

Jewel Changi Airport unveils spectacular first look at shopping and dining concepts

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View of the Shiseido Forest Valley and HSBC Rain Vortex from Terminal 1 *Pictures courtesy of Jewel Changi Airport Devt.

Today (April 11), Jewel Changi Airport (Jewel) gave selected members of the public and press where *Asia Duty Free* was on location, a sneak peek into the one-of-a-kind lifestyle destination.



Discovery slides at Canopy Park

The 135,700 square meter complex, built on the site of the former Terminal 1 open air carpark, is designed by world-renowned architect Moshe Safdie and features a distinctive dome-shaped façade. It will offer both local residents and international visitors a multi-faceted experience that includes attractions, unique shopping and dining concepts, as well as airport and accommodation facilities.



Night view of the Crystal Clouds art installation

Ms. Hung Jean, Chief Executive Officer, Jewel Changi Airport Devt, said, “The vision for Jewel Changi Airport is to be a destination where ‘The World meets Singapore, and Singapore meets the World’. The unique proposition of world-class shopping and dining, seamlessly integrated with lush greenery, fulfils the needs of increasingly discerning travelers for a meaningful and experiential journey, even for brief layovers.

“Moreover, by providing innovative and fresh experiences for Singapore residents and working professionals in its vicinity, Jewel will invigorate Singapore’s eastern precincts and provide more opportunities for the public to enjoy time with family and friends.”



The Topiary Walk features unique art

Visitors to Jewel can look forward to a slew of long-awaited new-to-Singapore brands including Emack & Bolio's, JW360°, Lavender, OYSHO and Pokémon Center Singapore that will open their first stores alongside familiar homegrown favorites such as In Good Company, Supermama and Tiger Street Lab.

These local retailers, designers and craftsmen are given the opportunity to craft a retail theater to share the nation's story with the world. Jewel also has a dedicated retail cluster of homegrown brands on Level 1 meant to be a one-stop shop for travelers looking to bring home a piece of Singapore.

Multiple retailing formats are present at Jewel, including duplexes, outdoor terraces and spaces within the Canopy Park (pictured below) on the topmost level. Several established brands such as Bengawan Solo, Nike and Tiger Street Lab will also offer new concepts and even exclusive-to-Jewel merchandise.



The majestic 40-meter HSBC Rain Vortex, the world's tallest indoor waterfall, will greet visitors upon entering Jewel. Surrounding it are the manicured grounds of the Shiseido Forest Valley. Play attractions such as the Manulife Sky Nets, Hedge Maze (pictured above), Mirror Maze and Discovery Slides were designed to blend into the unique indoor garden environment and will open on June 10, 2019.

In May 2019, the Changi Experience Studio on Level 4 will bring visitors on a journey of fun and discovery through the virtual world of Changi Airport with interactive games, projection experiences, immersive shows and gallery exhibits.

Enhancement of capacity at Changi Airport

In conjunction with the development of Jewel, Changi Airport's Terminal 1 has also been expanded to increase capacity by another three million passenger movements per year. This brings the airport's total capacity to 85 million, ensuring that it remains well placed to support the growth of air travel in the region.

As part of Changi Airport's continued focus on providing passenger convenience, airport facilities have

also been added in Jewel. These include early check-in counters and kiosks, a baggage storage service and the Changi Lounge, a 150-seat lounge with shower facilities, offering seamless transfers for passengers connecting to and from cruise and ferry services.

Jewel will also house the first YOTELAIR property in Asia. With 130 smartly-designed cabins that optimize space in its Premium, Accessible and Family cabins, these rooms can be booked for a minimum of four hours, ideal for short daytime layovers or overnight stays. YOTELAIR also features time-saving airline style self-check-in kiosks that will facilitate a hassle-free check-in process.

Mr. Lee Seow Hiang, Chairman of Jewel Changi Airport Devt. Pte. Ltd., and Chief Executive Officer of Changi Airport Group, said, "We are delighted to see the completion of Changi Airport's new jewel, which we hope will contribute to many more memorable Changi experiences for our passengers. Jewel Changi Airport is a valuable addition to Singapore's world-class tourism attractions and aviation facilities. We look forward to welcoming the world to Jewel, whether they are travelling to or through Singapore."

Mr. Lee Chee Koon, President & Group Chief Executive Officer, CapitaLand Group, said, "The opening of Jewel marks another milestone in CapitaLand's track record of building world-class architectural icons. With its unique combination of top-notch retail offerings, attractions and facilities amidst a garden setting, Jewel demonstrates our multi-faceted capabilities in real estate development and illuminates the limitless possibilities we will have to enliven an airport precinct with retail at its core. CapitaLand is proud to present in Jewel, a category-defying icon that will be enjoyed by all Singapore residents and international tourists who pass through its doors."