

The local life of Chaoshan area

Do you know Chaoshan area, a place of distinct national characteristics? If you never heard it, it's OK, let me tell you now about my hometown.

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About languages

There are three languages in Guangdong Province, including cantonese , hakka and teochew. Teochew is used in Chaoshan area mainly. It is a truth universally acknowledged, that Teochew is more difficult than mandarin. For the nonnative people, learning teochew is rough, spending many years to master it is absolute. Chaoshan area covers an area of a sountheastern plain in Guangdong Province, whose name is Chaoshan plain . The Tropic of cancer passes Chaoshan area, so it is impossible to see snow there, on the other hands, it is common to see typhoon there, especially in summer, because it is at the seashores.

About history

Long long ago, when Chaoshan area was very poor, the ancestors had to find a new way to seek survival, so they traveled far away across the sea, went to the Kra Peninsula to make money. Nowadays many Chaoshan people have relatives in Singapore, Thailand and so on. At that time, the people who stayed at the hometown were worried about the people outside, so they worshiped deities to pray their relatives for safety. Therefore, most Chaoshan people are superstitious today, especially in countryside. Now Chaoshan people worshipes deities at the beginning of every month and the middle of every month to the lunar calendar. Besides, every solar term, they worshipes deities , too. In addition, Chaoshan people are traditional, which bring about low divorce rate.



About local music

About music, Chaoshan area have its national music. First, it is Chaoshan big gong and drum.

The music is leaping vigorous and full of excited emotion, and it is usually played in the Spring Festival. To be honored,

Chaoshan big gong and drum appeared on CCTV. Besides, before and after Spring Festival, Chaoshan big gong and drum and deities parade the streets. At that time, the streets is very lively. Second, it is Chao Opera, which is a opera playing in Teochew. The old man in Chaoshan area usually watch Chao Opera on TV, which is a popular entertainment in their daily time. Also, theatrical troupes perform Chao Opera in front of ancestral hall on holidays.



About food

Concerning food, the biggest characteristic of Chanshan food is fresh. Due to Chaoshan area is at the seaside , seafood is universal. Chaoshan food is lighter than other places in China. They eat hot pot in the winter , but they don't need hot pot bottom material. Chaoshan people have no habit of eating spicy food. Out of lunch and dinner time, Chaoshan people often drink Kung Fu tea, which is a tea different from other places in China. Every family has at least one tea set at home and they must make tea when guests

come to express their welcome for guests.

Chaoshan have many characteristic things besides what I introduced, above. Chanshan area is a well place for those who like characteristic things.

Water sprite? Water sprite!



As a tourist attraction, the Changbai Tianchi never lack of tourists, but because the legends about the water sprite, Tianchi is always covered with a layer of mystery.

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In 2002, in the slope, north of Changbai Mountain, two local people found "monsters". In 2005, water sprite appeared again. The witnesses said it was like a whale or a submarine. In 2006, the "Monster" swam in the North Korean side of the water. It was channeling up and down, just like a water seal. From the telescope, it looked black and not very big. Somebody said it like a dinosaur, somebody considered it as a big iron,

others thought it was a Buffalo. It disappeared in the water for ten minutes. At that time, more than one hundred visitors saw it. In 2013, hundreds of visitors saw two monsters playing and swimming in the Tianchi's lake.

Somebody thought the so-called monster is only an illusion, others thought that this is a way to attract the local tourists. Is [water sprite](#) really in Tianchi's lake? Let's take a closer take about Changbai Tianchi.

Famous Tianchi is located in the Changbai mountain peak volcanic vertebral at the top of the body and it is China's largest crater lake. Tianchi is surrounded by many peculiar-looking peaks. Every year, there will be a spectacle that the fire could run out of the water. It's amazing! For the material in the lake is in contact with water, and it will produce flames. Not all tourists can see the spectacular sight of Tianchi, Tianchi's climate varies from minute to minute. Sometimes within one day, or even an hour, weather may change several times. Just or sun point-blank, anxious to bake, suddenly the wind come up and the rain fall down. Mountain and lake drowned in the wind and rain.



Because there have been sightings of the water sprite, the scientists set up "Tianchi monster observation station" near the lake. Researchers carried out a long-term observation, and shoot from the valuable data, confirmed that unknown creatures in the water. But what is the specific biological, they don't

know. They got the Tianchi water for many times tests proved Tianchi water without any creature. Since there is no biological, if there is a monster, what it eat? This series of questions that make the Tianchi more mysterious and beautiful, attract more and more people to watch.

Of course, there is a beautiful legend about Tianchi. It is said that a fire breathing devil in Changbai Mountain, the whole mountain vegetation withered, all flames blot out the sun, people's life were very hard. A girl named azalea, in order to overcome the devil, holding ice drill into its belly, to extinguish the fire. The fire was put out, then the peak into lake.

Is there a monster in the Tianchi? Up to now it is a mystery. But still many things for us to admire like white clouds, blue sky, clear water and the magic of nature.

The Oriented challenge in ShangHai

Shanghai coordinate city oriented challenge has successfully held three sessions. In 2013 Shanghai city

orientation coordinate challenge, participants reached to 3440 people. Most of the participants on the grounds are young students. We were honored to have the chance to join the challenge. We were tired but happy to have a visit in Shanghai . We were chosen as number. 6 and number 6 is called reliving the EXPO. Everyone was excited and lost ourselves in the fantasy of the EXPO. Many beautiful and amazing museums and exhibition. What attracted us most was the China pavilion. The magnificent appearance made us feel amazed. And many people took part in this game. We needed to accomplish ten parts. And we should finish them within the stipulated time. During the time, we were running through the EXPO Park, doing different games and meeting all sorts of challenges. Such as we folded paper airplanes in order to let them fly over six meters. No one could deny it that we had fun. After all of the fantasy moments, we expect having fun again next time.

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On 11th May, I went to ShangHai in order to take part in the challenge in shanghai called Oriented challenge with four friends. Two friends are from Shanghai DongHua university. And the others are from Zhejiang University Of Media and Communications. Although we come from different schools, we still had a good time.

In a word, the game means not just a thing but a true story of passion and cooperation. The memory is so nice and I will remember it all the time. Each activity has its meaning. Just like this activity. I gradually know what is cooperations and solidarity today. I love my team!

The unique Beijing



Beijing is an international but deversification city. There are so many interesting places to play, nanluoguxiang, Wangfujing, Houhai and so on. Beijing's lifestyle is very special. Do you want to know it? Follow me!

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As time goes by, Beijing is gradually rising in the world. It's also becoming more and more popular to choose between living and travelling. As far as I can see, Beijing is a very special city. It not only has high atmospheric urban architecture, as well as traditional classical scenery building. I love Beijing. I hope that through this article, you will fall in love with this place.

Travel in Beijing

First of all, I have to sincerely recommend Beijing's attractions. As we Chinese know, [Wangfujing](#) is the paradise for shopping. Wangfujing street is the only a walk street in Beijing. Its average daily traffic is 600000 people, the holiday even more than 1.2 million people. Here is the most special of 40 meters wide streets are flowers everywhere. It has become a matter of abundant people today, shopping, leisure, culture, entertainment, tourism, catering, commerce; accommodation is a body comprehensive commercial pedestrian street. So there is only you unexpected, no you can't find.



[Nanluoguxiang](#) is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Beijing, It is the ancient capital of Beijing style in a piece of "jade" intact. There are many small hutongs of different styles and Nanluoguxiang bar street, as well as Beijing's special snacks. It has so many Hutong, I will recommend the best popular –Mao er Hutong to you. When you are walk in the Mao er Hutong, eating the most authentic old Beijing sugar-coated berry and feel the Hutong's comfort feeling, you will love the Beijing. Houhai has a famous bar street. Here you can completely quiet, watching the sea outside, listening to the gentle songs. Or with a group of like-minded friends, enjoying party time, and sleepless in Beijing.

Living in Beijing



Beijing person has a unique life style. Maybe on a second they are still in the rigorous work, they had already left the next second desk ran to the houhai street. This is a rapidly developing city. Young people all the time in work hard, trying to get ahead.

Some old people are quietly enjoying the evening the red leaves of fragrant hill. Maybe you were a successful white-collar work during the day, good at workplace, drink starbucks every day, but night you will with lover to buy food for cooking, enjoy personal time. Beijing is such a unique place. Even under the huge pressure of life, Beijing person also has the confidence to come true dream and live a happy life.

Dream in Beijing

Beijing as the capital of China, has always been the young people's dream place in my heart. It's in our hearts, always shine. Every day there are thousands of young people to sit on the train to realize the dream of Beijing. They would rather live in the basement of Beijing, would rather eat a loaf of bread every day for a living, just in order to look for opportunities in Beijing. Efforts will reap. I believe, Beijing will give a chance to hard-working man to come true his dream.



This is Beijing, but not all of Beijing. I hope you can through this article know the unique charm of Beijing, feel my heart like me, deeply in love with Beijing.

Qingdao—the Cradle of Beer



When it comes to wine, many people combine it with personal emotion. It plays an important role in several occasions. Drink it for easing the pain of losing someone or enjoying ourselves in a birthday party. These affairs usually happen among us, but have you seen people who drink wine especially beers as water? Whoever you are, man, woman, or even a child can drink beyond your imagination. Qingdao is such a place, it

has a very attractive and special beer culture. If you meet with a man having a “beer belly”. Don’t be shy, laugh out.

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Qingdao International Beer Festival–The Carnival of Froth Blower Around the World

During the [Qingdao International Beer Festival](#), your mouth and your big belly are treasures. Doubting it? Reasons are as follows.



Merchants take out their valuable wine one after another, and promote a series of events to feedback visitors. If you buy two bottles, you will get three, and so on. Each tent spare no effort to solicit customers, they hold several interactive events to mobilize people’s interest. For example, in the tent of Belgian beer at the white, visitors can exchange one yuan for a beer bottle cap, you can get a bottle of “Corona” as long as you throw bottle caps into a vat a few meters away. In addition, movies will show on the screen in the stage for tired ones at noon, all you need to do is relax yourselves.

When drinking them with white froth, smooth and harmonious, it feels like placing ourselves in the waves. It’s a carnival for everybody, women can challenge real men. Series Taiwan fruit

consumption of beers are specifically catered to women, so that they can indulge without getting drunk. The best way to blend in with the crowd is drinking while laughing, never touch a drop means killing yourself! Come on, join us! As an old saying goes, "If we are in good relationships, cheers!" Review the past, so many people found the right one to share their life with in the special time, leaving the place too much romance and love.

Delicious food is also indispensable, Qingdao international beer festival is not only the feast of beer, but also a gourmet's big party. Insects from Luxi feast, including scorpion, golden cicada, locust, pasha worm. Dare to eat? Dare to challenge yourself? Meanwhile, Alaskan king crab is abundant in crab meat and roe, it makes feel hungry at once. Furthermore, Seafood Latin fruit, Harbin ice porridge, Thailand tapioca pudding are waiting to cool you. Just be well-prepared, and then feel this moment.

Splendid Moments Consist in the Beer Festival

Dancing time

Put your tankards down, and look at here, a dance team is marching, with plenty of dancers coming from all over the world. The only reason for them to stay exciting is drinking beers. Women are dressing Bikinis, decorated with some beautiful fallals, and wearing colorful feathers on their head, while men beat small drums, echoing each other all the way. What's more, clowns are ready to tickle you if you ignore them! Turn to the stage, girls are dancing Hula-hula hand in hand, countless young men are screaming, it seems that they



can't wait to take pictures.

Acrobatic Show

Not only the dancing will catch your eyes, but also will the acrobatics. You are lucky enough to watch rare performance from other countries in here totally. Can you imagine? Even a little girl can use a large water tank to lift a strong man without any help. There are excellent performers, don't mean to clap your hands!

Crazy Carnival at Night

Night falls unconsciously. Since the opening of the carnival, the tourist flow is in the peak this time, the ticket booth, gaming devices, almost in everywhere, people are all in long lines, waiting for the last crazy moment. Everyone there has one chance to draw a lottery to be the owner of Mendelssohn piano. On one hand, you can feel the thriller of danger, on the other hand, if you are able to own the first award, you can still have free lessons for three months in the music museum, furthermore, a VIP card of a "out of print" music story meeting which is specially made for the beer festival will be given to you!

Qingdao embraces the whole world, bold and unrestrained. The 23rd Qingdao International Beer Festival will be held from August 11th to 25th this year, know more information about it, please clink <http://vip.qingdaonews.com/travel/201309/pjj/>

A precious gift from God, a bite of Shanxi: Noodles

The precious gifts from God:

In general, northerners prefer noodles while southerners prefer rice in China. The situation is more typical and obvious in Shanxi Province.

Vinegar and pasta are the most essential food of Shanxi and also the precious gifts from God. People who grew up in Shanxi are fed with noodles. Shanxi people have a special emotion for pasta, one who far away from home always misses the taste of noodles from mom. For them, it's the best.

Shanxi province is not only the world's earliest and largest agricultural area of origin, but also the birthplace of pasta culture. Counting from time to verify that there are about 280 kinds of pasta categories in 2000 years of history.

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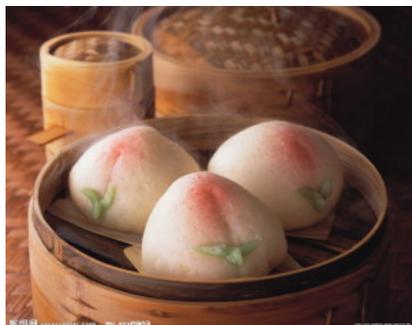
I & Pasta

I am a native of Shanxi loving Pasta so much especially for noodles. For me, for my family, for my neighbors, even for the whole people of city, noodles are considered as the best food that can make us feel happy. When eating noodles, we have a variety of fried vegetables. Before eating, we will mix them (fried vegetables and noodles) up, add a spoonful of vinegar and finally decorate with sill or coriander. The color and the great smell of noodles can quite stimulate your appetite. They love noodles, very anxious to eat noodles have three square meals a day.

In my life, my family is good at different kinds of noodles. My grandmother is good at LaMian (Ramen/ Hand-pulled noodles), she is pretty skillful because making LaMian needs pretty good skills. In a word, Rome wasn't built in a day. So we can imagine how hard to make it. My mother can make sliced



noodles, it's perfect! Every time I eat it, I was moved almost to tears. I just feel full of happiness. And as for my boyfriend, the udon noodles he made are the most delicious udon noodles that I've ever tasted.



When I was a child, I remembered that my mother taught me how to make steamed bread, all I need to do just roll the dough into a ball, and then waited for 20 minutes to steam them. But what enjoyed me most was learning to make flour sculpture. When I make the dough, I can make it as all kinds of shapes, rabbits, mice, hedgehogs, turtles... as long as I could imagine. Until now when I recalled those days, I just can't stop laughing. The process is so interesting and I did learn the skills to make this delicious pasta.

Sliced Noodles (Cut Noodles) —The Soul of Pasta

Because of its unique flavor, sliced noodles of Shanxi are known at home and abroad. Noodles are all cut by knife, so people name them Sliced Noodles or Cut Noodles. Sliced noodles particular stress the speed and shape. Chef stands before the pot to cut noodles, one hand holding the noodles, the other hand holding the knife to cut from the top down. Good cook can cut about two hundred times per minute. The length of each side leaves are exactly six inches. The noodles ear thick in the middle and thin in edge, and they are as slim as willow leaves. Soft and not sticky, the more chewing the more

fragrant are the features of Sliced Noodles.

How to make a bowl of Sliced Noodles by your own?



Main ingredients:

flour, water(the best proportion is 10:4.5)

Process:

1. Put the flour and water together to make dough.
2. Use adequate amount of dough and change them into cylindrical shape.
3. Use a knife to cut the cylindrical dough. After boiling for 3 minutes, you can enjoy the Sliced Noodles.

All kinds of Steamed Bread



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Zamian steamed bread is a very nutritious food, which is made of corn.



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Flour Sculpture

Hundreds of years ago, while making food, people had tried to make it beautiful, as well as delicious. They made the steamed bread or other kinds of cake into different shapes. And these cakes and bread are the so-called "flour sculpture" today. There are mainly three types of flour sculptures in Shanxi, namely White Flour Sculpture, Colored Flour Sculpture, and Baked Flour Sculpture.

Restaurants and Food Areas: The Food Street

LOCATION: The Food Street on Fudong Jie

- The best place in town is probably the food street on Fudong Jie. This hundred-meter-long street is lined with all kinds of restaurants housed in both mock and real ancient Chinese architectural structures. On the road, besides the ordinary restaurants, you may also go to all kinds of ancient Chinese bars and specialty restaurants.
- To sample the most authentic mutton soup, you should go to Qingheyuan Restaurant (Qingheyuan Fandian) on Qiaotou Jie.
- Linxiangzhai Restaurant (Linxiangzhai Fandian) is known mainly for its authentic Henan cuisine.
- Yingze Dajie has quite a number of decent restaurants serving good local dishes. Hotpot dishes are particularly good here, as well as a profusion of noodle restaurants.
- At night, you may go to Shipin jie north of Yingze dajie, where lines of small restaurants are doing a booming business.

[LINK: <http://jishi.cntv.cn/program/sjsdzg/>]

A Special Journey to Guizhou

one is located in the yunnan-guizhou plateau, east LTD to guangxi, hunan, south west yunnan province, north of sichuan and chongqing city. It shows great difference from other big modern cities like Shanghai and Beijing, it has no bright surfaces and Forbidden City red coloured glaze. Installing itself a generous of huangguoshu waterfall, the brahma of the pure land, and the strange spectacular karst and danxia as

well.

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It seems that Guizhou is pregnant with the unique customs of minorities and hands down its original ecology because of the silence and peace. And also it brings people a colorful landscape, the culture of Yelang and Miao minority, Karst scenery, wine and gong tea and so on are all unique in China, wherever you go, Guizhou is the only place for you to enjoy these wonderful things.

[Huangguoshu Waterfall](#)

There is no need to give a brief introduction of Huangguoshu Waterfall, in other words, no word can describe such a wonder perfectly. As a saying goes, "He who has never been to the Great Wall is not a true man." It also applies to the waterfall. Huangguoshu Waterfall is of great momentum and has warm blood in the Yunnan-Guizhou Plateau. It is the King of waterfalls without a doubt and it belongs to Guizhou.



Huangguoshu Waterfall is one of the most famous waterfalls in the world, it's a kind of giant and rare waterfalls in the karst region and is located in east longitude 105 ° 41 ', north latitude 25 ° 55 '. From the white water river, part of dabang river basin, it connects north and south, when it arrived at huangguoshu, a large longitudinal slope shaped Huangguoshu Waterfall, the water after falls around west, an approximate semicircle arc chord lengths 500 meters, out west 300 meters, upon reaching the water rushed the beaches of the screw, the flow of recovery from north to south.

Xijiang Miao Village



Xijiang Miao Village is 36000 meters northwest of Leishan, in Qiandongnan Miao and Dong Autonomous Prefecture, Guizhou province, China. There lives the Miao's lineage. Thousands of houses are standing

door-to-door, surrounded by many hills, alongside them are layers of terraced fields. In addition, you will see the village is divided into two parts by White River. All these things become a beautiful scenery line. Can you feel being there?

Several stilted buildings were built tier upon tier in the village, which has become a feature, and decorated by bamboos. It usually has three floors and basements of it are often cobble stone and green stone. The first floor is for domestic animals, the second floor is for people to live and the third floor is used to store food crops. When you are invited to a house, you are lucky enough to watch a Miao girl doing embroidery with patience in a long bench. People call it "a beauty against the bench". Walking in the quartzite on the road, you will smell a scent from maple tree rows.

Follow me, enjoy it!

March of Fireworks Yangzhou



When i was younger, I learned a famous Chinese ancient poem about a poet was saying goodbye to his best friend who was going to leave for Yangzhou in March when flowers are in full bloom. It seems that the emotional tone is sad, but to tell the truth, from then on, the sentence "march of fireworks Yangzhou" of the poem has spread whole China, A great deal of people are attracted by its fame. At that time, some questions occurred to me. Whether the scenery there is charming enough to attract so many people? Is there any chance for me to encounter someone special? And now,I am here, I can't wait to explore it everywhere like discovering the New World. Hey,guys! Are you ready? Let me show it to you!

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The Four Beauties in Trouble Times

With the Sunlight floods the earth, it has dressed up,waiting

for admires from all sides. The first station is Qionghua Stand, where you can watch *Viburnum macrocephalum* blooming around you. Walking in the alley full of fragrance of flowers, all you can do is serving as a contrast or foil. Just because of its spotless white and unique, it is widely accepted as the symbol of Yangzhou.



Beautiful flowers should match beauties. Yangzhou is known as “the region south of the Yangtze River in north”, it stands to reason that women here are beautiful enough to feast the eyes. There are four great beauties in ancient Yangzhou. Feiyan Zhao, the most outstanding dancer, Xijun Liu, the princess who was both married her grandpa and grandson, Waner Shangguan, the only female Chancelleress of China, and Xiuying Tian, the fragrant imperial concubine of the Ming Dynasty. More information about [the four beauties in history](#) can be found by yourself.

Keep the Well-known Three Kinds of Knives in Yangzhou a Mystery



Walking along Deshengqiao Street, not only can you eat featured breakfast in Fuchun Teahouse, but also enjoy consummate talent of foot-repaired knife, which is one of [the well-known three kinds of knives in Yangzhou](#), kitchen knife and hair-cut knife are the two others. Stepping out into a time-honored brand, a kind looking old man comes towards me, he sets me in a sofa, just close my eyes and all the physical exhaustion of travel will go away. He did a magic on me, his warm-hearted smile lights up the whole city and removes the sense of lonely of travellers.

A Fantastic Encounter in Zhuyu Bay Scenic Area

Stepping out into [Zhuyu Bay Scenic Area](#), a cute squirrel will

come to great guests so that they can eat their favorite pine cones and then jump up and down in the pine trees. I smell a floral perfume sweeping on the river, so I sit down in the bridgehead, listening to songs and admiring lotus. Suddenly, a girl rowing and picking lotus



appears, with a bamboo pole, she wears a bamboo hat and shuttles on the river slowly. It looks like a natural painting. She invites me to her boat passionately. Truth are always hidden in folk. I learn many trivias from her, everyone knows fried lotus root is delicious, but lotus nuts can be used in many ways. On one hand, it can be cooked in the Eight-Treasure Porridge, this is a traditional food in China, but a little bit different from Yangzhou. On the other hand, using some of them to make tea is a good recipe for cancer prevention even though it tastes bitter. The sun goes down and it's time for me to say goodbye to the lovely city.

At night, when I look into the starry sky, I wonder why people here are so comely and beautiful, maybe It owns to the excellent terrain or sweet water. In general, an encounter with someone in Yangzhou can be very romantic, warm and amusing.

Finding true love on the road to Hainan Island



My name is Ann, Like many people, I'm just an ordinary college students have a lot of trouble. You also have a lot of trouble, isn't it? I have never thought of how strong the power of nature. But after this matter, I suggest you to travel often to release the pressure. I deeply in love with travel through to get in touch with nature.

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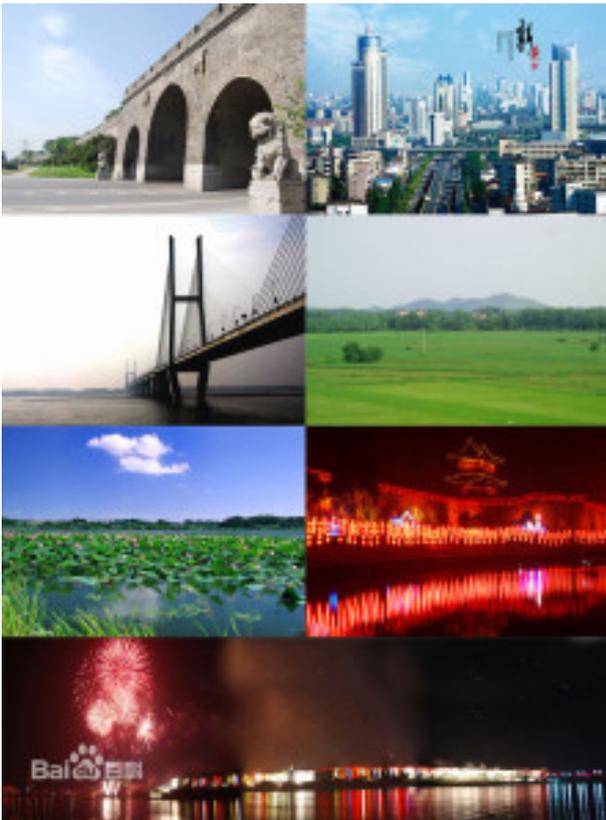
In this summer holiday, I was broken-hearted, my boyfriend and I have broke up for three years. My mood is very bad, my friends advised me to travel to mellow. So I'm going to take this vacation out.

Seasons are all very warm and there are a lot of tropical fruit , a beautiful sea and a beach. The place of the spring, summer, autumn and winter are very hot. It is the part of the ends of the earth, the temperature is 32 degrees in a suburb of Sanya ultima town, about 24 km away from Sanya city. Monkeys in [Hainan Island](#), covers an area of one hundred hectares, the mountain cave size innumerable, rock climb, scrub, into the shadow of trees, four seasons flower fragrance. The monkey is naughty and love to play there, and then a small monkey and I together as two phase, I touched the little monkey, little monkey frighten turned around in my head, and scared I'm trembling with angers. Let me even more unexpected, I met a This time I travel is hainan, as far as I know, the place of the fou boy here. He is an American boy, because he likes to travel, came to hainan. He said tourism can always let us in another not to forget the troubles, to findisturb the world. He told me everything here are introduced in detail. When he learned of my things, he told me I could wash the boundless sea heart troubles. Through we a few days off and communicate with each other, we are deeply in love with each other.

Not only did I forget my pain, but also let me find a new love. From then on I fell in love with travel. I know that

travel is willing to lead the direction for you. Travel together!

Jingzhou City



Jingzhou, also called Jiangling in old times, is located in middle-southern part of Hubei province, near the Yangtze River bank.

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As a place famous for its scenery or historical relics, it has been awarded One of Most Historical Cultural 24 Cities in China, Chinese Remarkable Scenic, National Garden City and so on. There is a long history as well as splendid culture in Jingzhou. The capital of the old country Chu was built here in 689 B.C. and lasted for 411 years, which created Chu's

civilization which may be as excellent as Greek and Athens'.

Jingzhou is famous of its wall. The wall of Jingzhou City is in an old age even as old as Great Wall—it was built near the Spring and Autumn Period. Now which wall we can see was rebuilt in Ming and Qing Dynasty. Owing to the protection of the town government, these walls around the old city has been enjoyed by more and more people. The government planted cheery trees along the wall and cleaned the city moat. Therefore, the avenue along the wall and the moat has been the most popular place in the locality. Nevertheless, when it comes to key point of interest in Jingzhou, we can't miss the Jingzhou Museum and Zhanghua Temple. Jingzhou Museum—which is also national four-star scenic spot possesses various kinds of silk cloths and porcelains of many dynasties and corpse of the Western Han Dynasty as well. Besides, there are some massifs and lakes which make tourists relax. Then the Zhanghua Temple, which seems to be ordinary, is called Hubei "jungle" and is protected by Hubei government. Also, there are many people (especially Guangdong and Hongkong businessmen coming here from all over our country. The most interesting thing is that the ancestral temple of Guan Yu, a famous general in the period of the Three Kingdoms, is famous out of Hubei but not so popular by local residents.

Jingzhou is also famous of its rich natural resources, especially rice and fish. Meanwhile, there are many special local products such as fish cake, special sausage, and so on. My favorite are pickled paws and neck of duck and "mitofu" a special kind of tofu which is made by rice. The "mitofu" is alike normal tofu such as white and square but softer. The most important point is that the taste is completely different from normal one. And as the area in the middle of China and alongside Yangtze River, Jingzhou "collects" orthodox cate from north to south such as big pastry and nooldles as well as fish soup and cakes—all of them are original taste. How wonderful, isn't it?

Above all,one who fails to reach the [Jingzhou City](#) is not a hero.