

**MURASAKI'S
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MACAU

2006 EDITION



**INCLUDES:
TRIP PLANNING TIPS
COMPLETE MONGERING INFO
MAPS, HOTELS, & MORE**

OVERVIEW

Macau is a tiny place dwarfed by a massive nation. It sits on the southern coast of China, directly across the Pearl River delta from her sister, the rather more reknown Hong Kong. It is known as the Las Vegas of Asia, for it has a number of casinos, and the number of them is rapidly expanding. Of more interest to the hombre reading this user manual is the fact that Macau also has a rather large mongering scene. It is one of the better places to get laid in Asia. Hopefully this manual will prepare the intrepid traveler should they decide to sample the delights on offer in this former colonial outpost.

Both Macau and Hong Kong are Special Administrative Regions (SAR's) of China. This means they are part of China, but are administered separately by quasi-independent governmental bodies. As a consequence, both Macau and Hong Kong offer visa-free travel to tourists, which is definitely not the case for the mainland.

Everyone knows that Hong Kong was a British colony until 1997. Not so many are aware that Macau was a Portuguese colony for over 400 years; it was returned to Chinese control in 1999. Macau consists of three areas; the peninsula area, which everyone just calls Macau, is where most everything is located of any concern to a mongerer. This guide focuses on the peninsula.

Macau also has two islands within its borders (actually they've become one due to landfill between them), Taipa and Coloane. Macau airport lies on Taipa island (see map to the right). Taipa is currently connected to Macau by three bridges.



The 2006 Edition of Murasaki's User Manual to Macau was prepared especially for Club Hombre. Caveat: Things change. While the information contained within this guide was accurate when collected, that may not be the case when you arrive. Prices go up, businesses move or close, the police crack down, and so on. As a consequence, the author takes no responsibility should you find any item to be inaccurate once you are on the ground in Macau. Updates and new discoveries should be posted in the Macau thread on discus. That will allow the author to investigate for future editions of this guide.

PLANNING YOUR TRIP

WHEN TO GO

The best days of the week to visit Macau are Sunday through Thursday. Hotel prices go up, and rooms get scarce, on Friday and Saturday nights due to the influx of weekend visitors from Hong Kong.

There are also two main events a year that will pack the city and drive prices up. They are Chinese New Year, which occurs around late January to mid-February, depending on the lunar calendar, and the Macau Grand Prix, which happens every year sometime in mid-November.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

Pretty much anyone from a developed country doesn't require a visa for Macau. It's a "show up and show your passport" kind of place. Most visitors are granted entry for 30 days.

LANGUAGE

Although Macau is a former Portuguese colony, don't get your hopes up should you speak that language. The Portuguese community is small, and seems to be congregated on Taipa and Coloane islands. Cantonese is the lingua franca among the Macanese, and Mandarin is the dominant language spoken by the working girls.

However, don't fret, as you can easily get by with English. Many people have at least rudimentary English skills. Servers in restaurants, hotel reception staff, and many sauna papasans, among others, speak fine English. Traffic and information signs everywhere are in English, Chinese and Portuguese. Few of the Chinese working girls will understand much English, so expect to negotiate with your fingers. More on this later in the mongering section.

GETTING THERE & AWAY

Most visitors arrive from Hong Kong on one of the high-speed ferries. Ferries to Macau can be taken from either Hong Kong International airport, or from one of two piers in Hong Kong itself: Kowloon or Hong Kong Island. Jetfoils run from the island, while

high-speed catamarans run out of Kowloon. One way tickets run about \$140-160 HK, with a slight discount available if you purchase a round-trip in advance. Note that you can't change the dates on round-trip tickets, making them useless if you want to extend your visit. One way tickets are the way to go, as they provide you with maximum flexibility. The cataramans take about an hour; the jetfoils a bit less.

Macau also has an airport with direct flights to a number of destinations in China and Southeast Asia. There are direct flights to Bangkok on Air Asia, and to Angeles City and Singapore on Tiger Airways at the time this manual was written.

GETTING AROUND

You have three options for maneuvering around the peninsula area of Macau: your feet, buses, and taxis.

Macau is not that big, and it is a great walking city once you get into the older parts. From the hotel area over by the Lisboa, one can walk down to the girlie hotels area on the west side in about 20 minutes. Personally, I walk a lot in Macau, and utilize taxis to get out to places like Hot Spot or the airport.

Taxis are plentiful and inexpensive. Not many drivers comprehend English, so it's good to have a dual English/Chinese map to point out where you want to go, or the business card of your intended destination. Of course you can also ask your hotel staff to write down your destination for you on a piece of paper.

If you're on a really strict budget, buses are very cheap. You can pick up a bus route map at one of the tourist information counters. I rarely ride the buses in Macau, given the close proximity of most things, and the low fares of taxis for the outer reaches. If you visit Taipa Village, or go out to Coloane, you may want to consider the bus, as taxis do get a bit expensive going that far out.

MONEY

The currency in Macau is the pataca. However, Hong Kong dollars are accepted everywhere (the only exception is that no one will accept the HK \$10 coin, and some shops don't like any HK coins at all – but everyone loves the HK paper money). The

pataca is pegged to the HK dollar, so they are pretty much identical in value.

ATMs are plentiful and provide you with the option of withdrawing in patacas or HK dollars. I always choose the Hong Kong dollar option. For those of you with Bank of America accounts, they have two branches with ATMs in Macau that I know of. Withdrawing cash with your ATM/debit card incurs no fees when you use these ATMs.

One branch is on Avenida do Almeida Ribeiro, just down from the post office, which itself is next to the Largo do Senado. The other branch is located on the ground floor of the Landmark Plaza hotel, on the left corner if you are standing facing the entrance. HSBC and Citibank also have branches in Macau.

BOOKING ACCOMMODATION

There are numerous hotels to choose from in Macau. If you are visiting on Sunday through Thursday night, it's pretty easy to simply show up and bag a room (except for Grand Prix week and Chinese New Year), so no need to worry about making reservations online. I have personally never booked a room in advance for my visits to Macau.

The best method for arranging your accommodation upon arrival is to use the travel agents inside the ferry terminal, if arriving from Hong Kong (they also have branches at the airport after you exit customs). In the ferry terminal, the travel agents are located outside the exit from customs, to the right of the information office, just around the corner.

Be prepared to pay the full cost of your stay up front to the travel agent. They will issue you a voucher, which you present to the hotel reception when checking in. Note that if you want to extend your stay, you must go to any travel agency to do so if you want to get a discounted rate. The nicer hotels will charge you rack rates if you extend with the reception desk.

If you are taking a ferry from Hong Kong, some travel agencies in Hong Kong offer Macau hotel packages that include a discounted visit to the hotel's sauna. However, I think you will get cheaper room rates from the Macau agencies.

Note: On my last trip, I booked my rooms with one of the agents at the airport. She threw in a free ride to the hotel as part of the deal. Her colleague drove me in a nice Honda mini-van. I have no idea why, but it saved me one cab fare.

INTERNET ACCESS

Internet cafes are not very plentiful in Macau, and Club Hombre is filtered out by many of them. The best place, with good prices, is Explorer Internet Café. It is open 24 hours and is owned/operated by Filipinos. Most all of the clientele are from the PI or Indonesia, plus some stray tourists. The best thing about them is that you can access Club Hombre with no problems.

Explorer is located at 273 Rua Nova a Guia. They are not too far from the main hotel district, about a 10 minute walk. I have marked Explorer's location on the main hotel district map, which appears later in this manual.

Note: Explorer used to be called "First Quadrant", which I discussed in my second Macau trip report. They changed addresses and names since my last visit to Macau.

TOURIST INFORMATION

The Macanese government maintains a couple of tourism offices that provide tons of brochures, some great maps of Macau, and English-speaking staff to answer questions. One office is located in the ferry terminal. It is dead ahead of you on the ground floor, as you exit from immigration/customs.

The other office is located in Senado Square in the heart of the city. There is a branch at the airport, but it was closed when I arrived in the middle of the afternoon, so I have doubts about how often they staff it (maybe just for the weekends). Macau also maintains a website for tourists, at www.macautourism.gov.mo.

WEATHER

Macau has hot and humid summers running from May to September. Winters are fairly dry and cool, but it rarely gets really cold. If visiting from November to March, you'll want a light jacket, especially for the evenings. But you may find days

even then where a short-sleeved shirt is fine.

In case you've never been to China or Hong Kong before, be prepared to not see the sky during your stay. China has the worst air pollution in the world, with incredible smog. Much of it blows over Macau, so get used to hazy, steel gray skies.

Note: If visiting during a time of year when you would naturally wear shorts due to the heat, be advised that you will be barred entry to the casinos, as shorts on men violate their dress code. They're ok for women.

ELECTRICITY (PLUG TYPES)

Electrical outlets in Macau require prongs identical to those in Hong Kong. I haven't found a hotel room yet that had outlets that could accommodate the type of plugs we have in North America. You may want to purchase a plug converter in HK or Macau (I have one) at some point in time. Otherwise, you may be able to borrow a plug converter from your hotel reception desk.

SAFETY

This is a non-issue. Macau is very safe. Take the typical travel precautions (don't make yourself an easy target for pick-pockets, etc.) and you'll be fine. I've been out at all hours of the day and night and never encountered a problem. If you are the kind of beast that gets drunk and beats up working girls, please note that the Triads (Chinese mafia) are heavily involved in the prostitution scene and you will most likely really regret what you did after they get a hold of you.

GAMBLING

This is what Macau is all about. It's the Las Vegas of Asia. Macau is going through a huge gambling boom at the moment, and the ante has been upped by some Vegas casinos that managed to get licenses for Macau. The biggest and best casino is the Sands. Steve Wynn will be opening his new mega casino later in 2006. The Lisboa, for a long time the largest sucker den in Macau, is now showing its age. Consequently they are in the process of building a brand new complex across the street. A few other mega-casinos are on the docket as well. Many of the bigger hotels have their own

casinos, though most of these are on the small side.

Besides the usual games one would encounter in Vegas, Macau offers some very peculiar Chinese games that are rather interesting to watch. A stroll around the gaming floor at the Sands can be quite an educational and cultural experience in and of itself.

SLEEPING

Hotels are plentiful in Macau; however, be prepared to pay a bit more than what you may be used to in other locations in Southeast Asia. Rates should run you between \$50-80 US per night, more if you opt for luxury. There are not many budget places available. If money is truly a factor, try the East Asia Hotel. Don't expect to sleep well if you do.

Following is a list of hotels located in the main areas of Macau. See the map for locations. There are a number of hotels on Taipa as well, but for mongering purposes they are too far off the beaten track.

MAIN HOTEL DISTRICT AND ENVIRONS

Beverly Plaza
Emperor
Fortuna
Grandeur
Guia
Holiday Inn
Kingsway
Landmark Plaza
Lisboa
Mandarin Oriental
Presidente
Royal
Sands
Sintra

WEST SIDE

East Asia
Masters
Sun Sun

EATING

Macau has a lot of decent grub to offer the gastronomic mongerer. The three main cuisines available are Portuguese, Chinese, and Macanese, which is a blend of the first two. However, there are plenty of restaurants that serve other kinds of food, including Japanese, French, Italian and Vegas-style buffets. Pizza Hut, KFC, and McDonald's are also present for those who can't live without.

Following is just a sampling of some restaurants I've eaten at on the peninsula. You can pick up a dining guide from the one of the tourist offices.

A LORCHA

Rua do Almirante Sergio, No. 289. Ok Portuguese food on the west side, down by the maritime museum and A-Ma Temple.

CAFFE TOSCANNA

Travessa de S. Domingos, No. 11. Located on an alley just off Senado Square, this Italian joint has an extensive menu. The owner is Italian, the wait staff are all Filipinas. Ok.

LA BONNE HEURE

Travessa de S. Domingos, No. 12 AB. Literally located across the alley from Caffè Toscana, this French joint featured inexpensive lunch sets. Tasty.

LA COMEDIE

Located across from the Macau Museum of Art. The ground floor is a French Café, the second floor is a nice sit-down French restaurant. I've had a couple of pretty good meals upstairs.

PLATAO

Travessa de S. Domingos, No. 3. Down the alley from Caffè Toscana, Platao offers a Pilipino interpretation of Portuguese food. Ok.

PORTO EXTERIOR

Ground floor, Chong Yu Building, 779 Avenida da Amizade. Pretty plain looking place, but I had a delicious baked pork chop dish here.

SANDS BUFFET

Upper level, Sands Casino. Just like Vegas baby. All you can eat. Heavy emphasis on seafood, sushi, and Chinese, but enough other stuff to satisfy a westerner who hates seafood. Large dessert selection.

VELA LATINA

On Avenida de Alameda Ribeiro, just across from Senado Square. So far, the only place I've eaten in Macau that I would never return to. Avoid!

FAST FOOD OPTIONS

There is a Pizza Hut located in the Lisboa Casino complex. The entrance is just next to the entrance to Fuji Sauna.

McDonald's has a branch in Senado Square, and another over on Rua do Campo. There is a KFC directly across the street from the latter McDonald's.

There is also a good Japanese restaurant on the top floor of the New Yaohan Department Store, but I don't have the name at this time.

HIGH LEVEL MAP

The map on the following page gives you an overview of where things are on the Macau peninsula. I've identified some major landmarks, plus the West Side and Main Hotel Districts, which are outlined in purple. More detailed maps of these districts appear later in this guide. I've also pointed out the locations of some of the saunas that lie outside the districts: Big Boss, Darlings, Hot Spot, Tin Vong and Hou Va.

In case you were wondering, the dark, shaded line that loops through a segment of the map is the course of the annual Grand Prix held in November. The border gate to China, into Zhuhai City, lies just north of Hot Spot.

MONGERING

Now we get to what this guide is all about: the sex. There is a lot of it available in Macau; you just need to know where to go. Hopefully this guide will take you there.

ETHNIC VARIETY – WHAT’S AVAILABLE?

Macau has a nice cross-section of ethnicities to choose from. The offerings are predominately Chinese, of which there is an extremely good selection. In itself, that’s a pretty diverse selection, as there are lot of differences among the regions of China. Other ethnicities routinely available are Vietnamese, Korean, Mongolian, Thai, and Russian. You may also encounter women of other nationalities in some of the saunas. It really is pot luck.

SETTING EXPECTATIONS

Be warned: Macau is short time central. Just about all mongering sessions are 30 to 90 minutes, depending on your venue. I have never had a long time session in Macau. Your mileage will also vary with the GFE. Sometimes you get it, sometimes you don’t. Most of the working girls are Chinese, and very few of them will DFK. So if you demand long time sessions with lots of GFE and DFK, then don’t visit Macau!

VENUE TYPES

Roughly speaking, the mongering scene can be broken down into three categories: the west side girlie hotels, freelancers, and saunas. Details on all three categories are given in this section.

WEST SIDE GIRLIE HOTELS

Macau’s west side is one of the oldest parts of the city. I am speaking about the area that lies at the end of Avenida de Almeida Ribeiro, next to the inner harbor. It has a very different ambience than that generated by the perfunctory monoliths that rise on the east side, where the major hotels and the business district are. The west side is a hodge-podge of winding alleys, old buildings, and hidden mongering delights. It is also where the most value is to be

had for one’s mongering dollar.

Most of the action here is to be found in the so-called “girlie hotels”. These are small hotels of 4-5 stories in height that essentially function as large brothels. Usually the girls will hang out in the lobby waiting for customers (at the London they hang out up the stairway). If you see a girl you like, confirm the price with her. Once that is settled, she’ll take you up to her room. Sessions last from 30 to 50 minutes or so. Don’t expect anything long in these places.

Few of these girls speak any English at all. Here is how you negotiate price in Macau: use your fingers. Each finger represents \$100 HK (yes, they prefer HK over Macau currency). If she holds up 4 fingers, she is asking for \$400 HK for the session. If you hold up 3 fingers, you are telling her you will pay \$300 HK for the session. And so it goes.

Also take note that these girls will rarely go below a certain minimum, as they don’t want to be seen taking less money than what the other girls are getting. In other words, if all the other girls are getting \$300, you will not be able to get one for less than that in that hotel. Peer pressure is at work. Also, this is China, and consequently you will be paying a “foreigner” tax if you are not Asian. This is usually \$100 more than the Chinese guys are paying. If you are paying \$300, you can assume the guys from Hong Kong are paying \$200 for the same thing.

Overall, I love these hotels. There are some major hotties squirreled away in them, and the prices are vastly lower than most of the saunas elsewhere in the city. They are my favorite stomping grounds for mongering in Macau. Consult the west side map on the next page for exact locations.

There are currently three girlie hotels in operation, as follows:

FORSUN

This one is located on the main drag of Avenida de Almeida Ribeiro. It is the most expensive of the bunch. Girls usually ask for \$500, but almost always settle for \$400. Some people have even reported getting them for \$300. In my experience, the best looking girls on the west side are usually found here. About 20-30 girls on offer.

LONDON

Located right next door to the Best Western Sun Sun hotel, the London provides the largest selection of girls on the west side, of at least 50 at night. And for some reason, they seem to have the biggest chests. Prices here are \$300.

RUBY

Just 50 meters away from both the East Asia hotel and the Forsun, the Ruby is about the same size as the Forsun and offers 20-30 girls at night. In the daytime, you'll find 5-10 working in the lobby. The girls here never fail to mob you when you enter the lobby. It's quite a pleasurable experience. The rooms here are the dungiest, but what the hell, you're not there to give decorating tips. Prices are \$300. Recently a lot of big-titty girls have been appearing here, just like the London.

A few more notes on the girlie hotel scene are warranted. The East Asia used to be a girlie hotel, but no longer is. Contrary to what you may have read in an old trip report, the East Asia is strictly a budget hotel these days.

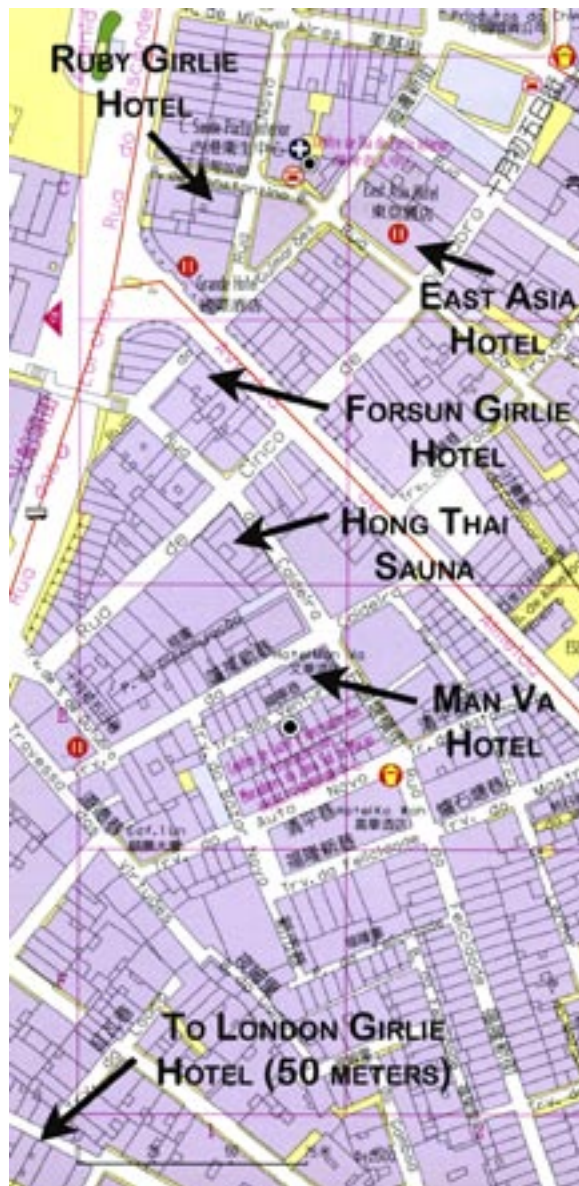
Also, some of the girls tend to put pressure on you to take two girls. They seem to be most insistent on this at the Ruby, where after you and her strip, she lets in another girl to the room who begs you to let her give you a blowjob or something like that. I've stood there in the buff several times saying no. In these situations, you really need to put the pressure on the original girl you chose, and make it clear to her that she is endangering her money if number two drags it on too long. Once they think they might lose their customer, they shoo their friend out.

Lastly, these girls are fucking you in the rooms they live in, which they usually share with another girl. You may occasionally encounter a girl kicking her roommate out so that she can make sheet music with you.

FREELANCERS & STREETWALKERS

You need to keep your wits about you, as opportunities can arise quite quickly on the streets of Macau. On the west side, I've found freelancers hanging outside the Hotel Man Va on the corner of Rua da Caldeira and Trv. Da Caldeira. These girls seem

WEST SIDE MAPS



to be working out of the Wo Ping Boarding House, located just across the street from the Man Va. I've also found a small group hanging around near where the Travessa das Virtudes meets Trv. Do Auto Nova. I've exchanged glances with girls in Senado Square who were obviously available, but I didn't partake. These girls can be gotten pretty cheap, for around \$200, sometimes even less. They are mostly over the hill, but I bagged one hottie outside the Man Va.

Over in the main hotel district, there are two main areas to find freelancers. The first is the ground floor shopping arcade of the Lisboa Casino/Hotel complex. There is an infamous parade of working girls roaming the corridors down there. They have pretty established rules. A certain number are permitted to prowl looking for customers for a given time. The other girls lie in wait in the big coffee shop until their turn comes up. Then they go marching. These girls usually follow a pattern of moving up and down one of the main corridors, back and forth until they bag a customer or their time is up and they have to head into the coffee shop.

Should you go with one, the dirty deed will be done in her room in the Lisboa. The unfortunate thing with these girls is the pricing. Prior to my most recent trip, they asked for \$500 HK (except during Grand Prix week, when their prices shot up to \$1000). However, on my last visit, they were all asking \$1000 HK. I couldn't get any to budge. In my book, that is way too much money for a working girl from China, especially when I can get the same thing on the west side for \$300. That's even more expensive than many of the saunas, where you may get a guaranteed 90 minute session, plus other amenities, for your fee.

The other area on this side of town is "freelancer alley," a pedestrian mall that kind of starts at the Lisboa on the northeast side and runs several blocks, behind the Fortuna, Landmark, and Holiday Inn hotels. This alley seems to be prone to police crackdowns, so don't always expect to find any action here. There were no girls on any night I was there on my last trip; however I did find a couple working there my last morning before heading to the airport. In the past, late nights were a great time to pick up girls in this alley. YMMV depending on your visit. All these freelancers usually ask for \$500.

The north corner entrance to the Lisboa used to be a major hang out spot for Russian freelancers; they too are subject to crackdowns and may move their operating base as a result. Keep your eyes open if that's what you're looking for.

SAUNAS

There are two kinds of saunas in Macau. Type One saunas are really just brothels. You pick your girl out of the lineup and go to a room with her, where you shower and fuck. This type tends to be much cheaper than the second type. Prices range from \$400 - \$700 HK.

Type Two saunas are far more elaborate. They have communal shower facilities, Jacuzzis, saunas, massage services, manicure & pedicure services, and other services in addition to the sexual menu. Many of these saunas are open 24 hours. They are mostly located in the major hotels, and can be quite pricey. If you want to splurge and pamper yourself in Macau, these are the places to do it. Prices may range from \$600 - \$2000 HK.

Most of these saunas also have photo books at the front desk, so you can peruse their goods without bothering them with a lineup process. Also, they usually have different "courses" you can choose



from, some of which are substantially cheaper than others.

The following list is not exhaustive. They are only the saunas I have personally visited. There are a lot more in Macau that I haven't been too (yet).

Price code:

\$ - Dirt cheap

\$\$ - Moderate

\$\$\$ - Expensive

\$\$\$\$ - Break open your piggy bank

TYPE ONE SAUNAS

HOT SPOT

Location: at the corner of Bairro Iao Hon Rua Dois and Rua Seis. The entry is on Rua Seis at No. 73. You can't miss it with the neon signs and posters.

Prices: \$\$

Hours: Open from 4 pm to 6 am.

Notes: Best bang for the buck in all the type one saunas. The joint is very classy and modern, rooms are very clean. The selection of Chinese and Vietnamese usually has some hot spinners. Highly recommended. The taxi ride here will take 15 minutes or so, depending on traffic, as Hot Spot is located near the border gate.



Hou Va (Centro De Massagens Electricas)

Location: 19 Rua De Ferreira Do Amaral

Prices: \$\$

Hours: Opens at 3 pm. Unsure about closing time.

Notes: Lots of Vietnamese, some Mongolians and Russians. However, rooms are dingy and dirty.

TIN VONG (Centro De Sauna E Massagens)

Location: 72A Avenida do Conselheiro Ferreira de Almeida (Across from the Chinese Gardens)

Prices: \$\$ - \$\$\$

Hours: Unknown.

Notes: This is where they pull back a sliding partition built into the wall to reveal a bunch of girls waiting for customers. It's quite funny to watch. Not as fancy as Hot Spot, but rooms are much better than Hou Va.

TYPE TWO SAUNAS

BIG BOSS

Location: Avenida Da Praia Grande No. 613-639

Prices: \$\$\$\$

Hours: Open 24 hours.

Notes: A famous and expensive institution, usually offering some beautiful girls. They also have specialized in Koreans in the past.

DARLING 1

Location: In the Casino Jai Alai building, next to the New Yaohan Dept. Store

Prices: \$\$\$\$

Hours: I believe they are open 24 hours.

Notes: Quite famous and notorious for having some stunning women. You will also pay through the nose for them.

EMPEROR SAUNA

Location: In the Emperor Hotel on the 2nd floor

Prices: \$\$\$-\$\$\$\$

Hours: Open 24 hours

Notes: Ritzy joint with about a 100 girls on staff.

FUJI SAUNA

Location: In the Lisboa Hotel. Entrance on the ground floor facing northeast, next to the Pizza Hut.

Prices: \$\$\$\$

Hours: 2 pm – 3 am.

Notes: They have an actual fishbowl in the lobby where you can view the girls. Mostly Thai and Vietnamese when I checked it out.

HONG THAI

Location: on the west side near the girlie hotels at Rua de Cinco de Outubro, No. 177-179

Prices: \$\$\$ - \$\$\$\$

Hours: 2 pm to 7 am

Notes: When I last visited, they offered a package that allowed you to spend the night with a girl of your choice; the session ran from midnight to 7 am for \$1388. This is the closest to LT that I've seen in Macau.

PLAYMATES CLUB & SAUNA

Location: In the Guia Hotel, which is on Calçada da Vitoria, No. 151.

Prices: \$\$ - \$\$\$\$

Hours: Opens at 4 pm. Unsure about closing.

Notes: Playmates is a combo club. They are part sauna and part strip joint. You pay a cover charge to view the strippers, who are available to you in the sauna portion of the club.

ROYAL SAUNA

Location: In the basement of the Royal Hotel, which is on Calçada do Gaio.

Prices: \$\$ - \$\$\$\$

Hours: Open 24 hours

Notes: Nice looking place with a varied price menu.



SANADO SPA

Location: Across the street from the Grandeur Hotel

Prices: \$\$\$ - \$\$\$\$

Hours: Open 24 hours.

Notes: They had some very hot women in their photo books, and a number of courses. The cheapest one was within the realm of fiscal reason.

WINDSOR SAUNA

Location: In the basement of the Hotel Presidente.

Prices: \$\$ - \$\$\$\$

Hours: 12 pm – 7 am

Notes: They had very reasonable prices. Lots of Chinese and Russian girls.

A LAST NOTE ON MONGERING - ZHUHAI

Zhuhai is the city directly across the Chinese border. It has a pretty substantial mongering scene as well. If you decide to investigate, you can purchase special single day visas for visits to Zhuhai only (this visa does not permit travel anywhere else in China outside the Zhuhai city limits). More details are available in discus on the board. I have yet to visit myself, so I have no personal information to relay about Zhuhai.



MAIN HOTEL DISTRICT MAP

The map on the next page is of the main hotel district. I have labeled the major hotels, plus a few other businesses and venues that were mentioned earlier in this manual. I wish I had access to better source materials for my mapmaking, but I have to make do with what I've got. I created this map from a scan I made of two pages in my Macau atlas. The West Side maps were also scanned from the same atlas.

FOSSIL HUNTING (SIGHT-SEEING)

Sex and gambling aside, Macau is an interesting place to visit in its own right. The areas that haven't been transformed with high-rises can be quite fascinating to walk around. These sections of the city still have a European flavor to them, with an Asian culture spread on top for good measure.

The best way to see the city is simply to walk around and let your curiosity guide you. Along the way you'll encounter ancient Portuguese churches, Chinese temples, gardens, museums, cemeteries, fortresses, and stunning examples of colonial architecture.

The tourism offices I mentioned earlier in this guide have numerous pamphlets covering the various sights to see, along with suggested walking tours. They're all free, so stock up on them and review them in your hotel later.

Highlights for any visit should include the Museum of Macau located in the Monte Fortress, the façade of St. Paul's Cathedral (Macau's most famous landmark, it is featured in the cover photograph of this manual), Senado Square, Guia Fort, and the new Macau Tower, if the weather is clear enough to make the fee worthwhile. The Macau Art Museum, located behind the Sands Casino, usually has some interesting exhibits from mainland China. I also recommend stepping into a few of the churches, as some of them are quite beautiful inside. With more time to kill, you could also make a visit out to Taipa Village.

Gaining a little knowledge of Macau's cultural amenities, combined with a few visits to the casinos, will give you the perfect cover when you confront that inevitable question you'll get from family and friends: "What did you do in Macau?"

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