

TAIPEI – TAIWAN

Regular Sightseeing Tours

Taipei Lunar New Year Afternoon Walking Tour

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- Operation Day2024: January 29, February 03
- DepartureAfternoon
- DurationHalf Day
- Pick-up Time14:30
- Vehicle TypeOn foot
- Meeting PointMRT Beimen Station (G13), Exit 3
- Drop-off PointNingxia Night Market

Highlights

- Indulge in the authentic customs and traditions of the Lunar New Year celebration
- Immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere in the bustling Dihua Street Lunar New Year Market, where locals gather for their festive shopping spree
- Discover the intricacies of Chinese medicine by visiting a Chinese medicine shop
- Immerse yourself in Taiwan's rich tea culture at one of Taipei's oldest and most storied tea shops
- Explore the New Year's tradition of clothing procurement, from the timeless handcrafted pieces to today's ready-to-wear fashion as you wander through Taipei's largest fabric market
- An exceptional opportunity to seek blessings from the esteemed matchmaker deity at Taipei Xia-Hai City God Temple
- Guaranteed departure for minimum of 1 guest

Overview

You might have glimpsed Lunar New Year customs in the movies: the family reunion dinner, writing spring couplets, lighting firecrackers, and more. If you have never personally experienced these traditions, seize this opportunity to immerse yourself in the festive atmosphere and be part of these cherished moments.

As Lunar New Year's Eve approaches, the Dihua Street Lunar New Year Market becomes a hub of excitement, drawing anticipation for the upcoming holiday. Join this walking tour to immerse yourself in the authentic Lunar New Year customs—shop for festive groceries, witness colorful and vibrant decorations, and observe traditional worship rituals, experiencing a true local celebration.

Additionally, this walking tour includes visits to a Chinese medicine shop, Taipei's largest fabric market, and one of the oldest tea shops in Taipei. Each place holds significance during Lunar New Year, playing a role in traditions such as the New Year's Eve dinner, acquiring new clothes for the celebration, and selecting New Year gifts.

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- 14:30

Meet the tour guide at MRT Beimen Station (G13), Exit 3

Gather with your tour guide at the Exit 3 of MRT Beimen Station (G13), then enjoy a leisurely stroll through the ancient city blocks. Keep an eye out for hidden gems – there might be another fascinating historic site awaiting discovery around the corner.

- 14:50-15:10

Chinese Medicine Shop

Your first stop on this walking tour is a Chinese medicine shop boasting an extensive array of Chinese medicinal materials and spices. Chinese herbal medicine holds a significant place in the local people's lives, serving not only as an ailment for physical and mental remedies but also as a form of food therapy, particularly during winter. During your visit, you'll delve into the curative effects of Chinese medicinal materials, explore the evolution of Chinese medicine, and perhaps even catch a glimpse of the owner's rare collections.



- 15:15-15:40

Yongle Fabric Market

Your tour proceeds to Yongle Fabric Market, Taipei's largest fabric emporium. This haven caters to all handicraft enthusiasts, supplying an abundant selection of supplies ranging from sewing kits to distinctive textiles.

In the past, purchasing fabric for apparel to craft new clothes for family members before Lunar New Year was a common practice. Wearing new clothes was believed to usher in good luck for the upcoming year. Today, this age-old tradition has evolved into a local custom where people shop for new clothes in anticipation of the coming year.



- 15:40-16:00

Taipei Xia-Hai City God Temple

Following your exploration of Yongle Fabric Market, your New Year walking tour continues to Taipei Xia-Hai City God Temple, established in 1856. This revered temple is dedicated to various deities, including the City God, City God’s Wife, Yue Lao, and others. Notably, the temple is renowned for worshipping the famous “matchmaker”—Yue Lao, the God of marriage and love. For those seeking their soulmate, seize the chance to seek Yue Lao’s help. Married couples can offer prayers to the City God’s Wife for a harmonious and enduring marriage with their better half.



- 16:05-17:00

Dihua Street Lunar New Year Market

The spotlight today falls on the vibrant Dihua Street Lunar New Year Market, Taiwan’s most bustling Lunar New Year hub. Here, you’ll witness vendors hawking groceries and dried goods, lively bargaining scenes, the constant melodies of Lunar New Year songs, and an abundance of red and gold lanterns and banners adorning the streets, infusing the atmosphere with a contagious festive spirit.



- 17:05-17:50

Visit one of the oldest tea shops in Taipei

While you’re at Dihua Street, don’t miss the opportunity to visit one of Taipei’s oldest tea shops. Dadaocheng, once the hub for Taiwanese tea exports in the 19th century, still hosts some of the street’s most ancient tea shops.

At the tea shop, you’ll delve into Taiwanese tea culture and savor tea sampling. In Taiwan, tea serves as an excellent gift and a personal delight. Whether you’re a tea enthusiast or simply enjoy the occasional bubble tea, tea remains a popular choice for New Year gifts.



- 18:00

Dismiss at Ningxia Night Market

Finally, the tour will conclude at Ningxia Night Market. Among locals, it's one of the most beloved night markets where you can relish an array of street foods in one place, including Oyster Omelet, Minced Pork Rice, Scallion Pancake Rolls, and many other delectable options.



Inclusions & Exclusions

- Professional licensed tour guide (Mandarin / English)
- Local general liabilities insurance
- Local transport
- Food and beverage
- Gratuities

Important Notice

1. Tour commentary will be provided in Mandarin and English.
2. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
3. The sequence and time of stay of tour stops may be adjusted according to the traffic/weather condition.
4. If the tour has to be cancelled due to bad weather, we will contact you no later than the evening before the excursion day by email or SMS.
5. Please arrive at the meeting point 10 minutes earlier than the pick-up time.
6. This tour is not recommended for wheelchair users and people with physical disabilities.
7. Ensure you carry enough cash with you to cover your expenses for meals, beverages, souvenirs, tips, etc. Convenience stores and most of the eateries in Taiwan don't accept credit cards as a form of payment.

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Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival Day Tour from Taipei

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- Operation Day2024: February 24
- DepartureAfternoon
- Duration1 Day
- Pick-up Time13:00
- Vehicle Type43-seater bus
- Meeting PointExit East 2 of Taipei Main Station (near the train locomotive installation)
- Drop-off PointRaohe Street Tourist Night Market/ Taipei Main Station

Highlights

- Experience the world renowned Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival, acclaimed by the Discovery Channel as “the second biggest New Year's Eve celebration in the world”
- Secured slots at this exceptional, limited-capacity event venue is guaranteed
- Stroll along Shifen Old Street and relish its nostalgic ambiance
- Delight in a joyful bus ride as you pass by the captivating venues of the Taipei Lantern Festival
- Thoughtfully organized itinerary and transportation arrangements to sidestep traffic congestion
- Select from two downtown Taipei City drop-off locations for your convenience
- Guaranteed departure with a minimum of 1 participant

Overview

For centuries, the tradition of releasing sky lanterns has been a cherished part of Chinese culture, now embraced worldwide. Each year, during the week of Taiwan Lantern Festival (the 15th day of the first month of Chinese Lunar Calendar), Taipei City bursts into a dazzling display of radiant lights and vivid lanterns, illuminating the tranquil nights and spreading a contagious atmosphere of joy and celebration.

The "Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival" in Taiwan has gained global acclaim, acknowledged by the Discovery Channel as "the second biggest New Year's Eve celebration in the world" and listed among CNN Travel's "52 things to do." It stands as one of the most anticipated events globally, drawing hundreds of thousands of people from all corners of the world each year to partake in this extraordinary extravaganza.

Join us for the Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival Day Tour and be a part of this globally acclaimed event, creating unforgettable memories that will last a lifetime. Send your heartfelt wishes skyward with a sky lantern, witnessing the breathtaking sight as they illuminate the night sky. Alongside this awe-inspiring experience, you will enjoy a delightful bus ride through the venues of the Taipei Lantern Festival and explore the charmingly nostalgic Shifen Old Street before the anticipating event unfolds.

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- **13:00**

Meet the guide at Taipei Main Station, East Exit 2

Assemble at the Exit East 2 of Taipei Main Station, where your tour guide will be eagerly awaiting your arrival near the train locomotive installation to welcome you.



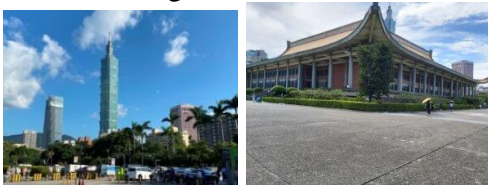
- **13:30-14:45**

Enjoy a joyful bus ride passing by the venues of Taiwan Lantern Festival

In 2024, the Taipei Lantern Festival will span across Zhonghua Road, from MRT Ximen Station to Beimen Station, brightening up Taipei’s Western District for 31 days, starting on February 2nd.



Before your journey to Shifen for the Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival, you will enjoy a scenic bus ride passing by the venues of the Taipei Lantern Festival. This route includes iconic attractions like Taipei City Wall-North Gate (Cheng’ en Gate), Ximending, and other remarkable sights.



Simply sit back, unwind, and relish the ever-changing scenery passing by your window. Your tour guide will share intriguing stories about the attractions, offering knowledgeable insights. His/her informative commentary will provide you with a deeper understanding of Taiwan’s rich history and its people.

- **16:00-19:00**

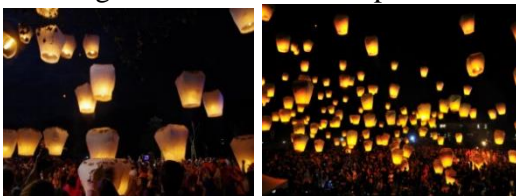
Shifen Old Street and Shifen Sky Lantern Square (the venue of Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival)

Your tour proceeds to Shifen in the Pingxi District of New Taipei City, where the tradition of releasing sky lantern in Taiwan originated. Today, these lanterns symbolize peace and prosperity, carrying on a tradition deeply rooted in the area’s heritage. Shifen Old Street runs adjacent the train track, hosting an array of souvenir shops, local eateries, and stores that sell sky lanterns. This creates a enchanting view of trains passing by

doorways, showcasing the area’s essence. As you explore the shops or enjoy the local delicacies, be attentive to the train whistle—you might catch a glimpse of the train rolling through the street, adding an extra touch of excitement to your visit.



At last, the much-anticipated Pingxi Sky Lantern Festival is here. Praised by the Discovery Channel as “the second biggest New Year’s Eve celebration in the world” and recommended by CNN Travel as a must-do in their “52 things to do” list. Watching countless sky lanterns gracefully ascend into the night sky is a visual feast that will blow you away, making traveling to Taiwan for this experience an absolute must.



Stay composed, hold your excitement, and get ready to follow the event staff’s guidance before releasing the sky lantern. Typically, 4-6 people will share one lantern. Each participant can write a message on one side before lighting it up and letting it ascend into the sky. After that, embrace the serene moment and watch as the lantern floats away, gradually fading into the night sky.



- 19:40

Drop off at Raohe Street Tourist Night Market

After the mind-blowing experience of releasing the sky lanterns, please adhere to the event staff’s instructions for the bus ride back to Taipei. You’ll have the option to disembark at Raohe St. Night Market, where you explore Taipei’s vibrant nightlife on your own. Alternatively, you can return directly to Taipei Main Station, marking the end of this unforgettable journey.

- 20:00

Drop off at Taipei Main Station

Inclusions & Exclusions

- Professional licensed tour guide (Mandarin / English)
- Local transfer by air-conditioned vehicle
- Sky Lantern launching experience (4-6 people share 1 lantern)
- Local general liabilities insurance
- Food and beverage

- Gratuities

Important Notice

1. Tour will be conducted in Mandarin and English.
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3. The sequence and time of stay at tour stops may be adjusted according to the traffic/weather condition.
4. If the tour has to be cancelled due to bad weather, we will contact you no later than the evening before the excursion day by email or SMS.
5. Please arrive at the meeting point 10 minutes earlier than the pick-up time.
6. Each guest is allowed to bring one piece of carry-on baggage.
7. This tour is not recommended for wheelchair users and people with physical disabilities.
8. Ensure you carry enough cash with you to cover your expenses for meals, beverages, souvenirs, tips, etc. Convenience stores and most of the eateries in Taiwan don't accept credit cards as a form of payment.

Taipei at Night: Din Tai Fung Dinner & Raohe Street Night Market Guided Tour

- Operation Day Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
- Departure Evening
- Duration Half Day
- Pick-up Time 18:00
- Vehicle Type 43-seater bus, 20-seater mini bus or 9-seater mini van (according to the number of participants)
- Meeting Point MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station (BL14 /O07), Exit 2
- Drop-off Point MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station (BL14 /O07)

Highlights

- Amazed by the illuminating Taipei 101 at night and immerse yourself in the bustling city vibe
- Enjoy the most famous Xiaolongbao at Michelin Bib Gourmand Selection Restaurant—Din Tai Fung
- Explore various kinds of Taiwanese street food at Raohe Street Tourist Night Market
- Learn about Taiwanese religious beliefs and practices in Songshan Ciyou Temple
- Guaranteed departure with a minimum of 1 participant

Overview

Taipei, a vibrant and inspiring city, is rich in both history and modern features: historic sites, contemporary architectures, cultural activities, etc. This city has so much to offer, even when the sun goes down, the fun never stops.

With so much to do and so little time, you might miss out on something while traveling in Taipei. Join this night tour to discover the best of Taipei after dusk! From the thriving Taipei 101 Mall to the lively Raohe Street Night Market, and Songshan Ciyou Temple and the Rainbow Bridge nearby, you can fully experience different vibes that the city gives off.

Plus, you will also enjoy a Xiaolongbao dinner at the world-famous restaurant chain—Din Tai Fung. So what are you waiting for?

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- 18:00

Meet your tour guide at MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station (BL14 /O07), Exit 2



- 18:15-18:55

Taipei 101 Mall (observatory ticket is not included)

The first stop on your Taipei night tour is the iconic landmark, Taipei 101. This shining skyscraper was once the tallest building in the world that reaches a height of 508 meters, towering over the skyline of Taipei. The building has 101 stories, with an observatory deck on the 89th floor, where the visitors can enjoy a panoramic view of Taipei City. Not only that, it has one of the top 3 fastest elevators in the world; from the 5th to the 89th floor, it only takes 37 seconds.

The skyscraper is adjoined by a multilevel shopping mall—Taipei 101 Mall. The mall houses hundreds of fashionable stores and restaurants, along with a food court and a supermarket. From luxury brands to fast fashion retailers, from Michelin star restaurants to cheap eats, you can always find something for your there.

- **19:00-19:45**

Din Tai Fung Xiaolongbao Dinner

After that, it's time enjoy a delectable Xiaolongbao dinner at the Michelin Bib Gourmand selected, world-renowned restaurant chain—Din Tai Fung.

Din Tai Fung was founded in Taiwan in 1958, initially a cooking oil retailer, and then transformed to a restaurant serving Xiaolongbao in 1972. Today, the restaurant is renowned for its juicy and savory Xiaolongbao (steamed pork dumplings) that are wrapped with paper-thin dough wrappers and folded exquisitely with 18 perfect folds.

In addition to Xiaolongbao, a number of its signature dishes will be served, such as hot and sour soup, shredded pork fried rice, seasonal vegetable, etc. (menu items are subject to change according to seasonality and availability)

- **20:00-20:50**

Raohe Street Tourist Night Market

Besides the luxurious shopping malls and the fine dining restaurants, Taiwan is also well-known for the night markets. Of course, you won't miss out on that during your Taipei night tour! After dinner, you will visit the bustling Raohe Street Tourist Night Market.

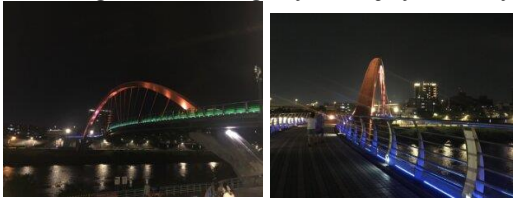
If you still have room for dessert or snack after dinner, the dazzling array of food stalls in the night market won't let you down! Black pepper bun, oyster vermicelli, spare ribs stewed in herbal soup, iced sweet glutinous rice dumplings and many more, will make you eat nonstop.

- **20:50-21:10**

Rainbow Bridge

After a food adventure at Raohe Street Tourist Night Market, you can take a walk across the Rainbow Bridge nearby.

The red-painted bridge spans Keelung River, which can be accessed by foot and by bicycle. Strolling on the bridge, you enjoy the city lights over the other side of the river.



- **21:15-21:35**

Songshan Ciyou Temple

Before the end of the night tour, you will make a visit to Songshan Ciyou Temple and experience Taiwan's religious beliefs and practices.

- **22:00**

Drop off at MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station (BL14 /O07), Exit 2

Your tour ends with a drop-off at MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station.

Inclusions & Exclusions

- Professional licensed tour guide (Mandarin / English / Japanese)
- Local transfer by air-conditioned vehicle
- Din Tai Fung Xiaolongbao Dinner
- Local general liabilities insurance
- Beverage
- Gratuities
- Taipei 101 Observatory ticket

Important Notice

1. Tour commentary will be provided in Mandarin, English and Japanese.
2. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
3. The sequence and time of stay at tour stops may be adjusted according to the traffic/weather condition.
4. If the tour has to be cancelled due to bad weather, we will contact you no later than the evening before the excursion day by email or SMS.
5. Please arrive at the meeting point 10 minutes earlier than the pick-up time.
6. Each guest is allowed to bring one piece of carry-on baggage.
7. Ensure you carry enough cash with you to cover your expenses for snacks, beverages, souvenirs, tips, etc. Convenience stores and most of the eateries in Taiwan don't accept credit cards as a form of payment.

Private Taipei Yangmingshan Half-Day Hiking Tour

- Operation Day Monday to Sunday
- Departure Morning
- Duration Half Day
- Pick-up Time 08:30
- Vehicle Type 20-seater mini bus or 9-seater mini van (according to the number of participants)
- Meeting Point Hotel or metro station in downtown Taipei City
- Drop-off Point Hotel or metro station in downtown Taipei City

Highlights

- Explore the geological wonders of Tatun Volcano Group by hiking your preferred trail in Yangmingshan National Park
- A guided tour with experienced and reliable private tour guide to ensure you are safe and have the best experience in your trip
- Chill or challenge yourself with one of the three levels of hiking trail: easy, moderate and challenging
- A chance to conquer Taiwan's highest dormant volcano—Qixing Mountain
- Take a break from the city life and blend yourself into nature in the world's first Urban Quiet Park

Overview

Tired of the busy, dusty and noisy city? This private Yangmingshan hiking tour is a great option for those who need a break from their busy schedule, or those who love to enjoy nature.

Just 7 miles away from downtown Taipei City, Yangmingshan National Park is the 3rd national park in Taiwan that covers a wide area of volcanic geological features; the famous Beitou Hot Spring is also nearby. Yangmingshan has a wide elevation range from 200 to 1,120 meters with beautiful landscapes alongside different trails. The highest summit of the mountain is approximately 1,120 meters above sea level, where you can enjoy a sweeping view of Taipei Basin when you reach the top of the mountain.

Therefore, Yangmingshan is a great choice for business travelers who need a break from their endless meeting, or people who love to enjoy nature and want to take a break from the busy city life.

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- **08:30**

Meet your guide at hotel lobby and depart to Yangmingshan National Park

Before you travel, you can choose a level of difficulty for your hiking tour. You can choose the Easy Level with the shortest distance to chill and relax on Eziping Trail, or choose the Moderate Level with a longer and steeper trail to sweat a little on Mt. Ding–Mt. Shiti Trail,

and maybe choose the Challenging Level to challenge yourself on Mt. Qixing Trail and get on the highest peak of the mountain. All levels are available for hiking alone or a private group of your friends or family.

On the day of the tour, meet your tour guide at the hotel lobby, then depart to Yangmingshan National Park. Remember to prepare your belongings for the journey according to the level you choose to be able to enjoy the hiking as best as possible. You don't have to worry about anything because your professional tour guide will always be with you and support you as much as possible to ensure you have the best experience in your trip.

- **09:30**

Start hiking along your chosen route

Based on your chosen level, your trip will start and end at different locations in Yangmingshan National Park.

Challenging Level: Mt. Qixing Trail (1.5-2 hours)

This is the most challenging level you can choose from the three trails, which you have the chance to conquer the highest mountain in Taipei—Mt. Qixing. The 4km route starts from Xiaoyoukeng Recreation Area and up to Mt. Qixing. You can enjoy a sweeping view from the mountain top when you reach the main peak of Mt. Qixing. After the challenging section, coming up with a gentle road, and the journey will end at Menghuan Lake, where you can get some rest and relax in the beautiful scenery around the lake.



Moderate Level: Mt. Ding– Shiti Trail (2-2.5 hours)

Starting from Fengguikou, one of the hottest cycling spots in Taipei. But you are not here for cycling. In this level, you will experience a higher and 6 km-long trail with a variety of landscapes and vegetation, such as black forest, mountain ridge and grassland. From Fengguikou to Mt. Ding–Mt. Shiti is a beautiful and leisurely terrain in the eastern part of Yangmingshan National Park. The journey will finish at Qingtiangang Recreation Area, where you can see vast grassy hills and the naturally breed buffaloes.



Easy Level: Erziping Trail (1-1.5 hours)

This easy level will enable you to enjoy a relaxing walk of 3.6 km around Erziping. Paved and shaded, this trail is accessible for people of all ages, and stroller and wheelchair friendly, too. Mt. Miantian and a constructed wetland can be observed along the trail. If you are visiting during the butterfly season, you will have a chance to see many species of butterflies flitting through the trail.



- 12:30

Return to your hotel

After your hiking trip in Yangmingshan National Park, nothing better a good rest after the tour end! Your tour guide will escort you back to your hotel, so you can rest and gain back your energy, and get ready for your next journey in Taiwan.

Inclusions & Exclusions

- Professional licensed tour guide
- Local transfer by air-conditioned vehicle
- Local general liabilities insurance
- Food and beverage
- Gratuities

Important Notice

1. Tour commentary will be provided in English (other languages can be quoted on request).
2. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
3. The sequence and time of stay of tour stops may be adjusted according to the traffic/weather condition.
4. If the tour has to be cancelled due to bad weather, in this case, we will contact you no later than the evening before the excursion day by email or SMS.
5. Please arrive at the meeting point 10 minutes earlier than the pick-up time.
6. This tour may involve challenging hike (based on the level you choose), please evaluate your physical condition before you book this tour.
7. There is no rest area/convenient along the route, please make sure that you bring enough water and food supplies beforehand.
8. This tour is not recommended for wheelchair users and people with physical disabilities.
9. Ensure you carry enough cash with you to cover your expenses for meals, beverages, souvenirs, tips, etc. Convenience stores and most of the eateries in Taiwan don't accept credit cards as a form of payment.

2-Day Family Fun from Taipei: Taichung, Sun Moon Lake, Lefoo Village Theme Park

- Operation DayFriday
- DepartureMorning
- Duration2 Days
- Pick-up Time07:00
- Vehicle Type43-seater bus, 20-seater mini bus or 9-seater mini van (according to the number of participants)
- Meeting PointHotel in downtown Taipei City or Exit 2 of MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station (BL14 /O07)
- Drop-off PointHotel in downtown Taipei City or Exit 2 of MRT Zhongxiao Xinsheng Station (BL14 /O07)

Highlights

- Enjoy a motorboat cruise on Sun Moon Lake—the biggest natural lake in Taiwan
- Capture your best Instagrammable moments at Chung-she Flower Garden and Miyahara
- Satisfy your cravings at the biggest night market in Taiwan—Fengjia Night Market
- Inspired by the colorful wall paintings of the Painted Animation Lane and the unique design of National Taichung Theater
- Bring out your inner child as you explore Leofoo Village Theme Park
- Guaranteed departure with a minimum of 1 participant
- Hotel pick-up and drop-off is available (within city limits)

Overview

Looking for a perfect destination for your next family trip? Whether you are traveling with kids, teens or young adults, there is no shortage of things to do for the whole family in Central Taiwan. So why not join this two-day tour from Taipei to explore the stunning natural landscapes and the amazing man-made attractions in Sun Moon Lake, Taichung and Hsinchu?

On this guided tour you will enjoy a cozy motorboat cruise on Sun Moon Lake and take in the beautiful scenery around you; snap Instagram-worthy photos at the Hogwarts-alike ice cream parlor—Miyahara and the colorful Chung-she Flower Garden; inspire your creative soul at the Painted Animation Lane and National Taichung Theater; and take a food adventure at Taiwan's biggest night market—Fengjia Night Market to indulge your food craving. Last but not least, the Leofoo Village Theme Park will unleash your inner child with fun and adventurous themed rides and games.

When was the last time you travel with your family? Book this family tour package to central Taiwan, and create long-lasting and unforgettable memories with your family.

- *Description*
 - **Day 01**
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Taipei – Sun Moon Lake – Taichung

Your tour guide will meet you at your hotel or any designated meeting place in downtown Taipei. Hop in the car, kick back and enjoy a scenic ride to the first destination on your two-day trip.

The tour starts with a visit to Sun Moon Lake, the biggest natural lake in Taiwan. The lake is divided by Lalu Island; the east side of the lake resembles the sun while the west side resembles the crescent moon, hence the name. The area around the lake is also the home to the Thao people, a group of Taiwan indigenous peoples. With a rich indigenous culture and abundant natural beauty, Sun Moon Lake has become one of the top-ranked destinations in Taiwan.

Before lunch, you will enjoy a cozy lake cruise by a motorboat that you can fully enjoy the stunning landscapes around you.

After lunch, you head off to the next destination, Taichung. The first stop after your arrival is Miyahara. It was originally an ophthalmology clinic, founded by the Japanese ophthalmologist—Miyahara during Japanese colonization. After the retrocession of Taiwan, the building was taken over by the government, then acquired and renovated by a local pastry

company, which transformed this former eye clinic into a retro-style pastry and ice cream parlor.

Today, Miyahara is widely known for its Hogwarts-alike interior design and various flavors of ice cream. If you are a Harry Potter fan or have a sweet tooth, this place is unmissable.

Hidden in the West District of Taichung City, the Painted Animation Lane has become one of the most photogenic places to snap an Instagram moment thanks to the popularity of Japanese animations. Walking through this colorful alleyway, the scenes of the classic Japanese animations and manga such as “My Neighbor Totoro”, “Your Name”, “Gundam”, “Dragon Ball” and many more, can be spotted on every corner. Whether you are an anime fan or not, strolling through this alley is just like taking a trip back to childhood.

Speaking of the origin of the Painted Animation Lane, it was simply because one of the residents found the walls too boring and monotonous as he repainted the walls, so he painted his favorite anime characters. Soon after, his painting became famous among the neighborhood, and people followed suit one after another, making this originally simple and unadorned alley went viral and become an Instagrammable spot.

In addition to the anime characters painted on the walls, the houses are also worth seeing when you ramble through the alley. The metal roofing, steel doors and window frames, and the brick walls offer a glimpse into the early lifestyle of Taiwanese people.

Your tour continues with a stop at National Taichung Theater, an opera house designed by the famous Japanese architect—Toyo Ito.

The opera house is referred as one of the most difficult architectures to build in the world, because of its curved surfaces. Here you can enjoy a close-up view of this architectural masterpiece, appreciating every detail created with innovative construction methodologies by the master. Even if you are not here for an opera or a musical, the building itself will provide you with an extraordinary experience as you walk through it.

Lastly, before the end of the day, you will visit the biggest night market in Taiwan—Fengjia Night Market.

Even though the night market is always crowded, there is no better way to experience the local culture than visiting a night market. Fengchia Night Market is known for a wide variety of street food, including the locals’ most beloved, such as Taiwanese popcorn chicken, sausage with sticky rice, stinky tofu, papaya milk, bubble tea, etc, will make you drool. In addition to the food, the clothing and accessories here are also trendy and fairly priced.

Overnight: Feng Chia Beacon Hotel, Taichung or equivalent

- **Day 02**

Taichung – Lefoo Village Theme Park – Taipei

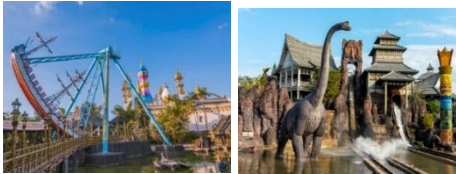
After a good night’s sleep, enjoy a warming and filling breakfast at the hotel before meeting up your tour guide to continue your central Taiwan tour.

The first stop on the day is Chung-she Flower Garden, also known as Chungshe Flower Market. The vast and colorful garden covers 6 hectares, featuring hundreds of thousands flowering plants, such as tulips, sunflowers, calla lilies, roses and many more. From January to December, there are always beautiful flowers blooming in the garden. Whenever you come to visit, it will never cease to amaze you.

In addition to the fascinating flower beds, there are gorgeous installations like swing chairs, floral arches, the replicas of piano and windmills, etc, which are perfect for photo shooting.



After that, enjoy a “wild” day in Lefoo Village Theme Park, one of the most popular amusement parks in Taiwan. The park features 4 areas: the Wild West, South Pacific, Arabian Palace and African Tribe. The Water Park is open during the summer time. The South Pacific is where the visitors can experience many exciting and thrill rides featuring South Pacific and the age of dinosaurs; the Great Pirate is the biggest pirate ship ride in Taiwan.



The Arabian Palace will take you on an Arabian journey with the immersive rides featuring “One Thousand and One Nights”, as if the well-known bedtime stories come to life.



The Wild West is designed based on the Tombstone Town in Arizona State in North America, a famous mining town in the 19th century. Besides the exciting rides and the VR experience, you will soak in the atmosphere of America’s old western town.



The African Tribe is the only safari zoo in Taiwan, where a wide range of more than 70 species and over a thousand wild animals can be seen.



After an extremely fun day, you will head back to your hotel or designated drop-off place in downtown Taipei with precious memories.

Inclusions & Exclusions

- Professional licensed tour guide (Mandarin / English)
- Local transfer by air-conditioned vehicle
- 1 night hotel accommodation
- Hotel breakfast*1
- Entrance ticket (Chung-she Flower Garden, Lefoo Village Theme Park)

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- Sun Moon Lake Motorboat Cruise
- Local general liabilities insurance
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Gratuities

Important Notice

1. Tour commentary will be provided in Mandarin and English.
2. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by adults.
3. Infants must sit on laps and share existing bedding with adults.
4. 2 people will share 1 twin room; for an odd number of individuals, 3 people will share 1 triple room.
5. The sequence and time of stay at tour stops might be adjusted according to the traffic/weather condition.
6. Please advise your designated meeting point (within Taipei city limits) and provide your SMS contact info or e-mail address. We will contact you directly and advise the pick-up time.
7. If the tour has to be cancelled due to bad weather, the tour operation will contact you no later than the evening before the excursion day by e-mail or SMS.
8. Please arrive at the meeting point 10 minutes earlier than the pick-up time.
9. Ensure you carry enough cash with you to cover your expenses for meals, beverages, souvenirs, tips, etc. Convenience stores and most of the eateries in Taiwan don't accept credit cards as a form of payment.