

Dream In Peony Pavilion Singapore: Esplanade Dance Guide For 22-24 May

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Dream in Peony Pavilion arrives at Esplanade Theatre from 22 to 24 May 2026, giving Singapore audiences a short three-performance window to catch a large-scale Chinese dance production.

Dream In Peony Pavilion is a Suzhou Song and Dance Theatre production with six star dancers and a 30-strong cast.

What The Production Is Based On



The production is staged at Esplanade Theatre.

The work is based on Tang Xianzuâ??s Ming dynasty play The Peony Pavilion, a classic story of love, longing, dreams and return. Esplanade describes the production as a dance work that brings the playâ??s scenes to life through duets and ensemble dances.

The appeal is visual and movement-led: costumes, mist, light, shadow and a stage world that stretches the pavilion into the audienceâ??s imagination.

That makes it more approachable than the title may sound. Even viewers who do not know the original play can follow the broad emotional line through dream imagery, courtship, separation and reunion.

Dates And Prices

Performances are on 22 May at 8pm, 23 May at 8pm and 24 May at 2pm. Ticket prices range from S$58 to S$398 before booking fees.

The admission age is three and above, but parents should consider the full performance format before bringing very young children. A dance production based on a classical text may be beautiful, but it is not the same as a short childrenâ??s theatre show.

For many readers, the weekend matinee will be the easiest entry point because it avoids a late finish and gives families more room to plan dinner or transport after the show.

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Esplanade's May and June calendar also includes several dance and theatre events around the same period.

Who Should Book

This is most suited to dance watchers, Chinese literature fans, arts students and audiences who enjoy visually rich stage productions. It is also a good pick for families with older children who can sit through a full theatre performance.

If you are new to the story, read a short synopsis of The Peony Pavilion before going. It will make the dream, longing and reunion elements easier to follow without needing surtitles to carry every emotional beat.

Choose seats with the full stage picture in mind. Dance productions depend on formations, lighting and ensemble spacing, so a clear overall view can matter more than sitting as close as possible.

Location

Esplanade Theatre is at 1 Esplanade Drive, Singapore 038981. Nearest MRT: Esplanade or City Hall. Maps: Google Maps | Apple Maps.

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