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EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Shoppers,

It's that time of the year again when the festive spirit reigns. As the pleasant autumn wind blows, we get ready for the upcoming season of weddings, festivals and parties. And we have already set the ball rolling at our malls, starting with weddings: we organised a grand fashion extravaganza to make sure there's nothing amiss on your D Day! From clothes to accessories and the latest in jewellery, we collated the best our malls have to offer under one roof.

A wedding or not, being glamorous is your fashion rule this season, as fashion brands present bright colours, ruffles, bling in accessories and shimmer everywhere. From sequinned ensembles to crystal-studded heels and from beaded clutches to liquid gold lips, this fall-winter, it's all about being a diva!

For your Diwali look, turn the pages for some elegant Indo-Western inspiration. The saree goes fusion chic, draped over a pair of tights; and the lehenga gets a crinkled makeover. Be inspired by our New Year and Christmas party looks as well, with metallic dresses, suave velvet pantsuits and some smart ideas for the debonair man. We throw light on what your party makeup and hair should be like, as our experts offer you tips to get the right hairstyle and the perfect face. What's more, in each of our malls, we're curating something truly special for you on Diwali, Christmas and New Year.

If you're throwing a party at home, let our chefs offer you ideas for starters. From Burmese to Korean, take your pick! We take you around Asia in search of the best yearender vacation: from Thailand to Vietnam and from Sri Lanka to Cambodia, let us gear you up for the holiday season. So, here's to a fabulous festive time and a fantastic New Year!

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Fashion loves the '80s right now. Catwalks have embraced all-out glamour, sequins galore, layers of ruffles, bright plaids and electric neons. We roundup the three best trends to keep you stylishly cosy this winter

he 1980s were the decade of everything more — of extra padded shoulders, ramrod-straight plaids, hyper ruffles, neon shines, coloured super-tights, golden waves and red lacquer lips! Most of these are making a comeback this fall-winter but, thankfully, in watered-down versions. We make a smart list of the three top trends to incorporate in your wardrobe to give it the right 80s' touch... ZARA ₹2,790, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade Plaid, PLEASE!



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FOREVER 21 Price on request, available at DLF Mall of India, DLF Promenade and DLF Place Saket One of the biggest trends fashion is doling out this season is the prettiest and the toughest of them all, depending on how you wear it. Ladies! here comes the plaid. With plaids, you either look really cool or completely off. Elegant, refined, sophisticated and classic, wear your plaids in moderation. Pair bright checks with solid colours or add a hint with a scarf. Plaid along! MANGO ₹2,390, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade

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After a seemingly endless summer, the cooler season is here and has got with it the romantic ruffles. They may be inspired by the '80s, but are flatter and leaner. Better still, they are asymmetrical. Try a ruffled halter dress or pair a crop top with a ruffled yoke, denims and heels! **ZARA** Price on request, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade

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SEE-QUIN?

Yes, we do and how! This festive season, it's going to be all about sparkles. Sequins will shimmer and shine in all avatars: read shoes, dresses, trousers, blazers and accessories. If sequins bother you, opt for lamé. If you don't want to go OTT, tone down the sparkle with simple accessories.



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Gentlemen, here's a warning: your winter wardrobe is going to be a little serious this year! Get ready for straight checks, solid bombers and overcoats with shearling trims... Neon will be your saviour!



sk any man if he follows fashion trends and chances are he'll be swinging his head side to side in a vehement "no". But chances also are that his wardrobe tells a different story. He'll have his timeless classics in there no doubt but you'll also see the latest runway trends! We make his work easier as we cherrypick trends for the gent that he can easily pull off this festive season.

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The bomb APLOMB!

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MANGO ₹5,590, available at DLF Mall of India Every man needs at least one smart bomber jacket in his wardrobe. Be it a bright monochrome, with abstract print, floral or a safe navy... choose your favourite from our picks. ZARA ₹5,490, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade

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ZARA ₹6,499, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade Embrace the winter in a shaggy statement coat, one that feels like a warm hug layered between you and the cold. You can give your coat a more casual spin by wearing it with jeans, a graphic tee, and sneakers or combat boots. Or better still, invest in one with a shearling trim. ZARA ₹3,490, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade



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Say yes TO NEON

Why should girls have all the fun! Neons are for the men too. These bright electrifying hues have made a big comeback in men's wardrobes. Wear neons to parties, movie nights, dinners or when hanging out. Pair with denims or khaki chinos for a casual look. Or layer it under a blue jacket to pack a punch.

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hopping for your wedding can be a challenging task. But the DLF Mall of India, Noida, eased the job for brides and grooms by curating a fabulous 15-day wedding extravaganza. From August 15 onwards, the best of apparel and accessory brands at the mall showcased their most lavish wedding collections, creating a one-stop shopping destination for ladies and gentlemen alike.

Presenting the season's hottest wedding trends, a spectacular fashion show was organised on August 17. From stunning bespoke ensembles to smart accessories, there was something for everyone on the runway. As if that weren't amazing enough, Bollywood actress Vaani Kapoor set the ramp on fire as the showstopper!

Another highlight of the event were the wedding exhibits, created to turn every vision of your big day into a gorgeous reality. Some of the biggest designers and brands showcased their latest collections and also offered tips on how to carry off their creations in style. The likes of Meena Bazaar, Mohanlal Sons, Amante, Club Mahindra and



Jeevansathi.com came together under one roof to help brides-to-be with wedding essentials.

The grooms, in turn, could tap into the expert guidance of Brooks Brothers, Scotch & Soda, Massimo Dutti and Manyavar for all their outfit and styling needs. After all, what is a big fat Indian wedding without outfits that dazzle the world?

Making it even easier for them to look their best were footwear brands like Charles & Keith, Nine West, Venus Steps, Cole Haan, Kala Niketan and Steve Madden, offering their very finest.

And of course, no wedding ensemble is complete without the right accessories: every trinket matters, and has to be chosen with care. For this too, the DLF Mall of India had an answer: an exquisite collection of wedding jewellery and accessories to choose from! Masterpieces by CaratLane, Diamond Tree, World of Glitter, Preeti Mohan and Voylla left shoppers spoilt for



Ms Pushpa Bector, EVP & Head, DLF Shopping Malls along with Bollywood actor Vaani Kapoor

choice, giving them a chance to experiment with classic as well as contemporary pieces.

If you think that was all, think again. A series of masterclasses called 'wedding lounge' were organised at the mall to help every bride-to-be find the right makeup, also telling her how to fight that last-minute pimple scare! Makeup artists and stylists were all attention, there to help perfect every wedding look with expert suggestions and handy tips. The masterclasses also made sure to bust common bridal makeup faux pas like overdone eyes, lips, nails and hair.

And finally, it was time for a few surprises. Three shoppers with the highest billings during the 15-day affair, stood a chance to win a special wedding gift for their big day! Couple holiday tickets, shopping vouchers and even free bridal services at the event were up for grabs. With shows, events and exhibitions, the entire mall came to life to celebrate the magic of the wedding season. FESTIVE EDITION

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The festive and party season is upon us and the big question arises again; what to wear? Fret not. Here's a handy guide to turn heads at every bash

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Dress, ₹2,790. **ZARA** Bracelet, ₹10,900. **SWAROVSKI** Earrings, ₹5,490. **SWAROVSKI** Neck-piece, ₹27,900. **SWAROVSKI**

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Pop-up florals on a dark velvet base... this could be your go-to winter party look. Pair the top with a skirt and a gold cabled neck-piece.

Top, ₹3,400. FOR-EVER NEW Skirt, ₹1,890. ZARA Neck-piece, ₹1,990. MARKS & SPENCER

Diwali party? Pair this emerald saree with a hint of glitter with a metallic bustier. Drape it over a pair of tights and rock the fusion look. Your man can go classic in a Jodhpuri suit!

On Alex: Jodhpuri set, ₹13,999. MOHANLAL SONS Footwear, ₹1,999. MARKS & SPENCER

On Bianca: Saree, ₹17,000. MEENA BAZAAR Blouse, Price on request. MEENA BAZAAR Earring & bracelet, Price on request. SWAROVSKI Footwear, ₹4,495. CARLTON LONDON



Tea-length knifepleated skirts are a classic. Wear them with the season's favourite sequinned top.

On Bianca: Shirt, ₹2,499. MARKS & SPENCER Skirt, ₹2,699. MARKS & SPENCER Neck-piece, ₹1,499. MARKS & SPENCER Footwear, ₹4,495. CARLTON LONDON

On Sanja: Top, ₹3,299. MARKS & SPENCER Skirt, ₹2,699. MARKS & SPENCER Neck-piece, ₹1,499. MARKS & SPENCER Footwear, ₹4,495. CARLTON LONDON









Be the princess of the night in this cream and gold fusion ensemble. Men can choose to go black.

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HEAD OVER HEELS

It's time to walk tall again! For endless seasons, the ramps have witnessed a deluge of flats, sneakers and the occasional kitten heel, but this time around, leaving all of this behind, the stiletto has pushed past it all. Here are some party skyscrapers!

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SMALL IS BIG

If you know your fashion, you know how important accessories are. And a special event requires something special, read a funky clutch perhaps. This festive season, go with these textured, blingy, beaded petite beauties. ALDO ₹5,999, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade



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ALL THAT GLITTERS

High octane shimmer is taking over, so don't shy away from the bling. Let gold shine this season... Take out those shiny precious gemstones and show them some party light! ZARA ₹1,490, available at DLF Mall of India and DLF Promenade

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ACCESSORIZE ₹1,800, available at DLF Place Saket



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From classic to studded, lets these bold time-managers keep a watch on your evenings

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s the face of retail changes in India, it's clear that we're moving towards a new retail revolution. The world around us is getting smaller, driven by the power of technological innovation. And the ideas for transforming it are getting bigger and more ambitious than ever before. In the midst of it all, one thing is clear as day: the future is digital. DLF Shopping Malls, always in step with the times, has come up with a brand new digital doorway to its retail universe: the Lukout app.

Seamlessly integrating the physical and digital ecosystem, this ingenious app welcomes you to the 'Phygital World Of DLF Shopping Malls'. The millions of consumers who flock to DLF Shopping Malls across the country now have a way of discovering new experiences around them as they shop, right within the palm of their hands. Lukout keeps them up-to-date with the latest trends in fashion, decodes the hottest looks on the runway, offers them styling tips, alerts them about the season's best events, lets them make hassle-free payments for parking at the mall of their choice and also offers them valet services!

As for the shopping itself, the app is the answer to their every retail need at all DLF Shopping Malls, listing all brand outlets, products and offers they can enjoy.

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the valet to bring your vehicle to the exit location whenever you need it.

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What's Trending – Everything you need to know about the latest fashion trends from around the world.

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Mall Directory – All brands mapped to the specific DLF mall will be listed here.

Mall Info – Information about brands, timings and services based on your location.



BEAUTY RAID

PALETTE SPAR

Sun-kissed cheeks, shimmery lips and eyes that sparkle with a smile and some glitter... here's to a fresh-faced party season

> he bold lip-dark eye combo is dead and gone. While global runways went all-out glittery, taking inspiration from the disco ball, we water down the trends for you. Here's how to handle the metallic eyeshadows, the berry lips and nude cheeks. Check out how to keep it natural yet glamorously stand out in a crowd.
SUN- KISSED & BRONZED So, the tan from the summer holiday has faded and you're yearning for the peachy, healthy sun-kissed glow again. A few strokes and swipes should have you sporting that look again! First, get your hands on a lightweight foundation; stay away from the heavy-duty ones. Warm up your skin a little by using warm-toned pigments. A nude blush and perhaps a tinge of glitter will do. You could look for a soft pink palette for the absolutely perfect blush of health. Use a touch of shine on your cheekbones to give your barely-there makeup a polished finish.

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stroke. If you are doing the ethnic look, opt for the winged eyeliner. It tends to give a cute retro vibe and pairs well with ethnic ensembles. . Keep your lashes bare with just a

hint of natural mascara.

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READ MY LIPS Berry, brown, pink or pop orange... pick the lip shade your heart desires. Just remember to top it with a sparkle! Pick a shimmery lip topper to transform any regular lip shade into a dramatic one with a single swipe. Or, grab your favourite metallic lip colour and smoothen a sparkling champagne glitter liquid lip colour on top. Let your lips go uber glam!

BEAUTY RAID



Autumn might be knocking at our door but humidity hasn't really left. So we decided to ask our expert, Ashwin Mahajan, Style Director, Looks Salon, to come to our rescue with easy hairdos for the party and wedding season ahead

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ard parties, family dinners, New Year bashes and weddings... there is so much to dress up for in the next couple of months! Your outfits and makeup are sorted but what about your hair? Ashwin Mahajan, Style Director, Looks Salon, says simple is the best option. "Be it the party and wedding season or in general, my recommendations will ensure that you do not compromise with your hair's natural texture and expression. The best idea is to choose a hairdo that is not too fussy to create or carry yet is superbly chic," he says.

ASHWIN MAHAJAN Style Director at Looks Salon

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MESSY SIDE WAVES WITH A TWIST

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LOW SIDE BUN WITH **TEXTURED CURLS**

This is a perfect wedding hairstyle for women with short and curly hair. Give it a texture with a hairspray, part it on one side and make a low bun on the opposite side. If you want, you can let a few coils rest on your forehead.

NEAT CENTER-PARTED LOW **BUN WITH SMOOTH FINISH**

A neat finish is the secret to this striking wedding hairstyle. Start by creating a middle parting and apply serum all over your hair, liberally. Now, pull the smooth and sleek hair back at the nape of your neck and twist it into a small bun. Pair the clean hairdo with statement earrings.

WHAT'S ON THE WALL?

The festive season is almost upon us and social calendars will fill up fast with friends and family trooping in. So, here's a few tips to quickly get your home festival-ready



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o now that the festival of lights is around the corner, soon to be followed by Christmas and the turn of the year, it is the best time to give your home a cosy makeover. Gift yourself new and improved interiors filled with brightness and colours!

Clock it right

Wall clocks are no longer just for keeping time. They have evolved into art pieces and conversation starters. Choose contemporary designs or something more ethnic, to suit your interiors.

Let there be light

The easiest way to alter the look of your living room, is by changing the lights. Pick bright traditional lights to create a cosy festive mood. Add scented candles to heighten the effect.

Corner happy

Every room needs a corner accent. Be it an Indian artefact or a smart photoframe, let your heart take the call. You can add a patterned rug or bright cushions to make a simple yet Impactful statement.

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Diwali dinner table

One of the easiest ways to deck up your interiors for a party is by matching the mood with your table setting. A festive table setting doesn't have to cost a bomb. A few smart tricks will also do. Refashion your shiny baubles from the local gifting store; old beads and necklaces that you may no longer have any use for can be turned into napkin and mat holders. And of course the ever reliable votives will help you go from drab to dressy in the to the table to make the room festive. All you need to do is bear in mind one simple rule – keep it fluid and casual. Now that you have a few tips handy, pick from our selection of home decor products to help

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

A Christmassy home is filled with cheer. Brighten up your home with bright baubles in red and green, expansive garlands and traditional Christmas decorations. Add to these a few smart ideas. The trend of using alternative Christmas trees is something that is gaining popularity. Get the kids involved to build a tree from waste paper. Colour it green and decorate with fairy lights. Not only will this get the entire family involved, it will make a statement for sure.

For those with an open floor plan, modern Christmas ornaments like crystals along with a more elaborately decorated living room in the backdrop can do the trick. Give it an Indian touch by using traditional lamps and cushions with funky *desi* patterns! Pick an elaborate fresh flower arrangement as the centre piece of your holiday table.

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IT'S TIME FORA BURMESE FEAST

Savour flavours from India's little-explored neighbour right here in Delhi with a little help from Chef Ansab Khan, who tells you how to whip up your own Burmese delight



Head Of Culinary Operations Burma Burma CHEF ANSAB KHAN

How did you start your career?

I started my career at JW Marriott, Mumbai, working in an Italian restaurant. Later I joined Ankit (Ankit Gupta, co-owner of Burma Burma) and have been associated with Burma Burma from the brand's inception.

From major hotel chains, to a standalone restaurant... how is the experience?

Working in Burma Burma is great fun. It is not only my work place but very close to my heart. From ideating on the restaurant to visiting Burma to explore the native food and culture and finally, launching the brand, it has been an exciting journey.

What's your favourite dish at Burma Burma?

It's very difficult to pick one but if I have to, it is the shan khowsuey. I had tasted this dish for the first time in a small restaurant in Inle and had fallen in love with it. I had requested the restaurant owner for the recipe and he was gracious enough to teach me.



CRISP TOFU BUNS

Crisp tofu buns Ingredients For buns:-Self rising flour: 500 gm Fresh yeast: 20 gm Milk: 250 ml Sugar: 1 tsp Salt: 1 tsp Oil: 2 tbsp Baking powder : 1/2 tsp For tofu patty:-Tofu: 200 gm Onion chopped: 1/2 Green chilly chopped: 2 Brown onion: 1 tbsp Spring onion green: 1 tbsp Salt as req

Black bean paste: ½ tbsp Sunflower seeds: 1 tbsp Refined flour: 1 cup Panko crumbs as req Oil for frying Lettuce as req Coconut mayo or regular mayo

METHOD

Dissolve the yeast in milk along with the sugar. Prepare a medium soft dough using all the ingredients mentioned for the bun. Cover the dough with a wet cloth & leave it to rise until it doubles in volume. Tip the dough out onto a clean work surface and punch it down. Flatten the dough with your hands, portion it out in 30-gm bits & make round-shaped buns by rolling them between your palms.

Place on a perforated tray & allow to rise again for around 30 mins or till it's light. Place in a steamer & steam for 10 mins till it's puffed up. Mash the tofu & add all the ingredients till sunflower seeds, then add 2 tbsp of refined flour & make round patties.

Make a medium thick batter of refined flour with water & salt, dip the tofu patty in it & then coat in panko crumbs. Refrigerate for 2 hrs then fry as required.

For assembling, steam the buns & cut in half. Place lettuce at the bottom followed by the patty & sliced onion & cherry tomato. Top with coconut mayo.

BOTTOMS UP ANYONE?

Passionate about bartending and driven to serve guests with the best of the HRC's signature cocktails, Jai Dogra tells you how to make your own cocktail



HRC'S SIGNATURE HURRICANE

Make HRC's signature drink, Hurricane with Bacardi Cartablanca and Bacardi Black infused with mango, orange and pineapple juice with a mix of Monin Grenadine and Amarelto, served with crushed ice, orange and a speared cherry.



HRC New Delhi's Star Bartender, JAI DOGRA

What is it that makes HRC so special?

It is a unique place that offers the perfect blend of good food and music for an absolute entertaining experience. HRC's signature food and drinks are the result of true passion and commitment to offering guests memorable tastes. I have worked with some of the best known bars and restaurants in the city, however, HRC's vibe is unmatchable. It keeps me upbeat and motivated to serve the best signature drinks to my guests.

How did you start your career?

Bartending has always fascinated me so I continued learning and practising the tricks on my own, which helped me make a career in this field. I started as a server. However, HRC valued my talent and gave me a chance to pursue my passion and become a "Star Bartender".



FOODIE'S PARADISE

IT'S A PARTY STARTER

Looking for a simple yet exotic starter recipe? Try these easy quick-bite ideas to delight your guests

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An Indian dinner without the tikka? Give it a twist by pairing classic tikka ingredients like chicken and paneer with exotic ones like brocolli and mushroom.

BURMA BURMA

In a recipe inspired from Yangon's street barbeques, serve duck skewers marinated in a hand-ground spice mix of lemon grass, garlic, red chilli and tamarind.





Mamagoto

A healthy starter, the Japan Hikers Salad includes wakame, black fungus, vegetables and soba noodles dressed with wasabi and soya. Finish with sesame oil and serve with grilled tofu.

Papparoti

The vegetable or chicken double chow is a simple yet fun recipe: fill a hollowed buttered bread bowl with a vegetable or chicken curry!



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Your guests would have never heard of *pindi choley* served with hummus and onion khasta kulcha! Cook *pindi choley* in the regular way and prepare the hummus. Fill the onion kulcha cone with hummus, top it with the choley and garnish with pomegranate seeds!

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The chilli tofu wrap is a healthy and fun surprise! Make a flour tortilla filled with chilli tofu, rolled and served with pickled vegetables and togarashi sprinkles.



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TRAVEL TALES

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Bid adieu to 2018 in style by travelling to an exotic international New Years destination on a budget for a memorable vacation, unlike any other you've taken before



s another year draws to a close, hordes of ideas are being tossed around about a grand New Year celebration. While popular destinations get sold out or swiftly cross your budget, here's a list of places you can travel to, which are exotic, fun-filled, affordable and perfect to ring in 2019! And did we say the list is from Southeast Asia?



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THE THAI **THANG!**

Thailand is probably the most sought-after among all New Year holiday destinations in Asia. Tourists from all around the world flock to this tropical paradise that is home to picturesque beaches, artistic temples and mouthwatering cuisine. Places to definitely visit are Bangkok, Phuket, Phi Phi Island, Chiang Mai and Krabi Island.

A visit to Wat Pho is a must for any traveller to Bangkok. A Buddhist temple complex on Rattanakosin island, it is home to the Reclining Buddha that stands 15 m tall and 46 m long.

CAPTIVATING CAMBODIA

From the temples of Angkor Wat to the beaches of Sihanoukville, Cambodia is fast becoming a favourite off-track destination among tourists looking for newer places to explore in Asia. Post the release of Angelina Jolie starrer Hollywood-action flick *Lara Croft Tomb Raider*, Cambodia has quickly become a tourism hotspot. The recommended places to visit in Cambodia are Phnom Penh, Siem Reap, Sihanoukville, and Koh Rong Islands.

Angkor Wat, a stunning temple complex and the largest religious monument in the world, was built in the 12th century. Six km from Siem Reap, it's dedicated to Hindu god, Lord Vishnu.



A GEM CALLED VIETNAM

Vietnam is not only a country with picturesque landscapes, it's also home to warm-hearted people. From rivers, caves and temples to sumptuous food, mountains and beaches, Vietnam has it all for a fantastic New Year vacation. The places to visit in Vietnam are Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh, and Ha Long.

Hạ Long Bay, in northeast Vietnam, is known for its stunning emerald waters and thousands of towering limestone islands topped by dense rainforests.

SCINTILLATING SRILANKA

Located just south of India, the emerald island nation surprises its visitors with its stunning culture, diverse and beautiful landscape, and tranquil lifestyle. An experience that will help you rejuvenate, reconnect, and soak in the warmth of a country with a large heart, this one's a must-visit this holiday season. Places worth a must-see are Colombo, Kandy, and Nuwara Eliya.

Sri Lanka has eight Unesco World Heritage Sites packed into the island country's small area.





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The German annual beer festival 'Oktoberfest', was celebrated in Gurugram at DLF CyberHub for 15 days amidst much fun and frolic. It was a great chance for the expats to feel like home with the freshly brewed beer and delicacies from the country. It was a great new experience for locals. Performances by magicians, unicycle jugglers and stilt walkers extracted the authentic essence and set the the right tone for the celebrations.

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DLF Promenade **TOES & TOTES**

A shoes & bags festival held at DLF Promenade. this event was aimed at increasing sales in the shoe & bag category at the mall. Brands like Charles & Keith, Aldo, Steve Madden, BHPC, Call It Spring, Melissa, Da Milano, Chumbak, Shutiq, Crocs, DC Shoes, Forever 21, Satya Paul and Promod participated in the event. Exciting gifts and vouchers were on offer.



DLF Place, Saket KONNICHIWA JAPAN An event striving to give wind to FESTIVAL the cultural exchange between India and Japan. It offered an insight into the Land of the Rising Sun. A vibrant affair steeped in Japanese traditions and aesthetics, it came with a message of

friendship.

DLF Mall of India FASHION EXTRAVAGANZA

DLF Mall of India kicked off the 1st edition of the 'Fashion Month' on the runway during the second week of September. During the one-month-long rendezvous, it showcased the latest autumnwinter collections by an array of global fashion labels. With different approaches towards the season's best trends, this was a great event for fashion innovators, influencers and enthusiasts.



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