

## Media Advisory

### Refreshed Surrender Chambers to reopen with free admission, as part of Fort Siloso enhancements

- *Fort Siloso's main entrance shifts to Skywalk for better accessibility*
- *New self-guided walking trails for closer look at Fort's history*

**SINGAPORE, 5 JUNE 2017** – To mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fall of Singapore during World War II (WWII), the revamped Surrender Chambers at Fort Siloso will re-open on 8 June 2017 with a refreshed exhibition and free admission, marking the completion of a three-month redevelopment of the Fort to allow locals and tourists to enjoy greater guest experiences and develop a deeper understanding of Singapore's history.

Among various highlights, the refreshed exhibition will feature interactive story-telling through enhanced graphics, visual and audio elements integrated with the iconic waxworks of Japanese and British soldiers at the surrender ceremony in 1942. Up to 15 guests will move through the exhibition area for a 15-minute tour guided by audio and visual effects.

Around the Fort, signages have also been refreshed to improve wayfinding for guests, and facilitate self-guided tours as guests explore Singapore's only preserved coastal fort. Other key enhancements at Fort Siloso include the strengthening of accessibility through a relocation of its main visitor entrance. Guests will now start their Fort Siloso exploration via the scenic Skywalk, located at the start of Fort Siloso Road, with easy access via Sentosa buses, the intra-island Sentosa Line of the *Singapore Cable Car Sky Network*, and Siloso Beach Trams. Prior to the redevelopment, the Fort's main entrance had been located at the deeper end of Fort Siloso Road.

As one of the three key forts built in Sentosa during the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Fort Siloso stood as a key defence point for the British against sea invasion by the Japanese during the WWII. Today, it is Singapore's only preserved coastal fort, with a rich memorabilia of pre-WWII and WWII-era guns, as well as remains of fortified military structures and tunnels.

With the new enhancements to Fort Siloso, guests now have the choice of embarking on two self-guided walking trails for a closer look at the series of events that took place at the Fort, starting from the Fort Siloso Skywalk: the Heritage Trail highlights stories of the lives of soldiers and prisoners of war during the Japanese Occupation. The Gun Trail, provides guests with insights into the military guns and defence weapons used by the British during WWII.

Completing the historic journey at Fort Siloso is the revamped Surrender Chambers, an iconic exhibition that presents visitors with the highlights from the fall of Singapore and its journey to independence.

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## Visitor Information

Attraction	Admission Fee	Opening Hours
<b>Fort Siloso &amp; Surrender Chambers</b>	Free	10am – 6pm daily
<b>Fort Siloso Skywalk</b>		9am – 7pm daily

## Images & Map of Fort Siloso

For high resolution images, please download them at <http://sentosa.link/fortsiloso2017>.

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The Surrender Chambers at Fort Siloso will re-open on 8 June 2017 with a refreshed exhibition featuring interactive story-telling through enhanced graphics, visual and audio elements.



Visitors will begin their journey in the Surrender Chambers learning about the Fall of Singapore in WWII, with the British surrender.



The iconic waxworks of British and Japanese soldiers at the surrender ceremonies during World War II remains the key focus, as guests explore the chambers to experience these milestones in Singapore’s history.



Enhanced map and way-finding signage at Fort Siloso.



The Fort Siloso Experience now begins at the scenic SkyWalk.



Enhanced way-finding and signage will help guest self-navigate through Fort Siloso.



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