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A view inside the 7* jewelled cabin
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$36 Million Cable-Car Cabins to Be Released Next Year in Singapore

Featuring Swarovski crystal finishes and high-tech equipment

If you have ever visited Singapore, maybe you have had the chance to see the beautiful local scenery from the sky between Mount Faber and Sentosa, by hopping on one of the cable-cars provided by Mount Faber Jewel Box. Well, now the tourist attraction won't be just the breathtaking views, but rather the 68 glittering cable-car cabins that are planned to be released by the second quarter of 2010.

These are part of a $36 million revamp process that will start this year in August and will replace the existing cable-car system. Judging only by the costs, you realize that we are not talking about normal cable-cars. In fact, these will probably be the most luxurious around, including one decorated with Austrian Swarovski crystals. This will actually be the first of its kind in the world.

67 bigger cabins will be LED-fitted, becoming unique jewel transportation devices. However, the most impressive one will be the 7* VIP Jewelled Cabin, the one fitted with Swarovski crystals. It is a four-seater cabin that will provide amazing views from its crystal glass floor and walls, while relaxing on the black-leather sofas with embedded crystals. The cabin also comes equipped with the best technologies around: it will welcome its guests with a DVD player, a fridge and a high-end Bose sound system.

"It is part of our business strategy to prepare ourselves to cater to the ever-changing appetite of the tourism and leisure industry for the next decade of the 21st century," Mount Faber Leisure Group chief executive Susan Teh said to the local press.

Moreover, the new cabins will be wheelchair-friendly, unlike the current ones. The sparkling cable-car system is expected to attract 1.7 million riders, which will be an increase of about 10 to 15 percent. The current prices are between $18 and $21 for one ride and, surprisingly, they are studying whether to rise them or not after the revamp.

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