# MACAO FOR MUSLIM TRAVELERS

HALAL TRAVEL GUIDE



### **FOREWORD**

Macao exudes a charm that can captivate even the most seasoned traveler. While the entertainment scene often steals the limelight, the region's heart lies in its UNESCO-listed landmarks, nostalgic streets, and enduring stories of East-West cultural fusion. At the same time, the Macao Special Administrative Region (MSAR) remains an integral part of the People's Republic of China.

This guidebook, the ultimate advisor for traveling in Macao, provides reliable and curated information on seamlessly planning a trip to Macao. Designed with Muslim travelers in mind, it gives travelers insights into the places to see, dishes to savor, experiences

to enjoy, and places to shop while offering a peek into this place's incredible culture and heritage.

Macao has made significant strides in becoming more Muslim-friendly through various initiatives, enhancing the experience for Muslim travelers and residents alike. While Macao is widely recognized for its vibrant entertainment scene, it also offers a wealth of experiences beyond that, catering to diverse interests. With a growing array of halal dining options, tailored experiences, prayer facilities, and welcoming accommodations, Macao is an emerging destination full of untold stories ready to be discovered by Muslim visitors.

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### **GETTING AROUND**

#### **PUBLIC BUSES**

Getting around Macao is easy with its affordable and frequent bus services, primarily operated by TCM and TRANSMAC. Buses cover most parts of the city, but exact change is needed if paying by cash. For convenience, grab a Macau Pass smartcard, available at convenience stores, to simplify your travel experience.

#### ON FOOT

Macao is highly walkable, especially on the Macao Peninsula, where many historical and cultural sites are close together, ideal for exploring on foot. For areas farther afield, such as Taipa or Cotai, consider using transport options like buses, the LRT. or taxis for convenience.

# LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT)

The Macao Light Rail Transit (LRT) is Macao's first rail system, connecting Taipa, Cotai, and Barra on the Macao Peninsula. With stops near key attractions, it includes the Taipa, Seac Pai Van, and Hengqin Lines. Purchase tokens at ticket machines or use the Macau Pass for easy travel.

#### **TAXI**

Taxis in Macao are metered and come in two types: regular taxis, and radio taxis, which require booking. Surcharges may apply.

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### **ISLAMIC HERITAGE** MACAO'S UNTOLD STORY

Macao sits at the crossroads of heritage and modernity, where Chinese traditions, Portuguese influences, and a distinct Macanese culture blend seamlessly into everyday life. Many know this compact city for its vibrant entertainment scene, but Macao's true allure extends far beyond. Within its cobblestone streets and pastel-hued facades lie UNESCO-listed historical treasures and atmospheric neighborhoods, each telling a story of East meeting West over centuries of trade, religion, and cultural exchange.

Muslim history in Macao is a testament to its rich tapestry of cultural intersections. Muslims first arrived in Macao, establishing small yet resilient communities during the Portuguese administration period. Over time, their influence has subtly enriched the city's cultural and gastronomic landscape. Traditional Macanese cuisine has incorporated global flavors, and today, Muslim travelers can savor halal-friendly adaptations of these iconic dishes\*. Macao's food scene reflects its inclusive spirit and evolving culinary identity, from fusion curries to locally inspired sweets.

\*Upon request at selected restaurants.

### WELCOME TO MUSLIM-FRIENDLY MACAO

Beyond the traditional perception of Macao as a hub for entertainment, the city reveals a side that resonates deeply with culture, heritage, and inclusivity. From its vibrant markets and serene parks to its fascinating museums and historic landmarks, Macao's charm lies in its diversity. For Muslim travelers, this is the untold story waiting to be uncovered-a narrative that weaves together centuries of shared traditions and forwardlooking hospitality. Establishments across the city are increasingly accommodating, with many offering Muslimfriendly options such as prayer mats, Qibla compasses, and more upon request, ensuring a seamless and welcoming experience. Macao's inclusivity also extends to staff training at selected establishments, aimed at understanding and meeting the needs of Muslim travelers, further showcasing the city's commitment to being a welcoming destination for Muslim travelers.

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# HALAL DINING AND INCLUSIVITY IN MACAO



Collectively, Macao is committed to welcoming Muslim travelers, prioritizing the development of more halal dining options, training local businesses to meet halal standards, and the development of this Halal Travel Guide. These initiatives underscore Macao's dedication to creating an inclusive environment that blends convenience with cultural appreciation. Macao's vision includes further integrating Muslim-friendly services into its tourism infrastructure, ensuring that all visitors feel at home when in Macao.



#### MACAO OR MACAU?

"Macau" and "Macao" are both widely used, each with its own context. The Portuguese spelling, "Macau," is common in local and official use, while "Macao" is primarily seen in international settings and English-speaking contexts.

# CHINA



# **GETTING TO MACAO**

#### FROM HONG KONG

Macao and Hong Kong are an hour apart via highspeed ferries. They're also linked by the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge with direct buses from city centers, and shuttle buses that connects Hong Kong International Airport to Macao Port.

#### FROM MAINLAND CHINA

Macao connects with Mainland China by ferry from Shekou, Zhuhai, and Shenzhen Airport.

Multiple road gateways include the Border Gate, Macao Port Zone of Hengqin Port, the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Frontier Post at Macao Port, and Qingmao.

Direct bus services also run from major Guangdong cities via Gongbei Port in Zhuhai.

#### FROM ELSEWHERE

Tourists can reach Macao by flying into Macau International Airport or Hong Kong International Airport, with convenient connections to Macao via shuttle bus and ferry.





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# MACAO PENINSULA

A Crossroads of Cultures and Timeless Streets

The Macao Peninsula anchors many of the city's iconic landmarks, merging heritage with modern appeal. With historic sites to shopping, and diverse halal dining experiences, it has something for everyone.



#### RUINS OF ST. PAUL'S

O Calçada de São Paulo, Macao

The Ruins of St. Paul's, an iconic 17th century landmark in Macao, showcases a Baroque design blending European and Asian motifs. The original building was destroyed in 1835, leaving only the resilient façade that still stands proudly in the city center.





### ISLAMIC MOSQUE AND CEMETERY

Ramal dos Mouros

The Macao Mosque was built in the early 1980s by Muslims serving in the Portuguese army from Goa and Mumbai. Besides being a place of worship, the mosque also serves as a gathering place for the local Muslim community, fostering relationships and preserving traditions.



#### **SENADO SQUARE**

Largo do Senado, Macao

Senado Square is the heart of Macao that blends Mediterranean charm with Chinese heritage. Known for its historic buildings and cobblestone streets, it is a hub with many shops, street vendors, and even halal restaurants nearby.



#### FISHERMAN'S WHARF

Avenida Dr. Sun Yat-Sen, Macao

Macao Fisherman's Wharf is a waterfront with themed streets, from a replica of the Roman Colosseum to the houses of medieval Europe. It is also lined with boutiques and smaller attractions, offering a distinctively unique Macao experience.



#### MOUNT FORTRESS

22 Calçada das Verdades, Macao

Mount Fortress, a 17<sup>th</sup> century Portuguese landmark, offers panoramic views of Macao. Its history and well-preserved grounds make it a popular spot for sightseeing, photography, and exploring the city's heritage.



#### **MACAO MUSEUM**

9 112 Praceta do Museu de Macau, Macao

The Macao Museum is perfect for history lovers. It showcases Macao's unique blend of Chinese and Portuguese heritage through engaging and interactive exhibits. Housed in the Mount Fortress complex, the five-story museum offers a diverse range of exhibitions that delve into the city's fascinating past.



#### **MOORISH BARRACKS**

Calçada da Barra

Built in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, the Moorish Barracks merges Arabic and Gothic elements, featuring arches and verandas inspired by the Islamic world a testament to Macao's multicultural heritage.



#### **MACAO GP MUSEUM**

431 Rua de Luís Gonzaga Gomes, Macao

The Macao Grand Prix Museum brings motorsports to life with its impressive collection of cars and motorbikes from the iconic Macau Grand Prix. It's one not to be missed by automotive enthusiasts.



#### **MACAO SCIENCE CENTER**

Avenida Dr. Sun Yat-Sen, Macao Science Center

The Macao Science Center features interactive exhibits, engaging displays, and a world-class planetarium, making it an educational and fun place for all ages.



#### MACAU TOWER OBSERVATION DECK

Largo da Torre de Macau

The Macau Tower Observation Deck provides commanding views of the city, Pearl River Delta, and the Cotai Strip, making it a must-visit to admire Macao's stunning cityscape.



#### **BUNGEE JUMPING AT MACAU TOWER**

Largo da Torre de Macau

Macau Tower features the world's highest platform bungee jump at 233 meters high. With a thrilling 4-5 second freefall at speeds of up to 200 km/h, it is sure to be an unforgettable rush.



#### ST. LAZARUS' DISTRICT

Calcada da Igreja de São Lázaro

St. Lazarus' District is known for its historic, colorful buildings and cobblestone streets with art exhibits, pop-up markets, and cafés, offering a blend of culture and traditional architecture.



#### **LILAU SQUARE**

Largo do Lilau, Macao

Lilau Square, once a vital water source, is a serene park surrounded by Portuguese-styled houses, offering a glimpse into Macao's rich history and charm.



#### M8 PLAZA

Rua Da Se N.°S 9-13, Travessa do Roquete N.°11, Macao

M8 Plaza is a lively shopping destination offering trendy fashion products and unique local crafts, perfect for finding stylish items and souvenirs.

# **TAIPA**

Timeless Tales in Every Alley

Taipa, a blend of heritage and modern charm, is connected to the Macao Peninsula by four scenic bridges. Stroll through nostalgic and colorful streets all while uncovering the rich local history.



### **TAIPA HOUSES**

Avenida da Praia, Taipa, Macao

Considered one of the cultural relics and heritage of Macao. the Taipa Houses showcase the charm of Portuguese architecture and are one of Macao's primary attractions. It is a living museum with charming exhibits and scenic surroundings that offer a peek into the Macanese culture, making it a delightful spot for history lovers and photography enthusiasts.



### **MURALS** OF **TAIPA**

The murals of Taipa are located in the heart of Taipa Village, near the popular Rua do Cunha.









### **TAIPA GRANDE** VIEWING PLATFORM

 Estrada Padre Estevão Eusébio Sítu

The Taipa Grande Viewing Platform is one of the best spots to take in Taipa's stunning panoramic views. Take the inclined lift up the slope for breathtaking sights of Taipa Village and the Cotai Strip, offering a perfect vantage point of the city's skyline.

#### **RUA DO CUNHA**

Rua do Cunha, Macao

Rua do Cunha is well-known for its lively street food scene. The street is also a bustling hub for souvenir shopping, with an array of shops offering unique finds, creating a vibrant atmosphere that attracts many shoppers.



#### FORMER IEC LONG FIRECRACKER FACTORY

Rua Fernão Mendes Pinto, Taipa

The lec Long Firecracker Factory museum gives a glimpse into Macao's firecracker-making history as its last remaining site. Explore its unique industrial features like the pulp diversion area, waterway, cannoncutting rooms, and warehouses.





# COTAI

Where Adventure Flows Into Luxury

The name Cotai is a contraction of Coloane and Taipa. It offers marine wonders, luxury shopping, Macao's largest water park, and attractions along the Cotai Strip.



#### SEA ODYSSEY AT MGM COTAL

The Spectacle, MGM COTAI, Avenida da Nave Desportiva, Cotai, Macao

Sea Odyssey takes visitors on a journey through the ocean's wonders with spectacular visuals and interactive displays. The giant LED screen showcases mesmerizing ocean landscapes, complemented by daily drone shows, marine displays, and dolphin performances. It's a must-see for families and ocean lovers alike.



# GOLDEN REEL AT STUDIO CITY

 Level 3, Studio City, Estrada do Istmo, Cotai, Macao

The Golden Reel is the world's first and Asia's highest figure-8 ferris wheel, standing 130 meters tall. This thrilling attraction showcases breathtaking vistas of the city's skyline, featuring popular landmarks such as the Cotai Strip and the iconic Macau Tower.



#### MGM COTAI 2049 SHOW

 Avenida da Nave Desportiva, Cotai, Macao

Experience a groundbreaking residency show directed by Zhang Yimou at MGM Cotai. Combining art and cutting-edge technology, it features music by Wu Tong and over 580 professionals. The show redefines Chinese cultural heritage, offering an immersive experience that transcends time and language.



# STUDIO CITY WATER PARK

 Level 3, West Wing, Studio City, Estrada do Istmo, Cotai, Macao

Dive into adventure at Studio City Water Park, Macao's largest water park with incredible water rides to boot. It also features a space-themed indoor park that houses 16 fun attractions, including seven thrilling water slides, two wave pools, and the iconic Oblivion Pool that seamlessly extends indoors and outdoors.

Note: Cotai boasts a vibrant array of activities, featuring integrated resorts that cater to a variety of interests. While certain attractions, such as casinos, will not resonate with Muslim preferences, the resorts also offer a wealth of family-friendly experiences and expansive retail spaces, ensuring there's something for everyone to enjoy.



# EIFFEL TOWER OBSERVATION DECK AT THE PARISIAN

The Parisian Macao, Estrada do Istmo, Lote 3, Cotai Strip, Macao

Head to The Parisian and ascend the 162 meters tall Eiffel Tower, where you can enjoy sweeping views of Macao and the Cotai Strip from two observation decks. As the evening sets in, the tower lights up, creating a perfect photo opportunity. With various lighting themes and audio effects, the Eiffel Tower hosts 20 dazzling light shows every day, making it an unforgettable experience for visitors and shutterbugs alike.



#### teamLab SuperNature Macao

Cotai Expo Hall F, The Venetian Macao, Estrada da Baía de Nossa Senhora da Esperança, Taipa, Macao

teamLab SuperNature is a 5,000 sqm interactive art space that blends art, technology, and nature. Its immersive installations, including Floating Flower Garden, Infinite Crystal Universe, and Athletics Forest, invite visitors to engage with evolving digital artworks, exploring the deep connection between humans and nature.





# JARDIM SECRETO AT GRAND LISBOA PALACE

 Rua do Tiro, Macao (Located in Grand Lisboa Palace Resort Macau)

Jardim Secreto is a peaceful garden in the heart of Macao, offering verdant greenery and an eyecatching European-style garden. Centered around an ornate dome that illuminates the area and lawns flanked by graceful pavilions and a colonnade, it's an ideal spot to relax and unwind or savor delicious bites in a soothing environment. Its tranquil ambiance provides the perfect setting to escape the bustle of the city.



#### SKYCAB CABLE CAR AT WYNN PALACE

Avenida da Nave Desportiva

The dragon-themed SkyCab Cable Car at Wynn Palace offers breathtaking panoramic views of the Performance Lake and Cotai Strip. With a custom audio guide, this scenic ride provides a fresh perspective on the grandeur of Wynn Palace, highlighting its luxurious features and surroundings. The SkyCab adds enchantment to the experience, making it the perfect complement to a day of indulgence, relaxation, and entertainment.



#### GALAXY GRAND RESORT DECK

Galaxy Macau Integrated Resort, Estrada da Baia de Nossa Senhora da Esperança, Taipa, Macao

A family-friendly water park, Galaxy Grand Resort Deck features the world's longest skytop adventure rapids at 575 meters and an 8,000 sgm wave pool with waves reaching up to 1.5 meters. It also includes Macao's first water slide mountain, with 9-meter towers and caves. providing fun and excitement for all ages. Kids can enjoy an aquatic play zone with spray loops, splash mountains, and







#### **ZIPCITY**

R89 and R100, Retro Zone, Lisboeta Macau, Rua da Patinagem, Cotai, Macao

Experience the thrill of Asia Pacific's first urban zipline at ZIPCITY. With five ziplines spanning a 388-meter journey from a 60-meter-high tower, soar through Cotai at speeds up to 55 km/h. Riders enjoy panoramic views of Lisboeta Macau and Cotai, which are available on day and night rides.

#### **GoAirborne**

R99, H853 Fun Factory at Lisboeta Macau, Rua da Patinagem, Cotai, Macao

Macao's first indoor skydiving center, GoAirborne offers an exciting free-fall experience in a state-of-the-art wind tunnel. Suitable for ages 4 and up, it ensures a safe, all-weather adventure, simulating a skydive from 12,000 to 3,000 feet, guided by certified instructors.

#### SANDBOX VR

Shop 2213a & 2215, Shoppes at Londoner Level 2, Cotai. Macao

Walk into the future of gaming at Sandbox VR, where virtual reality meets cutting-edge technology. Enjoy fully immersive multiplayer experiences, exploring thrilling worlds with friends. With realistic motion tracking and stunning visuals, Sandbox VR offers a memorable adventure.

### SHOPPING IN COTAI

Cotai is not only home to numerous attractions but also a shopping paradise. With its vibrant Cotai Strip lined with the many integrated resorts and malls, it offers a diverse shopping experience for every style and budget. From luxury boutiques to affordable finds, visitors can explore a wide range of options and enjoy a memorable shopping journey.







# **COLOANE**

Where Scenic Shores Meet Timeless Heritage

Once a haven for pirates, Coloane is now a peaceful retreat. With its greenery, coastal breezes, Coloane offers a peaceful atmosphere just minutes from Macao's bustling streets.



#### **COLOANE VILLAGE**

Coloane, Macao

Coloane Village enchants visitors with its tranquil streets lined with pastel-colored buildings and vibrant murals, offering countless photo opportunities. A walk along Rua dos Negociantes reveals quaint shops and cozy cafés, providing a serene retreat from the city's hustle.





# MACAO GIANT PANDA PAVILION AND PAVILION OF RARE ANIMALS

O Seac Pai Van Park, Estrada de Seac Pai Van, Macao

Located in the scenic Seac Pai Van Park, these pavilions offer a mix of nature and wildlife exploration. The star highlight is the Macao Giant Panda Pavilion, where visitors can watch giant pandas lounging or munching bamboo in a semi-natural habitat. Nearby, the Pavilion of Rare Animals features red pandas and exotic birds, a great place for wildlife enthusiasts of all ages.



#### MACAU CRUISE (COLOANE TO BARRA)

Largo do Cais (Coloane Pier)
 Avenida Panorâmica do Lago Sai
 Van (Barra Pier)

The Macau Cruise offers a picturesque journey from Coloane to Barra, featuring breathtaking views of historic landmarks along the banks of the Pearl River Delta. This leisurely ride doubles as a guided tour, allowing visitors to soak in Macao's maritime charm while gliding through its scenic bays. Guests can board the ferry from either of the two convenient piers.

#### HAC SÁ BEACH

Estrada Nova de Hac Sá, Macao

Hac Sá Beach, Macao's largest natural shoreline, is known for its striking black sands and peaceful atmosphere. It's a popular spot for locals to enjoy picnics, swims, or simply relax by the sea.



#### **LOCAL TIPS!**

Coloane offers scenic walking trails, including a hike to Alto de Coloane, Macao's highest point. Beyond nature, it's famed for its vibrant murals around Coloane Village.



# LOCAL HALAL SOUVENIRS



#### MinM Plaza

Rua da S. Domingos, N.º 1, Macao

Made in Macao Plaza offers an impressive selection of local products, including a dedicated Halal corner with various items that cater to diverse tastes. In addition to halal products, MinM Plaza features an extensive range of fragrances, glassware, charming keychains, and traditional snacks like crackers, cookies, and sardines. Each product reflects Macao's unique cultural heritage, making them perfect souvenirs to remember Macao by.

#### **LOCAL CRAFTS**













#### HALAL SNACKS

MADE BY LOCAL ARTISANS







# HALAL FINDS IN LOCAL SUPERMARKETS

Halal food isn't limited to eateries and souvenir shops; local supermarkets across Macao also offer halacertified products for Muslim travelers. Simply look for clearly marked halal logos on the product packaging or labels.





# HALAL FOOD HAVEN

Macao has a variety of halal-certified restaurants offering a wide range of flavorful options. While all listed in this guide are halal-certified, some may serve alcohol. Visitors are recommended to dine at their discretion.



SCAN FOR MORE HALAL RESTAURANTS



macaotourism.gov.mo/en/dining/



#### **DONG LAI SHUN**

#### 東來順 Dōng lái shùn

Rua Cidade de Coimbra, N.°S 484, 490 E 494, Edf. Brilhantismo, R/C e 1 º Andar I M N Macao

Dong Lai Shun is known for its halal traditional Chinese hotpot, which uses fresh ingredients and broths. Beyond the communal dining experience, a prayer space is available upon request.



#### INDO PAK CURRY HOUSE

#### 印巴咖喱屋 Yin bā kālí wū

Travessa da Porta, N.°S 37 - 37-A, R/C, 1.º Andar E 2.º Andar, Macao

Indo Pak Curry House serves halal Indian and Pakistani cuisine with a diverse menu. It is conveniently located near Senado Square and has a prayer space available in the restaurant on request.



#### LOU LAN RESTORAN

#### 樓蘭飯店 Lóu lán fàn diàn

Rua de Cinco de Outubro, N.º 169,
 R/C A. Macao

Lou Lan Restoran offers a delightful blend of halal Chinese and Uyghur dishes, featuring hand-pulled noodles, a wide selection of dumplings, and more, all prepared by Muslim chefs. A dedicated prayer space is also available in the restaurant.

#### **ZAM ZAM @ REGENCY ART HOTEL**

- 森 麗景灣藝術酒店 Sēn lì jǐng wān yì shù jiǔ diàn
- Estrada de Lou Lim Yeock, N.º 1, "HOTEL ARTE REGÊNCIA", Taipa, Macao

Catering to the dining needs of Muslims, Zam Zam offers halal and mouth-watering Indian and Middle Eastern dishes at affordable prices. Try lamb shank masala with biryani, tabbouleh salad, and manakish with toppings. The restaurant provides a prayer space upon request.





#### CAFÉ PANORAMA

#### 全景咖啡廳 Quán jǐng kā fēi tīng

1918 Estrada de Hac Sá, Coloane, Macao

Café Panorama at Grand Coloane Resort is a halal-certified restaurant serving local, regional, and international dishes. A halal menu is available for all meals, both at the restaurant and through in-room dining, with dishes customizable to guests' preferences.



### VEGETARIAN FARM

#### 田耕閣養生館 Tián gēng gé yǎng shēng guǎn

Estrada Lou Lim leok 5, R/C, Taipa (Enter by Rua do Minho)

Vegetarian Farm is a popular vegetarian and halal food spot in Macao. Known for its flavorful dishes at its restaurant, it also offers vegetarian souvenirs and treats inspired by local flavors. These souvenirs are available at Vegetarian Farm outlets across Macao.





# TAAL RESTAURANT Taal 印度餐廳 Taal Yin dù cān tīng

Rua do Almirante Costa Cabral, N.°S 10-14B, Chon Keng Un, R/C e Sobreloja, Loja C, Macao

TAAL Restaurant is an Indian food galore with flavorful biryanis, rich curries, and tandoori dishes, making it a great halal dining spot for authentic Indian food in Macao.



The restaurants featured are certified halal by the Incorporated Trustees of the Islamic Community Fund of Hong Kong and are classified into one of the following three categories:

#### Halal Restaurant

Only halal food is prepared and served in the restaurant.

#### Halal Kitchen Restaurant

Only halal food is prepared in the kitchen but alcohol or non-halal food is also served in the dining area.

#### Halal Friendly Restaurant

Halal and non-halal food are prepared in the kitchen but strict measures are implemented to avoid contamination on any level.

## EAT LIKE A LOCAL

#### Macanese Cuisine

Macanese cuisine is a unique fusion of Portuguese and Chinese flavors, a reflection of Macao's colorful mix of heritage and rich history.









#### **LOCAL FAVORITES**



\*Muslim-friendly versions available upon request at selected restaurants

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR



#### **LUNAR NEW YEAR / CHINESE NEW YEAR**

Experience the magic of Lunar New Year in Macao. Revel in traditional events, vibrant parades, dazzling fireworks, live performances,



#### DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

The Dragon Boat Festival, held on the fifth day of the fifth lunar month, is a thrilling spectacle in Macao. Watch as local and international teams compete in this exciting outdoor sporting event, showcasing rich culture and tradition.





The Macao International Marathon brings together runners from around the world, offering an exciting race through the city's scenic routes. This annual event provides an unforgettable experience for both seasoned athletes and first-time participants.



#### MACALI GRAND PRIX

Feel the adrenaline as world-class racers tackle the iconic 6.2-km Guia Circuit, with its narrow sections and sharp corners. Join thousands of fans in Macao for heart-pounding action and an electrifying atmosphere.



#### LIGHT UP MACAO

Step into a dazzling world of light art with stunning installations, projection mapping, and interactive games at Light Up Macao. Experience Macao's vibrant nights as a fusion of art, technology, and unique creativity light up the city of Macao.



### **MACAO ARTS FESTIVAL**

Embark on an artistic journey at MAF. This festival showcases performances from international. national, and local works, inviting people to fall in love with the beauty of art, theater, and cultural programs.



Celebrate the beauty and significance of the lotus at the Macao Lotus Festival. Enjoy vibrant exhibitions, photography contests, workshops, and stunning lotus displays at Lou Lim loc Park and landmarks throughout the city.

#### **ENCOUNTER IN MACAO:** ARTS AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL BETWEEN CHINA AND PORTUGUESE-SPEAKING COUNTRIES

Immerse yourself in a vibrant festival celebrating Chinese and Lusophone traditions through art, film, exhibitions, and festivals. Held since 2018, it is a spectacular event fostering rich artistic exchanges that is held throughout Macao.



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Macao offers accommodations across its unique islands. Choose the lively cityscapes of the Macao Peninsula, the cultural charm of Taipa, the vibrant allure of Cotai with its endless experiences, or the serene paradise of Coloane for a peaceful retreat. There's a perfect stay for every style and budget.

#### **MACAO PENINSULA**

ARTYZEN GRAND LAPA

MACAU 5★

CROWNE PLAZA MACAU 5\*

MANDARIN ORIENTAL MACAU 5\*

RIVIERA HOTEL MACAU 5★

SÃO TIAGO DA BARRA 5\*

ASCOTT MACAU 4★

HARBOURVIEW HOTEL 4\*

HOLIDAY INN MACAU 4\*

HOTEL BEVERLY PLAZA 4\*

METROPARK HOTEL 4\*

PRESIDENT HOTEL 4\*

RIO HOTEL 4\*

CITY VIVA HOTEL 3#

EMPEROR HOTEL 3\*

HOTEL ROCKS 3\*

METRÓPOLE 3\*

HOTEL CENTRAL 2\*











#### **TAIPA**

REGENCY ART HOTEL 5★

YOHO HOLLYWOOD ROOSEVELT HOTEL 5★

**GOLDEN CROWN CHINA** HOTEL 4\*

ROYAL INFANTE HARBOUR VIEW HOTEL 4\*

**ENGLAND MARINA CLUB** HOTEL 3★

INN HOTEL 3★

### **COLOANE**

**GRAND COLOANE** RESORT 5\*

POUSADA DE COLOANE 4\*

**SCAN FOR MORE HOTELS** 

### **COTAI**

ANDAZ MACAU 5\*

BANYAN TREE MACAU 5\*

CONRAD MACAO 5\*

GRAND HYATT MACAU 5\*

HOTEL OKURA MACAU 5\*

JW MARRIOTT HOTEL MACAU 5

MORPHEUS 5★

THE RITZ-CARLTON MACAU 5\*

THE ST. REGIS MACAO 5\*

LISBOA CITIZEN 4\*

THE COUNTDOWN HOTEL 4\*

Note: Some hotels listed in Cotai feature entertainment options that may not align with all preferences. For a more tailored experience, we recommend confirming the facilities with the hotel directly.



# 3 DAYS IN MACAO

Ready for an unforgettable 3-day Macao trip? This itinerary blends culture, shopping, and entertainment with iconic landmarks, halal-certified delicacies and family-friendly fun. Maximize the time in Macao with must-see heritage sites, delicious halal snacks, and activities everyone will enjoy.

#### **DAY 1 HISTORY & CULTURE**

Start the day with a leisurely half-day walk exploring Macao's old historic areas. Begin at Senado Square and stroll towards the Ruins of St. Paul's, enjoying the charming architecture and cultural landmarks along the way, including the Macao Museum. After lunch, head to Macao Fisherman's Wharf for family fun, including the Macao Grand Prix Museum and Macao Science Center with interactive exhibits and a planetarium.

Macao also has a mosque, the Islamic Mosque and Cemetery, reflecting the city's Islamic heritage. As evening approaches, explore Taipa Village, a charming spot for sightseeing and relaxation before returning to the hotel.





#### DAY 2 COLOANE AND HALAL SOUVENIRS

Begin by visiting MinM Plaza to explore certified halal snacks like butter cookies and handicrafts, perfect for bringing home as souvenirs for the family. After lunch, take a trip to Coloane and visit Coloane Village, a charming area to explore pastel-colored buildings and vibrant murals.

A visit to Coloane isn't complete without stopping at the Macao Giant Panda Pavilion and the Pavilion of Rare Animals, both popular family attractions offering a chance to see giant pandas, red pandas, and exotic birds. End the day with a leisurely walk along Hac Sá Beach while enjoying Macao's signature egg tarts.

#### **DAY 3 ENTERTAINMENT & EXPERIENCES**

Spend the day exploring lively Cotai, home to some of the most iconic resorts, each offering unique attractions. With so much to see and do, Cotai promises a day filled with fun and lasting memories.

- SkyCab Wynn Palace
- Macau 2049 MGM Cotai
- Eiffel Tower The Parisian
- Grand Resort Deck Galaxy
  - Art of The City City of Dreams
- GoAirborne Lisboeta
- Golden Reel Studio City
- Jardim Secreto Grand Lisboa Palace
- teamLab SuperNature The Venetian
- Changing of Guards The Londoner



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## **Visitor Information**

#### MACAO FOR MUSI IM TRAVELERS

#### Freedom of Faith

Macao is accepting of Muslims and people of other religious faiths. It offers Muslim visitors comfort and reassurance to practice their faith Travelers should be mindful of the limited prayer spaces and their locations. Plan accordingly to avoid crowded tourist areas during prayer times to allow prayers to be fulfilled comfortably and on time.

#### Safety

Macao is renowned for its safety and cultural diversity. Muslim women in hijab and Muslim men openly expressing their faith experience no discrimination and can often be seen around the city, reflecting the inclusivity of Macao. In addition, Macao is a city with a low crime rate, offering a secure environment for all travelers.

#### **Prayer Spaces & Halal Dining**

Several prayer facilities and a mosque are readily available around Macao for the convenience of Muslims. Halal dining options are also growing with an increasing number of local businesses making significant efforts to meet halal standards and broaden the culinary choices for Muslim guests.

#### **Muslim-Friendly Accommodation**

Macao has seen a rising number of establishments offering the inclusions of prayer mats, Qibla compasses, and other Muslim-friendly amenities to cater to Muslim travelers. Some establishments are also training their staff to understand Islamic customs to better cater to the needs of Muslim travelers.

#### **VISITOR ESSENTIALS**

#### Macao Tourism Hotline

24-hour service that provides assistance with information on dining, hotels, sightseeing, museums, entertainment, shopping, and transportation.

Get the latest information on popular

tourist spots in Macao on the Macao

Government Tourism Office website.

macaotourism.gov.mo/en/

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**MGTO** Website

#### Macao World Heritage

Real-time insights into Macao's rich history with details on locations, opening hours, and guided tours a seamless experience.

### **Weather Update**

Real-time updates on the weather in Macao, includes typhoon warnings and updates.

smq.gov.mo/en/

#### **Attractions Visitor Flow**

A website-based smart application to find real time crowd levels at more than 100 Macao attractions, helping visitors plan and enjoy their trips more efficiently.

poimonitor.macaotourism.gov.mo

### **Public Toilet Directory**

Directory of all public toilets in Macao with addresses and directions to the restrooms.

∅ go.iam.gov.mo/wc/e

### **Experience Macao App**









Experience Macao is an all-in-one app that provides essential travel information including maps, FAQs and more. Making it the perfect sidekick for travelers in Macao.

#### Macao Smart Go









Smart Macao provides information on public transportation in Macao. These include buses, taxis, walking routes and other forms of transport.

### **E-Payments**

Macao embraces cashless payments, offering various options such as credit cards, Apple Pay, Alipay and the Macau Pass, while still accepting cash for convenience.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

#### Macao Light Rapid Transit Black Taxi

Mlm.com.mo/en/route.html

#### TCM / TRANSMAC

tcm.com.mo/web/EV

transmac.com.mo/en

(853) 2828 3283

### Special Radio Taxi

(853) 2881 2345



### **Emergency**

For all emergency services. including Police, Ambulance, and Fire Department, visitors can call any of the provided numbers for assistance.

999 / 110 / 112







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