

Explore stories of a bygone age in this picturesque neighbourhood near the heart of the city. You'll be fascinated simply by its beauty and the sense of tranquillity.

## **Attractions to explore:**

# 1 Kun lam Temple

This Buddhist temple, also known as Pou Chai Sim lun, dedicated to Kun lam (Goddess of Mercy), is one of the three major ancient temples in Macao that witnessed the growth of Macao and historical events. It attracts many believers to visit each day, offering homage and burning incense for their good sake. The Temple covers a very extensive area with large terraced



gardens in the backyard that home a number of memorial stones. One of them is the stone table where the first Sino-American treaty was signed in 1844, by the Viceroy of Canton Ki Ying and the United States Minister Caleb Cushing. Opening hours: 07:30 - 17:00

Admission: Free

### 2 Flora Garden

The European-style garden is situated at the base of Guia Hill parallel to the Avenida Sidónio Pais. It was formerly the grounds of the Flora Palace, an aristocratic Portuguese mansion that served Portuguese Governors in the old days. Its straight pedestrian avenue, lined with tall palms and flowering shrubs, leads to the former site of the palace, now occupied by an aviary, a small zoo, and a tree-shaded refreshment patio. You can either follow the stone pathway that winds upward, past small waterfalls and belvederes, to the top of Guia Hill or take the cable car near the park gate to the top in two minutes, from which you'll gain a bird's-eye view of the garden and a panoramic perspective of the city.

Opening hours: 06:00 - 24:00 Admission: Free



### 3 Dr. Sun Yat Sen Memorial House

This House is preserved to pay homage to the stay of Dr. Sun Yat Sen and his family in Macao. Dr. Sun was the mentor and driving force of the Chinese republican revolution, which overthrew the weak regime of the Qing Dynasty. The House bears witness to his short but significant stay in Macao in the late 19th century when, while fleeing the power of the imperial mandarins, he tried to move his supporters in order to plan for the establishment of a new regime in China. It was destroyed by an explosion nearby in 1930 and rebuilt again in Islamic and Rococo style. It's reserved as a memorial complex in commemoration of the "Father of the Nation". Some relics of Dr. Sun and photos of revolutionary martyrs can be seen in the House.



Opening hours: 10:00 – 17:00, closed on Tuesdays Admission: Free

### 4 Lou Lim leoc Garden

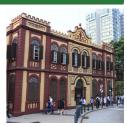
Built in 1925, the Garden is the only and famous Suzhou-style Chinese garden in Macao. The site of this Garden was formerly a farmland and vegetable field bought by a wealthy Chinese merchant - Lou Wah Siu (Lou Kau). Following the purchase, his son Lou Lim leoc began to build and design the Garden. In the beginning of 1970s, the Garden was purchased and restored by the government and opened to the public in 1974. Walking past a nine-turn bridge zigzags across the pond, you'll reach a large pavilion that combines Classical and Chinese architecture elements, where art and craft exhibitions and musical performances frequently take place. This Suzhou-style Garden

is now very popular amongst local inhabitants and tourists.

Opening hours: 06:00 – 24:00 Admission: Free

## 5 Tap Seac Gallery

Dating back to the 1920s, the Gallery was originally two-storey houses. The historic complex is a typical example of an upper-class family residence in Macao. The earthen-yellow and brick-red outer walls match wooden louvers with window tracery design and the Roman arched doors, giving these buildings a distinctly European, neo-classical flair. When the facility was converted to an art gallery, these buildings were joined together, but to preserve historic elements,



the two inner wells that originally separated the two structures were left intact and in place. Inaugurated on 5 December 2003, the Gallery has become an important showcase for various types of visual art, for visitors to appreciate and embark on a wonderful artistic journey.

Opening hours: 10:00 – 21:00 Admission: Free

## **6 Tap Seac Square**

Having served as a field for soldiers to undergo training and practice in the old days, the Square was converted into an extensive square paved with Portuguese cobblestones in 2007. Rich in cultural legacy, this beautiful Square is surrounded by many important historic buildings and has become an



important venue for yearly major cultural events as well as for local leisure activities.

#### 7 St. Lazarus Church

One of the three oldest churches in Macao, the Church was formerly the office of Bishop before the establishment of the Cathedral. It was built on the site of the Hermitage of Our Lady of Hope, also called St. Lazarus, which was established to provide care and shelter for lepers in the old days. In recent years, Macao has strived to promote local cultural and creative industries, and thus transformed this old vicinity into a vibrant creative hub



that attracts local youth to show their talents in arts. You'll see many local shops that sell creative products in this area, where you find yourself surrounded by picturesque Mediterranean buildings.

Opening hours: 07:00 – 11:00, 14:30 – 18:00, closed on Tuesdays Admission: Free

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