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## **How to turn a stopover into a full-fledged travel experience!**

Flights between Australia and Europe are lengthy, so why not make the trip more enjoyable by adding in a stopover for a night or two on the way?

Stopovers not only help to break up long flights, but they can help to combat jet lag and maximise your overall travel experience. If you're keen and there's a

spare day or two in your itinerary, let SJT add a stopover to your next itinerary!

Here are a few cities we think are well worth a stop.

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**Singapore** is a major hub for flights between Australia and Europe, offering excellent shopping, dining, and sightseeing opportunities.

#### **Where to stay?**

**Andaz Singapore** is an SJT favourite. This luxury hotel makes the perfect base for exploring the city. Close to Haji Lane, Arab Street, the night markets and more, you'll find plenty to discover on your doorstep.

**Raffles Singapore** is the ultimate iconic hotel experience. Steeped in history and the home of the Singapore Sling, a stay at Raffles is something uniquely Singaporean.

#### **What to do?**

Day or night, a visit to Gardens by the Bay is a must! This futuristic garden complex features the iconic Supertree Grove and the impressive Flower Dome and Cloud Forest conservatories as well as views of Marina Bay Sands.

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**Dubai** is another easy stopover destination for Australian flights bound for Europe. The city boasts ground-breaking architecture, luxurious shopping malls, and cultural attractions such as the Burj Khalifa and the Dubai Mall.



#### **Where to stay?**

**Atlantis the Royal**, is located on the crescent of the Palm in Dubai. This brand new 5-star resort has a sky pool and a private beach, a 24-hour front desk, and currency exchange for guests.

**Park Hyatt Dubai**, is another firm SJT favourite. Located on the banks of the majestic Dubai Creek, this property provides an idyllic setting for a luxury stopover.

#### **What to do?**

Start your day with a visit to the Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in the world. Head to the observation decks for breathtaking views of the cityscape. Next door is the Dubai Mall, one of the largest shopping malls in the world! And of course there's Aquaventure Dubai, the world's largest waterpark - located next door to Atlantis the Royal.

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**Doha** has emerged as a popular stopover destination with its impressive skyline, cultural attractions, and world-class shopping. Qatar Airways has daily services from multiple Australian cities and an extensive European network, making Doha an easy option for your stopover.

#### **Where to stay?**

**Raffles Doha**, anchored between desert and sea, curves majestically skyward, it's housed in one of the most impressive pieces of architecture in the world. This all-suite hotel is bringing a new wave of elegance and glamour to Qatar.

#### **What to do?**

Dive into the bustling atmosphere of Souq Waqif, Doha's traditional market. Wander through the labyrinthine of alleys filled with shops selling spices, textiles, handicrafts, and souvenirs. Don't forget to stop for a cup of traditional Qatari tea at one of the many cafes.

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**Tokyo** is a fascinating stopover destination with a unique blend of tradition and modernity. It's known for its iconic landmarks like the Tokyo Tower and Skytree, historic temples, anime culture and world-class dining options. Tokyo's Narita and Haneda Airports are well-connected to Australia and Europe.



#### **Where to stay?**

**Shangri-La Tokyo** is a true sanctuary in central Tokyo – right near to Tokyo Station. It's the perfect location for shopping and sightseeing and boasts its own amazing views.

**Hyatt Regency Tokyo** in Shinjuku is a fantastic spot for those wanting to dig in to Tokyo's vibrant neighbourhoods of Shibuya, Harajuku and Shinjuku.

## What to do?

During the day head to Asakusa to visit Senso-ji Temple, Tokyo's oldest and most famous temple. Take a stroll through Nakamise Shopping Street leading up to the temple, where you can buy souvenirs and traditional snacks.

For an unforgettable evening experience the iconic Shibuya Crossing is the must visit. This is one of the busiest pedestrian crossings in the world! Watch the mesmerizing sight of thousands of people crossing the intersection from multiple directions, then explore the vibrant neighbourhood of Shibuya with its shops, cafes, and entertainment venues.

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