

New shopping centre for Melrose Arch

The much anticipated R1bn Melrose Arch Shopping centre, the newest dimension to the Melrose Arch precinct, will open its doors on 26 March 2009.



About 100 new shops spanning 28000m² of retail space will be introduced in Melrose Arch Shopping, which is set around the new open-air Melrose Arch Piazza, the latest addition to the precinct.

Melrose Arch Shopping is modelled along the lines of the world's piazzas and international high-street shopping destinations.

The new Melrose Arch Shopping is expected to provide an extended array of sophisticated shopping and retail variety to meet the needs and tastes of its local market.



“Melrose Arch Shopping will be opening fully let with the exceptional mix of retailers and brands which have both wide appeal and those which are attractive to a select audience,” Nicolas Stopforth, director of Melrose Arch Development Company says.

Among the new tenants, retailers Woolworths, Truworths, Truworths Man, Foschini, Markham and @Home have secured spaces.

The second phase of Melrose Arch Shopping is set to open in October, which is expected to present a number of stores, including a new concept Edgars. Melrose Arch Shopping will also include the latest in gadgets and goodies with iStore, MTN Cosmonet, Sony Centre, Exclusive Books, Cellucity, and The Phor Shop.



Flight Centre and Travelex will cater for local and international travel requirements. “Melrose Arch Shopping complements and enhances the existing Melrose Arch precinct, which has proven extremely popular and has been enthusiastically embraced by shoppers and diners in Johannesburg and from further afield,” says Stopforth.

Among the indulgent dining experiences, which will be introduced to the landmark mixed use precinct, are Mangiare based on traditional Italian cuisine, an international coffee culture represented by Tasha's, big apple-inspired Grand Central restaurant, the newest offering from the Doppio team Piza Vino, the frozen yoghurt of Red Mango, and dining at Pigalle Platinum. The new retail and dining concepts being introduced at Melrose Arch shopping complement includes Virgin Active Gym & Spa, Applebee Office Supplies, Autopage Cellular, Cavallo, Cocoa Diva, Euro Casa Italia, Eyetique, Geri's Clothing, Giovannis, Imperial C Rental, Kultt, Lulu, Mark Gold Jewellers and coffee shop, Orient, Centre for Medical excellence, Clicks and many others.

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