

## 150 THE NUMBER OF PORTABLE TOILETS AVAILABLE

Going by last year's numbers (23,000 people), that's one loo for every 153 people. Which also means that the best time to use the loo would be either from 6.30pm to 9pm, before everyone has had a chance to digest (or upchuck) their dinner. Or 8am. Yes, we know it's after the event, but then you can troop over to the hotels nearby and use their toilets instead.

## 544 THE NUMBER OF CALORIES YOU'LL BURN AT ZOUKOUT

According to Health Status ([www.healthstatus.com](http://www.healthstatus.com)), a 60kg person could potentially lose 4,137 calories, if they danced non-stop for all 13.5 hours (10 hours fast dancing, 3.5 hours slow dancing). However, that being a physical impossibility for most of us, here's what you'll actually burn that night (negative numbers denote calories burned, positive numbers mean calories added):

### ZOUKOUT CALORIE COUNTER

- Texting your friends: -10
- Chilling out on the beach: -39
- Walking around (30 minutes): -41
- Standing in line (40 minutes): -47
- Trying to chat up people: -73
- Straining to hear your friends: -86
- Slow dancing (two hours): -359
- Fast dancing (five hours): -1,755
- Drinking eight mugs of beer (143 calories/mug): +1,144
- Eating one burger: +515
- Eating one serving of fries: +207
- TOTAL CALORIES BURNED: -544 ONLY

Sigh. Back to the gym on Monday.

ZOUKOUT 2008

# Mega dance numbers

Rocking ZoukOut No 8 by the numbers

MANY people think ZoukOut — that splendid year-end beach bash — is only about dance music, DJs, girls in bikinis, getting hot and sweaty, and basically having a good time. Well, they're wrong — It's about more than that. In reality, ZoukOut is all about numbers. Don't believe us? Take a look at this:

This is the 8th ZoukOut, held on Dec 13 (or 12/13) from 6.30pm to 8am the next day (some 13.5 hours in all). It costs \$1.8 million to produce, covers an area of 56,000 sq m at Siloso Beach, and more than 23,000 people are expected to turn up. About 30 to 35 per cent of these people are expected to be foreigners. There are over 23 music acts performing on 3 stages.

By the time you read this, you'll have about eight days left

to get tickets, which cost \$48 from Sistic. The stub allows you to enter 8Q SAM (and the Singapore Art Museum) until Jan 9. Alternatively, three sets of two tickets to ZoukOut can be won, courtesy of Channel [V] with details at the end of this article, although you'll have to be 18 and above.

But, of course, numbers don't mean a thing until they're put to good use, and boy have we got "use" for these numbers we're about to throw at you. Here are the essential sets of digits to help you get acquainted with ZoukOut No 8. MAYO MARTIN, MAY SEAH AND CHRISTOPHER TOH

## 2,104 KILOWATTS: THE ELECTRICITY USED AT ZOUKOUT

1 kilowatt (kW) = 1,000 watts, so 2,104kW sounds like a lot of power — and it is. A major part of that is used to power the 300 or so lighting fixtures and the 83 speakers systems. To put it in perspective, an average four-room flat can use about 579kW per month, but the Formula 1 night race lighting systems guzzled up 3,180kW.



## THE SOUND LEVEL AT EACH ARENA

On the decibel (dB) scale, 110dB is equivalent to a baby crying loudly or a car horn or a rock concert. Which makes the music from ZoukOut's musical acts like Nouvelle Vague, Sasha, and The Teenagers much louder than your regular vacuum cleaner (85dB) or air conditioner (74dB), but softer than the percussive section of the Singapore Symphony Orchestra (130 dB). But if you still find dance music at 110dB too loud, we have one solution: Get a life.

## 25-30 NUMBER OF MASSEUSES TO HELP YOU DE-STRESS

If everybody decided to get one, each therapist would have to massage 766 people. And if you're the 766th person (at 30 minutes per massage), that means you have to wait for 382.5 hours, or 15 days to get your massage.

By then of course, ZoukOut will be over. The moral of the story? Go early, lah.

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