



Party like a Hollywood celeb as **AVALON**, Tinseltown's super club, lights up the Crystal Pavilion at Marina Bay Sands this week.

Crystal castle

QUARTZ UP? Krypton is about to come alive in Singapore. No, this isn't a Michael Bay movie. Super-club Avalon will add a little Hollywood sheen to the South Crystal Pavilion at Marina Bay Sands' waterfront when it finally opens its glass doors this weekend. Hollywood's super-club has earned its stripes as the afterparty venue for the Oscars and Grammys. Adam Levine and Usher are some of those who've been hobnobbing at glam soirees in the LA outlet. We're pretty sure we won't need Superman's powers to turn this Krypton into our new clubbing mecca.



Too cool: Step inside and you'll find a club where Don Draper would feel right at home. The 1,500-capacity duplex doubles up as a live concert venue too. Designed by the folks behind the Big Apple's famed Ace Hotel, the wood-and-leather interior was modified after the classic Jaguar of the '60s and melds old Hollywood glam with futuristic futurama. You get phenomenal panoramic views of our skyline while working your moves on the dance floor.

STAR-SPOTTING

Avalon will host a whopping 21 artists in one week. We pick out our faves.



- **Sept 16, opening night:** The Strokes guitarist Nick Valensi and singer-songwriter Devedra Banhart will christen the Avalon stage with their performances on opening night.
- **Sept 21, STAY! launch party:** Live performances from Simian Mobile Disco, Digitalism and Kele of Brit band Bloc Party. It's like attending Coachella... in air-conditioned comfort.
- **Sept 23, Avalon at Large presents GO!** A 12-hour music extravaganza featuring acts from the party rockin' duo LMFAO to star-rapper Ludacris. Keep your eyes peeled and you may even find yourself hobnobbing with celebs in town for the F1 race. ■

Avalon opens this PM, Sept 16, at Southern Crystal Pavilion, Marina Bay Sands. Open Wed, Fri & Sat from 10pm till late (from 8pm during F1 week). Admission charges range from \$40 to \$300. For more info, go to www.avalon.sg.

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● **Party in glass houses:** The sprawling 17,000 sq ft crystalline duplex (aka South Crystal Pavilion) houses both Avalon and the smaller ultra-lounge Pangaea, which opens a week later on Sept 22. A store's throw away is the identical North Crystal Pavilion which is home to the Louis Vuitton flagship store.

View from the top: The 200-seat Bay Room on the second level is only accessible to Avalon members and guests with table bookings. Don't have deep pockets or an invitation? You have until end October to figure out how to get into the scene — that's when the Bay Room officially lifts its velvet ropes to the public. We're just selected "movers and shakers of the industry" will make this byline only list.

