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Photograph by Deryll Reminton

MENTENG WAS BUILT IN 1910 BY THE DUTCH ARCHITECT PAJ MOOIJEN THROUGH A MENTENG PROJECT KNOWN AS THE NIEUW GONDANGDIA PROJECT.

CITY PARK

WITH THE HELP OF FJKUBATZ, THE MENTENG AREA IS FILLED WITH OPEN PARKS, SUCH AS SUROPATI PARK, LAWANG PARK, SITULEMBANG PARK, CUT MEUTIA PARK AND NOW MENTENG PARK WHICH WAS FORMERLY A MENTENG STADIUM.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS

HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN THIS AREA INCLUDE CUT MEUTIAH MOSQUE, SUNDA KELAPA MOSQUE, THERESIA CHURCH, JOENG 45 BUILDING, INDEPENDENCE PIONEER BUILDING, JAKARTA THEATER, MEGARIA CINEMA, PROCLAMATION MANUSCRIPT FORMULATION MUSEUM, WELCOME MONUMENT, HOTEL INDONESIA AND SARINAH BUILDING.

ARTS

10 NOVEMBER 1968 ISMAIL MARZUKI PARK WAS INAUGURATED BY GOVERNOR ALI SADIKIN AFTER PREVIOUSLY BEING USED AS A ZOO LOCATION. THE TIM AREA IS A PLACE TO EXPRESS AND APPRECIATE ART, WHICH INCLUDES THE THEATRE, PLANETARIUM AND THE JAKARTA INSTITUTE OF ARTS

CULINARY

- SOTO HAJI MA'RUF
- GADO-GADO BONBIN
- NASI UDUK GONDANGDIA
- MIE AYAM GONDANGDIA
- BUBUR CIKINI
- PEMPEK MEGARIA

NIEUW GONDANGDIA

Did you know that the elite area of Menteng is the first "Kota Taman" in Indonesia? Around 70s, Menteng was known as "Kota Taman" since there were twenty small parks throughout the area. In commemoration of Jakarta's 494th birthday, here are some interesting spots in Menteng and its surrounding area.

Museum Perumusan Naskah Proklamasi (Munasprok)

This museum was built as a monument for text drafting process of Proclamation of Indonesian Independence.

Rumah Cendana

It was the residence of the former president of the New Order, Suharto and his family.

Taman Suropati

As the zero point of the Republic of Indonesia. This park is decorated with sculptures and monuments from ASEAN countries

Obama School

SDN 01 Menteng on Jalan Besuki has become a historical place for Indonesia, because the 44th former president of the US had attended school there.

Taman Diponegoro

Formerly known as Pasar Jalan Diponegoro, now it has turned into a beautiful and attractive park.

Tugu Paleis Kunstkring

One of the Dutch heritage buildings located in Gondangdia.

So, what about you? Is there another interesting spots in Jakarta that is more exciting? Share with us at [@wtc.jakarta](https://www.instagram.com/wtc.jakarta) on Instagram, and as always, stay safe and stay healthy!

Yours trully,
the community editor