

Hotel Vagabond

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This luxury boutique hotel offers many firsts for Singapore: a 5,000 sq ft Parisian-inspired salon that blends food, drinks, art, film and music; a rotating artist-in-residence programme featuring local and international talents; and sophisticated yet homely interiors crafted by French designer Jacques Garcia.

Take your pick from 41 rooms, each outfitted with rich colour schemes, Egyptian cotton sheets, and minibars stocked with local artisanal goods. **BL**

39 Syed Alwi Rd (6291 3203, www.hotelvagabondsingapore.com). 📍 Bugis. Prices start from \$300/night.

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5TH QUARTER

All about the meat

Former W Singapore chef de cuisine Drew Nocente adds a meaty point-of-view to the soon-to-open Hotel Vagabond in Kampong Glam. Nocente draws on his upbringing in an Australian farm to create house-cured charcuterie and grilled meats, with dishes such as rum-cured pork belly, Josper-grilled off-cuts, and house-aged salami, lardo and coppa. The prices are still under consideration

at press time, but expect to pay between \$5 to \$56 for each dish. *Level 1 Hotel Vagabond, 39 Syed Alwi Rd (6291 1936, www.5thquarter.com.sg). ☎ Bugis. Daily noon-2.30pm, 6-10.30pm.*

BACCHANALIA

Progressive restaurant moves

At Bacchanalia's new home, the dishes remain intricate, with increased attention paid to the source of their ingredients. Expect dishes like the golden snapper carpaccio (\$30) spiked with mace plucked in Penang, cold-pressed coconut cream risotto (\$18), and beef tartare with oxalis, mustard leaf and organic Chinese mustard (\$36). Five- (\$115) and seven-course (\$150) tasting menus are also available at dinner, and a