



Contemporary Culture

Li Yuen Street East:

If you're looking for a place to shop until you drop, then you've come to the right place because all their goods are incredible cheap! Not only is Li Yuen Street East one of Hong Kong's most famous shopping area, it's also a great place to get a good bargain. Its sister lane would be Li Yuen Street West, which sells the same items. When walking through the lane, the first thing that catches every local's and tourist's attention would be the overflowing stalls leaning against each other with a small lane in the middle for people to walk. These stalls sell goods such as socks, clothes, bags, and cultural Chinese items. The prices of these items could range from \$50 to around \$200, depending on the item!



Stall selling handbags, and Cultural Chinese clothing

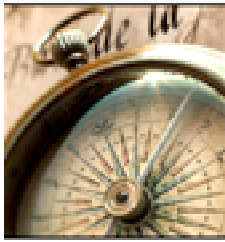
Traveler's Code Of Ethics:

Bargain until you're satisfied. If it doesn't work, walk away and they'll finally agree.



Modern expensive shoe shop

But if you happen to look behind the stalls, you would notice that there are rather large modern boutiques (like the one above) which sell clothes and shoes for the new adolescent generation. This sort of shows a large contrast between the shop and the stall as their layout is completely different. As you can see above, most of these shops are placed in a building, whereas the cheap shops are stand alone stalls. Their prices could be as high as \$1000, and sadly, you can't bargain! Not only are the demographics of these shops tend to be the same due to it's prices which teenagers can't afford, it also depends on a large threshold population in order to survive. This is because they're items are exactly cheap nor necessary, so customers are not willing to go there everyday to buy a pair of shoes. If you would like to visit it though, make sure that the price seems reasonable enough to you.



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Transportation:

Neighborhood:

Li Yuen Street is located in Hong Kong's largest district, Central. It can also be considered the Central Business District because it has everything from residential houses to business centers, to shopping malls. But it can get a little crowded from time to time, but make sure to avoid the lunch crowd and after work crowd if you're claustrophobic. Things could get a little hectic with busy restaurants and the inconvenience to walk. It's location and streets surrounding it can be seen from the map below:

Getting to and around Central is a breeze as it's a depot for ferries, trams, buses, MTR's and taxis. After all it's cheap and convenient! A table of recommended transport routes can be seen below:

Type Of Transport	Location	Method
Taxi	Your Hotel	Tell the cab driver: "Li Yuen Street East"
MTR	Causeway Bay	Take the Island Line (blue) to Central and get out at exit D. Then, you just have to walk straight.

Location Map Of Li Yuen Street, Central

