

Once Upon A Tide Tracks Singapore From Settlement To Global City

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Once Upon a Tide: Singaporeâ??s Journey from Settlement to Global City is running at the National Museum of Singapore until 9 October 2026.

The exhibition gives SG60-era visitors a long-view story of how the islandâ??s port, settlements and global connections shaped modern Singapore.

Why This Is Timely

The exhibitionâ??s closing window is still months away, but June is a sensible time to visit because the museum is already running multiple family and SG60-related programmes.

For families, it can help connect school-history topics to a museum setting. For adults, it is a chance to revisit Singaporeâ??s growth through geography, trade and civic memory.

- Dates: 24 May 2025 to 9 October 2026.
- Venue: National Museum of Singapore, Basement 1.
- Suggested duration: about 60 minutes.
- Theme: Singaporeâ??s journey from settlement to global city.

How To Approach It

Do not rush the exhibition as a quick photo stop. The value is in following the timeline and noticing how the museum connects maritime life, trade, migration and urban development.

If you are bringing children, turn the visit into a question trail: where did people arrive, what did they trade, and how did Singaporeâ??s role change over time?

What To Pair It With

Once Upon a Tide pairs naturally with Singapore Odyssea because one is a deeper exhibition and the other is a short immersive experience.

If you only have time for one longer gallery, choose this when you want the stronger timeline and settlement-to-city arc.

For more SG60 and museum planning, use the Little Big Red Dot things-to-do archive as a second-screen planner.

Location Notes

- National Museum of Singapore

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