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# **Review: KēSa House, Singapore**

Originally a row of shophouses, KeSa House has been repainted with a aquamarine colour to sport a more vibrant and modern look

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# **1** Restored heritage in a hip neighbourhood

▲ • Made up of 10 renovated shophouses along Keong Saik Road in Chinatown, KēSa House is a flexibleliving concept that offers 60 rooms and a series of enticing dining establishments. Designed by Florian Sander of iThink Consulting Group, a boutique hospitality consulting firm, this modern "accommodation solution" is a mix of old and new – as part of the renovation, its traditional shophouse façade was refreshed with a coat of aquamarine paint for a modern, vibrant look.



Shared spaces in KeSa house allows for interaction between guests

# **7** Shared spaces for all types of travellers

Guests can expect a range of room configurations designed to suit their travel needs. The Studio offers an equipped kitchenette and couch area for longer stays, and those on a shorter trip might opt for the loft-like Sky Room, which has a skylight offering natural lighting. As the rooms were designed with such flexible living arrangements in mind, the amenities are provided in a more sustainable manner, such as large bottles of Ashley & Co soaps and shampoos, and fewer disposable items such as slippers.

Shared spaces in KēSa House include a kitchen, outdoor terrace and indoor lounge on the second floor where guests can interact with each other, or simply unwind after a long day.



KēSa House boasts numerous shared spaces, including a kitchen

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A host of dining options
Surrounded by some of the city's busiest restaurants, it makes sense that KēSa House is also a destination for foodies. On the ground floor, The Affogato Lounge serves up hearty breakfast paninis, as well as decadent coffee-infused cocktails in the evenings. Among the property's establishments are the Singapore brand of Hong Kong's award-winning cocktail bar, The Old Man, artisanal pasta restaurant Pasta Bar, Mediterranean dining place Olivia and popular watering hole The Guild.



The location is perfect for exploring some of Singapore's cultural districts

**Explore the city on foot** KēSa House's convenient location makes it easy for those looking to explore some of Singapore's most well-known areas on foot. The property is about a 10-minute walk from Chinatown or Outram Park MRT stations, and within walking distance to popular food hubs like Ann Siang Hill, Maxwell Hawker Centre and Bukit Pasoh Road. They'll also provide you with a map with easy-to-follow directions.

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