

D F Shopper



Shopping for perfumes and cosmetics at the Orient's Duty Free Shop at the International Airport.

A classic piece of the watchmaker's craft from Switzerland, cherished perfumes from Paris, malt whisky from the best glens of Scotland, the smokers special delight in cigars from Holland, Cognac from the vineyards of France, enticing lingerie from New York, precision cameras from Japan, dependable gadgetry from Germany, - just a part of the filling in a Duty Free shopping bag of the man in the grey flannel suit or the woman in the relaxing attire of a tropical holiday.

Part of the problem of filling this bag in the Duty Free area in most airports is that one has to trek from shop to shop to make the right purchase at the right price.

Thankfully this problem does not exist at Colombo's International Airport at Katunayake,

because of the presence of the Orient Duty Free Shopping Complex, managed by the Orient Company (Ceylon) limited, a Sri Lanka Government Owned Business Undertaking. The complex is the answer to all demands of the Duty Free shopper, from the inexperienced to the most jaded.

You will discover the difference as you step into the Orient Duty Free Shop on arrival in Colombo. Yes. That is the first major plus. Duty Free shopping on arrival, before Customs. Very thoughtful indeed. Orient gives you the complete range of luxury and special utility with the finest range of liquors, cigarettes, tobacco and, cigars, perfumes and cosmetics, electrical and electronic appliances, watches and cameras, special gift items and accessories, travel goods and confectionery.

Easy solution to the problem of that last minute arriving gift, the special token of appreciation, the gift to make the business meeting run smoother, or a toy for that friendly child - all so easily picked up from a range which brings the whole world of luxury under one convenient shopping roof.

When it is departure time, the convenience of Orient's service is in the spacious Transit Area. Take your pick of regular or premium Scotch Whisky or pure Malt Whisky ; Brandys and Cognacs, Vermouth and Liqueurs, Champagne and Wine - all from names and tastes of recognised goodness the world over.

There are the leading brands of cigarettes - British, American, German, French, Japanese, and the much sought-after International Brands which are the special fare of Duty Free shopping. Perfumes come in the best of names from the choice houses such as Carven and Christian Dior, lancome and Elizabeth Arden, Roger & Gallet, Van Cleef & Arpels, Estee Lauder, Rochas and Givenchy, to name just some of the most sought after.

For those who take delight in the smoke and gift of a good cigar, the Orient's range is truly one with much promise. There are Coronas from Ritmeester and Wilhelm II, Grands and Panatellas from Carl Upmann, or Villeger and Schimmelpenninck. If the choice is for pipe-smoking your pick could be from choice mixtures of Erinmore, Troost, Alavana or Macabaran - which caught my eye in an easy display.

Keeping up to the well-earned reputation as the complete Duty Free Shop Orient has an excellent range of clothing and accessories for both men and women which include scarves, knitwear, tee shirts, belts, ties, sunglasses, sports wear, wallets and cufflinks with the best trendy and classic labels. There are also dependable travel goods such as rolling suitcases, club suitcases, beauty cases and attache cases from the best designers and manufacturers.



Duty Free Shopping with Orient does not begin and end at the airport. There is also an abundantly stocked outlet at the Duty Free Shopping Complex in downtown Colombo, near the Ramada Renaissance Hotel. This shop has all the luxury goods available at the airport outlets, as well as, a wide range of electrical appliances from Hoover, Belling, Rowenta and Russel Hobbs, leading brands in sound and video equipment, refrigerators and washers, ovens and ovenware, as well as, camera and photographic equipment for the amateur and professional.

All of which means that for people who are going places, or for those who have arrived, it is hard to beat Orient's Duty Free Junction in Paradise.



There is a wide choice of premium and regular spirits at the Orient's Duty free Complex in the Airport.