

A DIY Guide to The Southern Ridges

Marang Trail



The Marang trail begins right after you step off the escalator exiting from Harbourfront MRT Station (Exit D) near Marang Road. This trail leads you to the cable car station at the Jewel Box on Mount Faber.

If you are physically fit, it should be a piece of cake embarking on this walk of steps and shaded footpaths paving the way to beautiful sights and sounds of the secondary forest. Be careful not to slip on loose pebbles lying on the steps.

Enjoy the peace and tranquility of nature as you jog or walk on this trail. Listen out for loud chirping sounds of cicadas that break the silence of the forest. Cicadas live on the tuip tuip tree, the dominant tree in the Adinandra Belukar, making their loud mating calls to attract females. If you are lucky, you can spot the dongo, yellow oreo and other birds perched on lush greenery.

At the top of the Trail is the Jewel Box, an F&B establishment comprising bars, restaurants and various entertainment options on Mount Faber. Chill out with a beer or have an ice cream as you enjoy a panoramic view of the harbour and southern islands from different vantage points. You can also enjoy a cable car ride to Sentosa Island from the Jewel Box.



Highlight
Flora and fauna of secondary forest



Some common tree species you can see on this trail:

- Angsana tree - a common, fast-growing tree in this region.
- Saga Tree - its seeds are commonly picked and used in jewellery and artwork; popular for their bright red colour that symbolizes passion and everlasting love.
- Shrubs, plants, climbers and flowers like the Bat lily, ground orchids and Crape ginger.

The Marang Trail is deliberately unlit after dark to minimize disturbance to nocturnal life in the forest. Do bring along a torch and take extra precautions if you wish to walk on this trail after dark.

Do note that the Marang Trail covers an elevation of 70 metres (or the equivalent of a 24-storey building), so this trail may not be suitable for young children, the elderly and the less fit.



Difficulty level : moderate to challenging
Distance : 0.8km
Walking time : 15 min

