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Christmas cheer with lights, Santa

From towering Christmas trees to carnival-themed arches, there is nothing quite like a walk down a decked-out Orchard Road to get into the festive mood in Singapore. It's masks off for photos this year as malls pull out all the stops to draw the crowds. The Straits Times Picture Desk visits the shopping belt and beyond to capture the sights.



Visitors taking pictures at a heart-shaped structure outside Tanglin Mall last Wednesday. The structure is part of the mall's festive decorations with the theme "A Joyous Celebration". ST PHOTO: GIN TAY



The Spelliera, comprising 103,000 light bulbs, at Gardens by the Bay's Christmas Wonderland. At 21m tall, the attraction was intricately handcrafted by Italian artisans and took a crew of seven up to 30 days to set up. ST PHOTO: KEVIN LIM



Not every child is in the best mood even with Santa Claus in town - at Gardens by the Bay's Christmas Wonderland - perhaps because he's checking his list and finding out who's naughty and nice. ST PHOTO: KEVIN LIM



Revellers at Snow Splendours at Tanglin Mall last Wednesday. The annual event features two types of "snowfall" specially engineered for the crowd. The first is an avalanche that leaves a thick layer of "snow" on the ground, while the second sees sparse foam creating the impression of gently falling snow. The free event is on until Jan 2. ST PHOTO: GIN TAY



The Liberal Music and Art School's choir performing last month at Marina Bay Sands' The Holiday Light Up event - complete with laser light projections. Nearly 1,000 Christmas trees dressed in fairy lights will bathe the integrated resort in the resplendent glow of Christmas until Jan 1. The exterior of the resort's three towers and the ArtScience Museum will also be lit up with festive-themed animation and laser projections every night until Dec 25. ST PHOTO: LIM YACHU



Left: A bus passenger in a prime seat for taking pictures at the carnival-themed arches in Orchard Road. This year's light-up in a 3.1km stretch of the shopping district will remain until Jan 2. The lights will be on from 6.30pm till midnight from Sundays to Thursdays, till 2am on Fridays and Saturdays, and till 6am on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. ST PHOTO: GIN TAY

Right: A couple taking pre-wedding pictures at the Christmas trees outside Ion Orchard last Wednesday. ST PHOTO: GIN TAY



Christmas decorations outside Wisma Atria, designed in collaboration with visual merchandising students from ITE College Central's School of Design and Media. ST PHOTO: LIM YACHU



A couple taking a selfie outside Orchard Central on Monday. The English-style lamp posts among the mall's decorations bring to mind the streets of London. ST PHOTO: LIM YACHU

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