

THE SEASONED TRAVELLER

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A NEW BRUNCH *to long for*

From 24 February 2018, see and be seen at Square One and “let life surprise you” with our Saturday Brunch



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Lifestyle

3 Reasons for a PRE-DINNER DRINK

The Italian concept of *aperitivo* or *apéritif* in France has become a lifestyle for today's people. Here are 3 reasons why you should enjoy a pre-dinner drink tonight:

1. Unwind and ease into your night with a glass of bubbles, wine or signature cocktail.
2. Creative cocktails are prepared with herbs, spices and delicious spirits which help to stimulate your appetite.
3. Socialise in a more casual way, "break the ice" and set the tone for the evening with your pre-dinner drink.

Fancy a pre-dinner drink tonight?
Aperitivo is available every evening from 6 to 8 pm at **Opera Bar**. On every Thursday, you can experience signature cocktails and complimentary Italian delicacies.

Looking for premium wine?
You can visit the **Cellar Door** and get personal recommendations from **Sommelier Marie-Charlotte**.

Searching for an outdoor bar?
The Terrace offers an extensive beverage collection all in a trendy setting.



Art Corner

SCHOOL GIRL

"The appreciation of art, in all its varied expressions, enriched us all."
Joy and Tom Pritzker

You can find the original *School Girl* painting at the entrance to *Xuan Spa* on the third level. The photo of *School Girl* is also used on the key card.

Under the three core pillars of the Park Hyatt brand which are art, travel, food and wine, Park Hyatt Saigon is home to an acclaimed collection of artworks, including Vietnamese paintings and antique objects from the Tran dynasty 600 years ago.

One artwork that represents local culture is *School Girl*, a painting by artist Ha Huynh My. Inspired by the image of a 16-year-old girl in "áo-dài", My started her painting with oil and canvas and finished within one week.

"When painting, I was brought back to my school years when I cleaned up the teacher's desk and decorated it with wild roses every Monday", said My.

Like most of Ha Huynh My's creations, *School Girl* highlights the beauty of Vietnamese women and the ordinary lifestyles of the local people.



SATURDAY BRUNCH AT SQUARE ONE



Catching up with friends? Celebrating a birthday?
Square One has you covered with a delicious brunch set in a striking and contemporary space. Diners will be wowed by the creative and playful mix of regional Vietnamese cuisine and up market French Brasserie style fare.

The show begins with a delicious silver plate of fresh seafood and six adventurous French and Vietnamese dishes such as duck rillettes or pâté de Champagne country terrine to tickle the appetite.

Then, select one dish from four main courses served family style to your table, including signature dishes such as French Coq au vin and Vietnamese whole fried garoupa, each coming with a vegetable side and a starch.

Celebrate your weekend with cheers sipping one of our signature cocktails made table side by our dapper bartenders. Finally, make sure to try our delightful signature desserts, including Grand Marnier Soufflé and whole roasted pineapple drizzled with lemongrass caramel.

Saturday brunch is served from noon to 3 pm weekly, starting from 24 February 2018 at Square One.

- Saigon Package: VND 1,330,000 per person
- Paris Package: VND 2,030,000 per person including free flow of Champagne, cocktails, house wines

* All prices are subject to 5% service charge & 10% VAT

Regarded as one of the most important occasions in Vietnamese culture, Tet is a traditional festival celebrated annually by the Vietnamese to mark the first days of the Lunar New Year.

Like Christmas, Tet is a great time for family reunions. Tet is also an exciting occasion to visit Saigon, as the city slowly turns on its festive mood.

While some Tet customs are common across all over Vietnam, the Saigonese have their own ways to celebrate this special time.

1. Visiting temples

This has become a popular Tet activity for Buddhists and non-Buddhists alike. During Tet holiday, temples are full of people praying for the upcoming year among the mystical smoke from incense. What a beautiful spiritual sight to experience!

2. Watching New Year's Eve fireworks and attending countdown parties

Numerous countdown parties are held for all fun-seekers on Lunar New Year's Eve. If you want to be

part of an exciting crowd, narrow your way through the masses in Saigon's center and watch the spectacular fireworks from the banks of Saigon River.

3. Admiring the flowers on Nguyen Hue Boulevard and Tao Dan Park

Flowers play a crucial role during Tet in Saigon. Tao Dan Park is where families gather and choose the best flowers for their homes. Nguyen Hue Boulevard will also be nicely decorated to become an ideal venue for your New Year photo.

4. Enjoying the tranquility

Be amazed as Saigon's center quickly changes from a bustling hub full of motorbikes honking to a peaceful town with slight noises! Tet is one of those rare occasions when you can quietly hear Saigon's every breath.

For more information, please contact Concierge Team

Chef's Story

COD FISH FILLET in CLAY POT



Born and raised in Ben Tre Province, Chef Tran Van Son is inspired by the diversity of Vietnam's regional flavours and various cooking styles.

Now heading the Viet kitchen at Square One restaurant, Chef Son continues to wow guests with his creativity, flare and sense of culinary adventure.

"When asked to name my favourite dish, the homely Cod Fish Fillet in Clay Pot instantly sprung to mind! I still remember the rich taste of Nuc fish braised with pineapple that my mother used to cook when I was a little child.

14 years ago, as a junior chef, I discovered that the soft texture of Cod Fish paired extremely well with the saltiness of fish sauce and the sweetness of pineapple.

A few years later, this combination inspired me to create the upgraded Cod Fish Fillet in Clay Pot. In addition to the pineapple and tomato, we use fish bone to make the sauce denser and serve with the flavourful rice from Son La province.

This enhances the taste and makes the Cod Fish Fillet in Clay Pot one of the signature local dishes that Square One restaurant is proud to offer."



Event Listing



Tet Holiday

- 15 February: New Year's Eve fireworks on the Saigon River
- 10 - 21 February: Flower Market at Tao Dan Park
- 13 - 19 February: Flower Festival on Nguyen Hue Boulevard

Valentine's Day 14 February

- Square One: "With love from Paris" - a French themed Valentine's Day Set Menu with matching wines
- The Terrace: Valentine's Day Oyster and Champagne Promotion - complimentary half a dozen of oysters with purchase of Vintage Champagne bottle
- Park Lounge: Valentine's Day themed Afternoon Tea
- Opera: Dinner with red passion cocktail and Champagne bottle

Women's Day 8 March

- Square One: Vietnamese seafood set menu with a free glass of Champagne for women
- The Terrace: Complimentary free flow Prosecco for women from 6 pm to 7 pm
- Park Lounge: Special cocktail for women from 6 pm to 11 pm
- Opera: Signature pink dish, live music performance and special gift for women during Aperitivo

Destination of The Month

Ben Thanh Art & Frame

Founded in 1999, the gallery has become one of the best contemporary fine art destinations in the city, introducing high quality frames and paintings by upcoming Vietnamese artists. Since 2003, it has held commercial art auctions every year to raise funds for the Operation Smile Foundation. Address: 7 Nguyen Thiep Street, District 1.



Our Tips seamless rides to SAIGON

Suitable for businessmen, the elderly, those with infants, or those looking for a quick and convenient way to get through the airport, the handy Fast Track service is what you need to zip through the immigration process.

Upon arrival, you will be greeted by the airport concierge after exiting the airplane or vehicle with your name on a welcome board.

Our Concierge team will assist you to get a visa stamp and visa sticker through the immigration department's **priority diplomatic line** within ten to fifteen minutes. Last but not least, priority check-in at the airport is also included for departures.

For further information, please contact our Concierge team at concierge.saiph@hyatt.com



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**Enjoy Tet's Renewal package
at only VND 3,700,000***

*Package includes 30-minute **Coconut Body Exfoliation**, 60-minute **Ben Tre Hydration Facial**, and 60-minute **Signature Body Massage**

*Available for hotel and local guests.

*Price per guest per package

*Subject to 5% service charge and then 10% VAT.

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Gift Ideas for Tet

Bring a joyful Tet season to your loved ones with a gift voucher of Park Hyatt Saigon's signature experience. Choose from:

- **High Tea Set at Park Lounge** VND 490,000*
Coffee or tea, hand-crafted sweets and savouries
- **High Tea Buffet at Park Lounge** From VND 590,000*
Sweet and savoury buffet with selected beverages
- **Saturday Brunch at Square One** From VND 1,330,000*
Regional Vietnamese dishes, signature French cuisine
- **Sunday Brunch at Opera** From VND 1,330,000*
Italian seafood, pastas, roasted meats, pizzas, desserts
- **Renewal Package at Xuan Spa** VND 3,700,000*
Body Exfoliation, Hydration Facial, Body Massage



May we wish you all success, luck and happiness in the Year of the Dog!
Happy Lunar New Year!

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