

# 2015: 4/24-27 - Hong Kong

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## 4/24 - Friday

Took bus 551. It was taking over 2 hours to get to the Train station. We got off and switched to the subway #1. It's the last stop. Ran up and down stairs with my luggage. Of course there are no down escalators. Or more correctly they have the down escalators turned off. Almost died. But made it with just 5 minutes to spare. Certainly a good way to restimulate me about traveling by myself.

On the China side had to go through customs and return my departure card. I thought it would be upon arrival.

Train ride was pleasant. Took 2 hours. Arrived in Hung Hom Train station on Kowloon side. Bought my return ticket.

Outside caught a taxi to the Ramada Inn. Good think Tiger gave me the Chinese name and address because taxi driver didn't understand my English. Taxi ride was HK \$108.

Beat Susan to the hotel.

We rushed off for a meeting in the central area. I walked around while Susan had her meeting. Then we ate a snack.

At 6:30 met Sheldon Cheng (Lizzys boy friend)at a Cantonese restaurant.

8:30 met up with Barbara Posner at the Mandarin hotel. Her room was over \$500/night. Here's the view out her window looking towards Kowloon.



Here's a picture of the Guan Ying we have.

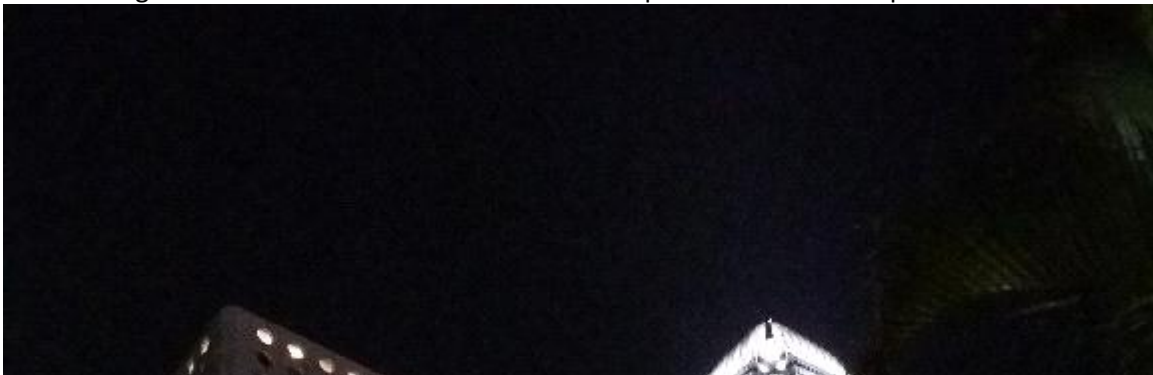




Took a walk outside the hotel. The tall buildings and architecture are fun to look at. Especially all lit up.



The building with the round windows is the one that spider man climbed up in one of the movies.





**4/25 -Saturday**

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Met up with Barbara. Went up to the Peak. Wanted to take cable car up but there was a line so took taxi.



It was a little hazy at the top so didn't get a great picture, but this is where a lot of the magnificent pictures of HK have been taken.



After we went to Stanley Market, which is on the south side of HK island. There are all the seller booths. We passed Repulse Bay. I actually like the water and the beaches on this side.





We headed back to central. And rested back at the hotel. Here's the view out Barbara window during the day.



In the evening we met at an Italian restaurant called "Isolas" for dinner with 3 of Susan 's friends. Top right to left: Deborah, Gloria, Barbara. Seated and her birthday was Muriel. They all were very nice and I had a very nice evening. Got home after 11pm.





4/26 -Sunday

Met Sheldon at "Kam Roast Goose" which got a Michillin Star. We gorged. Had roast goose, pi dan (hundred year old egg), char shew, pork belly, duck webs and Gizzards, goose blood soup, suckling pig, & Choy sum. Everything was superb.



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After we went on the Star Ferry (HK\$3.50) to the Kowloon side and walked along the waterfront. We were on a very colorful ferry.



Generally they are green.





The are great boats. Use to like riding them in 1985.



On the Kowloon side saw the quintessential Junk in Victoria Harbor .



After hung out in the Intercontinental hotel for and hour. Heard a quintet (flute, violin, base, drum and keyboard play Pachelbel Kanon.

Took a boat to Lamar Island. Beautiful day on the water to enjoy the HK skyline.







An old cemetery on the south side of HK.



Coming to Lamar Island.



Seafood restaurant row to the left and right of the dock. We ate at Rainbow.



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You pick the seafood you want from the tanks and tell them how to cook it.





Happily eating once again.



Took the boat back to HK island. The lights are pretty.





4/27 - Monday

Quick breakfast with Susan. Then I take the 104 bus by myself to Hung Hom Train station. You get off at : cross harbor tunnel toll plaza.

It was confusing. Had to go up 2 levels to find the train station.

Then had to wait in the departure area. After you go through customs, wait to board train.

