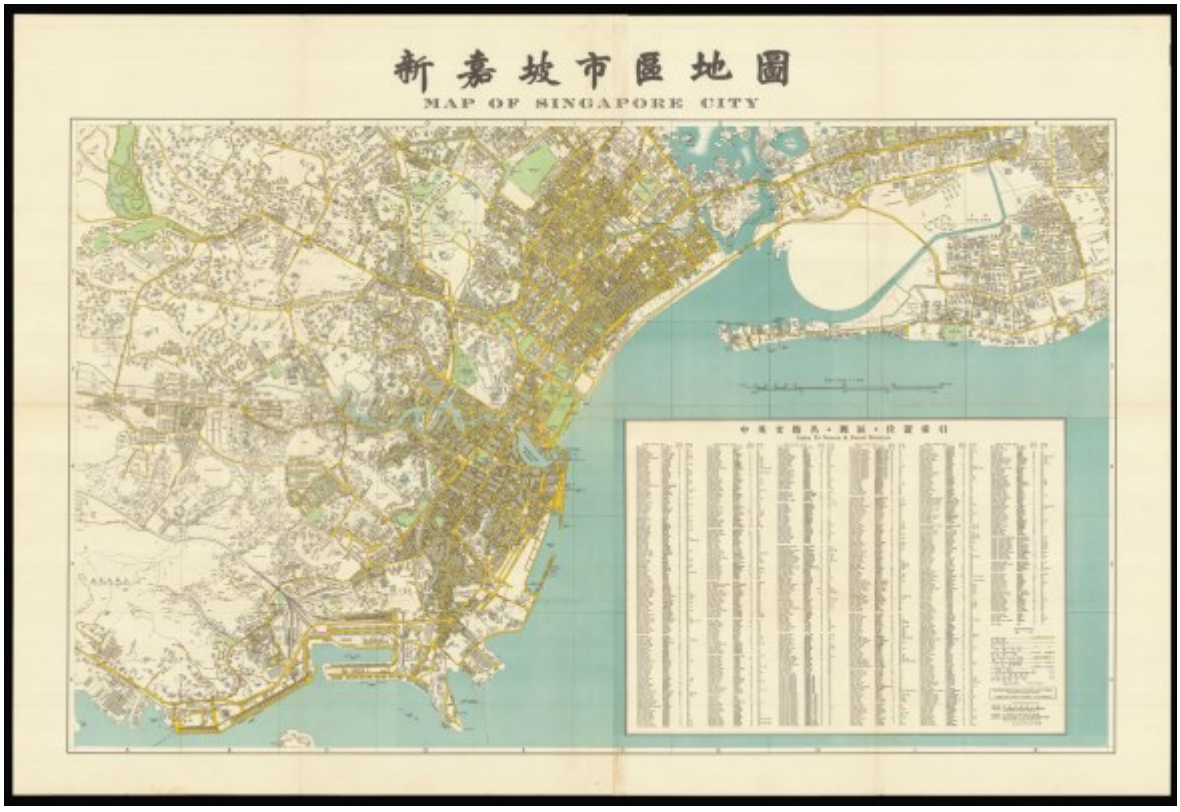


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LARGE-SCALE MAP OF SINGAPORE

Map of Singapore City.

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Physical description
Large chromolithograph plan, printed on two sheets joined, index and key to plan lower right.

Dimensions
830 by 1920mm (32.75 by 75.5 inches).

Notes
Rare large plan of Singapore City.

The plan, on a scale of eight inches to the statute mile, provides information on ‘metalled’ and ‘unmetalled’ roads, car tracks, ‘foot patch’ (a miss-translation from the Chinese?), iron, wooden, and masonary bridges, pipe lines, light railways, permanent and temporary buildings, rivers, canals, and

parks. To the lower left is extensive table listing streets and postal districts. The text on the map is in both Chinese characters and English. The title bears the word ‘City’, a status that was conferred on Singapore by King George VI on 22 September 1951. The plan is also one of the first to use aerial photography, in order to aid surveying.

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