

# City of living history

Spread across 110 beautiful islands, Jakarta's sprawling development combines contemporary international business dealings with the embrace of a quite unique and globally-respected traditional lifestyle

Originally the capital of the Dutch East Indies Spice Route, Batavia has transformed through Dutch, and Japanese colonial influence to become the capital of the Indonesian nation. Now known as Jakarta, the bustling capital hosts more than 10 million permanent residents and the Asian headquarters of many of the world's biggest brands. From old town museums to the aromatic alley ways of Glodok, and opulent monuments to influential figures, a business trip to Jakarta is the perfect opportunity to experience the urban island life.

## WHERE TO STAY

Awarded the best Ultra Luxury hotel in Indonesia for 2024, The Langham Jakarta offers access to The Langham Club for guests enjoying a stay in an Executive Room or Suite. Ideal for business travellers, the Presidential Suite reserves the most refined luxury on the 60th floor including a grand foyer, separate study, panoramic views of the Jakarta skyline and personal butler service. Available for bespoke curation the Langham offers a personalised event planning service with options for private meeting

spaces, and luxurious function rooms sure to impress even the most discerning guests. Located within the Sudirman CBD, the Alila maximises rest by reducing travel time from meetings to the master suite. Appointed with the highest quality finishes, an intuitive design considers all desires where 600 square feet of space features a large working area, daybed to take in the sumptuous view and beautiful ensuite amenities including a soaking bathtub for sinking into bliss. Neighbours with Jakarta's sporting arenas and the

Senayan Golf Club, discover the Alila's extra something with complete check-in/out flexibility. An intimate oasis in the heart of Jakarta, Four Seasons Indonesia allows guests to escape from the city without compromising proximity to any amenity. Specialising in all suite accommodation, high-end corporate events and sophisticated social gatherings, the Four Seasons team promises prestigious service for gatherings on every scale. Curating a distinctive fusion of Indonesian and European

influence, the Presidential suite welcomes guests to a dramatic foyer and floor-to-ceiling views of the city continued throughout each room.

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## WHERE TO EAT

Indonesia's first molecular gastronomy restaurant led by Andrian Ishak promises a playful exploration of art and science in food. Always seasonal and never quite the same, Namaaz allows guests to indulge in a 17-course degustation. Defying all preconceptions of traditional Indonesian cuisine, Ishak's self taught repertoire injects a playful interactive experience into Jakarta's fine dining menu.

**Left: Aerial view of Jakarta's central business district skyscrapers at dawn time**  
**Above: MRT passengers queue to board the train at Bundaran HI station**  
**Below: Diorama of batik makers at the Bank Indonesia Museum**  
**Right: Breakfast at The Langham, Jakarta**



A palatial restaurant open to reservations beyond guests at the Gunawarman Hotel, Sofia takes coastal cuisine on an international journey. Drawing inspiration from European, Mediterranean and local Indonesian cuisine each dish emerges from a kitchen filled with love.

Embraced at the centre of 360-degree views, Henshin brings together an unlikely fusion of Japanese and Peruvian cuisine. Led by head chef Diana Matute, authentic Peruvian heritage meets a delightful Nikkei culinary journey to showcase the epitome of cultural confluence through food in the heart of Jakarta. Dazzling guests with the most exclusive view of the sprawling city from above, the rooftop dining experience sits on the 69th floor with an open interior to promise an unforgettable meal whilst visiting Indonesia's capital.

**Namaaz Dining**  
[namaazdining.com](http://namaazdining.com)

**Sofia at the Gunawarman**  
[thegunawarman.com/sofia](http://thegunawarman.com/sofia)

**Henshin**  
[henshinjakarta.com](http://henshinjakarta.com)

## WHAT TO DO

Taman Mini Indonesia Indah; Mini Park "Beautiful Indonesia" is a playful way to experience the diverse cultural heritage of the Indonesian archipelago. Inspired by the nation's abundant natural riches and cultural diversity, the park has been recently revitalised to showcase 33 pavilions representing the provinces of Indonesia, 24 parks and open spaces alongside 17 museums and a host of amusement rides.

Bespoke to personal style, an hour, afternoon or entire day invites cultural immersion from venturing through the Old Town to wandering through centuries-old Chinatown, known as Glodok to the locals.

A tapestry of indigenous cultures and colonial influence, the Old Town remains a living ode to a rich cultural heritage. Owing its many names to the complex colonisation, Old Batavia stands as the oldest remains of the Dutch East Indies Capital. Housed in the Old City Hall the museum contains objects from the prehistory period of this region showcasing a long relationship between people and place in what remains the nation's capital.

Connect with local artisans on a guided shopping excursion from Batik craft markets to the workshops of master woodworkers. Complement these local specialties with a trip of one of Jakarta's five sumptuous high-end malls. Perfectly paired with a stay in the Sudirman Central Building District, the Pacific Place is attached to the Ritz-Carlton Hotel and in perfect proximity to the financial institutions.

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