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On 7th July 2008, Melaka and **George Town** under serial nomination were awarded the coveted title of World Heritage Site, and were listed under the category of Cultural Heritage by the UNESCO World Heritage Committee. These sites, known as the "Historic Cities of the Straits of Malacca" were recognised for the living multicultural heritage communities and architectural treasures. Having spent over 500 years as trading centres and settlements, Melaka and **George Town** certainly earned this prestigious title by fostering and benefiting from the rich cultural exchanges between East and West. The true value of George Town's historic aura is simply too unique to define. It is said that there's no other site quite like it anywhere else in the world.

These are lists of places that reflect both tangible and intangible heritage in George Town World Heritage Site. You will find a detailed description of each site listed overleaf to aid in your understanding of their significance.

↕ CULTURAL ENCLAVE ↕

The myriad sites within the Cultural Enclave define the history of George Town in richness and variety. Within the enclave, you will find the sites that span the breath and depth of the multicultural melting pot that make George Town what it is today. From the Street of Harmony to clan kongsis and associations, this is the place that begs to be explored.

- 1 St. George's Church **D8**

2 Goddess of Mercy Temple **E8**

3 Sri Maha Mariamman Temple **F7**

4 Noordin Family Mausoleum **F7**

5 Kapitan Keling Mosque **F7**

6 Kapitan Keling Family Mausoleum **F6**

7 Han Jiang Ancestral Temple **F7**

8 Lim Kongsi **G8**

9 Cheeh Kongsi **G8**

10 Central Fire Station **G8**

11 Hock Tek Cheng Sin Temple **G7**
- 12 Leong San Tong Khoo Kongsi **G7**

13 Yap Temple & Ciji Temple **G6**

14 Dr Sun Yat Sen's Penang Base **G6**

15 George Town World Heritage Incorporated **G6**

16 Syed Al-Attas Mansion **G6**

17 Acheen Street Malay Mosque **G6**

18 Yong Da Guan **H6**

19 Eng Chuan Tong Tan Kongsi **H6**

20 Boon San Tong Khoo Kongsi **I7**

↕ CLAN JETTIES ↕

Built by the clansmen of olden days, the clan jetties were segregated into distinct communities of Chinese people that arrived in George Town in search of a better future. Denoted by the clan surnames such as Chew, Tan and Lee among others, the jetties were traditionally occupied by people of that surname and the descendants of which still occupy the homes which line the jetties to this day.

- 21 Ong Jetty **H9**

22 Lim Jetty **H9**

23 Chew Jetty **I9**

24 Tan Jetty **I8**
- 25 Lee Jetty **I8**

26 New Jetty **I7**

27 Yeoh Jetty **J7**

↕ THE WATERFRONT ↕

Once the heart of George Town's trading port, the sites that dot the waterfront of George Town reads like a where's where of colonial history. Choose from the iconic Fort Cornwallis to the majestic colonial buildings of the Town Hall and City Hall, from the old Custom's Building to Convent Light Street. The waterfront is perfect for the intrepid explorer to discover the colonial past of George Town.

- 28 Customs Building **G10**

29 Boustead and German merchant houses **F11**

30 Swettenham Pier **D13**

31 Zhenchug Wreck Marker **B11**

32 Bangunan Tuanku Syed Putra **E11**

33 Queen Victoria Memorial Clock Tower **D12**

34 Immigration Department Building **D11**

35 State Assembly Building **D11**
- 36 Fort Cornwallis **C11**

37 Esplanade **C10**

38 Cenotaph **B10**

39 City Hall **B10**

40 Town Hall **C9**

41 Koh Seang Tat's Fountain **C9**

42 Logan Memorial **C9**

43 Supreme Court Building **C8**

44 Government House **B8**

45 Convent Light Street **B8**

↕ BUSINESS DISTRICT ↕

Take a stroll through the traditional business district of George Town where many international banks still operate to this day. From the grand old stone building that houses Standard Chartered to the recently restored Logan's Heritage and Whiteaways Arcade, the Pinang Peranakan Museum, a mecca for Peranakan history and Little India to name but a few sites of interest, this part of George Town retains many examples of fine architecture that makes George Town a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

- 46 Yeoh Kongsi **G9**

47 Nagore Durgah Shrine **F8**

48 Chin Association **E8**

49 Ensemble of Chinese temples and association buildings. **E9**

From north:

49a - Chung Shan Wooi Koon

49b - King Street Tua Pek Kong Temple

49c - War Emperor's Temple

49d - Toi Shan Ningyang Wui Kwon

49e - Ng See Kah Miew

50 Lee Association **E9**

51 Poe Choo Seah **E8**

52 Oh Kongsi **E9**
- 53 Kwangtung and Tengchow Association **E9**

54 Pinang Peranakan Museum **E9**

55 George Town Dispensary **F10**

56 India House **E10**

57 Whiteaways Arcade **E10**

58 Sun Wui Wui Koon **E10**

59 Logan Heritage Building **E10**

60 Former ABN-Amro Bank **E11**

61 HSBC Bank **E11**

62 Standard Chartered Bank **D11**

63 House of Yeap Chor Ee **D10**

↕ LEISURE ZONE ↕

The outstanding sites in the leisure zone includes Cheong Fatt Tze Mansion, a building that won the UNESCO 'Most Excellent' Heritage Conservation Award in 2000, the Eastern and Oriental Hotel which still operates to this day, the Protestant Cemetery where Francis Light, founder of George Town was buried in 1794 and the quaint narrow streets of Leith Street, Love Lane, Muntri Street and Stewart Lane filled with their many treasures.

- 64 Penang State Museum **C8**

65 Church of the Assumption **C7**

66 St. Xavier's Institution **C6**

67 Cheong Fatt Tze Mansion **C5**

68 The Garage **B5**

69 Eastern & Oriental Hotel **A6**

70 Leong Yin Kean Mansion **A4**

71 Protestant Cemetery **B4**

72 Catholic Cemetery **B4**
- 73 Mission Houses **B5**

74 Segara Ninda **B4**

75 St. Francis Xavier's Church **B4**

76 Benggali Mosque **C4**

77 Hainan Association & Temple **C5**

78 Shao Lin Association **D6**

79 Ta Kam Hong **D6**

80 Loo Pun Hong **D6**

81 Soon Tuck Wool Kwon **D6**

↕ ENTERPRISE ZONE ↕

The enterprise zone is located in the buffer zone of George Town's UNESCO World Heritage Site. Businesses in this zone often operate out of shophouses that make up the characteristic of this area. The Campbell Street Market still retains much of it's small town charm to this day. Walk through this area and be pleasantly surprised by the many restaurants, street food and eateries you will find here.

- 82 Yeng Keng Hotel & Gateway **D5**

83 Dato Koyah Shrine **C2**

84 Meng Eng Soo **F4**
- 85 Ng Fook Tong **D5**

86 Campbell Street Market **F6**

◆ HERITAGE TRADERS ◆

In George Town, the colonial architecture and heritage shophouses that give the city it's undeniable character are only part of the story. It is the people of George Town that gives the city it's soul. They represent a living heritage, the traditional trades and artisans, that still exists and do business now as they used to do in George Town all those years ago.

- 1 Signboard Carver **F6**

2 Chinese Seal Cutter and Calligrapher **I6**

3 Paper Oblation Craftsman **G4**

4 Pastry Baker (Coconut Tarts) **E4**

5 Pak Tong Kou and Hum Chim Peng Maker **E4**

6 Kapok Pillow and Mattress Maker **F4**

7 Coffee Roaster **G4**

8 Rattan Weaver **I5**

9 Stonemason and Tombstone Engraver **I7**

10 Shoe Maker (with Nyonya Beaded Shoes) **G7**
- 11 Traditional Kitchenware Retailer **G8**

12 Perfumer **G8**

13 Printing Press and Book Binder **F9**

14 Spice Merchants **F9**

15 Hindu Religious Goods and Indian Kitchenware Retailer **F9**

16 Indian Goldsmith **E8**

17 Songkok Maker **F8**

18 Joss Stick Maker **E7**

19 Nasi Kandar Sellers **F8**

20 Flower Garland Makers **E8**

21 Money Changer and Numismatic Dealer **E8**

22 Sarong and Textile Traders **F7**

23 Publisher of Islamic Books **F6**

EATERIES

- 1 CF Foodcourt, Penang Hawkers Food **016 422 6180** **H8**

2 China House, Asian-Western Fusion **G8**

3 De Dai Tong, Cantonese and Dim Sum **04 263 6625** **E4**

4 D'Dapor, Malay **04 262 9323** **D10**

5 Edelweiss, Swiss **04 261 8935** **G7**

6 Eng Loh, Local Coffee Shop, Eggs and Toast, Penang Hawkers Food **04 261 5526** **E9**

7 Goh Huat Seng, Teochew Steamboat **04 261 5811** **F4**

8 Pak Hock, Hainanese Chicken Rice **010 465 8599** **E5**

9 Hainan Town, Straits Chinese **04 263 8633** **G11**

10 Hameediyah, Nasi Kandar and Indian Muslim **04 261 1095** **D3**

11 IL Bacaro, Venetian/Italian **04 261 8290** **F4**

12 Kimberley Street, Streetside Hawkers Food **F4**

13 Woodlands, Indian Vegetarian **04 263 9764** **E9**

14 Nasi Padang Minang, Indonesian **016 477 1237** **C2**

15 Pinang Peranakan, Straits Chinese **04 261 2269** **E11**

16 Quay Cafe, Chinese Vegetarian **012 403 6659** **F10**

17 Rainforest, Western-styled Bakery **04 261 4641** **F6**

18 Red Garden Food Court, Penang Hawkers Food **C5**

19 Shing Kheng Aun, Hokkien **04 261 4786** **E7**

20 Sri Wedd Food Court, Penang Hawkers Food **E11**

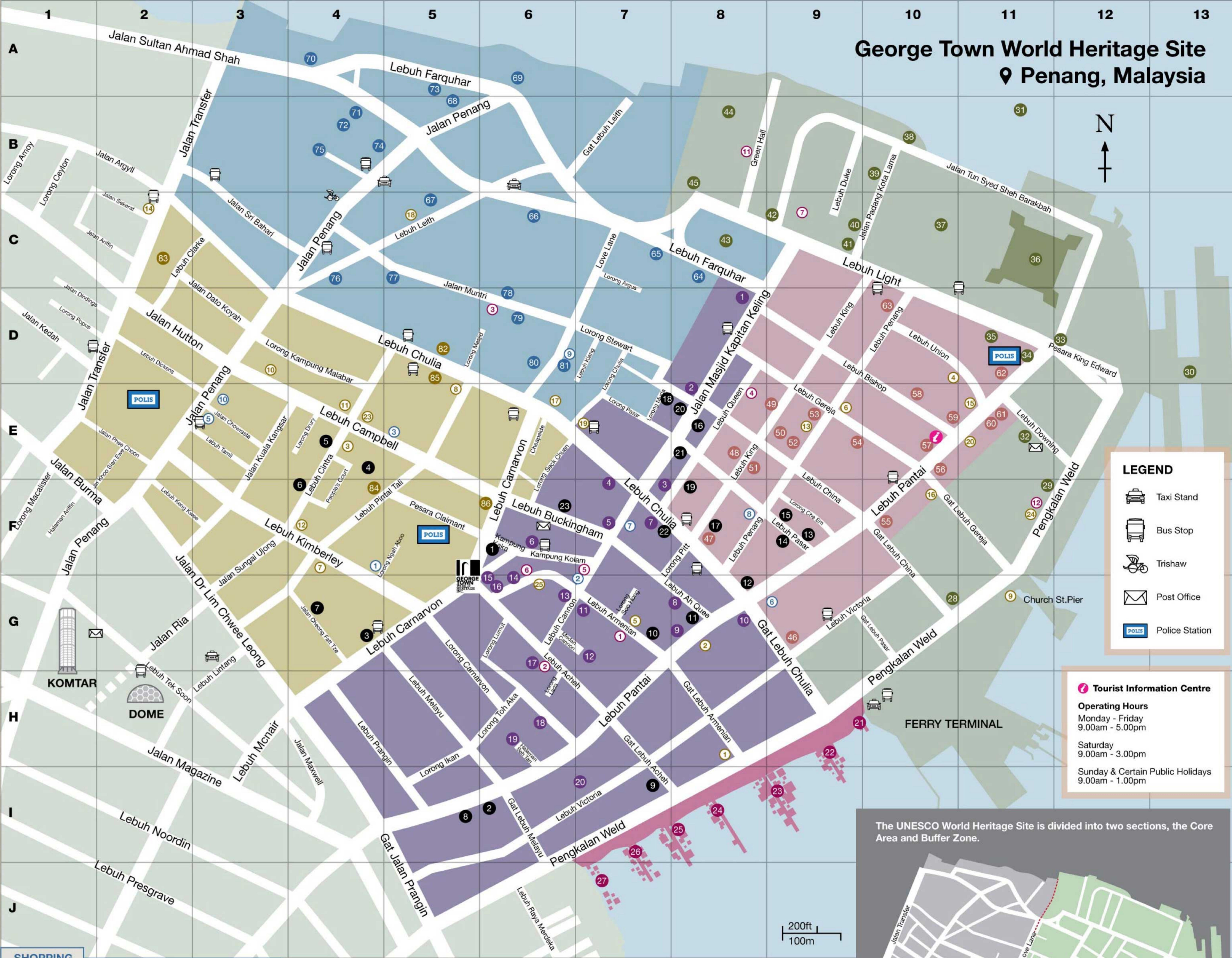
21 Thirty Two Mansion, Western Fusion **04 262 2232** **A4**

22 Toh Yuen, Cantonese, Dim Sum & Hainanese Chicken Rice **04 261 4672** **E4**

23 Via Pre, Italian **04 261 9800** **F11**

24 Jawi House **04 261 3680** **G6**

25 Yeng Keng, Hainanese **04 262 2177** **D5**



SHOPPING

- 1 Bee Chin Heong, Chinese prayer paraphernalia **04 261 4113** **F4**

2 China Joes, Eclectic homewears, gifts, antiques **04 262 7299** **G7**

3 Chinese Jewellers Enclave, Jewellery **E5**

4 D'Dapor, Malay **04 262 9323** **D10**

5 Edelweiss, Swiss **04 261 8935** **G7**

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GALLERIES & MUSEUMS

- 1 Batik Painting Museum **04 262 4800** **G7**

2 Ben's Vintage Toy Museum **017 696 6836** **G6**

3 Camera Museum **04 261 3649** **D6**

4 Chai Diam Ma, Art Gallery and Café **016 431 4452** **E8**

5 Studio Howard, Photo Art **016 551 1428** **F7**

6 Galeri Seni Mutiara, Paintings and Sculptures **04 262 0167** **F6**

7 Penang State Art Gallery **04 261 3144** **C9**

8 Straits Chinese Jewellery Museum **04 264 2929** **E9**

9 Penang State Museum **04 226 1461** **C8**

10 The House of Yeap Chor Ee, Straits Chinese Antiques **04 261 0190** **D10**

11 Pinaon Time Tunnel - The History Museum **04 261 9181** **E8**

12 Made in Penang Interactive Museum **04 262 6119** **F11**

USEFUL NUMBERS

When dialing from outside Malaysia, begin with +6.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

- Emergency

Emergency (when using mobile phone)

Operator service

Telephone directory assistance

Immigration

Penang Tourist Police

Police 24-Hour Hotline
- 999

112

100

103

04 250 3410

04 222 1522

04 269 1999

HOSPITALS

- Gleneagles Medical Centre

Penang Adventist Hospital

Lam Wah Ee Hospital

Island Hospital

Loh Guan Yee Specialists Centre

General Hospital
- 04 222 9111

04 222 7200

04 657 1888

04 228 8222

04 238 8888

04 222 5333

TOURISM INFORMATION

- State Tourism Office

Tourist Information Centre

Public Malaysia
- 04 650 5136

04 263 1166

04 261 0058

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

- Rapid Bus

Taxi Companies

Aswan

City Radio Taxi Service

Penang Taxi Drivers Association

Sunshine Radio Taxi Services

PP Radio Taxi Service
- 04 238 1313

04 210 8211

04 229 9467

04 262 5721

04 642 5961

04 281 8766

George Town World Heritage Site Penang, Malaysia

LEGEND

- Taxi Stand
- Bus Stop
- Trishaw
- Post Office
- Police Station

📍 Tourist Information Centre

Operating Hours

Monday - Friday
9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturday
9.00am - 3.00pm

Sunday & Certain Public Holidays
9.00am - 1.00pm

The UNESCO World Heritage Site is divided into two sections, the Core Area and Buffer Zone.



Total Land Area:
259.42ha

Buffer Zone

150.04 ha

The Core Zone is protected by 150.04 hectares of Buffer Zone bounded by the sea, Jalan Transfer on the west and Jalan Dr Lim Chwee Leong and Gat Jalan Prangin on the south west.

Core Area

109.38 ha

The Core Zone covers an area of 109.38 hectares, and contains more than 1,700 buildings. It is bounded by a coastline along the north and east, and by Love Lane to the north-west and Gat Lebu Melayu, Lorong Carnarvon and Lebu Carnarvon to the south-west corner.

INTRODUCTION

In 2008, Melaka and **George Town** under serial nomination were awarded the coveted title of World Heritage Site under the category of Cultural Heritage by the UNESCO World Heritage Committee. The "Historic Cities of the Straits of Malacca" were jointly recognised for the living multicultural heritage communities and architectural treasures.

Once a British trading post and settlement, the city of George Town is located on the North East quarter of Penang Island. Named after Britain's King George III, George Town is a cultural melting pot that bears rich influences from both its former British ties and the influx of immigrants from around the region that flocked to George Town in search of wealth and fortune.

In this visual guide, you will find a comprehensive listing of the sites of historic interest that make the city of George Town unique from its peers, a map indicating the locations of the sites listed and a short description of each site detailing their historical significance. Also included is a guide to the heritage trades that underpin the multicultural status of George Town.



OUTSTANDING UNIVERSAL VALUES

Justification for Inscription

"The Historic Cities of the Straits of Malacca : Melaka and **George Town**" both met the criteria of Outstanding Universal Values (OUV) as defined by the UNESCO World Heritage Committee. OUVs are a set of ideas or values which are universally recognised as important or as having influenced the evolution of mankind as a whole at one time or another.

- Melaka and **George Town** represent exceptional examples of multi-cultural trading towns in East and Southeast Asia, forged from the mercantile and civilization exchanges of Malay, Chinese, Indian and European cultures.

- Melaka and **George Town** are living testimony to the multi-cultural heritage and tradition of Asia, where the greatest religions, and cultures met. The coexistence of distinct faiths - both tangible and intangible - in particular the different religious buildings, is a testament to the religious pluralism of Asia.

- Melaka and **George Town** reflect the coming together of cultural elements from elsewhere in the Malay Archipelago and from India and China with those of Europe to create a unique architecture, culture and townscape without parallel anywhere in the East and South East Asia, in particular, a range and exceptional architecture of shophouses and townhouses.



↓ CULTURAL ENCLAVE ↓



1 St. George's Church
This is the oldest Anglican church in Southeast Asia, and will celebrate its bicentenary in 2018. **Tel: 04 261 2739**



2 Goddess of Mercy Temple
Reputedly the oldest Chinese temple in Penang, it was built in 1800 and controlled by equal Hokkien and Cantonese representation on the trustee board.



3 Sri Maha Mariamman Temple
It was a shrine in 1790s and was replaced by a temple in 1833. Temple expansion was carried out in 1933.

4 Noordin Family Mausoleum*
The mid-19th century mausoleum of Indian Muslim merchant Mohamed Merican Noordin which also housed a school for the Muslim community. He was buried here in 1870.



5 Kapitan Keling Mosque*
Built in 1803, the brick mosque was named after the Captain of the Indian Muslim community, Kapitan Keling Kadir Mydin Merican, who is recognised as its founder.

6 Kapitan Keling Family Mausoleum*
Comprising the graves of Kadir Mydin Merican (an Indian Muslim community leader and founder of the Kapitan Keling Mosque) and his family members.

7 Han Jiang Ancestral Temple
The Teochew community temple was built in 1864. It is the first Malaysian Chinese temple to use fibre optic and LED lighting for its decorative details. **Tel: 04 261 5629**

8 Lim Kongsi
The surname clan association temple's construction started in 1863 and was completed three years later. It is the parent of two other Lim clan associations in Penang.



9 Cheah Kongsi
It is one of the oldest Hokkien clan associations in Penang, established in 1810. The clan temple was completed in 1870s. **Tel: 04 261 3837**



10 Central Fire Station
Built in 1909, it remained as the Central Fire Station until 1964 when its role was taken over by the newly completed Perak Road Fire Station. External viewing.



Built on stilts over the sea, this traditional Chinese waterfront settlement was home to the city's early stevedores and fisherfolk. The Clan Jetties are a cherished and conserved element of George Town's cultural heritage legacy.

21 Ong Jetty
22 Lim Jetty
23 Chew Jetty

24 Tan Jetty
25 Lee Jetty

26 New Jetty
27 Yeoh Jetty

↓ THE WATERFRONT ↓



28 Customs Building
Then known as Federated Malay States Railway Station (completed in 1909), it had booking offices, a restaurant and a waiting hall for passengers boarding the train in Butterworth. External viewing.

29 Boustead and German Merchant Houses
Boustead & Co. (No. 1 Weld Quay) building construction began in 1891 and completed in 13 months. German merchant houses occupied from No. 2 to 5 Weld Quay. External viewing.

30 Swettenham Pier
Completed in 1904 at a cost of 640,000 Straits Dollars, large vessels such as liners were able to berth at the pier. External viewing.

31 Zhemchug Wreck Marker
A red buoy marks the site where the Russian cruiser wreck. Zhemchug was torpedoed by German cruiser SMS Emden at the Battle of Penang in 1914.

32 Bangunan Tuanku Syed Putra
Located on the site of a Japanese godown during the Japanese Occupation, the 10-storey building was completed in 1962, housing Federal and State departments. External viewing.

33 Queen Victoria Memorial Clock Tower

Penang millionaire Cheah Chen Eok paid for the building of the 60-ft tower to commemorate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. It was presented to George Town in 1902. External viewing.

34 Immigration Department Building
Built in 1890, it was a police administrative office with the Police Courts (present State Assembly Building) located next to it, forming part of the police complex. External viewing.

35 State Assembly Building
The mid-19th century building served as the Police Courts which was part of the Central Police Station. It became the State Assembly building in 1963. External viewing.



46 Yeoh Kongsi
The Yeoh clan association was founded in 1836 and it was in 1841 that the clan temple was built.

47 Nagore Durgha Shrine*
The shrine, built in 1800s, commemorates a 13th century Muslim Saint of Nagore, South India. Tamil Muslims from Tanjore, India, introduced the saint's shrine to Penang.

48 Chin Association
A Chin surname clan association of Toishan district, Guangdong, China. Building constructed in 1914. The association was established in 1876. **Tel: 04 261 6871**

49 Ensemble of Chinese Temples and Association Buildings
From north:
49a - Chung Shan Wool Koon
Established in early 1800s by clansmen from the Hsiao San district, Guangdong Province, China. The present building was completed in the mid-19th century. **Tel: 04 261 3097**

49b - King Street Tua Pek Kong Temple
The temple is controlled by Cantonese and Hakka dialect groups and is a branch of the Tua Pek Kong Temple in Tanjung Tokong.
49c - War Emperor's Temple
The Kwan Kong temple, dated back to late 1800s, is an annex of the Tai Shan Ningyang Wui Kwon. Kwan Kong is the clan's patron deity.

49d - Tai Shan Ningyang Wui Kwon
The association whose members have ancestral origins from Toishan district, Guangdong, China, occupied the administrative building and the temple since 1832. **Tel: 04 262 5295**
49e - Ng See Kah Miew
A 19th century building featuring Cantonese style architecture. Its members are Cantonese of the Ng (Mandarin: Wu) surname clan. **Tel: 04 262 5557**

50 Lee Association
Established in 1925, the clan association building for members with the surname Lee (Mandarin: Li) was renovated from a shophouse. **Tel: 04 262 7634**

51 Poe Choo Seah
The 19th century association, also called 'Baba Kongsi', comprised members who are Straits-born Chinese. The construction of the building was completed in 1893. **Tel: 04 262 9343**

52 Oh Kongsi
It is a surname clan association comprising three organizations: Tay Koon Oh Kongsi, Seh Foo Kongsi Ann Teng Tong, and Teng Bee Oh Toon Bok Tong. It was officially established only recently in 1988 and its members can trace their origin to their progenitor, Nian Ba Lang. **Tel: 04 262 0480**

53 Kwangtung and Tengchow Association

Members have ancestral origins from Guangdong province and Tengchow (Tingzhou) prefecture, Fujian, China. The present building was completed in 1941.

36 Fort Cornwallis
The original nibong palm stockade fort, built in 1786, was replaced by a brick structure complete with a moat in 1804-1805. The moat was filled up in 1922.

37 Esplanade
Penang Recreation and Cricket Clubs occupied the field till 1932. In 1908, the Cricket Club built a 2-storey pavilion to replace their old one and it was given up in 1940 to be demolished for the Esplanade to be returned to public use.

38 Cenotaph
In 1929, the cenotaph costing 12,000 Straits Dollars was unveiled on Armistice Day. It was damaged during Allied bombings in 1945 and was rebuilt three years later.

39 City Hall
Completed in 1903, the City Hall was occupied by the Municipal Council the following year. It was renovated for the first time in 1960 since its construction. External viewing.

40 Town Hall
Built for social functions such as weddings and parties, it was declared open in 1880. Its rooms were used as municipal offices until 1903. The building was also once used as a private college until its reinstatement as a venue for civic events after its restoration in 2005. External viewing.

41 Koh Seang Tat's Fountain
Philanthropist Koh Seang Tat donated the fountain in 1883. Koh's mansion was located at the site of Dewan Sri Pinang.

42 Logan Memorial
Erected in memory of James Richardson Logan by residents of the Straits Settlements in 1873. Logan was a pioneer for championing rights of non-whites.

43 Supreme Court Building
The court house was sited here since 1809 but the existing Supreme Court Building was only built in 1903. External viewing.

44 Government House
Built in late 18th century, it was occupied by the East India Company before being bought by Convent Light Street in 1859 and turned into a Novitiate.

45 Convent Light Street
Lays claim to being the oldest girls' school in Malaysia. Built on land first occupied by Francis Light for private and official residences. External viewing.

54 Pinang Peranakan Museum
Former residence of Hai San secret society leader Kapitan Cina Chung Keng Kwee (1821-1901). Built in late 1890s on the site of Ghee Hin secret society headquarters. **Tel: 04 264 2929**

55 George Town Dispensary
Established in 1889 and the existing building was erected in 1926, it had physician's consultation rooms and laboratories. It also supplied imported chemicals and drugs. External viewing.

56 India House
Built by S.N.A.S. Sockalingam Chettiar in 1937, the commercial building served as United States Information Service (USIS) information centre between 1951 and 1970. External viewing.



57 Whiteaways Arcade
Opened in 1903, the British departmental store chain shared its premises with other companies. It moved to another building along Lebuh Bishop by 1914.

58 Sun Wui Wui Koon
Established in 1870s, the Cantonese district clan association members have ancestral origins in Sanwui (Xinhui) district in Guangdong, China. **Tel: 04 261 5918**

59 Logan Heritage Building
It was originally a three-storey building when constructed in 1880s and had the uppermost floor levelled because of its structural instability in 1930s.

60 Former ABN-Amro Bank
The Dutch bank building was opened in 1905. It was first established as a branch of the Netherlands Trading Society bank in 1888.

61 HSBC Bank
First opened its Penang branch in 1884, HSBC moved to the present site in 1906. However, it was destroyed during World War II and was rebuilt soon after the war.

62 Standard Chartered Bank
First started in 1875 at Downing Street, it acquired the present site (part of the Central Police Station) in 1924 and officially opened in 1930.



63 House of Yeap Chor Ee
It was barber-to-banker Yeap Chor Ee's home for many years until he moved into Homestead mansion along Jalan Sultan Ahmad Shah in 1930s. **Tel: 04 261 0190**

↓ LEISURE ZONE ↓



64 Penang State Museum
Built for Penang Free School in 1836. It moved to Jalan Masjid Negeri in 1928. Hutching School then occupied until 1964 when Penang State Museum took over. **Tel: 04 226 1461**

65 Church of the Assumption
With the church's origins dating back to 1786, the present church building was first constructed in 1860. Extensively remodelled in 1929, the church was lucky to escape World War II with just a few broken glass windows.

66 St. Xavier's Institution
The oldest Roman Catholic boys school in Malaysia, founded by De La Salle Brothers in 1852. It was bombed during World War II and rebuilt in 1954. External viewing.



67 Cheong Fatt Tze Mansion
The mansion was built by Cheong Fatt Tze, one of the richest industrialists in Southeast Asia, in 1897 and completed seven years later. **Tel: 04 262 0006**



68 The Garage
It once was the Wearne Brothers (Malaya) Ltd.'s business premise which sold cars like Morris, British Leyland, Austin, and Holden. Occupied by a furniture company in 1980s, it is now restored to accommodate bistros, specialty shops and boutiques.



69 Eastern & Oriental Hotel
Built in 1885, the hotel had more than 100 rooms. In 1927, it claimed that its 842-foot seafront was "the longest of any hotel in the world". **Tel: 04 222 2000**

70 Leong Yin Kean Mansion
The mansion, built in 1926, was owned by Leong Yin Kean who is the son of Leong Fee, a tin magnate. **Tel: 04 261 0289**



71 Protestant Cemetery
The oldest Christian cemetery in Penang with more than 400 graves dating between 1789 and 1892, belonging to people of various ethnicities.

72 Catholic Cemetery
The late 18th century Catholic cemetery has more than 200 graves with some of Infant Jesus Sisters and De La Salle Brothers buried there.



82 Yeng Keng Hotel & Gateway
The mid-1800s building was acquired by a Cantonese club in 1897. A wall, a gateway, and a Chinese courtyard were then added to it. **Tel: 04 262 2177**

83 Dato Koyah Shrine
Syed Mustapha Idris, better known as Dato Koya, was the founder of the shrine which was built in 1800s. He was considered a saint among convict labourers. External viewing.

84 Meng Eng Soo
When the government banned secret societies in 1890, the Ghee Hin secret society leaders sold or transferred all the society properties and dissolved the society. They then acquired this building and named it 'Meng Eng Soo' to enshrine the ancestral tablets of their leaders.

85 Campbell Street Market



73 Mission Houses
Served as a Protestant church in late 1876 till 1938 when it moved to new premises as the Burnham Road Gospel Hall.



74 Segara Ninda
Named 'Segara Ninda' by Tengku Baharudin Tengku Meh (1848-1932), an Administrator of Setul, Thailand, in early 1900s. His export business was at this bungalow until his death. **Tel: 04 262 8748**

75 St. Francis Xavier's Church
Founded for Tamil-speaking Catholics in 1857, the present church building, a presbytery and a school were completed in 1952.

76 Benggali Mosque
The present mosque, constructed in 1958, is standing on the site of an older one built in 1803. The mosque served Indian-Muslims from Bengali, hence called 'Benggali mosque'. External viewing.

77 Hainan Association & Temple
The association was established in 1866 for Hainanese clansmen and it moved into the present building upon its completion in 1895. **Tel: 04 262 3752**

78 Shao Lin Association
Master Sik Koh Sum was in Penang between 1955 to 1960. In 1955, he restored Shuang Qing Si. He set up the Penang Sao Lin Athletic Association at 42 Muntri Street in 1956. **Tel: 04 261 2013**



79 Ta Kam Hong
The Goldsmith Association was established in 1832. Its current premise at Muntri Street was built in 1903. **Tel: 04 262 5672**

80 Loo Pun Hong
Also called Luban Gumiao, the guild-temple for carpenters and builders was built in 1886 with Loo Pun as their patron saint. **Tel: 04 261 6663**



81 Soon Tuck Wooi Kwon
A Cantonese district association of Soon Tuk ('Shunde' as spelt in Mandarin) District, Guangdong Province, China. It was established in 1838. **Tel: 04 261 7167**



85 Ng Fook Tong
Founded in 1850s, it serves as an association (building constructed in 1898) for the 12 districts of Guangzhou Prefecture. **Tel: 04 261 8620**



8 Rattan Weaver
This shop which sells, repairs, stocks rattan and bamboo items such as baskets, chairs and rocking chairs was established in 1940s. Mr Sim Buck Telk. **Tel: 016 454 5686**

◆ HERITAGE TRADERS ◆



1 Signboard Carver
Carves signboards, ancestral tablets and Chinese deities. Signboards are placed over the front door of traditional Chinese businesses and homes. Mr Lee Chee Chong. **Tel: 018 463 4008**



2 Chinese Seal Cutter and Calligrapher
Mr Ng carves traditional stone seals that are used by businessmen, traders, and calligraphy artists on official documents and works of art. Mr Ng Chai Tiam. **Tel: 017 478 2878**



3 Paper Oblation Craftsman
A paper craft maker for Chinese ritual offerings associated with funerals, deities' birthdays and festivals. Mr Loh Ah Ban. **Tel: 04 261 5292**

4 Pastry Baker (Coconut Tarts)
The bakery shop produces coconut tarts, kuih bahu, pepper biscuits, and Cantonese-style kuih which are traditionally given to relatives before a wedding. Mr Leong How Kang. **Tel: 016 401 9211**



5 Pak Tong Kou and Hum Chim Peng Maker
The only surviving pak tong kou (steamed rice flour cakes) maker in George Town. Also makes hum chim peng (deep fried pancake). Mr Yee Kok Heng. **Tel: 016 487 6423**

6 Kapok Pillow and Mattress Maker
Pillow, mattress and bolster coverings are stitched and then filled with cotton-like material obtained from the kapok tree. Mdm Chin Kim Foong. **Tel: 016 434 7933**

7 Coffee Roaster
Coffee beans are roasted with sugar, margarine, salt and sesame. They are then ground and packed in the shop for distribution. Kun Kee Food Industries. **Tel: 04 261 2288**



15 Hindu Religious Goods and Indian Kitchenware Retailer
Has been in the business for more than 60 years and specialises in Hindu religious items for specific needs. Kanganam Trading. **Tel: 016 455 8350**



16 Indian Goldsmith
M. Thana's Goldsmith is the last of goldsmiths which sells only jewelry that are crafted using traditional methods in George Town. The business was established in 1923. Ms Thanalanxi Veerappan. **Tel: 04 263 3541**

8 Rattan Weaver



17 Songkok Maker
Mr Haja Mohideen is the second generation of songkok makers, making songkoks, fezz, and karzi (a traditional Northern Indian headress). Mr Haja Mohideen. **Tel: 04 263 1290**



18 Joss Stick Maker
Mr. Lee Beng Chuan has been handcrafting incense and joss sticks since 1953 using powdered sandalwood, sticky powder from the Teja tree and sawdust. Sandalwood incense sticks and cones are available for purchase as souvenirs. Mr Lee Beng Chuan. **Tel: 04 262 7325**



19 Nasi Kandar Sellers
Traditionally, pots of rice (nasi) and curry were carried on a pole (kandar) and sold around town. The trade evolved into chain-style restaurants and smaller, family-run establishments. Restoran Tajuddin Hussain. **Tel: 04 262 5367**; Restoran Sultania. **Tel: 04 263 6744**; Restaurant A. Dawood. **Tel: 04 263 0078**



20 Flower Garland Makers
Traditional garland making was brought to Penang by Indian immigrants. Garlands and fresh flowers are used as offerings at temples, churches and private homes.



21 Money Changer and Numismatic Dealer
Besides being a licensed money-changer, Mr Ameer Hamsa also deals with antique notes and coins. His father established the business in 1940. M.S.K.M. Mohamed Haniffa Forex. **Tel: 04 261 0786**



22 Sarong and Textile Traders
Textile and sarong traders sourced their stock locally as well as from countries in the region. Paraphernalia for Hajj pilgrims are also sold. Syarikat Medina Store. **Tel: 04 261 2354**; Fazal Mohammed Bros.. **Tel: 04 261 2029**



23 Publisher of Islamic Books
Percetakan Almuarif, first started in 1964, is the largest publisher of Islamic books, including the Koran in Malaysia. Percetakan Almuarif. **Tel: 04 261 4139**

*Best to visit in between the 5 Muslim daily prayers: 10am-1pm, 2-4pm, 5-7pm.

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