

DEBUT OF THE "FULLERTON MONUMENTAL MENU" SETS THE STAGE FOR A UNIQUE DINING EXPERIENCE IN A NATIONAL MONUMENT



SINGAPORE, 23 May 2016 – In commemoration of the gazette of The Fullerton Hotel as Singapore's 71st National Monument, Jade Restaurant's Chef Leong Chee Yeng unveils the "Fullerton Monumental Menu" on 1 June 2016. Diners are invited to partake of this six-course dinner menu in the restaurant's historic setting.

Once home to Singapore's General Post Office (GPO) and several government departments where some of Singapore's pioneer leaders began their careers, The Fullerton Hotel Singapore was unveiled in 1928 as a grand Neo-classical building situated at the mouth of the Singapore River. A 90-metre-long postal counter, reputed to be the longest in the world, once stood at the entrance of the building and stretched to where Jade Restaurant is located



today. The sound of communication and commerce from days of old once travelled through the restaurant's lofty ceiling, where the patterned wall tiles and cornices remain today.

Drawing inspiration from the rich heritage of the building and its surrounding historic district, each of Chef Leong's creations brings to mind a facet of Singapore's history. From the selection of ingredients to the plating design and naming of each dish, Chef Leong aims to elicit vivid memories of the past through a sensory dining experience.

Some of the highlights of the menu include "河畔小調" (By the Riverside), which draws reference from the Singapore River; the lifeline of Singapore in the early days. A sea of activities once took place at the riverside where bumboats and *tongkangs* plied the banks, against a backdrop of merchants trading, workers toiling and children playing. The dish consists of Singapore's favourite Chilli Crab Meat with Mini "Man Tou", paired with Stir-fried Morning Glory with Baby Squid in Fermented Bean Curd and Deep-fired Spring Onion Crispy Prawn.

"石情石美" (Beauty in Stone) is inspired by the timeless quality of the majestic Fullerton Building. Built as a palatial Neo-classical structure, the Fullerton Building was constructed from grey Aberdeen granite. The building's most prominent East façade was designed to face the harbour and make a strong impression on travellers arriving in Singapore in the early days. Behind its high walls, unfolding stories, memories and narratives took place within the building since colonial days, from pre-war till modern era. The dish is aptly named as Braised Abalone and Deep-fried Fish Maw stuffed with Shrimp Paste in Rich Broth are served on Stone Ware.

Another menu highlight features "鉄桥深情" (Bridges of Steel), and it consists of Golden Fried Pork Ribs in Garlic Flavour served with Spicy Pickled Cabbage. The dish pays tributes to two of the oldest iconic bridges of Singapore – Cavenagh Bridge and Anderson Bridge. Both bridges are representative of the deep connections and ties forged among the forefathers of Singapore, who had endured hardship and persevered through the tumultuous times.

Harking back to Fullerton Building's glorious history as a GPO, the final course "家信蜜语" **(Letters from Home)** is representative of the joy and bliss experienced when one receives a long-awaited letter or parcel from a loved one. With the use of aerogramme on wafer



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biscuits, Chef Leong deftly recreates the sentiment of nostalgia where letter writing and mails used to be the main mode of communication across distances.

The "Fullerton Monumental Menu" is available at \$88++** per person, subject to service charge and prevailing government taxes; from 6.30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

For reservations and enquiries, please contact Dining Reservations at (65) 6877 8911 / 8912 or visit www.fullertonhotel.com/dining

Please refer to Annex A for the full menu.

ABOUT THE FULLERTON HOTEL SINGAPORE

Gazetted as Singapore's 71st National Monument by the National Heritage Board, The Fullerton Hotel Singapore is a luxury hotel with 400 rooms and suites. Once home to the General Post Office, The Singapore Club and the Chamber of Commerce, the hotel is carefully designed to provide both business and leisure travellers with a sanctuary of serenity and comfort in which to retreat and rejuvenate. Dynamically located in the heart of the financial and arts districts, the hotel successfully blends rich heritage with contemporary style and personalised service to offer guests a world-class accommodation experience. Epicureans can enjoy a delectable array of dining selections. There are a total of 5 restaurants and bar in the hotel, namely Town Restaurant which presents local and international buffets and an a la carte menu, Jade features authentic Chinese cuisine, The Courtyard offers Indian buffet, Japanese buffet and Afternoon Tea, and The Lighthouse Restaurant & Rooftop Bar with breathtaking views of the bay serves authentic Italian cuisine. **Post Bar**, which features the original ceiling and pillars of the General Post Office, is the popular choice amongst the trendy elite.

Aside from the dining selections, The Fullerton Hotel also features an exquisite and intimate retail wing. Guests seeking rejuvenation can pamper themselves with the indulgent treatments at The Fullerton Spa. <u>www.fullertonhotel.com</u>

ABOUT TENG ENSEMBLE

The critically-acclaimed TENG Ensemble bridges the traditional and contemporary with the use of technology and a sound that is current, innovative, visionary and urban-guided by Asian aesthetics. The ensemble's works highlight the significance of Singapore's songs and places in shaping the Singaporean sensibility of today. By revisiting heritage songs and presenting them in a contemporary way, the ensemble also aims to spark interest in the modern of South-east Asian music and its in history place the world. http://www.thetengcompany.com/



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ANNEX A

富丽敦旧情怀食单 The Fullerton Monumental Menu 6.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. daily

In commemoration of the gazette of The Fullerton Hotel Singapore as Singapore's 71st National Monument on 7th December 2015, Chef Leong Chee Yeng has created a Monumental Menu to reflect on the rich heritage of this historic building. Taste the flavor of nostalgia as you partake of this 6-course menu.

河畔小調

星洲辣汁蟹肉伴小馒头,腐乳蕹菜小鲜魷,香葱酥虾脆 Singapore Chilli Crab Meat with Mini "Man Tou" Stir-fried Morning Glory with Baby Squid in Fermented Bean Curd Deep-fried Spring Onion Crispy Prawn

This course is inspired by the Singapore River, the lifeline of Singapore in the early days. A sea of activities once took place at the riverside where bumboats and tongkangs plied the banks and the area was alive with the sound of merchants trading, workers toiling and children playing.

石情石美

石鍋百花鱼鳔鲍鱼浓汤 Braised Abalone and Deep-fried Fish Maw stuffed with Shrimp Paste in Rich Broth served in Stone Ware

The Fullerton Building is a majestic palatial Neo-classical structure constructed from grey Aberdeen granite. This dish is inspired by the timeless beauty of the building and symbolises the unfolding stories, memories and narratives which took place within the building since colonial days, from pre-war till modern era.

木船歌颂

养头豆酱蒸海斑 Steamed Sea Grouper with Pickled Leek and Spiced Bean Paste Sauce

With the bustling maritime trade as a backdrop, this course is a culinary narrative linked to the trading ships and boats that sailed through the Singapore harbour; bringing with them treasures from around the world.



鉄桥深情

黄金蒜香长骨 Golden Fried Pork Ribs in Garlic Flavour served with Spicy Pickled Cabbage

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两代相连

古早味大河虾焖两面 Simmered Duo Noodles paired with River King Prawn

Created with two different types of noodles, this dish symbolises the continuity of legacies from the former generation to the next as Singapore continues to flourish as a young nation.

家信蜜语

香芒椰雪花伴榴櫣糯米滋, 琉璃香蕉 Shaved Coconut Ice with Mango accompanied with Durian Glutinous Rice Ball and Honey Caramelised Banana

Harking back to Fullerton Building's history as a General Post Office, this final course is representative of the joy and bliss experienced when one receives a long awaited letter from a loved one.