Exquisite Designs at Kamsins

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A gallery of colours is spread out in the extensive selection of ‘pattu’ silk sarees

Sleek and chic, soft and feminine, in sharp designs and fabrics, in exquisite patterns and elegant embellishments, Kamsins continues to offer only the latest and exclusive clothing for men, women and children.

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As you enter Kamsins, the interior offers a new retail experience. Moving on from a store of ethnic wear for special occasions, Kamsins embarks on its ninth year with an expanded space of four floors with a large collection of Western attire and accessories.

Kamsins has embraced its new chapter in fashion retailing by offering an irresistible range of attire, a virtual colour palette that is unleashed in an array of cuts, shapes and sizes. Crop tops, deep necklines and stripes look perfectly comfy and stunningly trendy. Ruffles and frills add a unique dose of fashion even to the simplest of outfits. Large and dramatic flounce sleeves are extremely subtle and feminine. Cutaway tees, and tops with bell sleeves are modern and chic. Off the shoulder sleeves with a delicate flash of skin are perfect for the warm days ahead and cold shoulder sleeves on tops are gorgeous. Statement sleeves are definitely a huge trend these days and Kamsins has an interesting selection for women of all ages. The billowy ponchos never go out of style and the many designs here are demurely comfortable. Reincarnating the 1970s trend, the bell pants and culotte trousers are available in varying designs and prints. The hippie-chic elephant pants are definitely different, with cool fabrics, mixed with embroidered borders at the waist.

The selection is meticulous, Kamsins adheres to a standard of maintaining exclusivity by purchasing a limited number of each piece of clothing from countries such as India, Indonesia, Thailand, Turkey and China. Headed by R Rajamanikkam, the expansion of its range and shop space was in response to the vacuum for exclusive retail items in the market. With fashion designers as well as consultants in India and agents elsewhere, the management constantly updates on trends and the outlet is supplied accordingly.

Leaving the ground floor and the mezzanine floor dedicated for Western wear for women and children, including accessories, handbags and footwear, and an exclusive section for ethnic jewellery from India, the first floor is where the bling is. Cotton, silk and chiffon sarees are a miscellany of colours. The soothing pastels of bridal sarees featuring heavy stone work, embroidery and intricate designs crafted to perfection and the bold and beautiful reds, blues, greens and royal purple ‘pattu’ sarees are an epitome of feminine grace and beauty. There is ease of selection with a special ramp that allows visitors to think over their choice while the saree is spread out. There is also an exclusive range of Satya Paul sarees as well.



Lehengas, Indian ethnic jewellery and a range of accessories are available in this ‘family store’

The adjoining section for men is well stocked with casual, ethnic and office wear. The ‘twist in style’ collection of classic casual tunic shirts, kurtas in diagonal cuts and ruched sleeves and blazer styles in prints and solids, slim fit, long and short are certainly for the man who desires to express style differently. Wedding wear for men – the traditional Indian sherwani and kurta set are quite exquisite in design – heavily decorated jacket with brocade work with intricately embroidered borders will make any man standout.

There is an exciting range of party wear in a choice of fabrics, designs, colours, cuts and silhouettes along with salwars and kurtas for women on the second floor. But the most stunning collection is definitely the selection of bridal lehenga; a breathtaking display of opulence with the glitzy stone and bead work woven painstakingly into fabric with such delicateness that this ostentatious piece of bridal wear will be the cynosure of all eyes in any setting.

Kamsins can be accessed from Galle Road and W A De Silva Mawatha. With parking space for 25 vehicles and a hands-on staff willing to assist and advice, Kamsins is ready to serve the fashion requirements of all who desire distinction.

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday 9am to 9pm
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