



An Archipelago of Treasures

A scenic view of the mall facing the fountains.

Putrajaya can now proudly say they have 'one of their own'. Alamanda Shopping Centre now opens its doors to shoppers and visitors alike.



There is something for everyone at this mall.



Kiosks offer a variety of products.

Alamanda is Putrajaya's first shopping centre costing some RM300million. This state-of-the-art mall is set to soar with the ranks of Suria KLCC in the famous twin towers. Every endeavor is made to achieve top notch standards at this mall.

Putrajaya Holdings Sdn Bhd chairman Datuk Mohd Hashim Hassan says that "With us, we have experienced staff who has been involved in managing Suria KLCC. With such a good team on board, we would like to assure retailers that the shopping centre would be world class."

"With the signing of Carrefour as the anchor tenant and along with the potential 180 tenants, we believe that Alamanda will catalyze commercial activities for Putrajaya and

create numerous job opportunities," he said at the launch of the first retail hub in Putrajaya by the Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Hashim said the shopping centre, which opened mid-2004, has a variety of shops, restaurants, bowling alleys, movie theatres and a food court illuminated by natural lighting.

This intricate mall will also feature Malaysia's first travelator within a shopping complex that will connect the retail outlets and provide access directly to car parks.

"Another unique feature is that it is designed with two levels to allow even distribution and smooth flow of shoppers within the premises," Hashim added.



The set up of the mall is open and friendly.



An intricate roofing detail.

Setting Standards

Alamanda, with a total retail space of 700,000 sq ft, has two dedicated car park buildings with approximately 3,000 car park bays and 36 strategic loading bays. This two-storey mall located in Precinct 1, was named Alamanda at a naming ceremony officiated by the Deputy Prime Minister, Dato Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi in May 2003.

Alamanda has a nett lettable area of 65,032 square metres. It has two anchor tenants, located on either side of the mall in addition to 180 specialty shops across 19,138 square metres. The complex has a unique feature allowing natural light to be filtered through the high ceiling offering yet another benefit: large and prominent facades for fit-outs by retailers.

The Needs of All

Designed to deliver a complete shopping experience, Alamanda is set to emerge as the regional shopping centre, serving both the city as well as beyond. It is one of ten commercial lots in the 22-hectare Northern Region Business District and is within walking distance to the federal government offices.

Market studies goes to show that the mall is also predicted to draw shoppers from within a 20-minute driving distance, which includes Cyberjaya, Kajang, Bangi, Country Heights, Serdang and Seri Kembangan as its catchments. Research also points that these fast-growing suburbs have the propensity to support upscale stores that provide a total shopping experience.

Growing Times

Putrajaya Holdings Sdn Bhd chief executive officer Datuk Mohamad Othman Zainal Azim said with the rapid development in Putrajaya, it was timely to introduce larger scale commercial activities to the growing population.

“Our aim is to make it the best shopping mall in the region, offering a complete shopping experience with a good combination of shops, restaurants and entertainment facilities,” he mentioned.

The mall was also expected to enhance the value of properties in Putrajaya and give more reason for people to make Putrajaya their home, Mohamad said.

The Archipelago

A definite pull at this mall, is the one and only Archipelago. Miniature shops selling products from all around the world, namely Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Indonesia, the Philippines, Papua New Guinea and Timor Leste form little isles, nestling under the umbrella of Archipelago in Alamanda. Here, you definitely ride a unique and somewhat cultural shopping journey.

Archipelago currently encompasses a cluster of 11 shops with another set to open soon. The concept here is simple; to re-create the mystique and charm of the Malay Archipelago, the largest group of islands in the world.

The shops here are designed to resemble mini islands and are certainly done so with an exotic ethnic flair. Up for grabs within are clothing, glassware, accessories, furniture, trinkets, collectibles, bric-a-brac and even some quirky little items with a resonant traditional theme.

Anchoring the Archipelago is Bayu Timor. Here is where a lovely range of classic teak furnishings, handicrafts, china pottery and collectibles rule.

Bigger items like furniture pieces are sold here including day beds, cabinets, chaises lounges, TV armoires, coffee tables and planter chairs.



If you are a connoisseur of antiques, you will be delighted at the sight of copper kettles, ceramic noodle bowls and lamps from olden times, some said to have come from ships.

For all things embroidered, step into the immaculate Cottage Aisle. The items here are delicately pretty, citing a definite ye olde English charm. To top it all off, they are priced affordably as well.

Exquisite embroidery can also be found on the tablecloths, placemats, table runners, coasters, napkins, bedding and dresses, while other framed embroidery works could make as great gifts or souvenirs.

At Cantik-Chantik you will find classic and contemporary designs with the likes of modern Nyonya kebayas, beaded slippers and handbags, beautiful wraps and scarves or intricate accessories, all of which are one-of-a-kind.

Along the same row as Cantik-Chantik you will chance upon TaSeri where the emphasis are beaded purses and bags made from silk and embellished with sequins, crystals and semi-precious stones.

For an Oriental twang to fashion, turn the bend to Quen, where there are rows of silhouette-enhancing dresses, exquisite silk blouses, embroidered shoes and handbags, accessories, linen coordinates and scarves.

Directly opposite you will find East Indies where crafts and home decorative items from

India tease you. This shoplet is also a haven for silk pashminas, shawls, cushion covers, rugs, incense, brassware and handbags.

Connecting back with everything Malaysian, works of local artists, ranging from paintings and calligraphy to sculptures, are proudly displayed at The Gallery, while gifts and novelties are available at a shop aptly called Gifts.

The Kartini name, known to be synonymous with batik is precisely where you can stop to shop for kaftans, pareos, sarongs, silk batik fabrics, shirts and contemporary ladies' wear. A range of accessories to complement the batik creations is also encased in a glass display cabinet.

Finally one of the major highlights of the store, is designer Radzuan Radziwill's corner titled Aura. Ethnic-based contemporary creations ranging from elegant evening wear to casuals are put on stylish racks at his outlet. His label is also on the unique selection of hand-woven songket and tenun fabrics for men and women.

Just a stone's throw away from the Archipelago you will also find another famous local designer, Rizalman's work ranging from traditional to modern designer clothing for women.

Archipelago is at the ground floor of Alamanda Shopping Mall. For more information, call Tel: +603-8888 8882.