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Synopsis

With stunning photographs and insightful commentary this travel pictorial and Singapore travel guide captures the dynamism of a remarkable Pacific nation. In just a few short decades, Singapore has transformed itself from a tiny island off the coast of mainland Asia into a global superpower in banking, IT, education, biotech, transportation and many other fields. The fascinating story of how this tiny city-state which has no hinterland, no natural resources, and a relatively small population has achieved success is told in this book. Singapore's history as a British colonial port, its dynamic multi-ethnic population, and its innovative governmental and social structures, are a part of the story. But there are others as well. How Singapore became a regional hub for finance, shipping and air travel, and now also for the arts, sport and leisure – are all showcased in dynamic detail, with over 300 full-color photographs to illustrate graphically how this small island functions like a well-tuned racing machine. Author Kim Inglis, a journalist and long-time local resident, leads the reader on a series of explorations through Singapore's most notable districts and neighborhoods, explaining the growth and importance, and showcasing what they have to offer the visitor. Included are many lesser-known corners of the island which very few visitors ever get to see!

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Very detailed information and lovely pictures

Excellent book for learning about the history of Singapore and how it is today. The pictures are beautiful.

After returning from a short Business trip to Singapore, I found this beautiful book. My photos are great, but this wonderful book gives a great revisit and tour of a fascinating city.

Gave as a gift and it was well received as the individual spent the holidays in Singapore

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Very interesting info and beautiful pictures

I am as delighted with the Inglis eye and voice in the description of her adopted home. A globe-trotting British expat, I have enjoyed Ms Inglis' works on many of the luxe destinations of Southeast Asia. Here we get the pleasure of the long-term resident's observations of the city state where she chose to raise her family. She bravely provides critique where Singapore has earned it in a very balanced picture of the original tiger. Invaluable for visitors to Singapore, essential reading for new ex-patriots to the lion by the sea.

A friend lent this wonderful book to me in anticipation of my upcoming trip to Singapore. This well written and extensively illustrated book gives the reader a comprehensive travel guide and history of this modern city state. There's probably more covered in the book than I can see in my short time in Singapore, but my appetite certainly has been whet. I wish this book was available in digital form so I could take it with me to Singapore.

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