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Singapore's Feel-Good Food Truck

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On a recent evening in Singapore, a crowd gathered to snap photos of an unusual sight on Dhoby Ghaut Green. It might have been a celebrity, but instead, it was a different kind of star: a brown food truck nicknamed Kerby, one of two new mobile eateries that navigate the island. (The first, Travelling C.O.W., short for Chef on Wheels, launched last December.)

At first, Kerbside Gourmet appears to be, like many trendy food trucks, a purveyor of upscale street eats. Diners queued to chow down on dishes like cold capellini pasta tossed with spicy *mentaiko* and garnished with crabmeat and seaweed, and sous vide eggs sprinkled with olive dust and chive oil - "the perfect egg in the culinary world," said Luan Ee, who debuted



Luan Ee is the owner of Kerbside Gourmet, Singapore's first food truck with a cause.

the truck at the Singapore National Museum in February.

But the vehicle has a double identity. For every main dish sold, it

provides one to the needy, working with social service groups like Prison Fellowship Singapore to distribute the same gourmet-style

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