

DINING OUT

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L-D daily. When's the last time you went out for a nice, romantic Peranakan nibble? Don't worry, it's a Singapore-based blend of Malaysian and Chinese cuisine that will seem a lot more familiar than it sounds. Regardless, it's delicious. Pumpkin soup has a spicy kick, mango-and-halibut salad with lemongrass vinaigrette is exquisite, and drunken shrimp are tender. For ballast, the beef-and-eggplant curry is luxuriously rich. On the dessert front, banana rolls might be as exotic as you want to get—unless you're into slippery herbal jellies in coconut milk. Full bar. (\$\$) Peranakan

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