COMPANY RESULTS

Genting Singapore (GENS SP)

3Q22: Recovery Largely On Track; Visible Capital Upside

GENS' 3Q22 results were within expectations and recorded the best quarterly revenue (87% of pre-pandemic levels) since the pandemic broke out. The resilient performance was attributed to a strong luck factor, steep recovery of demand and tourist arrivals, as well as better operating capacity. We remain optimistic on GENS' sharp earnings recovery which will allow capital gains and restoration of lush dividend yields following better capital management efforts. Maintain BUY. Target price: S\$1.08.

3Q22 RESULTS

3Q22	qoq	уоу	9M22	уоу
	% chg	% chg		% chg
519.7	49.1	106.6	1,182.9	46.7
519.3	52.2	106.9	1,171.3	46.7
382.0	58.7	96.2	857.2	34.4
137.3	36.5	144.3	314.1	95.7
249.4	73.3	143.2	518.1	36.8
132.3	103.2	414.8	241.0	75.6
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Source: GENS, UOB Kay Hian

- 3Q22: Remarkable earnings recovery. Genting Singapore's (GENS) 3Q22 results revealed that Resort World Sentosa (RWS) charted strong revenue (+49% qoq, +107% yoy) and EBITDA (+73% qoq; +143% yoy) recoveries. Despite 3Q22's adjusted EBITDA of S\$249m predictably still underperformed rival Marina Bay Sands (MBS) due to lower GGR market share (GENS 36% vs MBS 64%), RWS recorded the best quarter since COVID-19 with revenue and net profit recovering to about 87% and 85% of 3Q19's. 9M22 EBITDA represented 67% and 72% of our and consensus full-year forecasts, which we deem largely in line as we anticipate a sequentially stronger 4Q22 performance.
- Stellar operating performances lifted by better luck factor and capacity restoration. Gaming revenue in 3Q22 recovered strongly by 59% qoq and represented 106% of prepandemic level, mainly due to an exceptionally strong VIP win percentage (4.8%) and better operating capacity following the gradual resolve of earlier labour shortage issues. We estimate luck-adjusted EBITDA for 3Q22 to be about S\$170m-180m. Meanwhile, non-gaming revenue also recovered 37% qoq to about 59% of pre-pandemic levels, reflecting Singapore's overall pent-up tourism demand in 3Q22 which lifted hotel occupancy and average room rates. We expect the recovery trend to sustain in upcoming quarters and expect the reopening of Festive Hotel (389 rooms) in 1Q23 to further elevate GENS' earnings.

KEY FINANCIALS

Year to 31 Dec (S\$m)	2020	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F
Net turnover	1,064	1,067	1,686	2,699	2,835
EBITDA	427	448	773	1,222	1,284
Operating profit	125	176	437	847	872
Net profit (rep./act.)	69	183	359	693	714
Net profit (adj.)	123	150	359	693	714
EPS (S\$ cent)	1.0	1.2	3.0	5.7	5.9
PE (x)	79.7	65.8	27.4	14.2	13.8
P/B (x)	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	16.0	15.2	8.8	5.6	5.3
Dividend yield (%)	1.2	1.2	3.1	4.3	4.9
Net margin (%)	6.5	17.2	21.3	25.7	25.2
Net debt/(cash) to equity (%)	(47.6)	(39.0)	(37.8)	(33.7)	(28.7)
ROE (%)	0.9	2.3	4.5	8.6	8.6
Consensus net profit	-	-	337	536	601
UOBKH/Consensus (x)	-	-	1.07	1.29	1.19

Source: Genting Singapore PLC , Bloomberg, UOB Kay Hian

BUY

(Maintained)

Share Price	S\$0.815
Target Price	S\$1.08
Upside	+32.5%

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Genting Singapore is a Singapore-based regional leisure, hospitality and integrated resorts development specialist.

STOCK DATA

GICS sector	Consumer Discretionary
Bloomberg ticker:	GENS SP
Shares issued (m):	12,072.0
Market cap (S\$m):	9,838.7
Market cap (US\$m):	7,010.6
3-mth avg daily t'over	(US\$m): 10.5

Price Performance (%)

52-week high/low			S\$0.835	5/S\$0.720
1mth	3mth	6mth	1yr	YTD
2.5	(1.2)	3.8	0.0	5.2
Major Sh	areholders			%
Genting Bh	nd			52.63
Vanguard	Group			1.55
Blackrock	Inc			1.3
FY22 NAV	/Share (S\$)			0.66
FY22 Net (FY22 Net Cash/Share (S\$)			0.25

PRICE CHART



Source: Bloomberg

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STOCK IMPACT

- · Noteworthy GGR recovery following Singapore's revitalised tourism market. To note, Singapore's 9M22 tourist arrivals exceeded 3.7m, and the Singapore Tourism Board (STB) expects visitor arrivals to reach 5m-6m for 2022 which we deem highly achievable. Despite 9M22 tourist arrival numbers remaining a fraction (26%) of pre-pandemic figures, October's tourist arrivals recovered to >53% of pre-pandemic's level. We expect GENS' gaming volume to significantly recover in 4Q22 in tandem with the influx of international visitors. Overall, we expect GENS' GGR to recover to about 70% of 2019's level and fully resurrect its pre-pandemic GGR in 2023 after China's borders reopen.
- Anticipating better capital management particularly in 4Q22. To note, GENS had fully redeemed its ¥20b (about S\$195m) Japanese Yen-denominated bonds in Japan on 24 October. With GENS finally dropping its decade-long pursuit of clinching a pricey Japan IR concession and with no new compelling projects to consider, management is targeting to enhance capital management and to develop a dividend policy. Theoretically, the scope of the company's capital management can be significant, considering its net cash of S\$ 3.1b (26 S cents/share) and that post-pandemic-peak EBITDA is largely sufficient to fund its S\$4.5b RWS 2.0 expansion.
- S\$4.5b expansion plan expeditiously proceeding. Recall that RWS is committed to spending S\$4.5b (RWS 2.0) over five years to elevate the resort's vibrancy. For the first phase of RWS 2.0, GENS will be investing S\$400m in capex for the construction of Universal Studios Singapore's Minion Land, the Singapore Oceanarium, as well as refurbishment of its three hotels beginning 2Q22. We understood that construction works on both Minion Land and the Singapore Oceanarium are progressing well, while the complete remake of the Festive Hotel into a boutique style accommodation is targeted to be done in 1Q23, boosting RWS' room inventory by 389 keys.
- Optimistic on China's imminent patronage reinstatement. We retain our view that China's eventual border reopening remains as a strong re-rating catalyst for GENS to restore its pre-pandemic earnings dynamic. To recap, China visitors historically make up about 20% of Singapore's pre-pandemic tourist arrivals in 2018-19. We forecast that Chinese footfall made up about 20% of RWS' footfall and 20-25% of GENS' top-line revenue. Moving forward, we expect China to ease travel restrictions from 4Q22-1Q23 onwards. China's pent-up demand may allow GENS to potentially deliver above prepandemic earnings that could trounce our earnings estimates.

EARNINGS REVISION/RISK

None.

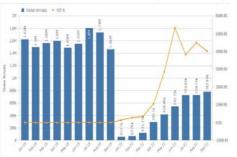
VALUATION/RECOMMENDATION

- Maintain BUY with an unchanged target price of S\$1.08, which implies 8x 2023 EV/EBITDA (-1SD below mean). We expect the stock to re-rate in reaction to Singapore's tourism recovery. With the world eventually fully unwinding COVID-19 curbs, and presumably including China by 4Q22-1Q23, we expect GENS' EBITDA to claw back to the pre-pandemic level of S\$1.2b in 2023 as the worst is likely over.
- Normalisation of lush prospective yields to 4.3-4.9% in 2022-23, assuming revenue and cash flows recover back to pre-pandemic levels. Meanwhile, we expect GENS to deliver significantly better dividends in 2H22. Theoretically, our projected 2022 after tax EBITDA is sufficient to fund a final DPS of 2.0 S cents (2.4% 2022 yield).
- Theoretically, our target price for GENS would rise to S\$1.22 once our valuation horizon rolls over to 2023, assuming EBITDA recovers to S\$1.2b and historical mean EV/EBITDA valuation of 10x.

SHARE PRICE CATALYST

• We believe market should turn more positive towards GENS with the core profitability recovery and appealing dividend yield which promises defensiveness amid current market volatility. Re-rating catalysts for GENS include: a) further core earnings improvement, b) China's reopening of its borders, and c) GENS making good utilisation of its big cash pile for some sizeable acquisition or paying special dividend.

SINGAPORE'S TOURIST ARRIVAL (9M22 VS 9M19)



Source: Singapore Tourism Analytics Network, UOB Kay Hian

SINGAPORE'S HOTEL AVERAGE ROOM RATES (9M22 VS 9M19)



Source: Singapore Tourism Analytics Network, UOB Kay Hian

KEY ASSUMPTIONS

Year	FY21	FY22F	FY23F
Revenue (S\$m)	1,067	1,686	2,679
EBITDA (S\$m)	448	773	1202
Hotel Occupancy (%)	60%	75%	90%
Source: UOB Kay Hian			

EARNINGS TREND OF GENS AND MBS

Genting Singapore (GENS)				
(S\$m)	4Q21	1022	2022	3Q22
Revenue	261.0	314.5	348.6	519.7
EBITDA	69.4	124.8	143.9	249.4
Gaming Revenue	164.9	234.5	240.7	382.0
	Marina Ba	y Sands (M	BS)	
Revenue	499.4	539.6	935.6	1056.8
EBITDA	240.2	163.6	439.6	479.5
Gaming Revenue	321.7	362.4	689.0	712.5
Source: UOB Kay Hia	n			

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PROFIT & LOSS

Year to 31 Dec (S\$m)	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F
Net turnover	1,067	1,686	2,699	2,835
EBITDA	448	773	1,222	1,284
Deprec. & amort.	272	336	375	412
EBIT	176	437	847	872
Associate contributions	2	2	2	2
Net interest income/(expense)	14	2	2	2
Pre-tax profit	226	441	851	877
Тах	(43)	(82)	(158)	(162)
Minorities	0	0	0	0
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0
Net profit	183	359	693	714
Net profit (adj.)	150	359	693	714

CASH FLOW

Year to 31 Dec (S\$m)	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F
Operating	378	633	1,186	1,141
Pre-tax profit	226	441	851	877
Тах	(97)	(82)	(158)	(162)
Deprec. & amort.	245	336	375	412
Associates	0	0	0	0
Working capital changes	37	(62)	118	15
Other operating cashflows	(33)	0	0	0
Investing	(921)	(400)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Capex (growth)	(942)	(400)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Investments	0	0	0	0
Proceeds from sale of assets	5	0	0	0
Others	16	0	0	0
Financing	(128)	(302)	(423)	(484)
Dividend payments	(121)	(302)	(423)	(484)
Issue of shares	0	0	0	0
Proceeds from borrowings	0	0	0	0
Loan repayment	(5)	0	0	0
Others/interest paid	(2)	0	0	0
Net cash inflow (outflow)	(671)	(69)	(237)	(343)
Beginning cash & cash equivalent	3,994	3,326	3,257	3,020
Changes due to forex impact	3	0	0	0
Ending cash & cash equivalent	3,326	3,257	3,020	2,677

Year to 31 Dec (S\$m)	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F
Fixed assets	5,136	5,403	6,027	6,616
Other LT assets	214	214	214	214
Cash/ST investment	3,326	3,257	3,020	2,677
Other current assets	117	142	220	231
Total assets	8,792	9,015	9,481	9,737
ST debt	242	242	242	242
Other current liabilities	432	395	591	617
LT debt	6	6	6	6
Other LT liabilities	217	217	217	217
Shareholders' equity	7,895	7,952	8,222	8,454
Minority interest	0	0	0	0
Total liabilities & equity	8,792	9,015	9,481	9,737
KEY METRICS				
Year to 31 Dec (%)	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F
Profitability				
EBITDA margin	42.0	45.9	45.3	45.3

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EBITDA margin	42.0	45.9	45.3	45.3
Pre-tax margin	21.2	26.2	31.5	30.9
Net margin	17.2	21.3	25.7	25.2
ROA	2.1	4.0	7.5	7.4
ROE	2.3	4.5	8.6	8.6
Growth				
Turnover	0.3	57.9	60.1	5.0
EBITDA	4.9	72.6	58.0	5.1
Pre-tax profit	100.9	94.9	92.9	3.0
Net profit	166.0	96.0	92.9	3.0
Net profit (adj.)	21.3	140.4	92.9	3.0
EPS	21.3	140.4	92.9	3.0
Leverage				
Debt to total capital	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.8
Debt to equity	3.1	3.1	3.0	2.9
Net debt/(cash) to equity	(39.0)	(37.8)	(33.7)	(28.7)

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