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RIVER HOUSE AT CLARKE QUAY

This southern Chinese-style mansion was built in the 1880s and is the oldest building in Clarke Quay. Having served as a residence and godown for gambier, biscuits and other commodities, it was faithfully restored by skilled craftsmen in 1993. Every effort was made to meticulously re-create its original intricacies and recapture the charm and spirit of Singapore's heritage. The restored building, one of the only two traditional Chinese-style dwellings remaining in Singapore, contributes to the rejuvenation of the Singapore River and the transformation of the riverfront area into a retail, recreation and entertainment belt.



River House exudes its past splendour in today's setting



Traditional Chinese roof kept intact



Chinese roof restored to original pitch and colour



Spacious second storey serves as a function area



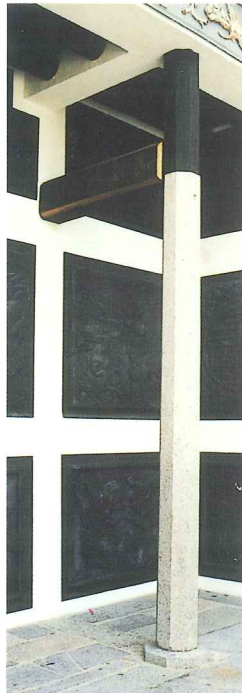
Timber-framed window



Circular window at second storey



Decorative ridge beams and motifs finished with the sculptured figurines



An interesting corner with granite elements and ornamental walls



Skylight at courtyard admits natural light and enhances the architectural serenity



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The Chinese Mansion (River House) is the oldest building in Clarke Quay. It was built by a wealthy Chinese merchant in the 1880s and its architecture possess both historical and cultural values.