

# Timeline

Events of Singapore versus those of the world



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CUMULATIVE INDEX

## SINGAPORE

Stamford Raffles founds modern Singapore

1819

Japan raids Singapore

1941

Singapore gains full self-government and Lee Kuan Yew becomes the first prime minister (PM)

1959

Singapore separates from Malaysia

1965

Race riots break out

1969

Withdrawal of the British troops

1971

Singapore becomes the world's second busiest port

1979

Changi Airport starts operation

1981

Lee steps down as PM and Goh Chok Tong becomes the second PM

1990

Singapore slips into recession

1999

SARS outbreak

2003

The plan approved to build two integrated resorts

2005

Lee steps down as Minister Mentor

MAY 2011

## WORLD EVENTS

War between the US and the UK

1812–1815

The Suez Canal opens

1869

World War I

1914–1918

World War II

1937–1945

Launch of Sputnik 1 and the beginning of the Space Age

1957

China's Cultural Revolution begins

1966

End of the Vietnam War

1975

Fall of the Berlin Wall

1989

Asian financial crisis starts

1997

9/11 attacks destroy the World Trade Center in New York

2001

Global financial crisis starts

2008

Japan earthquake and tsunami

2011

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