

A DOWNTOWN OASIS

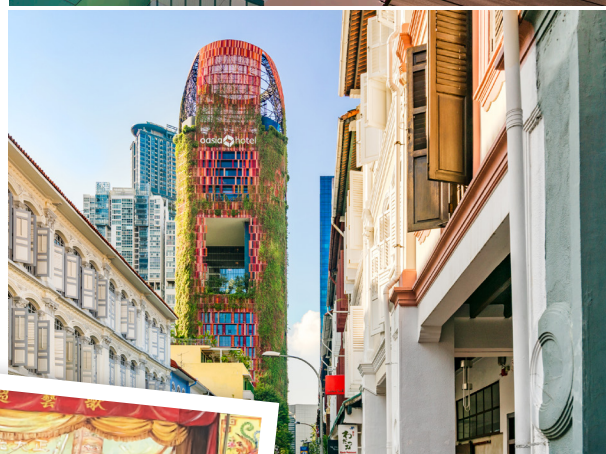
Towering amongst skyscrapers is the impressive, eye-catching red building that is **Oasia Hotel Downtown by Far East Hospitality**. From nearby Tanjong Pagar, it stands juxtaposed against the skyline in contrast to the neighbourhood shophouses and their shutters.

The varying shades of the hotel's red metalwork reach skywards. Architecturally, it feels akin to a Jenga tower, as if "blocks" have been removed to create open outdoor spaces in the upper floors.

There's also an attention to wellness in the design; the hotel is covered in 21 creepers that flower at different times of the year, adding continuous interest as well as an organic touch. A butterfly passed me by on the 27th floor!

Geometric patterns abound in the design and décor. For instance, outdoor turquoise features reflect the colours of the inviting rooftop pools. From those two pools, the views stretch in every direction, out to sea and inland too. Tranquillity pods beckon and loungers set in the water offer a peaceful way to trail your hands and feet in the cool water. You quickly forget you're in the heart of the city!

Therein lies another delight – the proximity of sights and landmarks. Our all-inclusive Club Stay experience at Oasia included the novelty of complimentary bikes that we cycled on to nearby Chinatown. It was a fun and effective way to explore the area; and, being only a stone's throw from Maxwell Food Centre, Club Street and Ann Siang Hill, we had countless places to eat out.



Our room overlooked the red rooftops of Chinatown – a perfect location for a holiday, a business trip or a staycation, in an evocative building. The lampshades and wooden trimmings within echo the hotel's exoskeleton. A desk was on hand for any work commitments, and the bathtub offered a view to the

TV for those who enjoy a leisurely soak, plus quirky sliding doors for privacy.

Finally, our Club Stay also extended to complimentary yoga and other wellness offerings – there are even aqua spin classes – plus superfoods and special dietary options available in the Club Lounge. You can also head to the Lounge for canapés and cocktails in the evenings.

This was such a satisfactory stay that I hanker to try the other Oasia properties, as they seem to have this one just right! *El*



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