

EuroPinay Diaries: Bali & Singapore Travel Blueprints

Our complete LDR budget breakdowns, travel itineraries, and packing hacks!

Introduction

Hello family! We are Alyssa (Philippines) and Mikko (Finland). We spent months planning our reunions in Singapore and Bali, meticulously tracking every single peso and euro. This document is our real budget breakdown and travel blueprint so you can close the gap or plan your tropical getaways without overspending.

1. Singapore Stopover (First Meetup)

Singapore was our first-ever meeting point. Since Singapore is one of the most expensive cities in Southeast Asia, we kept our stay short and smart.

Expense Category	Estimated Cost	Our Value Tips & Hacks
Flights (Finland)	€650.00	Booked 3 months early on Finnair.
Flights (Manila)	■25,000.00	Cebu Pacific promo fare, including bag check.
Accommodation (3 Nights)	\$420.00 SGD	Stayed in Geylang (boutique hotel) near MRT.
Food (Hawker Center)	\$5-8 SGD / meal	Eat at Lau Pa Sat or Maxwell Food Centre.
Attractions	FREE	Gardens by the Bay light show is 100% free.

2. Tropical Escapade (Ubud, Bali)

Bali is incredibly budget-friendly! We rented a scooter and explored rice fields, temples, and waterfalls.

Expense Category	Estimated Cost	Our Value Tips & Hacks
Private Pool Villa	\$45.00 USD / night	Located in Ubud. Stunning jungle-view private pool.
Scooter Rental	■300.00 / day	Cheap transit, but wear a helmet! Drive safe.
Local Warung Meals	\$1.50 - \$3.00 USD	Try Nasi Goreng, Mie Goreng, and Satay.
Sightseeing Entry	■100-250 / spot	Tegalalang Rice Terraces and Tegenungan Waterfall.

3. Our Top LDR Travel Hacks

- **Multi-city booking:** If flying from Europe, compare multi-city tickets (Helsinki -> Singapore -> Manila) vs. round-trips. It often saves hundreds of euros.
- **eSIM card setup:** Buy eSIMs before landing in Singapore/Bali using Airalo or Klook to get instant data access and avoid airport scams.
- **Timezone sync:** We use the Time Buddy app to quickly coordinate flight check-ins and video calls between Helsinki and Manila.