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Serving Tap Water In Restaurants

Some of the reasons why certain restaurants do not serve tap water are because water is precious here, extra staff have to be hired and restaurants have the desire to earn more money by selling bottled water instead of serving tap water free of charge.

Tap water should be served at restaurants free of charge. It has to be served only with a main course, like at Swensen's. A service charge of ten per cent is paid and it doesn't take too long for the waiters to perform this simple task. Furthermore, tap water in Singapore is cheap and safe to drink unlike in other countries of the Asian region, like Bangkok, or European countries such as Austria and Ireland.

I think that customers on their part need to be considerate too. Some of them, just because they are being served tap water, will be seated, chit-chat and waste time, oblivious to other diners behind them waiting to be ~~seated~~^{seated}, and they may get impatient and angry when asked to leave the restaurant. These customers themselves are a disgrace! Hiring extra staff just to serve tap water is not credible! It is not true that tap water here is unsafe to drink.

Restaurants can address this issue by imposing a self-service policy, serving tap water free with a main course and providing paper cups to thirsty customers.



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