

GastroBeats 2026: Bayfront Food Festival Village Returns With Pickleball

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GastroBeats 2026 returns to Bayfront Event Space from 5 to 28 June, giving i Light Singapore 2026 visitors somewhere to eat, sit, play and extend the night after the light trail.

The official page calls it the festival village of i Light Singapore 2026 and says this fifth-anniversary edition will bring up to 40 vendors, a new Elevated Dining Zone, pickleball developed with EPIC World Championship, arcade games and daily live band performances.

What Is New



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GastroBeats runs as the festival village for i Light Singapore 2026.

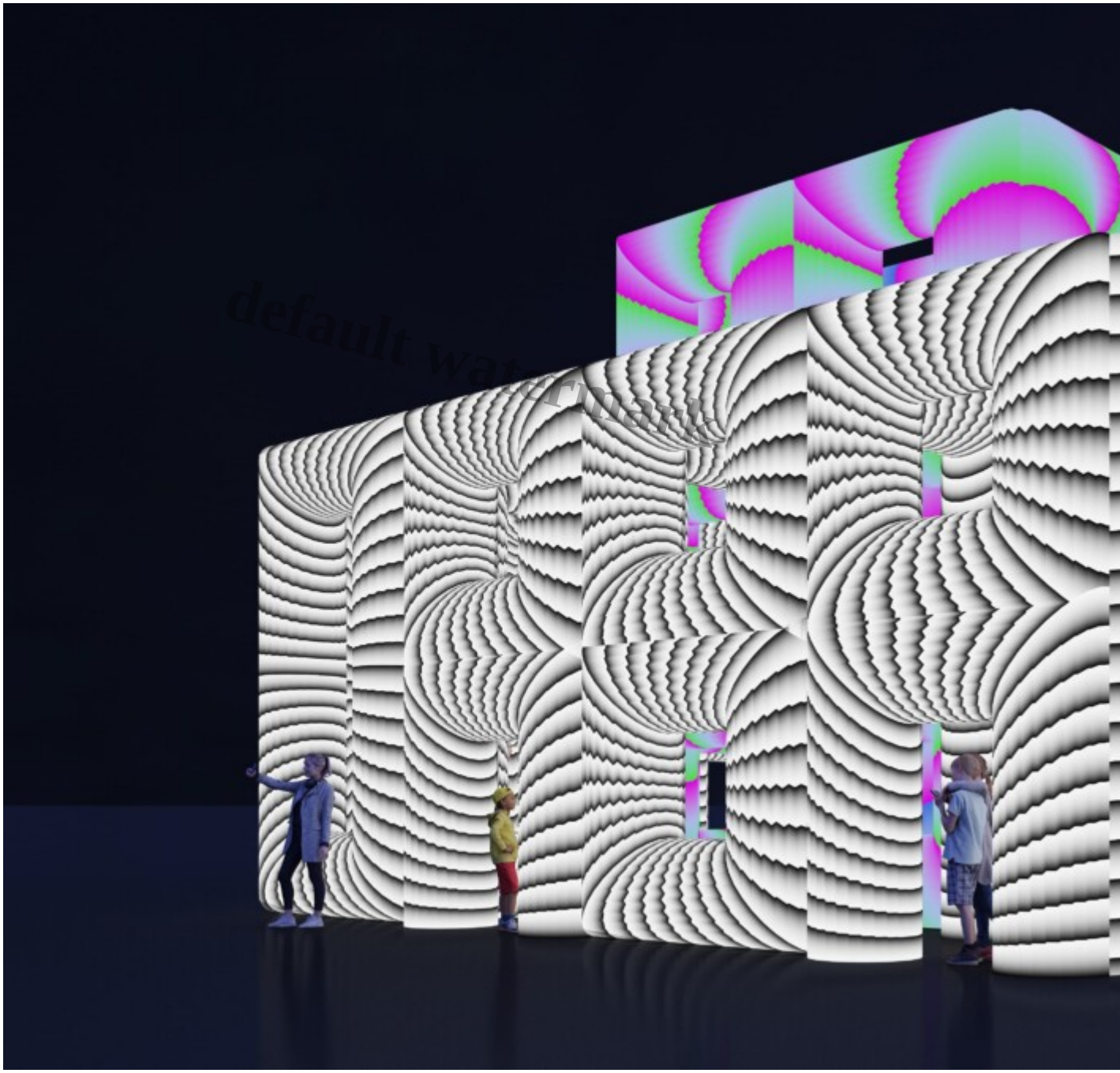
The useful change this year is that GastroBeats is not only a food area. The pickleball and arcade components make it more family-friendly and group-friendly, especially during the June school holidays.

The Elevated Dining Zone also suggests that visitors should expect a mix of quick festival food and more curated F&B options. That matters if you are going with a group where one person wants snacks and another wants a more deliberate meal.

Planning Notes

Opening hours are listed as 4pm to 11pm daily. The best rhythm is dinner first, then the i Light Singapore 2026 trail, or a short light-trail segment before returning for music and food. Bayfront MRT is the nearest practical anchor.

Pets are welcome according to the official programme image, but owners should still plan for crowds, heat, noise and the walk back to transport.



Visitors can pair GastroBeats with the wider i Light Singapore 2026 trail around Marina Bay.

Location

Bayfront Event Space is beside Marina Bay Sands. Nearest MRT: Bayfront. Maps: Google Maps | Apple Maps.

How To Use GastroBeats Well

Treat GastroBeats as the base camp for the wider i Light Singapore 2026 evening rather than a standalone dinner booking. Bayfront Event Space gives you room to meet friends first, eat before the trail and return later if the group splits between food, music and installations.

The 4pm opening is helpful for families who want an early meal before the night crowd builds. Adults going after work will probably get the better atmosphere from around sunset, when the light festival starts to feel connected to the food village.

What Families And Groups Should Note

The pickleball and arcade elements make this more flexible than a food-only pop-up. That is useful for groups with children, teenagers or friends who do not want to spend the entire evening queuing for food.

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At the same time, it is still an outdoor festival setting. Comfortable shoes, portable fans, water and a loose meeting point will matter more than a perfect food itinerary, especially if the group is visiting on Friday or Saturday night.

Transport And Crowd Strategy

Bayfront MRT is the cleanest public-transport option. Ride-hailing can work, but Marina Bay traffic and event crowds often make the last few hundred metres slower than expected.

If you are pairing GastroBeats with i Light Singapore 2026, pick two or three nearby installations first instead of trying to clear the whole trail in one night. The event will feel better if food and music are part of the plan, not an afterthought squeezed in when everyone is already tired.

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