

Guide Book

## Taiwan Formosa•Beautiful Island

The Hottest Trends! Great Deals Around Taiwan The Most Convenient! No More Waiting Around The Most Fun! A Collection of Must-Visit Scenes The Best Value! Delicacies Across Taiwan The Most Useful! Complete Taiwan Traveling Strategy Guid





On the west side of Taiwan, lies the Yushan (Yu Mountain) Range with its main peak reaching 3,952 meters, the highest mountain peak in Northeast Asia. (photo provided by Tourism Bureau, MOTC)

## Taiwan, a Rare Verdant Gem inside the Tropic of Cancer

Taiwan, the beautiful island on the Pacific Ocean, is a rare verdant gem among the countries that the Tropic of Cancer passes through.

Taiwan's area accounts for only 0.03% of the world's total area. However, Taiwan contains substantial natural resources. Continuous tectonic movements have created coastlines, basins, plains, rolling hills, valleys, and majestic peaks for the island and made it abundantly endow with mountains; over 200 of its peaks are more than 3,000 meters high, making it geographically unique. The varied terrains and landforms bring Taiwan diverse ecosystems, including tropical, sub-tropical and mountain temperate climates, as well as more than 3,000 endemic species of wildlife on the island, such as Formosan landlocked salmon, Formosan macaque, Formosan black bear, Swinhoe's blue pheasant, etc. Such exuberant vitality makes Taiwan one of the most important wildlife conservation areas in the world.

Taiwan travel is refreshingly easy. Nowadays, through convenient railway and highway transportation, one can easily appreciate spectacular coastline, plain and mountain views within an hour while experience natural landscapes of tropical, subtropical, temperate and cold climates; one can also easily travel the island from north to south and from west to east within a day while run through the scenic and cultural beauty of Taiwan.

Taiwan's diverse ethnic groups infuse a splendid cultural ambience to the land. Aboriginal tribes, Taiwanese, Hakka and new immigrant cultures all have their unique charms individually and perform in the aspects of festival, weaving, craft, music and architecture. On top of that, no matter what you experience, sampling fine authentic Chinese cuisine, exotic gourmet, famous snacks, local specialties, plethora of snack foods in night markets, and a wide variety of fruits and vegetables throughout the year, is a must for you.

As the only country in the Chinese world truly practicing democracy, Taiwan is blessed with the modernized construction, great public security, and 23 million people recognized as the most sincere and kind-hearted people in the world. One should undoubtedly put Taiwan on the top of his (her) travel list in the coming year. Taiwan is definitely worth a visit.

Welcome to Taiwan. The one-of-the-kind travelling experience will certainly complete the scene for a thoroughly satisfying trip and draw you back again and again!

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## Travel Tips & Traffic Information



### Traffic Information

#### Airport - Downtown Transportation Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport

#### • Taoyuan International Airport MRT

Taoyuan International Airport MRT is a rapid transit system planned to connect Taipei City and Taipei Taoyuan International Airport. This line is expected to launch in the first quarter of 2016. Services will run with 6-minute headway averagely. Visitors can enjoy not only much more convenient, rapid transportation back and forth between airport and downtown, but also in-town check in, baggage check services, and receiving a boarding pass (currently the service is limited to China Airlines and Eva Airlines only) at Airport MRT Taipei Main Station. Two types of services will be offered: Commuter Trains (Blue line) and Express Trains (Purple line); The operation time between Taipei Main Station and Taoyuan International Airport is 50 minutes for the Commuter Trains and 35 minutes for the Express Trains.

Please check the website for routes, stops and fares: www. tymetro.com.tw

#### • Intercity Bus

Visitors can take intercity buses back and forth between Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport and Taiwan's major cities, including Taipei, Banqiao, Xindian, Taoyuan, Zhongli, Taichung, Changhua, etc.

Terminal I bus pickup point: Bus pickup zone at B1 Arrivals.

Terminal 2 bus pickup point: Bus pickup zone at the northeast arcade of the 1st floor Arrivals lobby.

#### • Taiwan High Speed Rail (THSR)

A complete THSR shuttle bus routes network is available to connect the airport, Novotel Hotel, and THSR Taoyuan Station. Intervals: 5 - 10 minutes intervals during peak times Tickets can be purchased at the following locations:



• Taxi

Taxis operating by shifts are located at the west side of the Terminal 1's and Terminal 2's Arrivals Lobby at the Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport.

Taxi fare is based on the meters, but highway tolls are not included.

#### **Taipei Songshan Aiport**

#### • MRT

Visitors can take Taipei MRT Wenhu Line trains to go Songshan Airport Station (in front of Terminal 1).

#### • Taxi

Taxis operating by shifts are in front of the exit. Taxi fare is based on the meters, but highway tolls are not included.



### Kaohsiung International Airport • MRT

Visitors can take Kaohsiung MRT Red Line trains to go Kaohsiung International Airport Station (R4).

#### • Taiwan High Speed Rail (THSR)

Visitors can take Kaohsiung MRT Red Line trains to go THSR Zuoying Station (R16).

#### Intercity Bus

Exit 2 has a shuttle bus from the airport to Kenting every thirty minutes(10:00~19:50)

#### • Taxi

Both of International and Domest Terminal have Scheduled Taxi, charges are according to the fare meter, and taxi fare starts from NT\$85.( (NT\$ 50 of idle service charge will be added for the international line, no charge for the domestic line;NT\$ 10 will be added for using the trunk for all lines.)

#### **Domestic Travel**

#### Taiwan Tour Bus

The Taiwan Tour Bus service is organized by the Taiwan Tourism Bureau and operated by designated travel agents. Currently, there are more than 100 half-day and full-day



tour itineraries to choose from. Each itinerary provides services of transportation, tour guide and insurance on a daily basis.

🗟 0800-011-765 🛛 www.taiwantourbus.com.tw

#### **Taiwan Tourist Shuttle**

Taiwan Tourist Shuttle offers convenient and reasonably priced bus service to scenic sites throughout Taiwan. The shuttles depart frequently and are easy to catch.

🗟 0800-011-765 👧 www.taiwantrip.com.tw





#### **TRA Train**

Taiwan's cities are linked by an island-wide railwaynetwork. Train service is tiered into four main types ranging from ordinary (commuter) trains to various levels of express train. Tickets can be booked by phone or online before departure. Advance booking is strongly recommended if one is travelling on weekends or holidays.

#### 30800-765-888 or 02-2191-0096

#### www.railway.gov.tw

#### **Taiwan High Speed Rail (THSR)**

#### MRT

The Taipei and Kaohsiung MRT systems offer frequent service and convenient shuttle bus links in order to build fast and convenient transportation networks throughout these two cities. Riding the MRT is also a great way to enjoy the scenic sites along the lines.

Taipei MRT 🛞 02-218-12345 🕠 www.trtc.com.tw Kaohsiung MRT 🛞 07-793-8888 🚱 www.krtco.com.tw Taxi

Convenient taxi service is available in most cities in Taiwan. Starting meter and mileage fares vary by county and city, but the

difference is fairly small. In some cities, and for long-distance trips, cabbies may not use the meter, so it's a good idea to confirm the fare before embarking.

### Muslim-friendly Environment

The Tourism Bureau has been promoting measures to ensure the quality of services available to Muslim travelers in Taiwan. So far, 13 national scenic area administrations completed facilities to create Muslimfriendly environments, including the addition of prayer rooms and special cleanliness facilities. Please check the following website for details. • Tourism Bureau of Republic of China (Taiwan) eng.taiwan.net.tw/ml.aspx?sNo=0020308

### Travel Tips

#### Currency

Taiwan's official currency is the New Taiwan Dollar (TWD/NT\$). Notes are issued in values of NT\$2,000, NT\$1,000, NT\$500, and NT\$100,

and coins come in denominations of NT\$50, NT\$10, NT\$5, and NT\$1. The USD to TWD exchange rate is about 1:31. (Please check with banks for current exchange rates.)



#### Voltage: 110V

#### Telephone

- Calling overseas direct from Taiwan: Dial 002 +Country code + City code (omit the '0') + Phone number
- Calling Taiwan direct from overseas: Dial 886 + Taiwan city code (omit the '0') + Phone number
- Police (Free Service) 🗟 110
- International Operator Assistance 🗟 100
- Fire & Ambulance (Free Service) 🚭 119
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs 
   02-2348-2999
- Tourist Information Hotline 🗟 02-2717-3737(08:00~19:00)
- 24-Hour Toll-Free Travel Information Call Center0800-011-765
- Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport: Terminal 1 Service Counter, Tourism Bureau (203-383-4631(07:00~23:30); Terminal 2 Service Counter, Tourism Bureau (203-398-3341(07:00~23:30)
- Tourist Service Center, Kaohsiung International Airport, Tourism Bureau 🛞 07-805-7888 (09:00~00:30am)

#### **Travel Information Websites**

- Tourism Bureau 👽 taiwan.net.tw
- Information for Foreigners op iff.immigration.gov.tw
- iTaiwan Wifi 👽 itaiwan.gov.tw/index.php
- TaiwanStay
   taiwanstay.net.tw

## Visas

Foreign travelers may obtain tourist visas if they hold foreign passports or travel documents valid for more than six months in the Republic of China for purposes of sightseeing, business, family visits, study or training, medical treatments, or other legitimate activities. With the purpose of sightseeing, the staying period of tourist visas cannot exceed 180 days. Types of tourist visas include 14-day visa, 30-day visa, 60day visa, 90-day visa, etc.

90-day visa exemption are afforded to

citizens of 44 countries and 30-day visa exemption are afforded to citizens of 4 countries. Travelers from India, the Philippines, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos and Indonesia who hold valid visas(including permanent residence permit) issued by US, EU and other 6 countries can apply for 30-day visa exemption and stay for 30 days in Taiwan for sightseeing purpose. **NOTE:** 

- Nationals of Brunei and Thailand are eligible for the visa exemption program effective from August 1, 2016, to July 31, 2017)

- Nationals of Australia are eligible for the visa exemption program effective from January 1, 2015, to December 31, 2017)

For any further information, please visit the website of the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

www.boca.gov.tw/mp.asp

#### **Requirements:**

- I. A passport with validity of at least six months upon entry.
- 2. Visa application form: please access the website of the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, complete the relevant application form and download / print out the form with a barcode. https://visawebapp.boca.gov.tw/BOCA\_MRVWeb/subroot/

MRVWeb0\_form.jsp

**Note:** The application form must be personally signed by the applicant to confirm the declaration is truthful.

- Two passport-size photos in color within 6 months must be pasted on the application form. The photos must be taken within the last 6 months with a white color background.
- An outbound airline ticket or verifiable proof of purchase of steamship ticket;
- 5. Documents verifying the purpose of visit; and
- **6**. Other additional documents related to your visiting purpose may be required during processing

Note: visa-exempt entry applies to foreign visitors from certain countries. For any further information, please visit the website of the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs: http://www. boca.gov.tw/mp.asp

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 and national holidays)

## Taipei Metro Route Map



## Kaohsiung KMetro System



## Special Tourism Offers

## shopping and VAT Refunds

#### **VAT Refunds**

Foreign visitors who make purchases amounting to at least NT\$3,000 on the same day from the same Tax Refund Shopping



(TRS)-posted store are eligible for a refund of the VAT paid on such purchases.

To claim the refund, you need to apply at your port of departure from the R.O.C. within 30 days of the purchase date. All qualifying items also must be

taken out of the country. When shopping, remember to ask the store to print your passport number on the Uniform Invoice (if you forget, you can ask the store later to add this). You should also ask the store for an Application Form for Claiming VAT Refund and apply for the refund at the "Foreign Passenger VAT Refund Service Counter" at the airport or seaport of departure.

#### The following chart gives the locations of these counters:

	Point of Departure	Location of Refund Counter
	Taipei International Airport	Foreign Passenger VAT Refund Service Counter
	Taiwan Taoyuan Int'l Airport Terminal 1	1F, Departure Hall, Customs Service Counter
	Taiwan Taoyuan Int'l Airport Terminal 2	3F, Departure Hall, Customs Service Counter
	Taichung Airport	Customs Service Counter
	Kaohsiung International Airport	3F, Customs Service Counter
	Hualien Airport	1F Customs Service Counter
	Keelung Harbor	East 2nd Pier, West 2nd Pier
	Taichung Harbor	Customs Service Counter
	Kaohsiung Harbor	3F, Passenger Terminal
	Hualien Harbor	1F,Customs Service Counter
	Kinmen Shuitou Pier	Foreign Passenger VAT Refund Service Counter

#### **Shopping Information**

- Sales tax is included in the price of purchases in Taiwan. Most shops issue a UniformInvoice (receipt) as proof of purchase. Remember to keep your receipts in case you need toreturn or exchange purchases.
- All products and services in Taiwan are priced inNew Taiwan dollars (NT\$). When shopping, makesure to carefully inspect your items to confirm the quality, quantity, origin, and price.
- **3.** Businesses in Taiwan follow a fixed price (nohaggling) system. At businesses displaying the "Travel Shopping Assurance" mark, you can return defective products within 30 days of purchase (receipt or invoice required). You can also contact the Travel Quality Assurance Association for assistance with returns and exchanges.

Travel Quality Assurance Association 🗟 +886-2-2506-8185

4. Sales tax is usually included in the purchase price in Taiwan. Stores issue a Uniform Invoice (a standardized receipt) with purchases. Most hotels and restaurants charge a 10% service fee. Tipping is not customary.

### Discount Transportation Tickets

#### **Taipei** Pass

Taipei Pass is a "touch-and-go" IC ticket for transport in Taipei. During the period of its validity, visitors can use it for unlimited rides on Taipei Metro and on Taipei City and New Taipei City buses. There are different types of Taipei Pass, including 1-day pass (NT\$180), 1-day pass (Gondola version, NT\$250), 2-day pass (NT\$310), 3-day pass (NT\$440), and 5-day pass (NT\$700). The 1-day pass (Gondola version) allows for unlimited rides on Taipei Metro, associated bus services, and Maokong Gondola. • EasyCard corporation: http://taipeipass.travel.taipei/



#### **TR PASS**

The TR-PASS, announced by the Taiwan Railway Administration (TRA), targets especially foreign youth students who come to Taiwan for a short-term visit and hold foreign passport and student ID (or Youth Travel Card issued by the TAIPEI

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Youth Development Administration, Minister of Education). Foreign youth students who hold a long-term residence permit are not allowed to purchase TR-PASS. As TR-PASS is for personal use only, students using TR-PASS should produce their foreign passports and student ID / Youth Travel Card to TRA's ticket officers. Ticket types of TR-PASS include 5-day pass (NT\$599), 7-day pass (NT\$799), and 10-day pass(NT\$1,098); the 10-day pass is provided for foreign students only.

•Taiwan Railway TR-PASS: http://www.railway.gov.tw/tw/ cp.aspx?sn=7452#02

#### **THSR Pass**

The Taiwan High Speed Rail Corporation announces a THSR Pass which is valid for foreign visitors holding a tourist visa with 6-month validity, and can be purchased at THSR oversea distribution points only. Passengers had to present their passport when exchanging voucher, reserving seat, and boarding trains. Pass types and prices:

#### 3-day pass (NT\$2,400)

Entitled to ride on THSR trains an unlimited number of times for 3days.

#### Flexible 3-day pass (NT\$3,200)

Entitled to ride on THSR trains an unlimited number of times for any 3 days within the specified week.

#### 5-day standard joint pass (NT\$2,800)

Entitled to ride Taiwan Railways trains Chu-Kuang class (inclusive) or lower an unlimited number of times. No reserved seat is available when riding in Taiwan Railways Chu-Kuang class and Fu-Hsing class; and entitled to ride on THSR trains for any two days.



#### 5-day express joint pass (NT\$3,600)

Entitled to ride Taiwan Railways trains Tzu-Chiang class (inclusive) or lower an unlimited number of times; and entitled to ride on THSR trains for any two days.

• THSR Pass: http://www.thsrc.com.tw/event/2013/THSRPass/EN/ index.html

## Prepaid card subscription and rate programs

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數據/Wi-Fi無限上錄

Currently Chunghwa Telecom, Taiwan Mobile, Far Eastone Telecommunications, and Taiwan Star Telecom all have set up their service outlets at Taoyuan Airport Terminal 1 & 2. In this way, foreign visitors

are able to apply prepaid cards directly at the airport. Furthermore, all telecom operators launch a wide range of discounted rate programs of prepaid card for inbound visitors, who can easily deposit the card

in the above-mentioned service outlets and convenient stores (i.e. 7-11, FamilyMart, OK mart, Hi-Life) throughout Taiwan.

#### URLs & Opening hours of Telecom Operators' service outlets at Taoyuan Airport

		Airport Terminal 2	Online
Chunghwa Telecom service outlets	08:00-22:00, daily		www.cht.com.tw
Taiwan Mobile service outlets	08:00-24:00 daily		www.taiwanmobile. com/index.html
Far Eastone Telecommunications service outlets	08:00-24:00 daily	08:00-22:00 daily	www.fetnet.net/ Home/index.html
Taiwan Star Telecom service outlets	08:00-24:00 daily	08:00-22:00 daily	www.tstartel.com/ static/twcard/index. htm

\* Noted that the above application ways and rate programs may be subject to change. Please apply for the service based on the latest programs provided by each telecom operator at Taoyuan Airport. Special Tourism Offers



Northern Taiwar

Southern Taiwan • Alishan Sunrise Impression Concert

Eastern Taiwan

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• Greeting the First Light of Dawn Concert • Yamingshan Flower Festival(Jan.~May.)

· Sanxiantai Watching the First Light of New Year Activity

## 臺灣觀光年曆 Time for Celebration TAIWAN TOURISM EVENTS



#### Northern Taiwan

Taipei 101 Run Up
 Yamingshan Butterfly Season
 Fulong International Sand
 Sculpture Festival(May.~Jal.)

#### Northern Taiwan

 Taiwan Lantern Festival
 New Taipei City Pingxi International Sky Lantern Festival

Northern Taiwan

Mountain(Mar.~Apr.)

Southern Taiwan

International Cycling Race in Taiwan
 Wanjinshi International Marathon
 Zhuzi Lake Calla Lily Season
 Central Taiwan

Gray-faced Buzzards Watching on Bagua

Taichung City Mazu International Festival

Alishan Concert in the Flower Season
 Taiwan International Orchid Show
 Neimen Songjiang Battle Array in Kaohsiung

 Taipei International Book Exhibition

#### **Central Taiwan**

Miaoli Bombing the Dragon
 Festival

#### Southern Taiwan

- Tainan Yanshui Beehive Rockets Festival
- Kaohsiung Lantern Arts
   Festival
- **Off-shore Islands**
- Kinmen Marathon

#### Northern Taiwan

Baosheng Cultural Festival (Apr.~Jun.)
 Falcon-watching activity on Guanyin
 Mountain

#### **Central Taiwan**

• Tung Blossom of Hakka Festival Southern Taiwan

Spring Wave Music and Art Festival

Dapeng Bay Yacht Sailing Serial Activities
 Off-shore Islands

Penghu Fireworks Festival(Apr.~Jun.)

#### • Sanyi International Woodcarving

#### Art Festival(Jun.~Aug.)

Central Taiwan • Lugang Dragon Boat Festival & Serial Activities(May.~Jun.) Southern Taiwan

 International Tainan City Dragon Boat Race Championship Eastern Taiwan

Xiuguluan River Rafting







\*Please check the website of Tourism Bureau, Republic of China(Taiwan) for the latest information: http://eng.taiwan.net.tw 17

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#### Shredded Chicken on Rice

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Shredded chicken on rice in Chiayi is the most well-known in Taiwan. It is made with turkey meat pulled into shreds and layered over rice and then covered with braised minced pork or flavored turkey gravy. The dish is enjoyed with pickled radish.

#### Rice Noodle Soup

This iconic dish is made with simmered bone broth and chewy rice noodles. A little bit of finely chopped celery is sprinkled on top, and it is ready to be served. It also goes well with dishes like fried tofu and traditional side dishes. Menu prices are also surprisingly reasonable.

#### **2**|Tempura

Also known as Oden, fish balls, fish rolls, fried tofu, pork blood pudding, and daikon radishes are placed in soup base to cook. Special sauce is then poured onto the ingredients. After you've finished eating the dish, pour yourself a bowl of hot soup infused with the dish's rich flavor.

#### / ongzi / Rice Dumplings

Rice dumplings feature a variety of savory fillings that are wrapped and steamed in glutinous rice. The whole ingredients then are wrapped in bamboo leaves to give the dumpling a fragrance of bamboo. This snack can be divided into two varieties: Northern style Taiwanese oily rice dumplings and Southern style water boiled rice dumplings. The first is chewy, and the second has a fragrant essence of glutinous rice.

## Must-eat Taiwan Snacks

The enormous variety of Taiwanese snacks is unique in the world. These snacks are suitable for refreshments between meals as well as dinners. Typical Taiwanese snacks are found everywhere, but Taiwan's night markets in particular are the places where these snacks can be found in abundance. Trying out these snacks, you will be able to experience the flourishing ambience of night markets and a kind-hearted people from different areas.

#### Ice Desserts

Various types of fresh fruit, sweets, candied fruit is selected and placed on shaved ice, and then sugar water or condensed milk is poured over the top. The result is cool and refreshing, offering sweet and cool relief on a hot summer day. Shaved ice with assorted fruit or mango is the most popular.

#### Pig Blood Pudding

This is a rectangular, rice cake made by steaming a mixture of pig blood and glutinous; rice. Then it is dipped in specially made thick soy sauce and coated with a thick layer of peanut powder and a sprinkle of coriander. It is always to serve hot. The chewy flavor is one-of-a-kind.

#### **7** Stinky Tofu

Stinky tofu is made by deep-frying fermented tofu at a high temperature until golden and crispy with a soft inside. After the tofu is diced, soy sauce, garlic puree, and sweet & sour Taiwanese kimchi are added on top. It is a representational snack that is loved throughout Taiwan.

#### 🔿 Glutinous Rice Sausage

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O Glutinous rice is stir-fried with shallots, dried shrimp, and ground meat. Softened peanuts are then added and the mixture is stuffed into pig intestines. The sausages are steamed until fully cooked, sliced, and ready to eat with sauce.

#### Baked Pepper Buns

Stuffed with pork and scallions seasoned with pepper, the buns is baked to a golden crisp in a charcoal oven. Take a bite, enjoy the chewy crust and let the fragrant juiciness ooze out. This iconic street delicacy is popular in night markets.

**10 Round Rice Pudding** Braised minced pork are poured over glutinous rice and then topped with a layer of dried fish floss and slices of pickled radish or cucumber. The taste is delicious and texture is firm.

**Braised Pork on Rice** Stir-fried shallots and ground pork are braised and then poured over a bowl of rice. Delicious braised minced pork with rice is not only an iconic snack but traditional Taiwanese culinary culture in a nutshell.

#### 1 🤿 Taiwanese Meatballs

Taiwanese meatballs are made with a mixture of stir-fried lean pork, shredded bamboo shoots, mushrooms, and dried shrimp, all wrapped in a skin made from tapioca flour. It is steamed until fully cooked (some will deep fry the meatball after it is steamed) and then glazed with special sauce. The meatball is tasty with chewy skin and flavored stuffing.

#### 1 2 Oyster Vermicelli

Starch is used to thicken soup. Cooked vermicelli, chitterlings, and oysters are then added. After it is spiced up with condiments such as black vinegar, soy sauce, and finely chopped garlic (according to personal preferences), this dish forms a delicious treat.

#### Beef Noodles

There are two kinds of beef noodles in Taiwan: clear consommé and soy sauce braised. The most popular flavor is Sichuan braised beef noodles, made with select local beef that is cooked until firm. Other flavor s, such as tomato, hot and spicy, shacha, and curry, have also been created.

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#### 1 🗂 Tofu Pudding

The texture of tofu pudding is somewhere between tofu and pudding. This dessert is made of soy bean milk. Sugar water, ginger juice, and soft, cooked peanuts are added to make the most traditional tofu pudding. You can also eat this dish with mung beans, tapioca balls, adzuki beans, taro balls, and other ingredients.

#### 16 Pepper Popcorn Chicken

This is a general term for the fried food in Taiwan, which mainly consists of popcorn chicken, pig blood pudding, glutinous rice sausage, tempura, squid, and sweet potato fries. Ingredients are deep-fried along with basil and seasoned with pepper salt, including different kinds of spices, herbs, ingredients.

#### 7 Aiyu Jelly

The crystal clear aiyu jelly is made by rubbing natural aiyu seeds. This dessert is usually served with lemon juice and sugar water. It is a unique and refreshing summer dessert in Taiwan.

#### **1** Q Dan Zai Noodles

COriginating in Tainan, this dish is made by placing noodles in shrimp broth, and then pouring specially made braised minced pork sauce on top. A marinated egg and shrimp are added to complete the classic dan zai noodles.

#### 1 Oyster Omelette

Fat, juicy fresh oysters are cooked into an omelet with eggs, bok choy or fried vegetables, tapioca starch, and sweet and spicy sauce is added before it is served.

#### **O** Pearl Milk Tea

Criginating in Taichung, pearl milk tea is the representative of the tea culture in Taiwan. The rich and creamy milk tea is paired with firm and chewy tapioca balls. The charm of this unique and aromatic drink is sweeping across the world.



## Must-buy Taiwan Gifts

Beautiful scenery, local culture experience, and a sincere and kind-hearted people are undoubtedly unforgettable components of a wonderful journey to Taiwan. Meanwhile, the fertile land is chock full of gift ideas for friends and family. Gastronomic creativity and good taste are deliciously woven in Taiwan's artfully prepared goods and culinary temptations.

#### **2** Pineapple Shortcakes

Pineapple shortcakes are undoubtedly one of the most famous souvenirs in Taiwan. Taiwan-grown juicy, sweet pineapples give the shortcakes their sweet & slightly sour flavor and award-winning texture. Except pineapples, flour, butter, sugar, eggs are ingredients used to bring the loose, soft outer skin that seems to melt in your mouth.

#### Canvas Bags

Durable canvas bags have been used as students' school bags in Taiwan since early times. The charm of traditional canvas bags remains although nowadays these bags are no longer served as the official school bags. Old Shops for tailoring bags now also transform school bags into practical and fashionable modern bags.

#### Tea

With a reputation of being a tea empire, Taiwan has many varieties of tea, including the most famous Oolong (Wulong) Tea, Baozhong Tea, black tea, honey black tea, Oriental Beauty (Baihao Wulong) tea, etc. Varied tea flavors and processes make tea tasting a palatepleasing enjoyment.

#### Candied Fruit

Candied fruit employs the techniques necessary to preserve, candy and dry different fruits – ranging from peach, apricot, pear, jujube to gourd, ginger or nuts - by sugar or honey. Candied fruit is not only a popular snack treat, but also used to sprinkle on cakes and cookies as decoration.

#### 7 Butter Pastry

Butter pastry is the signature food of Dajia area in Taichung City. The diameter of this round shaped pastry is around 20cm while the thickness of it is around 1cm. This specialty creates the perfect teacake with layers of soft, crisp pastry and butter & malt sugar filling. The dessert will keep you coming back for more!

#### Mung Bean Cakes

L Mung bean is the main ingredient of mung bean cake. Traditional Taiwanese pastries still preserve a laborious, timeconsuming process to making the filling. Shelled mung beans are boiled before being mashed, blended with sugar and oil, and pressed into the mold of varied sizes. Soft texture, sweet taste, and the aroma of mung bean make the cakes perfect to serve with tea.

#### **O** Square Biscuits

Chiayi is known as the birthplace of square biscuits. The ingredients - flour, sugar, sesame seeds, butter or lard – are necessary for baking the dough into fragrant and crispy biscuits and cut into their namesake square shapes. Unlike the earlier palm-size square biscuits, nowadays these fragrant and crispy snacks are offered with different product sizes and popular new flavors.

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One of the best-known coffee growing areas in Taiwan is the Huashan area of Gukeng Township in Yunlin County. Abundant sunshine and rain, good drainage, and great location (on the Tropic of Cancer) create ideal conditions for coffee growing, placing the aromatic Gukeng coffee among Taiwan's famous local products. Besides that, Alishan coffee is also an awardwinning product with extraordinary quality.

#### O Mochi

Soft, sticky Mochi, made of glutinous rice, is a popular snack in East Asia area. This treat is one of the representative delicacies of Taiwan's aboriginal and Hakka cultures. One can even taste the Japanese dessert "wagashi" style of Mochi in Taiwan. A wide range of flavors are definitely worthy to have a try.

#### 1 A Handmade Egg Rolls

LUGolden, cylindrical-shaped handmade egg rolls are commonly available in traditional Taiwanese bakeries. Eggs, oil, low-gluten flour and castor sugar are stirred, pan-fried or baked, and rolled into sticks. These ingredients infuse a light, fresh taste and fragrance of butter and eggs and create one of the best souvenirs of Taiwan.

#### 1 Nougat

A blending of malt sugar, granulated sugar, butter, milk powder, egg white, nuts, dried fruit and petals delivers a satisfying burst of sweetness, milk fragrance and chewy taste. Except nougat specialty stores, a lot of bakeries also offer their own homemade flavors of nougat.

#### **)** Sun Cakes

Less Sun cakes ensconce a malt sugar filling in a golden pastry shell that is formed into a flat round shape approximately the size of a palm for convenient eating. Taichung is the cradle of sun cakes and home to several old-time bakeries that specialize in making this treat. The cakes are a popular souvenir gift among visitors to central Taiwan. One can even find a "Sun Cake" street in Taichung City gathering multitudinous bakeries with all kinds of Sun Cakes.

#### 13 Pork & Beef Jerky Must buy memory of Taiwan, but also the common snack for locals. Thinsliced pork and beef are slow baked and seasoned to savory perfection. One can taste the sweet honey flavor, chewy texture, or paper-like crisp flavor of jerky. Taiwan's jerky producers well deserve

their reputation for unparalleled quality

and production safety.

14 Dried Fruit

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Taiwan agriculture is celebrated for its sweet, juicy and savory fruits. Surely you can eat your fill during the journey, or take all kinds of dried fruits home with the same good taste. Chemical-free fresh fruits are carefully selected for processing in accordance with the healthful concept of dried fruit products.

15 Honey Pure quality, reasonable price, palatable taste, various nectar sources bring Taiwan honey a distinctive sweetness and aroma. Except freshharvested honey, honey cakes, honey cookies, and honey related healthy products are all satisfying alternatives.

# Taiwan Formosa, the Beautiful Island

Taiwan's total land area is about 36,000 square kilometers. It is shaped like a leaf that is narrow at both ends. It lies off the southeastern coast of mainland Asia, across the Taiwan Strait from China - an island on the western edge of the Pacific Ocean. To the north is Japan; to the south is the Philippines. Many airlines fly to Taiwan, making it a convenient transportation hub as well as a perfect travel destination.

Taiwan contains substantial natural resources, and continuous tectonic movements have created majestic peaks, rolling hills and plains, basins, valleys, coastlines, and other natural landscapes. Taiwan's tropical, sub-tropical, and temperate climates provide clear differentiation between the different seasons. There are rare or endangered species of wildlife on

#### Taiwan

Area 36,000 square kilometers Population around 23 million People Han Chinese, Indigenous peoples Language Mandarin/Taiwanese/ Hakka/Indigenous Languages Religion Buddhism/Taoism/

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the island. Among these are the Formosan landlocked salmon, Formosan macaque, Formosan black bear, Swinhoe's blue pheasant, etc., which make Taiwan one of the most important wildlife conservation areas in the world.

Beautiful coastal scenes are part of Taiwan's great natural assets. Starting from the northern tip of the island is the North Coast & Guanyinshan National Scenic Area and Northeast and Yilan Coast National Scenic Area, featuring a wide variety of coastal geography as well as spectacular sky and sea vast scenery. Traveling around the island to the central, which is often called the granary of Taiwan, you can enjoy a pleasant climate all the year round and impressive views. Go the south, you will come to the Kenting National Park, which has long enjoyed a reputation of "Asian Hawaii," and the Dapeng Bay National Scenic Area, blessed with sunshine and a tropical touch. Alongside the western edge of the Central Mountain Range is the Maolin National Scenic Area, where you can check out the world of butterflies, indigenous Rukai stone houses, and splendid natural scenes. Go to the east of the island, the scenic East Coast National Scenic Area and East Rift Valley National Scenic Area will definitely impress you by their uncanny landscape.



## TOP 10 Must-see in Taiwan



Taipei 101's observatory occupies the 89th floor of the 508-meter-high Taipei 101 building. Visitors can buy tickets on the fifth floor and then ride the world's fastest elevator up for a panoramic

view of Taipei City. It takes only 37 seconds which had been included in the Guinness Book of World Records. Meanwhile, Taipei 101 marks the epicenter of the popular shopping area in Taipei's Xinyi Plan District.

Take Taipei MRT Line 2 (Tamsui-Xinyi) to MRT Taipei 101/World Trade Center Station.









Ranked as one of the world's top museums, the National Palace Museum boasts a complete collection of

more than 650,000 Chinese historic items, including calligraphy, paintings, books and documents, Qing archives, bronze vessels, jades, ceramics, and curios, all spanning a period of about 5,000 years.

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Alishan scenic area, located in the east part of Chiayi county by Yushan, consists of 18 mountains. Alishan presents an ever-changing beauty as one ascends from the base to the mid-elevation peak. The

mountains are home to Taiwan's only forest railway. Alishan is also renowned for its spring cherry blossoms, autumn maples, sunrise views, ancient trees, cloud formations, and evening colors. The traditional ceremonies of the resident Tsou aboriginal tribe can also be enjoyed here. The area's appeal is further heightened by secluded cypress forests, tea plantations, and complete forest trails.

Take THSR or Taiwan Railways to the Chiayi Station, catch the Taiwan Tourist Shuttle (Alishan Route) to the Alishan stop.





Yeliu is a cape of about 1,700 meters long formed by Datun Mountain reaching into the sea. Because the rock layer of seashore contains sandstone of limestone texture and it is subject to sea erosion,

weathering and earth movements, there is particular scenery consisting of sea trenches/holes, candle shaped rocks, and pot shaped rocks. Beautiful rock formations are the main attractions at this seaside scenic area, including the famous Queen's Head, Fairy Shoe, and Candle Rock. Visitors can also visit Yeliu Fishing Port, seafood restaurants and gift shops at the nearby Yehliu GeoPark.

Take Taipei MRT Line 2 (Tamsui-Xinyi) to MRT Tamsui Station; catch the Taiwan Tourist Shuttle (Crown Northern Coastline Route) and ride to the Yehliu GeoPark stop.



Sun Moon Lake is located at the heart of Taiwan. The lake, Taiwan's biggest, is named after its sun-shaped and moon-shaped halves. An elevation of 748 meters above sea level creates the picturesque scenery of the lake. Taking a cruise or a cable car are both good alternatives to fully appreciate its spectacular scenes. The encircling green mountains, lakeshore walking & cycling trails, and the passion of the local Thao indigenous people further make this a destination worth experiencing.

Take THSR to the Taichung Station; catch the Taiwan Tourist Shuttle (Sun Moon Lake Route) and ride to the Sun Moon Lake stop.











Created by a combination t e c t o n i c movement and river erosion, this magnificent

gorge in Taroko National Park is one of the premier world-class attractions in Taiwan. Steep cliffs, grand canyons, marble rocks, caves and tunnels stretch along Liwu River. Following the walking trails is a good way to experience the beauty of Taroko Gorge and the other scenic areas along the way at a leisurely pace. Note that some trails require application before entering.

Take Taiwan Railways to the Xincheng Station; catch the Taiwan Tourist Shuttle (Taroko Route) and ride to the Taroko stop.



Running through the greater Taipei area, Tamsui River winds its way to

the northern end of Taiwan and meets Taiwan Strait. Situated around the estuary of Tamsui River, Tamsui's strategic location had attracted the interests of Spain, Netherlands, Britain and the later Qing Dynasty and Japan over the centuries. The results of this multinational colonial war have brought the riverside town a multitude of historic sites and cultural heritage. Besides that, delicious snacks and riverside scenery are also attractions for tourists. Taking a stroll by bike or by walk is a delightful way to enjoy the riverside breeze.

Take Taipei MRT Line 2 (Tamsui-Xinyi) to MRT Tamsui Station.











Jiufen, Jinguashi and Shuinandong are hillside towns in the mountain regions of New Taipei City. The string of the three town areas stretches from mountain to sea and wins them the

name of "Jiujinshui". This former gold-mining area during the Japanese Colonial Period brought prosperous days for its towns and boosted a multitude of shops around here, including theaters, teahouses, inns and diners. As the decline of gold mining activities, the golden light of this area also faded away. Nowadays, because Jiujinshui have been featured in movies, tourists have long displaced prospectors in the towns' sharply graded streets, which are now lined with shops and diners that sustain & nourish the area's inimitable air of nostalgia.

Take Taiwan Railways to the Ruifang Station; catch the Taiwan Tourist Shuttle (Gold Fulong Route) and ride to the Jiufen, Jinguashi or Shuinandong stop.



As one of the Taiwan's top 10 tourist towns, Lukang has been not only a renowned ancient town, but also the economic and transport hub of central Taiwan in earlier times. The saying "first Tainan,

second Lukang and third Mengjia (today Wanhua District in Taipei)," illustrates the high position of the town in its glory days. Lukang was also a commercially prosperous area with abundant historic and cultural sites. Three historic sites, eight scenic spots, and twelve noted sights are must-see attractions, including Tianhou Temple, Longshan Temple, Wenwu Temple, Jiuqu Lane, Lukang Old Street, etc. Delicious seafood (i.e. mud shrimp), century-old baked goods, and distinctive street food (i.e. oyster omelets) are part of Lukang's signature appeal. This diverse food culture, along with historic sites, scenic attractions, beautiful craftsmanship, winding lanes and alleys, and a yesteryear air make Lukang a destination as rewarding to the eyes and mind as it is to the palate.



Take THSR to the Taichung Station; catch the Taiwan Tourist Shuttle (Lukang Route) and ride to the Lukang stop.







Located in the most southern end of Taiwan, Kenting National Park is Taiwan's only tropical national park.

The tropical climate effectively enriches the park's tropical forests and vegetation ecology. The national park covers not only land ecology, but also maritime environment which sprinkles with precious coral reefs, limestone wonders, and stalactite caves. The national park includes mountains, forests, pasture, lakes, sand dunes, beaches, and warm & sunny weather. One can enjoy a variety of water activities, featured B&B and exotic cuisine restaurants here. The most beautiful southern resort virtually owns almost everything you could desire when you want to get up front and personal with Mother Nature.

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# A Place Where Modern Cities Meet with Old-world Towns

#### **Keelung City**

With mountains surrounding on three sides, while Donghai (The Eastern Sea) in its north front, Keelung Harbor's natural and strategically difficult point, which combines roles of commercial, military, and fishing harbor, yet most importantly, keeps guard at the gates of the northern Taiwan area. Due to the influence of the northeast monsoon, Keelung City's rainy winter earns it the name of "Rainy Harbor."

#### **Taipei City**

From one of the world's tallest buildings to historic sites blending Chinese and western influences, Taipei has managed to rise to the forward edge of modernity while staying true to its 120-year roots to the past.

#### **New Taipei City**

As the northernmost county of Taiwan, the vast terrain of New Taipei City encircles the whole Taipei City. Surrounded by the sea, its coastline stretches for more than 120 kilometers. Renowned north coast and northeast coast stretch away in a scene of grandeur and wonder.

#### **Taoyuan City**

Taoyuan International Airport, the international gateway of Taiwan, is located in Taoyuan City. Taoyuan thus becomes the first stop for foreign tourists in Taiwan.

#### **Hsinchu County**

With mountains surrounding on three sides, while Taiwan Strait in its west front, Hsinchu County's terrain includes beaches, plains, valleys, plateaus, hills and mountains that reaches to nearly 3,000 meters. It is not only the significant tourist resort in northern Taiwan but home to the largest Hakka community in Taiwan.

#### **Hsinchu City**

Hsinchu City, now famous for its Science-based Industrial Park, had been the first developed city in northern Taiwan for more than 300 years. Valuable historic sites have been reserved around the city until now. The city was named "Zhuqian" in old days and then "Windy City" due to its windy climate.



Taipei is a modern cosmopolitan metropolis with a diversified face, filled with exuberance. Just a few minutes from the heart of the city, you can join the natural and visit plenty of trails, parks

and other oases to hike, soak in hot springs and sample good teas; Yangmingshan National Park, Beitou Hot Springs, and Maokong Tea Farms are a few of them. Historic sites and incense-veiled temples, such as Dihua Street in the Dadaocheng area, Longshan Temple in the Wanhua district, and Xingtian Temple, accompany dozens of world-class restaurants and plenty of night markets to make this one of your most memorable trips to Asia.









Keelung City

As an international harbor in Taiwan, Keelung City has fishing ports and fish

markets with a wide selection of catches. Apart from that, advantaged cape and bay, historic fort and tunnel, evening snacks of the night market in front of the temple gate, seafood of the Badouzi Coastal Park and Heping Islet, or making a round-the-harbor cruise are all evident to the unique charm of Keelung City.









New Taipei City is rich in cultural and natural resources. Renowned scenic spots and festivals are numerous, such as Yeliu Geopark, Nanya, North Coast & Guanyinshan National Scenic Area, Jiufen

and Jinguashi, Jinshan and Wanli, Pingxi's Sky Lantern Festival, Tamsui Township, Yingge's pottery and ceramics, Sanxia Old Street, Wulai Hot Springs and Atayal aboriginal cultures. New Taipei City is undoubtedly a many-faceted treasure that makes you savor over and over again. Northern Taiwan



Taoyuan City has been renowned for the Chiang Kai-Shek and Chiang Ching-Kuo

Cultural Park and Daxi Township, a presidential town. As the origination point of the Northern Cross-island Highway, this picturesque, centuries-old town offers historic buildings, trails, cultural activities, wood sculpture, and delicious food. The 2011 Michelin Guide even gave Daxi a two-star (Recommended) rating. Other famous scenic attractions in Taoyuan, such as Shimen Reservoir and Window on China Theme Park, are highly recommended too.









Although Hsinchu City has been renowned for its Sciencebased Industrial Park, historic sites such as Hsinchu City God Temple, Hsinchu Municipal Government Hall, and Yin His East Gate have also been reserved through hundreds of year. Established in Qing Dynasty, Hsinchu City God Temple (Chenghuang Temple) is regarded as the highest-ranking of all City God temples in Taiwan. In front of the temple is a market with a lot of small stalls selling delicious Taiwanese snacks. Eighteen Peaks Mountain and 17-Kilometer Coastline Scenic Area are the most representative natural attractions in Hsinchu City.











### Hsinchu County

Hsinchu County features its scenery of mountain, lake and sea, including Xinfeng and Zhubei Coastline Scenic Area, Emei Lake, renowned hot springs areas, and scenic bikeways covering several hundred kilometers long. Apart from that, there are many Hakka communities in Hsinchu County, such as Neiwan Township and Xinpu Township, which preserved Hakka people's traditional culture and customs well. Even celebrities such as Peter Platt Chang and Wu Zhouliu have their former residences in Hsinchu.

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# Park Taipei Hotel

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# Taipei Gala Hotel

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Perfectly situated for the business and leisure traveler, Gala Hotel's distinctive address is midtown Taipei on Sung Jiang Road is in the heart of Taipei's most prestigious shopping, cultural, and business neighborhood.

The business traveler will find the financial district right next door, and most midtown business are within walking distance from the hotel.

Established in 1980, Gala Hotel has more than 30 years of experience in the hospitality industry and has been presented with numerous awards by the government as well as compliments from customers.

Gala Hotel remains a state-of-the-art facility by renovating and innovating. Recently remodeled.

Each guest room has been completely renovated and refitted to continue to meet the modern traveler's needs.





Get 50% off on hotel accommodation and 15% off on hotel dining. An extra 10% service charge is required. Coupon valid till 24. Dec. 2017. Please contact hotel for an exception and invalidity.



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# The Grand Hotel



 No.1, Sec. 4, Zhongshan N. Rd., Zhongshan Dist., Taipei City 104, Taiwan (R.O.C.)
www.grand-hotel.org
+886-2-2886 8888 The Grand Hotel majestically set in the lush Yuan Shan Mountains stands as Taipei's most magnificent landmark. Traditional palace style architecture features vermilion pillars, stately archways and a brilliantly tiled roof. The

classically appointed rooms and suites of this palatial hotel provide style and comfort, and world-class amenities.

Serving an array of Western and Chinese style delicacies in restaurants and private dining parlors, The Grand Hotel offers cuisine fit for the imperial court from Cantonese dim sum, fresh seafood and Jiangzhe dishes and tantalizing delicacies, as well as afternoon tea, coffee and a selection of fine liquors.

The hundred-year golden dragon in the pool in front of Golden Dragon Restaurant is the spiritual symbol of the restaurant. It offers genuine Cantonese delicacies and serves various delicious dim sum.

#### COUPON

- 10% savings on dining from Monday to Friday.
- 5% savings on dining on Saturday, Sunday and national holidays.
- 10% service charge will be applied based on the original price.
- Offer Terms and Conditions
- Offer in not applicable to alcohols & beverages, private box dining, tour group, and dining group of 10 guests or above.
- Offers cannot be used in conjunction with any other promotional offers or discounts.



# The Okura Prestige Taipei

The Okura Prestige Taipei is located in the heart of Taiwan's capital city. Within one hour, you can reach Taoyuan International Airport, Song Shan International Airport, and MRT Zhong Shan station. The hotel is also nearby Shih Lin night market which is the most popular spot for tourists.

Surround yourself in a fusion culture of West and East. The Okura Prestige Taipei offers a range of five-star facilities and service which offers our guests "pleasant, intimate and thoughtful" atmosphere and it is the driving force of Okura.

The hotel has 208guest rooms in 9 different



room types and 3 restaurants. Three exclusive dining restaurants offer fusion style cuisine, traditional Chinese dishes and classic Japanese food. There are also bakery, amazing lounge bar, rooftop pool,

and luxury Sauna facilities, and you will feel delightfully relaxed at the Okura Health Club.



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### The Riviera Hotel Taipei

The Riviera Taipei Boutique Hotel is the First and Only hotel in Taiwan to receive the LEED Green Building Gold Certification.

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The Riviera Hotel is in close proximity to the Taipei Songshan airport, Taipei EXPO park, Taipei Fine Art Museum and the famous Shilin Night Market, The hotel offers free Shuttle Service to top tourist attractions daily and Taipei World Trade Center during major trade shows.

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# Nanjiang Puyuan B&B

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#### COUPON

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### West Lake Resortopia

Miaoli County is full of rich nature and humanities resources in Taiwan. The unique Hakka culture and nostalgia style are loved by visitors. West Lake Resortopia, which is located in Miaoli County in Taiwan, is famous for Tung Blossom Festival. There are not only integrating European style, a wide diversity of accommodation, banquet cuisine, rich nature and Andersen fairy tale theme park, but also devoting to helping maintain environment ecology balance and promotion of environmental education activities. We got authenticate of Environmental Education Centre in July 2013, and also has won the Tourism Bureau of premium tourist amusement park over 23 years. It's enjoyable for family travel, including accommodations, dining, and having fun in West Lake Resortopia.

#### COUPON

Eligible Guests must present coupon manual.

- 1. Enjoy groups priced of ticket.
- 2.10% hotel service fee discount. (maximum for two rooms)
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- 4. This preference offer personal guests , not applicable to groups, corporate events, marketing, promotion and other business purposes.

This preference may not be combined with any other discount or promotion.



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### Window on China Theme Park

Window on China Theme Park is the first theme park in Asia, featuring majestic displays of world famous architecture miniatures. It is also the first family theme park lead in Taiwan. In recent years, besides making efforts on the entertainment, Window on China Theme Park has reached the achievement of being the environmental education field. Therefore, visitors do not only enjoy fun at the Theme Park, but also acquire the knowledge during the hours. The Global Voyager Mini Train connects two major parts of the Theme Park. Based upon the characteristics of the service, there are four topics at Window on China Theme Park including Mini World, Amusement Park, Water Park, and the Playhouse.





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#### COUPON

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Central Taiwan

# A Perfect Blending of Nostalgia and Fashion Life

#### **Miaoli County**

Surrounded by mountain scenery and seascape, Miaoli County earned the name of "Mountain Town" due to its hilly terrain. As one of the major Hakka counties in Taiwan, Miaoli has many Hakka communities offering visitors authentic Hakka cuisine and cultural activities.

#### **Taichung City**

As Taiwan's third largest city, Taichung City enjoys a mild year-round climate. It also has a highly developed industrial and commercial base, thriving cultural scene, and beautiful scenery, all of which contribute to its status as an international-class city.

#### **Nantou County**

Nantou is the only landlocked county in Taiwan. Its location at the geographic center of the island naturally makes this county the beautiful "heart" of Taiwan. It is home to the island's most beautiful lake, Sun Moon Lake, completes the county's scenic tapestry.

#### **Changhua County**

Changhua is known as "the granary of Taiwan." Bagua Mountain (Baguashan) is the main peak in the county. The flat and fertile land, mild climate and moderate rainfall all have earned Changhua a reputation as the breadbasket of Taiwan.

#### **Yunlin County**

Located at the central-south part along the western coast of Taiwan, Yunlin County stands at the north tip of Jianan Plain. Plains account for nine-tenths of the county area. As a county built on agriculture, Yunlin has long taken pride in its high-quality agricultural products and aquaculture products.









The tung blossoms, wood sculpture, hot springs, fruit, ceramics, Hakka food, and Zhunan Mangroves Reserve are major attractions of Miaoli County. Each year in April and May, Miaoli turns

into a beautiful sea of tung blossoms. Apart from that, major tourism areas in Miaoli include the Sanyi Wood Sculpture and Old Mountain Line Tourism Area, Dahu Strawberry Culture Park, Gongguan's agricultural products, fruits from Zhuolan and Sanwan, Tai'an Hot Spring Scenic Area, Mingde Reservoir Scenic Area, and Nanzhuang Lion's Head Mountain Scenic Area.













Among the many sites of interest in the city are the historic Lecheng

Temple, the ornate and much-visited Chenghuang Temple, the three-hall style Wanhe Temple, the 3-grade-three national historic Chang Liao Family Shrine, as well as the 200-plusyearold Zhenlan Temple in Dajia further add to Taichung's yesteryear charms. In addition to historic attractions, Taichung also offers plenty to satisfy one's thirst for the arts, culture and learning, including Europeanstyle Jingming Shopping District, romantic Art Garden, and the National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts.



Over 40 mountains form an unbroken and undulating expanse of green. Taiwan's longest river, the Zhuoshui River, winds through the county, and the island's most beautiful lake, Sun Moon Lake,

completes the county's scenic tapestry. Renowned scenic attractions include Formosa Aboriginal Culture Village, Shueili Snake Kiln, Xitou Nature Education Area, Shanlinxi, Sun Moon Lake, Qingjing Farm, Huisun Forest Station, Hehuashan National Forest Recreation Area, Dongpu Hot Springs, and Lushan Hot Springs.











During the Qing Dynasty, Lugang in Changhua grew to become the main city in central Taiwan, leading to the saying: "first Tainan, second Lugang, third Taipei's Mengjia (Wanhua) district." Changhua was settled

largely by immigrants from the Chinese provinces of Fujian and Guangdong. These settlers brought with them their unique customs and culture, evident today in the many colorful historic sites found throughout the county. These includes Changhua's landmark Baguashan Great Buddha; Longshan Temple, a national historic site known as "Taiwan's Forbidden City"; and Tianhou Temple, a county historic site dedicated to Meizhou's Mazu.



Central Taiwan











Yunlin generates more revenue from agriculture than any other county. Seasonal

harvest schedule includes rice and soy bean sauce from Xiluo; pomelos from Douliu; peanuts from Beigang; coffee from Gukeng , and more from farmsthroughout the county. Yunlin's similarly advanced aquaculture industry raises significant quantities of grouper, milkfish, mullet roe, geloina (horseshoe) clam, and tilapia. In addition, Yunlin also has the highest concentration of temples on the island; among all, the 290-year-old Beigang Chaotian Temple, built in the Qing Dynasty, has been the most renowned one.

# Hotel Tilun Dongpu Spa

Located between the Alisan National Park and Sun Moon Lake, and right at the foot of the spectacular Jade Mountain, the Tilun Dongpu Hotel in Nantou is an all-in-one stop for visitors to enjoy abundant nature resources, ancient Bunun culture, and premium hot springs at one time.

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#### COUPON

Room rate on Sunday~Friday 45% discount off,on Saturday and holiday 20% discount off.
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Monster Village Hotel

Xitou Monster Village, a Japanese style village located at the entrance of Xitou Nature Education Area. In addition to enjoying the phytoncides in the mountains, you must not miss Xitou Monster Village.

Throughout the village, you will find various sculptured monster statues and interesting animated costume characters worn by villagers. Abundance of colorful red lanterns are hung from many structures throughout the village and spectacular at night. There are many stores sell local delights including "biting cat buns" ( a stinging nettle found in the Xitou area), snacks and souvenirs. When you visit Xitou, make plans to stop by this charming, whimsical and fun filled village. Enjoy the scenery, mingling with all the characters, taking pictures with a bit scary looking and yet friendly, lovely monsters. Make plans to see our Hotel. We welcome and appreciate your visit.





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The Lalu located in the heart of central Taiwan - Sun Moon Lake's Lalu Peninsula.

In the Past, the building served as Chiang Kai Shek's travel accommodation. The Lalu's architectural design centered on the themes of utmost simplification of Zen style and is constructed with four major materials of wood, stone, glass and iron. Thus, the appearance of Lalu has a unique "Ongoing Style." Surrounded by green landscapes and aquamarine waters, the Lalu owns an unbeatable view of Sun Moon Lake and offers a secluded getaway set amidst natural wonders.



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The upside-down L-shaped teak rain shade of the Lalu impresses every guest at the first sight



The Courtyard Pool Villa has a spacious living room, fireplace, dining room, and a 12-meter long private, temperature-controlled swimming pool



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### Tai-Yi Red Maple Resort

Tai-Yi Red Maple Resort is a four star international hotel, We have the license it can receive Muslim Friendly Restaurant certification, Tai-Yi Red Maple Resort is 40,000 sq.m. of lush verdant gardens, provides 104 villa suites and guest rooms. The rooms type- Hot sprint, Bungalow, Flower Lodge. Get immersed in the flower world with Flora Temple, Butterly Sancturay, Spa, Spring, Happiness Flowers Fields, ect. It really nice! You are welcomed to visit us for an eco-forest vacation. As well as providing three different restaurants type. including Southern Garden Restaurant, Floating Restaurant, Flower Café provide typical local dishes and special floral meal, available for your tasting pleasure.



Red Maple Bo<mark>utique H</mark>otel- One Bed room with a Japanese style.



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#### COUPON

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### 11 House

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## Ming Ging Farm

Ming Ging Farm is located in the center of Taiwan —Nantou, which is the county surrounded by spectacular mountains. The air is fresh and the scenery is overwhelming. You can experience the rich culture and taste the most delicious and juicy fruits. Ming Ging Farm is famous for its fruits, such as Physalis and Cyphomandra. Cyphomandra is a breed of juicy tomatoes which grow on the tree. You will enjoy picking and tasting juicy fruits here.

Location: Central of Taiwan, Nantou County

Directions: Taichung HSR Station (45 mins)→Pay-toride shuttle to Ming Ging Farm (90 mins); Taichung Aiport→Pay-to-ride shuttle to Ming Ging Farm (120 mins) Local Attractions: Green Green Glasslands, Swiss Garden, Hehuan Mountain, Lushan Hotsprings, Aowanda National Forest Recreation Area, Wushe Memorial Park...etc.





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### Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village / Sun Moon Lake Ropeway



 No. 45, Chihtien Ln., Yuchih Township, Nantou County 55544, Taiwan(R.O.C.)
 www.nine.com.tw
 +886-49-2898835 Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village is located in Nantou County in Central Taiwan. The Village comprises three main theme areas: the Aboriginal Village Park, Amusement Isle and European Garden, and is joined to the magnificent Sun Moon Lake

by the Sun Moon Lake Ropeway.

During the 30 years of devotion, the Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village has been praised yearly by the Tourism Bureau with the Excellence Award. The Village has also passed the Environmental Education Facility and Field Certification, and has been recognized as well as awarded a 2-star and then a 3-star in the Michelin Green Guide. Other awards include the Traveler's Choice and Certificate of Excellence by TripAdvisor. Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village is a quality attraction acknowledged and certified by Taiwan and the world.

#### COUPON

To get a free gift by buying ticket of the park with his coupon The coupon will expire after 31th Dec. 2017 The gift's content may be varied depending on times.



Sun-Link-Sea Forest and Nature Resort is located in the elevation between 1600m and 1800m. It's average temperature is 20°C in summer. Visitors can see the cloud and must curl up the whole year round. Sun-Link-Sea is undoubtedly a perfect spot to spend a holiday.

Because of the environment, its ecosystem species is very abundant, fitting for the promotion of the promotion of the ecotourism. It is also the station of the Endemic Species Research Institute. Through the professional introduction by narrators, visitors can combine the ecosystem with landscape of humanism.

The fine grace the blends modern and lately classic idea constructs a style and establishes 129 guest rooms and 2 VIP honored guest's building, the suite of comfortable sweet, the light of romantic, and the scenery reflects the green landscape.

## ● **杉林**深森林生態

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#### COUPON

Hotel accommodation discounts(Sun-Link-Sea Hotel > The Theme Hall > Log Cabin):

In addition to April, July, August, in other months on weekdays (Mon-Thu) have a 40% discount. In addition to the Saturday of April, a 70% discount is offered.





# Discovering the Warmth of Synny Soyth

#### **Chiayi** City

Chiayi City is situated on the north end of Chianan Plain, bordered by Chiayi County. At 23.5° north latitude, the Tropic of Cancer passes just 1km south of Chiayi City. The city has been the county seat from the earliest days and thus an origin of culture and the arts, including koji pottery, one of the most precious traditional craft skills in Taiwan.

#### **Chiayi County**

Blessed by both mountain and coastal scenery, the county is home to the Alishan, Southwest Coast, and Siraya National Scenic Areas and the only one county in Taiwan to have three national scenic areas.

#### **Tainan City**

ainan is the birthplace of Taiwan and the oldest city on the island. In 1661, the Ming loyalist Cheng Cheng-kung drove the Dutch from Taiwan and established his administration in Tainan. Tainan remained the political, economic and cultural center of Taiwan up to the late nineteenth century. As a result, Tainan is home to many famous historic sites.

#### **Kaohsiung City**

A thriving international metropolis at the southern tip of Taiwan, Kaohsiung was the host city for the 2009 World Games. Due to the regulating effects of the marine climate, Kaohsiung is generally sunny and enjoys pleasant weather year-round, and earns the name of "Taiwan's Maritime Capital."

#### **Pingtung County**

Taiwan's southernmost county, Pingtung covers a long territory with a border defined by mountains to the north, the Pacific Ocean to the east, the Taiwan Strait to the west, and the Bashi Channel to the south. Due to its subtropical location, Pingtung enjoys springlike weather all year round. Graceful coconut trees add to the county's ample South Pacific charms. In addition, Pingtung is home to Kenting National Park, Taiwan's first National Park.







Alishan, located in the east part of the county by Taiwan's t allest

peak, Yushan, is the homeland of the Tsou indigenous people. This area is famous for its breathtaking sunrise views and cloud formations, towering ancient trees, colorful cherry blossoms, the world-famous Alishan Forest Railway, and the Tsou aboriginal culture. The fishing harbors of Dongshi and Budai on the west coast are good places to experience the county's coastal ecology and views. The Aogu Wetland Forest Park, also in Dongshi, is the largest lowland forest park in Taiwan. And in the plains area, one can make aneducational visit to the Tropic of Cancer Monument.







As the starting point of Alishan Forest Railway, Chiayi City's attractions

are mostly of historical interest. Foremost among these is Lantan (Holland Lake), called "red-hair pond" during the Dutch colonization period. "Chu-Lo" County, a large territory that incorporated much of modern-day Chiayi County, was created during the Qing Dynasty; the first stockade in Taiwan was built at the same time. Diversified local specialties, snacks, dessert pastries have been preserved to date, including square cookies, traditional Japanese confectionery, yokan, turkey rice, rice pudding, braised fish head casserole, etc.









After the Qing pacification of Taiwan in 1683, the Taiwan Prefectural Capital was established in Tainan, the ancient capital of Taiwan. The city became a large metropolis due to a great amount of

immigrants from China. Famous attractions include historic sites, such as Chikanlou, Anping Great Fort, and Eternal Golden Castle, and natural ecology spots, such as Qigu Lagoon, Qigu Salt Mountains, Jingzaijiao Tile-paved Salt Fields, Baihe Lotus, and Guanziling Mud Springs. Visitors can also sample a wide selection of traditional snacks and Dongshan's locally-grown Arabica coffee. Every year on the 15th day of the first lunar month, the spectacular Yanshui Beehive Rockets Festival attracts throngs of visitors to Tainan.







Kaohsiung City is an ethnic melting pot, joining Hakka communities, the Pingpu, Tsou, Rukai, Bunun, and Paiwan indigenous tribes, and a military community culture. The city is also home to many popular

attractions, including the Love River, Xiziwan Bay, Qijin, Lotus Pond, the Old City of Zuoying, Meinong's Hakka village, Neimen Songjiang Battle Array, Fo Guang Shan Buddhist monastery in Dashu, Maolin National Scenic Area, Shanping Forest Ecological Science Park, and Tianliao Moon World. Taiwan's biggest mall and well-known night markets complete the scene for a thoroughly satisfying trip.











Pingtung is home to Kenting National Park. Other famous attractions here include the island Eden of Xiaoliuqiu, Dapeng Bay National Scenic Area, and Taiwan's best paragliding area, Saijia Air

Park. Pingtung is also a wintering stop for migratory birds, including shrikes, and in October, grayfaced buzzards, making this a good spot to enjoy the avian ecology. Apart from that, the county has a number of renowned local specialties, including Donggang for Bluefin tuna, Linbian Township's black pearl wax apple, the coffee of Dewen, onions of Checheng and Hengchun, and pig's feet of Wanluan.



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#### Eastern Taiwan & Offshore Islands

# Immersing in the Subtle Charms of Dreaming Coastlines

#### **Yilan County**

The city of Yilan is located in the central part of the Lanyang Plain. Streams and rivers provide a constant source of replenishment for the nutrients in the soil here, making Yilan a breadbasket county. The county is home to Asia's second longest highway tunnel, the Hsuehshan Tunnel, which has largely reduced the driving time between Yilan and Taipei.

#### **Hualien County**

Taiwan's biggest county, Hualien borders the Pacific Ocean to the east and is hemmed in by the Central Range to the west. With all of its natural beauty, most of Hualien is a national scenic area. Visitors to the county can enjoy the impressive gorges at Taroko National Park, the magnificence of Yushan National Park, the stunning natural landscapes of the East Coast National Scenic Area, and the rustic charms of the East Rift Valley National Scenic Area.

#### **Taitung County**

Taitung County borders the Xiuguluan River to the north, the Central Range to the west, and the Pacific Ocean to the east. Green Island and Orchid Island (Lanyu) are both a short distance offshore from Taitung. From coastal areas to mountain highs, Taitung greets visitors to a land of ecological richness and rustic beauty.

#### **Penghu County**

Composed of 90 islands, Penghu County is the only island county in Taiwan. Basalt columns sculpted by the elements are a dominant part of the geological landscape on the Penghu Islands. The clear waters of Penghu Bay and strong winter winds have put Penghu on the map as an international hot spot for competitive sailing.

#### **Kinmen County**

Situated just off the coast of Mainland China, Kinmen County is composed of 12 islands, including Kinmen Island, Lie Island (Little Kinmen), etc. Military administration of Kinmen was lifted in 1992, marking the start of the island's emergence as a tourism destination. In January 2001, direct cross-strait links were opened between Kinmen and Xiamen in mainland China, putting the island in a key position for cross-strait interactions.

#### **Matsu County**

Matsu offers visitors unforgettable travel memories, such as defensive fortifications built by the military, a sincere and kindhearted people, a relaxed mountain village life, precious island ecosystems, traditional-style delicacy and wine.





From natural environments and cold and hot springs to a wealth of ocean

recreation resources and verdant country scenes, Yilan offers the perfect setting to slow down and enjoy nature at its best. Surrounded by submarine hot springs that emit steam all year round, Guishan Island is a rare sight in the Pacific. The sea area here is a favorite haunt for whales and dolphins. For a relaxing hot spring soak, one can choose between the lowland hot springs of Jiaoxi Township and the carbonic acid cold springs in Su'ao Township, one of only two cold springs in Southeast Asia.









Besides the world-famous Taroko National Park, Hualien 's popular attractions, such as East Coast National Scenic Area, Xiuguluan River, Qixing Lake (Qixingtan), and Liyu (Carp) Lake, are all great sites

for enjoying ocean views and water activities. The rape flower fragrance from the fields of East Rift Valley, milk flavor from Chao Feng Ranch and Ruisui Farm, and tea leave aroma from tea plantations weave together into an idyllic picture. Sampling ice cream in the Hualien Sugar Factory (Guangfu Sugar Plant), and enjoying a soak in Antong, Hongye or Ruisui hot springs, are favorite ways to experience a relaxing leisure time.







With a coastal line stretching up to 176 kilometers, Taitung County has a

number of coastal attractions, such as Xiaoyeliu, Baxian Cave (Baxiandong), Stone Umbrella (Shiyusan), Sanxiantai (Terrace of the Three Immortals), and Chenggong, Fugang Fishing Harbors, in which one can sample the freshest seafood. Cyclists are also well served in Taitung. Taiwan's oldest bikeway—the Guanshan Bicycle Trail—is located here, and other cycling routes can be enjoyed in Longtian Village(Luye Township) and Chishang Township, all while cyclists are surrounded by fairytale-like scenic beauty. Zhiben Hot Springs and aboriginal people's harvest festivals are also popular tourist sites.









Penghu County

Penghu is an excellent choice for seaside fun, with blue seas, clear skies, soft white beaches, plenty of beach

and water recreation facilities, and an amazing marine ecology and scenic beauty. Wellknown tourist spots include Penghu Great Bridge (Trans-Ocean Bridge), Penghu Queen of Heaven Temple (Tianhou Temple), Xiyu Western Fort, Tongliang Great Banyan, Fongguei Cave, Whale Cave, and Lintou Park.



Kinmen County is home to several rare and protected bird species, sorghum

spirits, southern Fujian-style cuisines, seafood, ancient Fujian-style houses, and western buildings. For nearly a half century, Kinmen was a battleground in Taiwan's defense against the mainland forces. However, the military installations developed at that time have today become an invaluable tourism resource for the islands.











Located northwest of Taiwan, the Matsu I s l a n d s consisted of 36 islets.

Most of the Mazu Islands are mainly made of granite with the effects of millions of year s of sea and wind erosion having formed a wide variety of terrain and scenery, such as precipitous cliff faces, ocean erosion caves, etc., can be seen all over the islands, especially Dongyin . Wellknown specialties including fresh seafood (i.e. razor clam, mussel, Buddha hand), Matsu rice wine, and Jiguang cakes are all worth tasting.



Château de Chine Hotel Hualien is based on the concept of environmental protection; it is a green building that integrates ecology, energy conservation, carbon reduction, and health. In 2013, the hotel was further enhanced with the installation artworks of Taiwanese illustrator, Jimmy, whose concept of warm embraces is fully reflected in the meticulous service of the hotel.

Restaurants : Chinese, Western, Lounge bar Special Features : Conference Room, Gym, Banquet Hall, Business Center, Self-Service Laundry, Outdoor pool, Kids Sandpit, Sauna, Bicycle, Children's Playground "Happy Forest", Wi-Fi, Parking.



#### Transportation:

**By Car:** 3.5-hour drive off Taipei through Freeway No. 5 and Suhua Highway; 6-hour drive off Kaohsiung through Provincial Highway 11

**By Train:** 15-minute drive from Hualien Train Station

**By Plane:** 15-minute drive from Hualien Airport (HUN)



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### Promisedland Resort & Lagoon



Promisedland Resort is located in Hualien, eastern Taiwan, and its location encompassed by Central Mountain Ranges as well as Pacific Ocean, which enriched by natural sceneries. A place would bestow upon enjoyment and enlightenment.

Promisedland has been selected and published by Images Publish Company in the book called (100 hotels & resorts). The Publisher enlisted the 100 resorts from worldwide to reflect evolving trends in international travel and noteworthy preferences on the part of discriminating guests.

The Resort is an artwork by W.A.T.&G., the leader of its industry. The architecture of Promisedland is an original style, which recalls Gaudi's work, each guest room has view of lagoon that connects through 22 cottage buildings. Touring the resort site would allow our guests to discover the 16 uniquely designed bridges, which connects to three islands with pool facilities, as well as mesmerize on architectural details would offer an impression as if one were traveling abroad.





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