



## DEVELOPMENT MILESTONES TO DATE

# DUO



### NOV 2012: ICONIC DESIGN UNVEILED

In a highly anticipated launch ceremony, M+S unveiled the final design of the iconic DUO development to an exclusive audience. Its name "DUO" is

symbolic of the synergy of the two towers at the heart of the development. It also reflects the architect's vision of a design that relates the contemporary with the historical, a celebration of the co-existence between the modern, fast-paced CBD and the remarkable legacy of surrounding Kampong Glam.

### NOV 2013: OVERWHELMING RESPONSE TO DUO RESIDENCES LAUNCH



The launch of DUO Residences was met with heightened public interest, reflecting the project's intrinsic long-term potential. With sales reaching 87% in just under a week, the sales team were kept busy with long balloting queues and a high level of demand that almost exceeded supply. Currently, premium 3 and 4-bedroom high-floor units with sea views remain available — ideal for those seeking a spectacular residence in a vibrant central city location.

For enquiries, call **+65 6298 8895**  
Or visit [www.DUOsingapore.com](http://www.DUOsingapore.com)  
DUO Show Gallery  
Open daily: **11am-5pm**

### JAN 2015: HYATT BRINGS ITS BOUTIQUE BRAND TO DUO

Planting its next milestone in Asia, Hyatt Hotels & Resorts has signed a management agreement with M+S to develop Andaz Singapore as part of the DUO development. Andaz is Hyatt's boutique lifestyle hotel brand with hotels currently located across 12 exclusive destinations around the world, including New York, Shanghai, Tokyo and London. Andaz Singapore will be the brand's first hotel in Southeast Asia's gateway city, promising to be local in perspective while staying international in spirit.

Slated as the new, stylish neighbour to the bustling Bugis scene, this exquisite five-star hotel is set to open in 2017, offering over 340 guest rooms, with business and leisure facilities and unique boutique lifestyle services.



# MARINA ONE

### JUL 2012: BREAKING NEW GROUND IN MARINA BAY

Marina Bay's potential expanded overnight when M+S broke new ground on its highly anticipated integrated development, Marina One. Highlighting its core ambition to be a premier landmark, "Marina One" was unveiled as the name of the development, bringing integrated office space, luxury residences and a wealth of retail opportunities to the heart of Marina Bay's newly minted financial district.

### FEB 2013: MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE PRIME MINISTERS DEBUT MARINA ONE DESIGN



In a landmark event, Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Tun Abdul Razak, Prime Minister of Malaysia, and Mr Lee Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of Singapore, together unveiled the iconic design of Marina One, featuring a unique

garden ecosystem and innovative sustainable features. Both leaders expressed their belief in the momentous potential of this development as the next chapter in the Marina Bay masterplan.

### SEP 2014: SALES OF MARINA ONE RESIDENCES HOT OFF THE MARK



The launch of Marina One Residences Tower 21 saw an overwhelming interest in the luxury apartments, with 85% of released units sold within the first week. Visitors and potential

buyers were won over by the vibrant location of Marina Bay, the quality and scale of Marina One's integrated concept, and its seamless connectivity to four MRT lines. Currently, 2, 3 and 4-bedroom units with premium city or sea views are available.

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### SEP 2015: ANCHOR RETAIL TENANTS SECURED

Reinforcing Marina One's vision to be the choice live-work-play destination in the heart of Marina Bay offering refreshing retail and lifestyle experiences, the development has secured a premium line-up of anchor tenants, including Virgin Active, Cold Storage and Cookhouse by Koufu. Occupying 26,000 square feet over two levels, Virgin Active brings a one-of-a-kind fitness club concept that will include an indoor lap pool, state-of-the-art facilities such as salt, steam and ice rooms, high energy and yoga studios, and the largest indoor climbing wall in Marina Bay. Cold Storage at Marina One will be the largest supermarket outlet in Marina Bay, while Koufu is set to introduce its unique Cookhouse concept offering a wide variety of local and international cuisines.



## DUO RISING

An upcoming iconic landmark of Singapore — DUO, is taking shape. Currently, the superstructure of the commercial tower and residential tower have progressed to Level 31 and 38 respectively. In the meantime, DUO's Show Gallery has relocated from Fraser Street to the Marina One Show Gallery, off Central Boulevard.

With the opening of the Downtown Line at Bugis MRT Station in December 2013, the second phase of Downtown Line on 27 December 2015 and its third phase planned for opening end of 2017, DUO is now more accessible — and desirable — than ever as the place to work, live, stay and play in the city.

## A TOWERING PRESENCE

Poised to be the twin engines of financial strength in Singapore's new downtown district, the superstructure of both the East Tower and West Tower, Marina One's commercial towers, have progressed to Level 26.

Meanwhile, the superstructure for Park Tower and Garden Tower, Marina One's residential towers, are shaping up to take their place among the most coveted luxury apartments in Marina Bay and have progressed to Level 31 and 33 respectively.



# What's Hot?



## HIP HAJI LANE

Hidden in the heart of Kampong Glam, Haji Lane transports you a world of away from Singapore's gleaming malls into a more hip and intimate shopping experience. This small alley is a favoured haunt for individuals with eclectic tastes, lined with shophouses turned designer boutiques, offering a variety of wares from independent fashion labels to curated home accessories. A great place to satisfy your love for the vintage, the handcrafted, the indie and the alternative!

## BUGIS BITES

For those in the know, the Bugis area is teeming with deliciously cool cafés to grab a cuppa or a bite to eat. Cosy Tolido's Espresso Nook at Crawford Lane, serves up specialty brews and an all-day menu of home-style food. For a laid back London flavour, make a stop at Richmond Station in Bali Lane where you can tuck into delicious mains and homemade scones and crumpets. For a sweet local treat, Dongpo Colonial Café at Kandahar St. offers a blast from Singapore's past, keeping generations of family recipes alive. A must-try is the traditional butter cake dipped in a cup of thick kopi!

# What's Happening?



## LANEWAY FESTIVAL GARDENS BY THE BAY - THE MEADOW - 30 JAN 2016

Twelve hours of good music, food and fun combine into one intoxicating symphony at Singapore Laneway, the region's best line-up of international and local talent, enjoyed against the stunning backdrop of Gardens by the Bay.



## RIVER HONGBAO FLOATING PLATFORM @ MARINA BAY - FEB 2016

A highlight of Lunar New Year celebrations in Singapore each year, River Hongbao immerses locals and tourists in a lively Chinese cultural experience featuring giant lanterns, traditional handicrafts, mouthwatering food and live street performances.



## I LIGHT MARINA BAY MARINA BAY WATERFRONT - MAR 2016

Showcasing innovative content, the intelligent use of lighting and an international line-up of creative talents, the annual I Light festival is Asia's only sustainable light art festival, illuminating the Marina Bay waterfront with a spectacular showcase of light and colour, and a host of live performances and fun activities.



# THE GYM YOU'LL WANT TO LIVE IN!

If your idea of the gym conjures up images of nothing more than sweat and hard slog, think again. Think Virgin Active, which will be expanding into Marina One with 26,000 square feet of space devoted to its re-inspired fitness club concept.

Part of Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Group, with over 270 clubs worldwide, Virgin Active creates an inviting lifestyle space where you can work out, hang out, meet, eat, and even catch up on sleep – putting a whole new spin on 'living at the gym'!

Virgin Active's first Singapore branch at Raffles Place provides an exciting glimpse of what's to come at Marina One – a spacious, open-plan concept that buzzes with a lively yet laid back vibe. Whatever your fitness level and aspirations are, the huge variety of activities and classes on offer here means there is something for everyone.

You'll find different zones for cardio, endurance, strength training, circuit training and more, featuring the latest state-of-the-art equipment by Technogym. In fact, Virgin Active is the only gym in Singapore to feature Technogym's pioneering Artis range, equipped with an Android-based touch screen that allows you to tailor your exercise

programme, connect to Facebook and Skype, and sync your fitness progress to your phone.

You can also test your mettle on the pedal in the Cycling Studio that gets the heart pumping in a cool clubbing atmosphere. Or join any number of fun group classes led by Virgin Active's friendly trainers. Meanwhile, nestled away from the high-energy zones, are spacious, light-filled studios that host mind and body wellness programmes such as yoga, anti-gravity yoga and Pilates.

Complimentary chilled towels and healthy snacks, such as apples and bananas, provided after class are an added thoughtful touch. Changing rooms are a revelation too, providing workout top, bottom and socks, a full complement of shower and hair amenities, hairdryer, steam iron, and phone-charging lockers, catering perfectly to the office crowd.

Another unique feature is the Relax & Recovery Zone, a haven of calm featuring a foot bath area, steam room, ice room, tropical rain and cold breeze showers, and a Himalayan Salt Room that offers a natural way to detox.

In addition to all of this, Virgin Active at Marina One will also offer members two new exclusives – the

only indoor swimming lap pool and the largest indoor climbing wall in Marina Bay, located within the club itself.

Perhaps what makes Virgin Active so different though is its focus on making health and fitness a seamless part of one's lifestyle. With this in mind, it also retails a range of healthy food and beverages from SaladStop!, such as muesli, salads and wraps; has a cosy lounge area complete with iMacs; a meeting room; and Sleep Pods where you can escape for a quick power nap.

Remarking on the holistic fitness experience Virgin Active will bring to Marina One, Christian Mason, Director, Southeast Asia, Virgin Active, shared, "Virgin Active believes in enriching people's lives by offering a complete fitness and wellness experience, all in one place. Our clubs are designed to allow for working out, relaxing, recovering or simply just chilling out. Members can definitely feel the difference with our premium and unique facilities such as the Technogym Artis collection, our Relax & Recovery Zone, pool, climbing wall and sleep pods, all of which redefine the gym experience."

# NINE COMMISSIONED ARTWORKS CELEBRATE M+S LEGACY

M+S has commissioned seven prominent artists from Singapore and Malaysia to create nine original works of art for installation in public areas at Marina One and DUO. The artists will showcase their interpretations of the warm bilateral ties between the Singapore and Malaysia governments upon which M+S is founded, in line with the identities of the two developments.

The artist selection and curatorial process began in July 2013, spearheaded by TAKSU Singapore, a leading art consultancy. Artists were selected via a combination of Call

for Applications and searches based on the respective development requirements, intended artwork locations and specific skillsets to realise the artwork to specifications.

The commissioned artists include both pioneering and upcoming names. Malaysian artists Grace Tan and Sand T Kalloch, along with Singaporean artist Edwin Cheong, have been commissioned to create sculptural artworks for Marina One. The artworks will embody Marina One as the green pulse of the new CBD, drawing inspiration from nature and The Green

“ Available for public enjoyment, the artwork series forms a natural extension of Marina One and DUO’s iconic architectural identities and have been carefully curated as a representation of the significant ties between Malaysia and Singapore.”

*Ms. Kemmy Tan  
Chief Executive Officer, M+S*

Heart biodiversity garden located at the core of the development.

At DUO, award-winners Sun Yu-Li, Lim Leong Seng and Baet Yeok Kuan will be joined by two top Malaysian sculptors, Latiff Mohidin and Grace Tan, to produce a series of five works

collectively titled “Poetics of Convergence”. The artworks will reflect the vibrant, creative and cultural community surrounding DUO, which forms a new public nexus between Kampong Glam and the extension of the city’s commercial corridor.



Sculptural maquettes of Marina One and DUO artworks

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## Things You Didn't Know About Marina Bay

**1** The seeds of the Marina Bay we know today were sown in the 1970s, when land reclamation for this 360-hectare area first began in anticipation of the future need to expand the city centre.

**2** Three metres below Marina Bay lies a 3.9 km network of underground tunnels that supports residential, recreational and commercial services in the bay, distributing water, electricity and tele-communication services.



**3** The Supertrees at Gardens by the Bay are prime examples of sustainability, equipped to harness solar energy for lighting at night, collecting rainwater, and acting as air venting ducts for the Gardens’ conservatories.

**4** In 2009, the launch of the Marina Barrage, a dam built across the mouth of the Marina Channel, turned Marina Bay into Singapore’s first freshwater reservoir in the city - augmenting Singapore’s water supply, providing flood control to the city area, and creating an arena for recreational water activities.



**5** Designed to resemble the structure of DNA, the Helix Bridge is an engineering marvel. At night, you might have noticed the letters c, a, g and t illuminated on the ground. They represent the four bases of human DNA - cytosine, adenine, guanine and thymine.