The Mesmeric World of Fabric Gallery

Vibrant and exclusive selection of brocade at Fabric Gallery

Appreciating the heritage of art and fabric that suits any requirement, the Fabric Gallery offers affordable luxury and style.

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The façade of Fabric Gallery situated along R A de Mel Mawatha, Colombo 4

At the corner of Davidson Road along R A De Mel Mawatha is a destination that promises a designer textile journey. Walking into the Fabric Gallery one is immediately inspired by a plethora of colourful fabric, glamourous ethnic wear and trendy accessories.

Established by M Abdul Cader, who has over 35-years experience in the fabric and fashion industry, Fabric Gallery focuses on quality and exclusivity. Carefully selected by the team, each luxurious material is sourced in limited quantity to ensure inimitability for the customer. Fabric Gallery displays material from across the world especially Japan, Korea, India, China and France. Thus, the racks of the five-storey outlet gleams with the best of patterned luxurious silks, rich brocade,

delicate lace, linen and chiffon. Customers of all types, from everyday shoppers, to brides-to-be and designers will be mesmerized with the choice showcased at the store.

The linen collection at the outlet is particularly popular, especially the distinctive selection of designer linen available in limited quantities. Brides-to-be looking for either a Western style of ethnic design could spend hours surveying through the myriad of white and red, elaborate material showcased. In fact, material for the entire bridal entourage could be purchased at Fabric Gallery with assistance from their experienced and well-versed staff. If you imagine yourself in a vintage evening dress or ball gown made of lace with 3D floral patterns and beading, the store has just what you are looking for.

"Fabric Gallery strives to offer a truly inspired textile experience. We are always in touch with international trends and likewise source fabric. The team exclusively designs fabrics too. Some luxurious fabrics are only available for purchase for one or two pieces as we understand that customers and designers in Sri Lanka cherish uniqueness," says Abdul Cader. "We offer good value with quality products. Affordable luxury is our promise."

Customers will also be stunned by the exciting range of sarees available, which reflect on new trends and colours including popular designer trends from India. The elaborate lehengas, ghagra cholis and richly embellished ethnic dresses, handpicked by the Fabric Gallery team will ensure the wearer is the centre of attention. There are kurthas, ranging from luxurious raw silk to comfortable cotton.

Though fabric of all types, unique hues and designs are the heart and soul of the store, shoppers will also be delighted by the range of branded accessories at Fabric Gallery. The second floor is a treasure trove that displays ornate ethnic fashion jewellery as well as a chic range of earrings and rings. The footwear collection includes glittering bedazzled high-heels ideal for a night out, as well as stylish shoes that will complement your office attire. There is a special selection of branded handbags and clutches as well. The store also offers cosmetics from leading international brands and has a selection of globally popular body and hair care products for both men and women. It is the ideal floor to shop for gifts and beautiful trinkets.

Fabric Gallery is a fashion destination that caters to all needs, encouraging creativity and inspiring customers to embrace their distinctive style.

Opening hours: Mon to Sat – 10am to 7pm; Sunday and Poya – 10am to 2pm
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