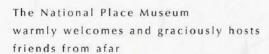
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Situated in Taipei's Waishuangxi, the National Palace Museum is home to a collection of significant cultural relics and antiques, including bronzes, jades, paintings, and calligraphic works, among other fine Chinese artifacts through the Song, Yuan, Ming, and Qing Dynasties. It also holds thematic exhibitions on a quarterly basis. When traveling in Taipei, you may wish to come to the National Palace Museum to discover the deep historical roots of Chinese culture and appreciate the artifacts in the fine collection.

You can view relevant information about the e-book by either scanning



▲Transportation



▲Official Websit of the Northern Branch NPM



▲Theme Tour Route



Northern Branch Floor Plan

the QR code or clicking on it. Visitor Information



Open: Closed on most Mondays, Tue. to Sun. 9:00am - 5:00pm Open on some Mondays:★For more information, visit the NPM website★ Admission Price:

- · Visitors under 18 (regardless of nationality): Free.
- · Citizen discount price (with ID card): NT\$150.
- · General admission price (for foreigners): NT\$350.
- · Holders with the ISIC card (International Student Identity) or the OCPR (Overseas Chinese Permanent Resident Permit): NT\$150.
- Free on weekdays and NT\$75 on holidays for visitors 65 years of age or older (citizens).

Transportation information: You can get to the National Palace Museum by either riding the MRT on the Red Line and then transferring to a bus (at Shilin Station), or by riding the MRT on the Brown Line to Dazhi Station or Jiannan Road Station and then transferring to a bus.



Sanxitang Space

You may also want to visit Sanxitang Space on the 4th floor of the main building to appreciate a refined imperial study in the dining room while savoring a light meal and desserts.



Sanxitang Space

Add: No. 221, Sec. 2, Zhishan Road, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan Main Building (4F, Exhibition Hall I) Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Sun. 9:00am - 5:00pm TEL: 02-2883-9684



It is advisable for you to reserve a table first so as not to wait long at the venue.







In addition to admiring precious treasures in the Northern Branch, you may as well enjoy a fancy meal that is inspired by cultural relics at Silks Palace at NPM.

Silks Palace at NPM

Add: No. 221, Sec. 2, Zhishan Road, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Fri. 11:30am - 2:30pm, 5:30pm - 9:30pm Sat. to Sun. 11:00am - 3:00pm, 5:30pm - 9:30pm TEL: 02-2882-9393



The opening hours can be adjusted or varied by the stores. We recommend checking with the store before you visit.



Zhishan Garden

When you roam around the Zhishan Garden, located next to the National Palace Museum, you will find small bridges, pavilions, and lush scenery, while marveling at the artistic refinements of Chinese gardens.

Add: No. 221, Sec. 2, Zhishan Road, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Sun. 8:00am - 5:00pm

TEL: 02-2881-2021

We recommend bringing bug repellents to the garden to avoid mosquito bites.







The Museum Gift Shop

When you visit the Museum Gift Shop on the basement floor of the National Palace Museum, you can purchase a variety of exquisite cultural and creative commemorative products.

Add: No. 221, Sec. 2, Zhishan Road, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan (B1F, Exhibition Hall I)

Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Sun. 9:00am - 5:00pm

TEL: 02-2881-2021



Limited Edition Handmade Jadeite Cabbage with Insects Doll --Jade White (Product)



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Xianjufu Cafe

Xianjufu Cafe is located on the first floor of the Palace Museum Main Building, offering a space to enjoy a light coffee.

Add: No. 221, Sec. 2, Zhishan Road, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan (1F, Exhibition Hall I) Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Sun. 9:00am - 5:00pm



Top 10 Artifacts of the Northern Branch, NPM

▲Visiting time: Approximately 50 minutes, featuring 10 selected cultural relics.

▲Tour route: A guided tour of selected cultural relics, starting on the 3F with "Bronzes", passing through "Jades", continuing to the 2F "Ceramics" gallery, and concluding at the 1F "Treasures" gallery.



Display schedules are subject to change due to exhibition preparations. Please check the information on your day of visit.



Late Western Zhou Dynasty Yi water vessel with an animal-shaped handle and feet in human figures

3F | Gallery 305 | Rituals Cast in Brilliance--Chinese Bronzes Through the Ages A container for pouring water with the "handle" being

rendered as a dragon drinking water. Four small figures underneath have their hands interlocked and their heads holding the container.



Mid-Warring States period Zun vessel embedded with turquoise and fine gold wires

3F | Gallery 305 | Rituals Cast in Brilliance--Chinese Bronzes Through the Ages

This "bronze" wine vessel is of rounded and smooth ox-like form, with a realistically made body and fleshy texture.

It is elaborately embellished with "gold" and "turquoise" inlays.



▲ "Jadeite cabbage with insects and banded jasper resembling a slab of meat" Exhibition News

Qing Dynasty Jadeite cabbage with insects

> For updates on popular exhibits, please refer to announcements.

With verdant green leaves and white stalks carved from jadeite, this artifact resembles a real bokchov cabbage, symbolizing purity and innocence. On top of the cabbage are two insects, an auspicious symbol of having many children and grandchildren.

3F





Qing Dynasty **Banded jasper resembling a slab of meat**

For updates on popular exhibits, please refer to announcements.

This artifact is made of natural minerals that have been skillfully sculpted by craftsmen, with tiny holes drilled and dyed on its surface, creating multi-layered textures that are like pork belly soaked in soy sauce and then boiled to perfection. It looks delicious!



Eastern Han Dynasty Jade bixie amulet

3F|Gallery 306|Art in Quest of Heaven and Truth-Masterpieces of Jades in the Museum Collection

The four-legged fierce beast has stable limbs and wings on both sides of its body. Its body rises upwards as it opens its mouth and roars, like a ferocious tiger with two wings, soaring over the world with unrivaled valor.



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From Song to Yuan Dynasties **Jade duck**

3F|Gallery 306|Art in Quest of Heaven and Truth--Masterpieces of Jades in the Museum Collection

A lovely and vibrant jade in the form of a duck with rounded rumps. Variations in the color of the duck can be discerned from the brown head and feet to its body's original jade color. Clearly, the jade duck had been dyed by craftsmen.





Northern Song Dynasty
White-glazed pillow in the shape of a recumbent child

2F|Gallery 205|The Magic of Kneaded Clay--Ceramic Collection of the National Palace Museum

The white porcelain baby shaped pillow serves as an auspicious symbol of having many children and grandchildren.

2F|Gallery 207|The Magic of Kneaded Clay-- Ceramic Collection of the National Palace Museum

Lady figurines were one of the most popular burial objects in the Tang Dynasty. The lady figure is full-bodied with a rounded face, and has long

and narrow eyebrows and eyes, representing the norm of female beauty in the Tang Dynasty and presenting the realistic styles of the Tang Dynasty.

Late Qing Dynasty

Ivory ball of nested concentric
layers with human figures in
openwork relief

1F|Gallery 106|A Garland of Treasures--Masterpieces of Precious Crafts in the Museum Collection

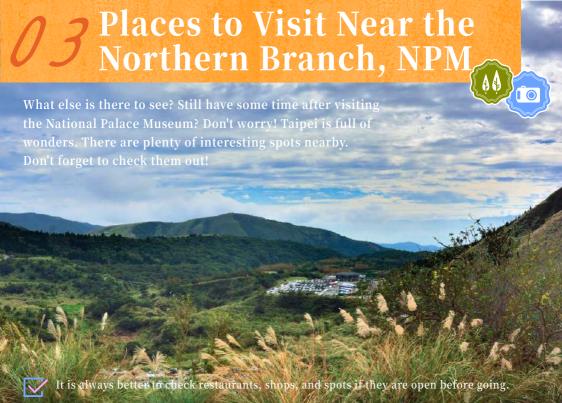
The 18-layered ivory sphere is a planet of its own.

Carved from a single piece of elephant ivory, each individual layer can move freely on its own, highlighting the ingenuity and precision of the artisan's carving skills.

For more cultural relics, please visit
the official website's
"Theme Tour Route"

1F







Yangmingshan

Known for its rich ecology and culture, Yangmingshan is Taiwan's third national park and the closest to Taipei.

Ideal for a nature/weekend getaway.

Yangmingshan National Park Visitor Center

Add: 1-20, Zhuzihu Road,

Yangmingshan, Beitou District, Taipei

Open: 9:00am - 4:30pm / daily

TEL: 02-2861-3601



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Attractions

Let's go for a hike together and explore the

beauty of nature. Don't forget your hiking shoes!

Traffic control is implemented every year during the flowering season from February to March.



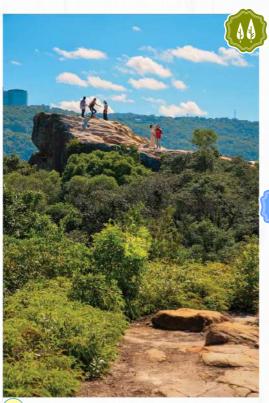
Shilin Night Market

One of the biggest night markets in Taipei known for its traditional snacks, Shilin Night Market is a popular tourist attraction!

Add: Around Dadong Road / Danan Road / Wenlin Road / Jihe Road, Shilin District, Taipei Open: 4:00pm - 12:00am daily



This market gets very crowded, so please keep your belongings close by.





Junjianyan

This rocky outcropping was named after its resemblance to a ship. Enjoy a spectacular night view of Taipei city from here after an easy hike.

Add: Section 2, Linong Street, Beitou District, Taipei

Open: 24 hours / daily

The hike takes around two hours. Don't forget to bring a bottle of water for the journey.





Beitou hot spring area --Thermal Valley

This hot spring lake is a source of Beitou's sulfuric hot spring water. Steam fills the air as the water bubbles at close to 100°C.

Add: 30-10, Zhongshan Road, Beitou District, Taipei

Open: 9:00am - 5:00pm Tue. - Sun.



For your safety, do not attempt to bathe in the water as the temperature is very high.







Shi Dong Market

With around 180 stalls, this place became a modern and chic market after its renovation.

Get ready to buy some groceries!

Add: 100, Shidong Road, Shilin District, Taipei Open: 7:00am - 6:30pm on the first floor 7:30am - 9:00pm second floor Tue. to Sun. Closed on Mon.

TEL: 02-2834-5308



There is a department store on the second floor here--don't miss it!

4 Places to Visit in Taipei

★ It is always better to check restaurants, shops, and spots for their opening hours before going.



▲ Map of Taipei **Tourist Attractions** experience lasting approximately 50 minutes.

TEL: 02-8101-8898

Guests who have heart disease, high blood pressure, or are pregnant are not allowed to join.



Ximending

An integration of new and old cultures. Watch street performers show their talents at the ever-evolving Ximending.

Add: Section 1, Zhonghua Road, Wanhua District, Taipei Open: 24 hours / daily

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There are many funky stores at Ximending. Don't miss the market at the Red House!





National Taiwan Museum Railway Department Park

A must-visit attraction for railway fans! Experience how people responded to the age of mechanization.

Add: No. 2, Section 1, Yanping North Road, Datong District, Taipei

Open: 9:30am - 5:00pm Tue. to Sun. / Closed on Mon.

TEL: 02-2558-9790



The museum is closed on Monday! Museum fans, please plan accordingly.



Tea culture experience

Take a walk through a tea plantation in the outskirts of Taipei, experience ancient tea art, and breathe in the fresh air.

Add: Section 3, Guide Road, Wenshan District, Taipei

Open: 24 hours / daily

The weather on the mountain fluctuates. It is recommended you bring a rain coat.













Dadaocheng

While strolling through the historical streets of Dadaocheng, an area noted for its combination of traditional monuments and modern innovations, you will feel the new life of century-old buildings as you visit specialty shops, purchase traditional groceries and Taiwanese souvenirs, and enjoy Taiwanese dishes and tea-time snacks.



Transportation Information

Add: Dihua St., Datong Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan

Take the MRT Green Line to Beimen Station and walk for about 5 minutes, or take the MRT Yellow Line to Daqiaotou Station and walk for about 8 minutes.

Open: 24 hours / daily



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You can not only have afternoon tea here brewed with chocolate that is made from all over Taiwan and emits strong and rich aroma, but also choose to have a slice of fluffy, flavorful toast with specialty dipping sauces and duck eggs in the morning.

Add: 2F, No. 248, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Datong Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan

Open: Mon. to Sun. 10:00am - 6:00pm

TEL: 02-2552-8386



Located on the 2nd floor of the building, this coffee shop is above the fabrics/grocery store "inBlooom Together."







Chifeng Street



A hangout place for young people in Taipei, Chifeng Street is full of people throughout the day. When the night begins to fall, Chifeng Street becomes even more bustling and lively, so come here to read books on the cultural and creative industries, sip coffee and have snacks, or buy vintage clothing and accessories. You are guaranteed to have a fulfilling trip here.

Add: Chifeng Street, Datong Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan



Eslite R79 Underground Book Street

The longest book street in Taiwan! In this underground book street spanning from MRT Zhongshan Station to Shuanglian Station, you'll see the book street corridor right after exiting the station, and you'll be able to find books, stationery, and cultural and creative merchandise you're interested in along the street that is full of literary and artistic flavor.

Add: B1F, No. 16, Nanjing W. Rd., Datong Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan

Open: Mon. to Sun. 10:00am – 9:30pm

TEL: 02-2563-9818







Tucked away in a small alleyway on Chifeng Street, the shop's basement is home to a fine selection of music albums, independent creative zines, and personalized T-shirts. Come check it out.

Add: B1F, No. 1, Lane 3, Chifeng St., Datong Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan

Open: Mon. to Thu. 2:00pm - 8:00pm

Fri. to Sun. 2:00pm - 9:00pm

This shop is located in the basement, so watch your step!







Huang Braised Pork Rice

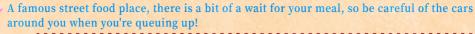
Braised pork rice is definitely a must-try delicacy for tourists in Taiwan. Stewed to the point of being soft but not greasy, pork is on top of perfectly cooked rice, giving it a special flavor that will leave you with a lasting impression.

Add: No. 28, Lane 183, Sec. 2, Zhongshan N. Rd., Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan

Open: Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Sun. 12:00pm-8:30 pm

TEL: 02-2595-8396





Pinatshiu Chifeng

You can't miss tea drinks when traveling around Taiwan. Whether it's a refreshing cool drink or a revitalizing hot drink, you'll savor the sweet aftertaste of tea.

Add: 1F, No. 23, Lane 53, Chifeng St., Datong Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan Open: Mon. to Thu. 11:00am – 8:00pm

Fri. to Sat. 11:00am - 8:45pm

Sun. 11:00am - 7:45pm

TEL: 02-2559-5939



Popular tea shops have long queues, so we advise you to search the menu online for your favorite items.







Din Tai Fung



Taste the world-renowned Xiaolongbao dumplings, and let the exquisite cuisine and high-quality service make your day!

Add: 194, Section 2, Xinyi Road, Daan District, Taipei (Xinyi Main Store)

Open: 11:00am - 8:30pm Mon. to Fri.

10:30am - 8:30pm Sat. and Sun.

TEL: 02-2321-8928



Anticipate a long wait, or try to avoid peak hours if you don't want to wait in line.







Chun Shui Tang

Using traditional Taiwanese tea paired with classic "boba" tapioca balls, this is THE original bubble milk tea.

Add: 21-1, Zhongshan South Road,

Zhongzheng District, Taipei (Zhongzheng Store)

Open: 11:30am - 8:50pm daily

TEL: 02-3393-9529



Booking a table is recommended to avoid waiting.



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Northern Branch, NPM --Taiwan Tea Cultural Experience

STEP 1 09:30 Experience the tea culture of Maokong

STEP 2 13:00 Enjoy an exquisite lunch at Din Tai Fung

STEP 3 14:00 Visit to the Northern Branch of the National Palace Museum

Taiwan Tea Cultural Experience





Northern Branch, NPM --Taipei Suburban Day Tour

STEP 1 09:30 Visit to the Northern Branch of the National Palace Museum

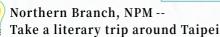
> 2 13:00 Enjoy local delicacies at Tianmu Shidong Market

STEP 3 14:30 Experience the natural phytoncides in Yangmingshan

STEP 4 17:30 Experience the night market culture at Shilin Night Market

Taipei Suburban Day Tour





09:30 Visit to the Northern Branch of the National Palace Museum

STEP 2 13:00 Enjoy Taiwanese cuisine at
Rice & Shine

STEP 3 14:30 COFE: Coffee tasting and afternoon tea time

STEP 4 16:00 Walking tour on Chifeng Street





Northern Branch, NPM -Historical Neighborhood Walks

STEP 1 09:30 Visit to the Northern Branch of the National Palace Museum

STEP 2 13:00 Enjoy a light lunch at Sanxitang

STEP ③ 14:30 Visit to the National Railway | Museum

STEP 4 15:30 Walking tour in Dadaocheng

Historical Neighborhood Walks





A Healing Journey for Your Body and Mind

STEP 09:30 Visit to the Northern Branch of the National Palace Museum

STEP 2 13:00 Enjoy special meals at Silks Palace
in the National Palace Museum

STEP 3 14:30 Buy souvenirs at the Museum
Gift Shop

STEP 4 15:30 Take a walk in the Zhishan Garden



A Healing Journey for Your Body and Mind

06 Southern Branch, NPM



Located in Taibao City, Chiayi County, the Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum is positioned as the "Museum of Asian Arts and Cultures," not only possessing rich collections, but also planning special cultural exhibitions on a quarterly basis for visitors to have a different experience every time they come here. The outdoor garden is also a highlight of the tour. Public art installations by artists from all over the world and recreational areas suitable for parent-child interactions are set up in the outdoor garden to broaden visitors' perspectives of history and cultures through the interweaving of art both inside and outside the garden.





Add: No. 888, Gugong Blvd., Taibao City, Chiayi County, Taiwan TEL: 05-362-0777

Open:

Tue. to Fri. 9:00am - 5:00pm, Sat. and Sun. 9:00am - 6:00pm Closed on most Mondays

Open on some Mondays: ★For more information, please visit the website★ Admission price:

- · Visitors under 18 (regardless of nationality): Free.
- · General admission price (regardless of nationality): NT\$150.
- · Free on weekdays and NT\$75 on holidays for visitors 65 years of age or older (citizens).

Transportation: You can take public transportation. Take a free shuttle bus from the National Palace Museum from Exit No. 2 of the High Speed Rail Station of Chiavi Bus Platform, and take it directly to the Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum (Main Building).

▲ "NPM Free Shuttle Bus Timetable" *Extra buses available on holidays.

"High-speed Rail Chiayi Station"→ to

"National Palace Museum Southern Branch"

Boarding location: Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum Main Building, take the "NPM Free Shuttle Bus"

Travel time:

8:45am 9:45am 10:45am 11:45am 12:45pm 1:45pm 2:45pm 3:45pm 4:45pm *5:25pm

"National Palace Museum Southern Branch"→ to

Boarding location: Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum Main Building, take the "NPM Free Shuttle Bus"

Travel time:

09:30am 10:30am 11:30am 12:30pm 13:30pm 2:30pm 3:30pm 4:30pm 5:10pm *6:10pm

▲For more detailed traffic information,

▲Southern Branch, NPM-Tourist Inforation Center TEL: 05-362-7568 Open:

Tue. to Fri. 9:00am - 5:00pm Sat. to Sun. 9:00am - 6:00pm (Closed on Mon.)

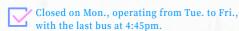
▲ High Speed Rail (Chiayi)-Travel Service Center TEL: 05-310-7007

Sun.. It is recommended to check the official website announcement and

The free shuttle bus operates from Tue. to

high-speed rail schedule before departure!

"High-speed Rail Chiavi Station"





Museum Gift Shop and Bookstore

Welcome to visit and buy exquisite cultural and creative products, books, and gifts by the National Palace Museum.

Add: No. 888, Gugong Blvd., Taibao City, Chiayi County, Taiwan (Museum 1F)

Open: Closed on Mon./ Tue. to Fri. 9:00am - 5:00pm Sat. and Sun. 9:00am - 6:00pm

TEL: 05-362-3363



The National Palace Museum offers tax VAT refund services for foreign





Museum Cafe

Welcome to enjoy our wide variety of hot pots for a hearty meal.

Add: No. 888, Gugong Blvd., Taibao City, Chiayi County, Taiwan (Museum 1F)

Open: Closed on Mon./ Tue. to Fri. 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sat. and Sun. 9:00am - 6:00pm





Matcha Prince

Matcha Prince is the official mascot of Uji, Kyoto (Japan). In addition to the sale of Uji Matcha, it also sells beverages, ice cream, bread, bentos, refrigerated (frozen) microwaveable items, biscuits and snacks, and souvenirs.

Add: No. 888, Gugong Blvd., Taibao City, Chiayi County, Taiwan (Museum 1F)

Open: Closed on Mon./ Tue. to Fri. 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sat. and Sun. 9:00am - 6:00pm TEL: 05-362-2819





Lanyue Tea Shop

Lanyue Tea Shop is located in the container house on the north side of the Southern Campus, where you can enjoy hot and cold tea, coffee, and desserts.

Add: No. 888, Gugong Blvd., Taibao City, Chiayi County (in front of the Taiwan Sugar Railway's sugar train platform) Open: Closed on weekdays,

open Sat. and Sun. from 11:00am to 5:00pm.



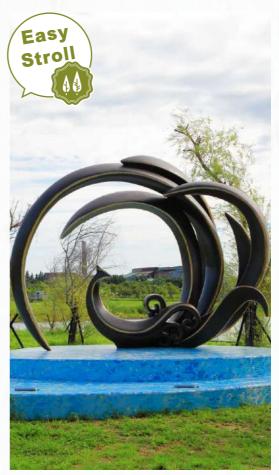


Public art installations around the National Palace Museum

The public art outside the Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum is also a must-see attraction. It features installations created by artists from different countries, symbolizing the fusion of art and culture.











7 Top 10 Artifacts of the Southern Branch, NPM

▲ Visiting time: Approximately 50 minutes, featuring 10 selected cultural relics.

▲Visiting route: From the 3rd floor to the 1st floor, with selected cultural relics on the 2nd floor recommended, following the exhibition theme: "Treasures in the Palace of Heavenly Purity"→"Qing Dynasty Gold and Silver Ornaments"→ "East Asian Tea Culture".



Displays and exhibits may be adjusted due to ongoing exhibition work. Please check the information on the day of your visit.

2F



S201 Exhibition: Treasures in the Palace of Heavenly Purity--Rediscovering Jades from the Inner Court of the Forbidden City *Exhibited until August 23, 2026.



Qing Dynasty Qianlong Era

"Xintian Zhuren" Jade Seal

2F|Gallery S201|Treasures in the Palace of Heavenly Purity--Rediscovering Jades from the Inner Court of the Forbidden City 01

Inheriting the tradition of the jade seal as a symbol of legitimacy, this jade seal embodies the authority and significance of imperial rule. In the 24th year of Qianlong's reign (1759), following the pacification of Xinjiang, Qianlong, inspired by the belief that "those who obey the heavens will prosper," commissioned the engraving of several jade seals bearing the inscription "Xintian Zhuren."



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Qing Dynasty Qianlong Era Gold Cup of Eternal Stability

2F|Gallery S201|Treasurse in the Palace of Heavenly Purity--Rediscovering Jades from the Inner Court of the Forbidden City

This cultural relic is a wine cup used by the Qing Dynasty emperor during the New Year's Day opening ceremony. Crafted from gold, it features Kui dragon-shaped handles, elephant-head-shaped feet, and a body adorned with green enamel, pearls, rubies, and sapphires.





Ming Dynasty

Jade Flower Holder in the Shape of a Fish-Creature

2F|Gallery S201|Treasures in the Palace of Heavenly Purity--Rediscovering Jades from the Inner Court of the Forbidden City

The trunk and tail of the fish are rising upwards, with its bottom end depicting the image of roaring waves, thus vividly portraying a fish leaping out of the water. At a closer look, it is clear that the head of the fish is shaped like a dragon, which is traditionally an auspicious sign of a carp attempting to leap over the Dragon Gate.



S201 Exhibition: Crowns of Qing Emperors and Empresses *Exhibited until August 26, 2026.



Qing Dynasty **Gold Filigree Phoenix Tiara**

2F | Gallery S201 | Crowns of Qing Emperors and Empresses

The phoenix crown, as a headdress, symbolizes the status of aristocratic women. Its structure evolved with the changing dynasties.





Qing Dynasty Dianzi Hat Ring with Double Happiness Pearl Motif and Kingfisher Feather Ornament

2F | Gallery S201 | Crowns of Qing Emperors and Empresses The Dianzi is a formal dress worn by women on grand occasions, often paired with auspicious robes (jifu) and crowned with ornaments for concubines. This jade piece, inscribed with the word "double happiness (xi)," showcases a blend of two shades of blue-green, exemplifying exceptional craftsmanship. Its vibrant color and coral undertones convey a sense of steadiness and joy.





S202 Exihibition: East Asian Tea Culture



Tang Dynasty **Ewer in green glaze**

2F | Gallery S202 | East Asian Tea Culture

A single-handled kettle is used for pouring tea into teacups. The powder of tea leaves is first placed into the teacups, and then water is boiled in the kettle and poured into the teacups to brew the powdered tea leaves.



Southern Song Dynasty Jizhou leaf bowl

2F | Gallery S202 | East Asian Tea Culture
The black glazed bowl with impressions used to be a
unique decorative technique of the Jizhou kiln in Jiangxi
province. When tasting the tea, a tea drinker can watch
the withered leaf at the bowl bottom being hidden
under the light of the tea and find pleasure in it.





Northern Song Dynasty Saucer with incised floral pattern in white glaze

2F | Gallery S202 | East Asian Tea Culture

This piece served as a tea tray and was made at the imperial court. The glaze is of a ivory color and very delicate in texture.





Qianlong Reign of the Qing Dynasty Porcelain bowl in imitation of laguli wood and Domu pot (mdong-mo)

2F | Gallery S202 | East Asian Tea Culture

The Domu pot is a Tibetan vessel for preparing and serving ghee tea, known as mdong-mo in Tibetan. The milk tea pot is trunk-like, with wood grain in a beautiful brown color, and comes in a straight cylindrical shape.





Qianlong Reign of the Qing Dynasty Milk tea jar in cloisonné enamels



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Places to Visit Near the Southern Branch, NPM

Chiayi County in southern Taiwan is home to many scenic areas and wetlands. Fresh air and stunning nature perfectly juxtapose an incredible museum experience. Here's where you should go.

★ It is always better to check restaurants, shops, and spots before going.



Map of Attractions Around the Southern Branch

Suantou Sugar Factory--Zhecheng Culture Park

The Suantou Sugar Factory was previously a sugar factory before it is transformed into a leisure and tourism park. You will not only be able to see the nostalgic platforms and buildings at the sugar factory while savoring a traditional sugary popsicle, but also take a Suantou Sugar Factory small train to the Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum, enjoying the pleasant scenery and experiencing the historic trajectory of the old and the new.

Add: No. 1, Suantoutangchang, Liujiao Township, Chiayi County, Taiwan Open: Closed on Mon.

Tue. to Sun. 8:00am - 5:00pm TEL: 05-380-0735, 05-380-0741





Take the "Suantou Sugar Cane Train"

Introduction: Passengers can enjoy a comfortable ride on the Sugar Train. This retro-style train combines nostalgic charm with modern amenities. Onboard, Chinese-speaking tour guides provide engaging commentary about the history of the sugar industry and interact warmly with tourists, enriching the travel experience.

Ticket type: · Full ticket | General adults aged 13-64 years

- · Discount tickets | For individuals aged 65 and above
- · Child ticket | For children aged 6-12 years

(Children under 6 years old can ride for free, with a limit of two free children per adult passenger.)

Ticket price: National Palace Museum Southern Branch Line

- · Full Ticket: NT\$150
- · Discount Ticket/Child Ticket: NT\$75
- · Chiayi High-Speed Rail Line
- · Full Ticket: NT\$200
- · Discount Ticket/Child Ticket: NT\$100

We recommend that you bring sunscreen and bug repellent with you. Be sure to check online for the departure time if you want to take the train.

Departure time:

Weekdays: A reservation system is in place from Tuesday to Friday. The bus will depart only with a reservation for groups of more than 30 tourists.

Weekends and Holidays:

Sugar Train-National Palace Museum Southern Branch Line

"Suantou Sugar Factory Sugar Train Station" to "National Palace Museum Southern Branch Station": 8:45am 9:45am 10:45am 11:45am 12:45pm

"National Palace Museum Southern Branch Station" to "Suantou Sugar Factory Sugar Train Station": 10:20am 11:45am 2:00pm 3:20pm 4:35pm The one-way journey time is 15 minutes.

Sugar Train-Chiavi High-Speed Rail Line

"Suantou Sugar Factory Sugar Train Station" to "Sugar Factory Sugar Train High Speed Rail Station": 9:30am 11:00am 2:30pm 4:00pm

"Sugar Factory Sugar Train High Speed Rail Station" to "Suantou Sugar Factory Sugar Train Station": 10:15am 11:45am 3:15pm 4:35pm The one-way journey time is 30 minutes.

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Xianghe Fish Farm

At Xianghe Leisure Fishery, you'll learn exactly what it's like to work on a real operating fishery, as well as try awesome seafood, including fresh cooked oysters.



Please book your visit in advance and be mindful of the local environment.

Add: 67-6, Sigu, Dongshi Township,

Chiayi County

Open: Mon. to Sun.

09:00am - 12:00pm

1:30pm - 5:00pm TEL: 05-360-0959





Bantaoyao Crafts Studio of Jiao-Zhi Pottery & Chien-Nien

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A crafts studio and pottery workshop where you'll learn about all things about ancient Chinese arts and crafts and take part in DIY classes.





Black Beans Café

Try all kinds of healthy, locally sourced dishes ranging from tasty bentos to fresh fruit smoothies, coffee and more. Add: 2-1, Lane 111, Dengyun Road, Xingang Township,

Chiayi County

Open: 10:00am - 6:00pm Wed. to Mon. / Closed on Tue.

TEL: 05-374-3990



Give yourself plenty of time here to taste as many local ingredients as you can.





Aogu Wetland

Natural wetlands are home to all kinds of plant and birdlife and a popular spot for eco-tourism, as well as ecological research.

Add: Dongshi Township, Chiayi County

Open: 9:00am - 4:30pm Tue. to Sun. / Closed on Mon.

TEL: 05-360-1801



Please don't litter, disturb the birdlife, or harm the ecosystem.



9 Places to Visit in Chiayi and Tainan

THE YEAR

Southern Taiwan was the island's first developed area. Many consider Tainan to be the most authentic Taiwanese city. From Alishan to Sicao, the region is full of historic buildings and natural attractions, so learn more about the area.

★ It is always better to check restaurants, shops, and spots before going.







Hinoki Village

Hinoki Village has Taiwan's largest Japanese-style architectural complex by retaining the historical monuments and forestry industries. Not only can you better appreciate the cultural significance of the old-time architecture, but you can also buy popular souvenirs, enjoy "dim sum" at a teahouse, and browse the cultural and creative bazaars here.

Add: No. 370, Gonghe Road, East District, Chiayi City, Taiwan

Open:

Mon. to Sun. 10:00am - 6:00pm

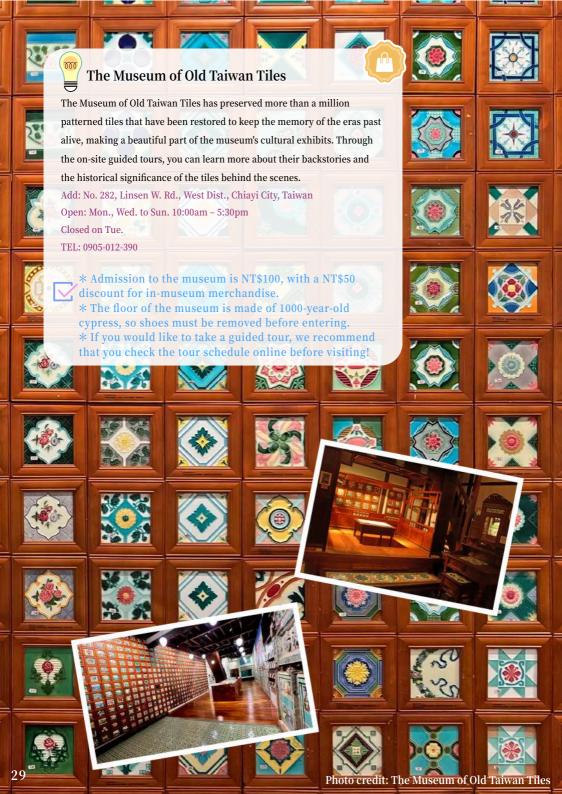
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Map of Attractions Around Chiayi and Tainan











Puzi Creek Bike Trail

The Puzi Creek Bike Trail starts from the Sugar Factory to Dongshi Fisherman's Wharf. In the early summer of May and June, the golden shower trees along the trail are in full bloom, so riding a bike through the trail is both romantic and enjoyable.

Add: Puzi City, Chiayi County



You can prepare your own bike or rent one at the starting point of the Sugar Factory. Be sure to note the due return time.



Yong-Jiu Grocery Store

After the shooting of a TV drama, many drama fans have come to visit the nostalgic grocery store as if they were back in their childhood bringing back memories of the good old days.

Add: No. 90, Tanziqian, Liujiao Township, Chiayi

County, Taiwan

Open: Mon. to Sun. 9:00am - 5:00pm

There is no parking lot nearby, so we suggest that you go there by bike after a tour around other tourist attractions.





Wonderful Alishan is one of the most magical places in Taiwan.

Add: 17, 2 Lin, Alishan Township, Chiayi Open: 24 hours / daily

forest in any way.



Sicao Wetlands



With swamps, rivers and canals, the area is home to much birdlife.

Add: Dazhong Road, Annan District, Tainan Open: 8:00am - 5:00pm daily





Please remain seated while the boat is in motion and keep your arms inside.







Tainan Jingzaijiao Salt Field



Supposedly the oldest remaining salt flats in Taiwan. Marvel at the mosaic-like plains that were formerly part of Taiwan's thriving salt industry.

Add: Beimen District, Tainan

Open: 9:30am - 6:00pm Mon. to Sun.

TEL: 06-786-1629







Smart Fish

One of the delicacies most synonymous with southern Taiwan, this tasty fish dish flew the flag for Taiwan on Netflix's famous "Street Food" documentary.

Add: 361, Zhongzheng Road, East District, Chiayi Open: 12:00pm - 8:00pm Mon. to Sun. / Closed on Tue.

TEL: 0800-520-166

Be sure to check the opening hours before visiting to avoid disappointment.



A-E Sweet Tofu



With a delicious mixture of fragrant soy milk and soft tofu, this traditional dessert is unforgettable.

Add: No.233, Yanping Street, East District, Chiayi City

Open: 2:00pm - 11:00pm Mon., Wed. to Sun.

Closed on Tue.

TEL: 05-224-3016



Please expect a wait as there is a limited number of tables.





Chiayi is famed for its turkey rice! Layered with turkey meat on top of white rice, drizzled with chicken sauce and lard, and sprinkled with a bit of crispy onion, the aromatic turkey rice is so appetizing and delightful. Whether you're close to the National Palace Museum or in any place around Chiayi, you can savor local specialties of turkey rice—the best gourmet food

in Chiayi that you can't miss when you travel there!



Ah Xi Turkey Rice



Add: 356, Renai Rd., West Dist., Chiayi City,

Taiwan

Open:

Closed on Thu.

Fri. to Wed. 6:00am - 1:30pm



When it's time for meal, we advise you to queue up early so as not to miss out when it's sold out!



Win Chang Beef Soup

A must-try in Tainan. Fresh and tender beef prepared in a hot broth hits the spot like nothing else and is truly delicious. Add: 300 Anping Road, Anping District, Tainan Open: 10:30am - 2:00am Mon. to Sun.

TEL: 06-358-7910



View the menu online before visitng to speed up the ordering process.









Taicheng Fruit Shop

Too hot outside and need to cool down? Try Tainan's famous ice treats, including the delicious taste of the fresh cantaloupe.

Add: 80, Zhengxing Street, West Central District, Tainan Open: 12:00pm - 6:00pm Mon. to Fri. / Closed on Thu. / 12:00pm - 7:00pm Sat. & Sun.

TEL: 06-228-1794



The signature cantaloupe ice is a large serving, so it's best for sharing!

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"Southern Branch, NPM x Chiayi & Tainan" Top 5 Tips for Traveling



Southern Branch, NPM --Exploring Local Natural Customs

STEP 1 09:30 Visit to National Palace Museum
Southern Branch

STEP 2 12:30 Enjoy dining at the
National Palace Museum

STEP 3 15:00 Sicao Green Tunnel

Exploring Local Natural Customs





Southern Branch, NPM -- Fishery Cultural Experience

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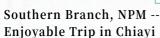
STEP 2 12:30 Enjoy local cuisine

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STEP 4 15:30 Aogu Wetland Walk







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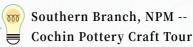
STEP 2 12:30 Enjoy a turkey rice lunch

STEP 3 13:30 Cycling to experience the natural phytoncides

STEP 4 15:00 Relive childhood memories at

Yong-Jiu Grocery Store





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Museum Southern Branch

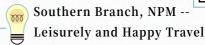
STEP 2 12:30 Enjoy light snacks at the National Palace Museum.

STEP 3 13:00 Suantou Sugar Factory Sugar
Train Experience

STEP 4 15:00 Visit to Crafts Studio Jiao-zhi Pottery and Chien-nien

Cochin Pottery Craft Tour





STEP 1 09:30 Visit to National Palace Museum
Southern Branch

STEP 2 12:30 Enjoy light meals at Hinoki Village

STEP 3 14:30 Visit to The Museum of Old Taiwan Tiles

STEP 4 16:00 Taste Taiwanese desserts at

A'e Soy Bean Milk and Tofu Pudding

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