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Summer in the City

Alex Dearing, in our monthly Pitchfork opinion column (p.27), this month points out that China's cities are like those in the movie "Metropolis", minus the bi-planes. Right off the bat, we admit that The Nanjinger has got it wrong. For there is one. On an almost daily basis, a lone bi-plane can be seen in the skies over Jiangning; it's used for training new pilots, and is based out of the nearby military airfield.

China's urban similarities with the silver screen don't stop there. Laura Helen Schmitt, our cinema critic, this month watched "Tomorrowland" (p.36), and bar the panning it receives, what also struck us is the cityscapes contained therein are not a far off in Shanghai, or even our own Nanjing.

Elsewhere, will an idyllic rural island life be replaced by a concrete jungle (p.14-16)? Or, how do you view Nanjing; as a tier 1 or tier 2 city (p.10-13)? Ever visited one of China's ghost cities? Did you have the same take on it as CBS' "60 Minutes" (p.18-21)?

Welcome to urbanisation from The Nanjinger.

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Letter Of The Month

Dear Editor;

We are quick to complain about the pollution and pressure that unsustainable development in China is putting on the environment, yet recently it seems the steps taken by the government to create a healthier surroundings are constantly increasing. Whether its the switch many factories are making from coal to gas, the draft proposal to outlaw non-reusable chopsticks, which are contributing in no small part to the serious issue of deforestation, or even smaller improvements for a healthy lifestyle such as a more rigid smoking ban in Beijing that has just come into effect; there now seem to exist many longer-term plans, and less of the "shutting down all factories during important events" approach.

Yes, of course, cynicists will remind us that what is law in China is by no means a reality and there is no doubt that people will find ways to bend the regulations, loopholes to continue unhealthy production and actions, yet every change needs to begin with a small step and the government publicly addressing the issue is certainly the most important step on that journey. Especially in China, where change can be implemented at lightning speed, it is good to see the government attacking these environmental and health issues from all sides.

Allie King,
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Urban Sighs

We will know when the birds stop singing.
When the sun cannot burn through the haze
We will know then we've passed that point of no return
On the road to the end of our days.

Then maybe science will help us
Or maybe a nuclear war
Or maybe we'll finally fade into extinction
Like others that walked this earth before.

But one thing that seems to be for certain
The more concrete fingers reach up for the sky
The further the earth and hence the harder the fall,
The more silent that soft morning sigh.

by Maitiu Brallaghan

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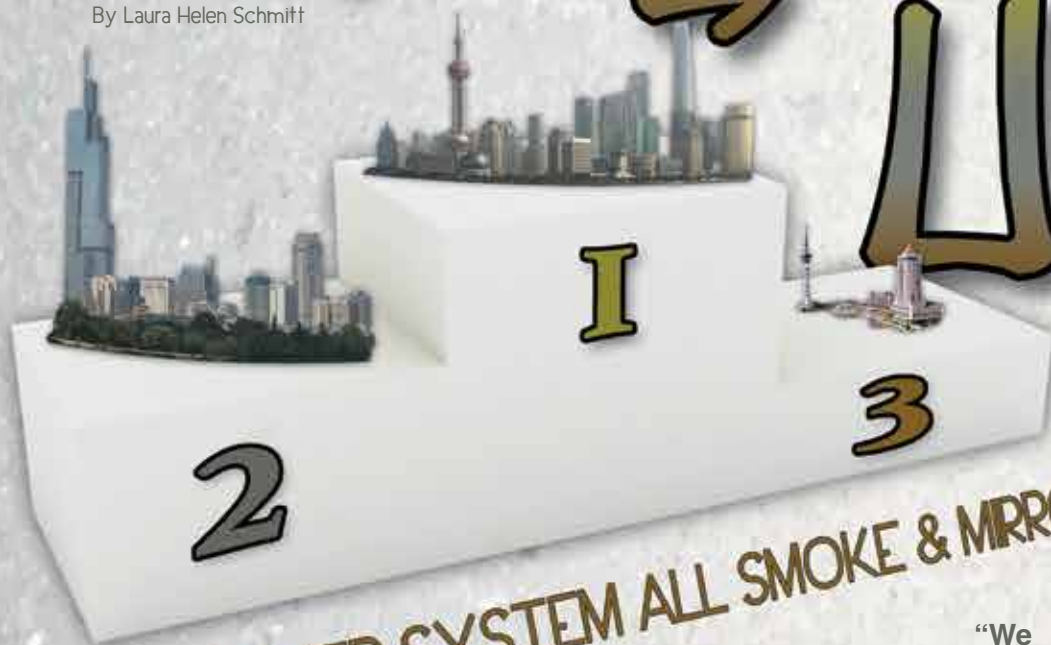
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NANJING EAST
SUNING GALAXY

TIERING UP

By Laura Helen Schmitt



CHINA'S TIER SYSTEM ALL SMOKE & MIRRORS?

“We often hear of China’s first or second or third tier cities, yet what actually makes a city tier? The terms are so often used, yet there is no official formula for determining what tier a city falls in. Instead, everyone makes up their own rules.”

chinasourcingblog.org, July 2011

China’s urbanisation story is without doubt a fascinating tale. Throughout the last three decades, the Middle Kingdom has not only exhibited the fastest urbanisation rate in the world, but its pace of development is simply astonishing. In 1978, the beginning of what was to become China’s grand Opening-Up and Reform era, over 82 percent of Chinese people lived in rural areas. 35 years later 53 percent of the population have moved to the cities, and it does not end there. The government’s ambitious plan is to drive the rate up to 60 percent by the time we welcome the new decade.

With such an incredible track record and China’s developmentally varied urban landscape, it seems

there was a need for a system of categorisation to make sure the general populous could wrap their head around which cities are great places to be born and which are “still in the works”. This ranking system is commonly known as “tier”.

A city’s tier determines its rank in the urban pecking order, another matter of fact that makes the higher-tier ranks something to aspire to. Only four cities in China have for a majority of the time held the sought-after “first tier” denomination; Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou and Shenzhen. Last year, Tianjin joined the club. It seems common knowledge which are China’s leading cities, just as everyone is aware of their own city’s tier as a method of vali-

dation. Countless small talk scenarios include the following conversation:

“So, where are you from?”

“[Insert city here].”

“Oh, what tier is that?”

“[Insert tier plus proud face for first and second, embarrassed face for three and below].”

Tier One or Two – Says Who?

Yet, here's the kicker. This system of validation that gives certain cities so much power over others is truly just common knowledge; nothing else. In fact, there is a lot of confusion with regards to Tianjin and Chongqing's first tier city status in particular; are they or aren't they? That is the question.

There are two reasons such confusion could arise. For one, the system has never been officially recognized by the Chinese authorities. Secondly, too many cooks have indeed spoiled the broth. Not only does this information remain unpublished by any government body, it is instead released by many different parties such as, on the local side, CBNweekly, a business news magazine founded by Shanghai Media Group and produced by China Business Network Media (CBN). On an international level, Forbes, market research mogul Nielsen and real estate company Jones Lang LaSalle have also jumped in on the tier race, publishing their own interpretation of the rankings.

The whole tiering process is further confused by the fact that each of the parties might use slightly differing criteria for their measurements, leading to varying results.

If that were not muddled enough, no longer satisfied with the simple gold, silver, bronze ranking system, many organisations have now taken to adding layers of further classification to the list; once again these can differ according to the publishing party. So it happens that some rankings talk of strong, middle and weak second tier cities, as the gap between leading Tier 2 cities (in which Nanjing is generally included) and those on the lower end of the scale such as Hefei or Nanchang is so large it would constitute an insult to the former to be seen as developmentally identical to the latter.

Another way of expressing the strides that certain cities such as Nanjing or Chongqing have made is to

refer to them as 1.5 tier cities, as was done by the aforementioned JLL in their China60 report, compiled from data gathered between 2006 and 2015. This ranking is one example of how radically different the results can look, depending on one's approach.

China60 looked at China's leading cities from an economic and property market perspective and came to a very different conclusion than CBNweekly. The report sees Beijing and Shanghai as “über-cities”, the tierless leaders of the nation, who are so far ahead of any other city, they are above being ranked. On Tier 1 we find just two contenders, unsurprisingly Guangzhou and Shenzhen. The Chinese abbreviation 北上广深 often lumps these cities together as “the big four” (ever noticed how China loves grouping things in fours?). Suggesting that Beijing and Shanghai remain an unattainable category of their own, hence excluding them from any ranking, was the first step in drawing the Chinese public's ire.

No sign of Tianjin in the first tier section either, contrary to CBNweekly's promotion of the coastal hub to China's upper class. Instead, the Special Administration Zone and neighbour to the capital finds itself in the 1.5 category aside a bunch of the usual suspects such as Hangzhou or Chengdu. While the ranking has drawn much criticism from mainlanders, who seem to be grappling with the 1.5 tier concept, JLL is a big name in the industry and has almost a decade of collecting data to which it can look for its research. For Jiangsu, this study is great news as nine of the cities of the province, whose GDP output was only bested by Guangdong in 2014, have made it onto JLL's Top 60 list.

The Criteria behind the Tier

As the results of the tiering vary, so do the methods.

Online property trading website RightSite.com provided an insight into the influencing factors of tiers as early as 2009. They included:

Population of more than five million people
Provincial GDP of at least ¥250 billion, or ¥350 billion in more prosperous provinces
Cities with strong economic growth
Geography, i.e. cities which are the most significant in their area (such as Xiamen, though population is less than 5 million),
Advanced transportation infrastructure
Historical and cultural significance (such as Guilin, a tourist hub despite its small size)

The Nanjinger's New & Improved Tier System

As we have established that the whole tier business is essentially open to anyone's interpretation, the editorial team at The Nanjinger decided it was time to join the ranks of highly credible institutions to set up their very own tier system. We suggest the following criteria need to be considered when determining a city's rank in the pecking order. In which category do you think Nanjing belongs?

Infrastructure

Metro lines

The more the better.

Tier Three: What's a metro?

Tier Two: Has a metro line.

Tier One: 15 or more metro lines.

Car-to-Bike Ratio

The fewer cars, the lower the tier.

Tier Three: There are bikes.

Tier Two: There are cars.

Tier One: There are no parking spaces.

Real Estate

Flat Size

The smaller the flat, the higher the tier.

Tier Three: Welcome to my six-bedroom mansion.

Tier Two: I'm lucky I can afford a 10 m² flat.

Tier One: Buying property? What's that?

F&B

Foreign restaurants

The standards of international cuisine rises throughout the tiers.

Tier Three: They've got cheese!!!

Tier Two: Foreign restaurants other than KFC, McD and Pizza Hut.

Tier One: Icelandic classics such as skyr or hangikjöt should be readily available.

Culture

The Dump Factor

Measures the general zone of depression.

Tier Three: Dumps are ever pervasive.

Tier Two: Permitted one dump district.

Tier One: The original railway station.

JLL's ranking adds much more complexity and has very different points of focus, spanning GDP, population, wealth, investment, retail sales, household savings, educational infrastructure, the amount of land, the number of retailers and other variables.

Just these two examples show how fundamentally different the approach to tiering can be. No wonder most of us have no clue whether Tianjin is Tier 1, 1.5 or 2 this week, and even less what it will be next.

In light of all this chaos and confusion, some companies are even attempting to move entirely away from a tier-based classification of China's urban environment. In 2009, consulting firm McKinsey released a study that introduced the concept of city clusters as an alternative to tiers. One cluster constitutes groups of cities that are developing around one or two large cities. McKinsey identified 22 clusters nationwide, and further divided them into subcategories of mega, large and small.

Yet, over half a decade later, the tiers are still taking their toll. Their hold on society is as strong as ever.

No One Sheds a Tier

The irony is undeniable. While the tier system can be called sketchy at best, China's cities have long since seen the effects of a tier stamp being slapped onto their faces with very realistic ramifications.

In terms of the country's elite cities, they continue to cannibalise all that sit below them. The "BSGS" quadruple threat attracts the country's brightest graduates from home and overseas. Their status as mega-cities has resulted in a lower-tier brain drain that sees the less aspirational or the more filial children stay behind in the lot into which they were born. While the rural-to-urban migration and its devastating effects are well known, the tier-trade-up effect is not perceived as quite as harrowing. Nevertheless, many local governments of second and lower tier cities offer attractive business loans and support to young graduates and would-be entrepreneurs, no doubt in an attempt to attract local talent and keep them from abandoning their place of origin for their more tiered-up rivals.

From an international investment perspective, the tier system has also had a concerning effect. Foreign companies have traditionally looked to what China60 called the Alpha Cities, i.e. Beijing and Shanghai, when it came to entering the local market. It has taken years for them to realise that China has profitable markets to offer beyond the Top 2. The good news for Nanjing in particular is that this limited tunnel-vision type approach is on its way out. While Beijing and Shanghai remain the first stop to test local waters for new businesses, an increasing amount of attention is being directed to the developing middle class consumers in second tier cities, whose markets are not as oversaturated as the Alphas. It was just a question of time before those two got fat and lazy and the younger, more dynamic cities got their turn.

Such is the motivating factor behind reports such as China60 or the PwC report, "Chinese Cities of Opportunity" in conjunction with the China Development Research Foundation. The latter looks at 15 Chinese cities and their development potential, presenting a strong case for marketing managers to cast their eye to the previously internationally neglected second tiers.

As Wolfgang Hirn for the German economic news outlet Manager Magazin proclaims quite rightly;

"In Beijing, in Shanghai - that is where you need to be. This was the mantra of market entry consultants for a long time. However, those days are over. A presence in these two metropoli (and possibly Guangzhou down South) is not enough anymore to distribute your goods among the Chinese populace."

Instead, eyes are now turning to the previous silver medalists; Shenzhen, Guangzhou and in third place our very own Nanjing, "newcomers" who are on the forefront of the new urban rush of international companies. Nanjing does very well in PwC's ranking, leading the nation's intellectual capital and innovation sector and in the category demographics and livability. One cannot deny the winds are a-changing as it is hip to be Tier 2. While we won't be saying good-bye to the elitist city hierarchy anytime soon, despite its very questionable claim to legitimacy, at least Nanjing can look forward to some more investor attention in the near future. **NIX**



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ECO-URBANISATION

Reinventing the City, Jiangxinzhou Style

By Frank Hossack

Long term residents of Nanjing will be very familiar with Jiangxinzhou, commonly referred to in non-Chinese speaking communities as Grape Island; famed for its vineyards and an associated annual festival plus a way of life altogether more rustic in approach, yet still near to the bright lights of downtown Nanjing, it being situated just a hop and a skip away in the Yangtze River. Newer arrivals on the other hand, particular those in the real estate or environment sectors, will more likely know it as Singapore Nanjing Eco-Island. The Nanjinger figured it was time to take a look.

The central and lower reaches of the Yangtze River basin are regarded as a globally important eco-region due to the rich biodiversity of its wetland and aquatic biology. Jiangxinzhou sits slap-bang in the middle of it. The natural wetlands of China provide 60 percent of the habitat for migratory birds such as cranes. They form natural dykes and are effective flood protection features. Jiangxinzhou was virtually designed for such.

For us more worldly humans, the island always represented an escape for city dwellers, a voyeuristic chance to step into rural China without being worryingly far from our urban bubble.

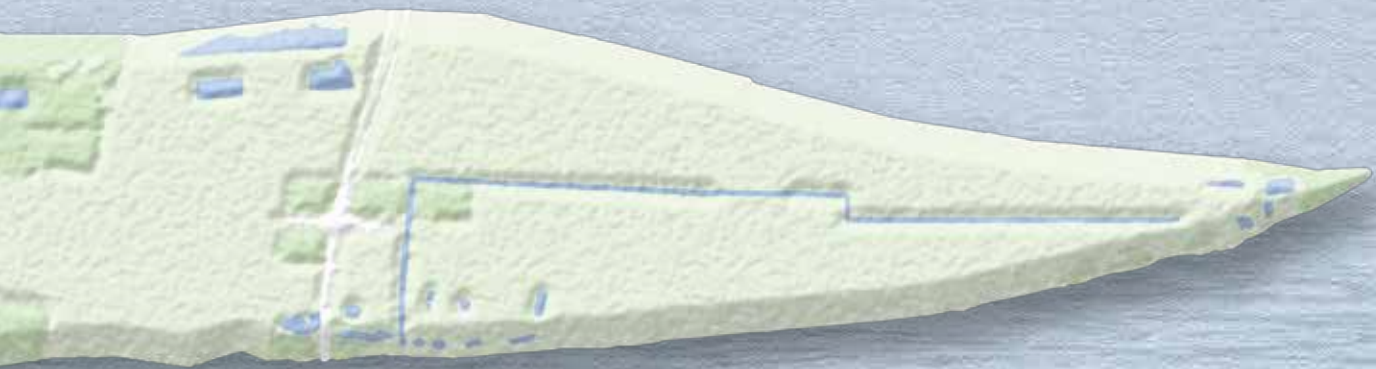
A paradise for bikers who flocked to the redwood avenues and riverside paths; that the island was until not so long ago only accessible by ferry served to intensify the attraction. The startlingly fresh local food as well as picking one's own grapes during the

festival (over 50,000 people descend on it each year)

were other key draws along with the experience of the ferry itself.

It therefore should not come as any surprise that more than a few hands went up in outcry when the bulldozers and cement mixers started rolling in a few years ago. The first inevitable price of progress was paid in 2010 as the Jiangxinzhou bridge opened to wheeled traffic on the east with the Yangtze River Tunnel to the west. We despaired at the prospect of ridiculously expensive villas and traffic jams ruining what was a perfectly acceptable retreat, to say nothing of the biological habitat. Then, as line 10 of the Nanjing Metro opened up last year in time for the Youth Olympics, and with a station on the island itself, details of what was truly afoot started to emerge.





Urbanisation has come to Jintan, yes, but not quite as we expected.

The eco-Island master plan will transform much of Jintan into an icon for 21st century Nanjing consisting of low-carbon, knowledge-intensive industry, while keeping the exceptional environment intact. A recreational, working and living environment for upwards of 150,000 people (the island previously supported approximately 20,000) that spans half of the little “continent” is the target by 2020. Partnered up in the remarkable effort are The City of Nanjing, Jiangsu Provincial Government and the Sino Singapore Eco High Tech Island Development Company.

Where the plan, that is at this point still a little horrifying, really comes into its own is on the environmental front. In what is being dubbed the “garden city”, called for are low carbon strategies, such as water reclamation, green energy and sustainable development. Overall, from the outset, the project set in stone guiding principles that would protect, preserve and enhance the existing wetlands on the island. Conserving the wetlands also afforded an opportunity to develop an interesting green concept for the project.

The island was categorised into different zones according to the environmental sensitivity study, with the most ecologically sensitive areas to be protected.

By optimising the landuse efficiency through control-

ling density and infrastructural modelling in the less ecologically sensitive areas, each area was treated as an eco-system within a larger eco-system.



With environmentally friendly solutions such as these tailored to the island's specific setting, it is hoped that they will transform it into a self-contained laboratory for high-tech farming, treatment of polluted waterways and ponds, wetland protection and rehabilitation as well as alternative use of by-products from a sewage treatment plant, all joined together by a green transport system.

This is where it all starts getting a little pie in the sky.

The proposed Zero-Emission Transportation System (ZETS) will see only electric cars permitted on the island, begging the question what is to be done with the above and all the petrol-driven cars on that big road bridge that leads into a gaping tunnel under the river on Jiangxinzhou itself, or that soon-to-open new tunnel which will be popping its head up on the island before darting through to Pukou?

Nevertheless, there has been no shortage of those wanting to get on board the project, likely to turn the island into a poster child for their very own environment-oriented initiatives.



Top of the list partnering with the development enterprise is Bayer Material Science who is designing low and zero energy buildings that operate on renewable sources, such as hydrogen and solar energy. Other sources of energy are photovoltaic and wind power, with it all mixed together and managed via a smart grid. Of their new relationship with the Singapore Nanjing Eco High-Tech Island Development Company, Dr. Michael Voigt, Director of Bayer ECB China, said, "It's a win-win for both parties to collaborate on the development of energy efficient buildings. This partnership opens up a golden opportunity for future collaboration in low carbon construction technologies. Apart from its uniqueness, sustainable buildings will add considerable value for the eco high-tech island".

Jiangxinzhou will also be the first innovative smart city development platform in China for IBM. In place of some of the island's rustic charms will soon be IBM's digital Internet technology development centre, an exhibition and cloud computing centre. Elsewhere, modern agricultural and service industries, Informa-

tion Technology firms and eco-environmental service organizations have all been targeted to expand the island's economy, and presumably to provide jobs for those living there who have had to leave their petrol-driven cars on the mainland.

Seriously though, keeping people away from cars and encouraging a "walking culture" is indeed part of the mission plan.

Housing in the new development is comprised of two "living communities"; essentially islands within an island that are each approximately 200 metres wide by 400 metres long. Such a size fits in perfectly with the dimensions of Jiangxinzhou itself. Between these two shall sit another island, comprising a commercial centre of mixed-use developments that can accommodate



culture and arts, and various entertainment activities. Each "island" is to be relatively independent, yet connected to each other through canals (water taxis are planned), green open space and roads.

So what's not to love? Well, very little, actually. The vision of the project might well be "A Vibrant Eco-Friendly Island" and "A Global Destination for High-Tech Research, Investment and Talent" or a "a world-class eco high-tech new township on a green intelligent island", yet much of the tranquil quality of the islet will remain, and for the most part that will be the nice scenic areas. For just as with the hutongs of Beijing and large swathes of the old Shanghai, a good deal of it was frankly demanding of demolition. Arising now from the dust is something akin to Florida, a soulless urban paradise, yet backed up against run-down farms that are slowly lost to the Everglades. The price tag? ¥100 billion, but it's really quite nice. **NX**

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GHOSTS IN THE MACHINE

WESTERN MEDIA MACHINATIONS CREATE URBAN MYTH

By Scott Rainen

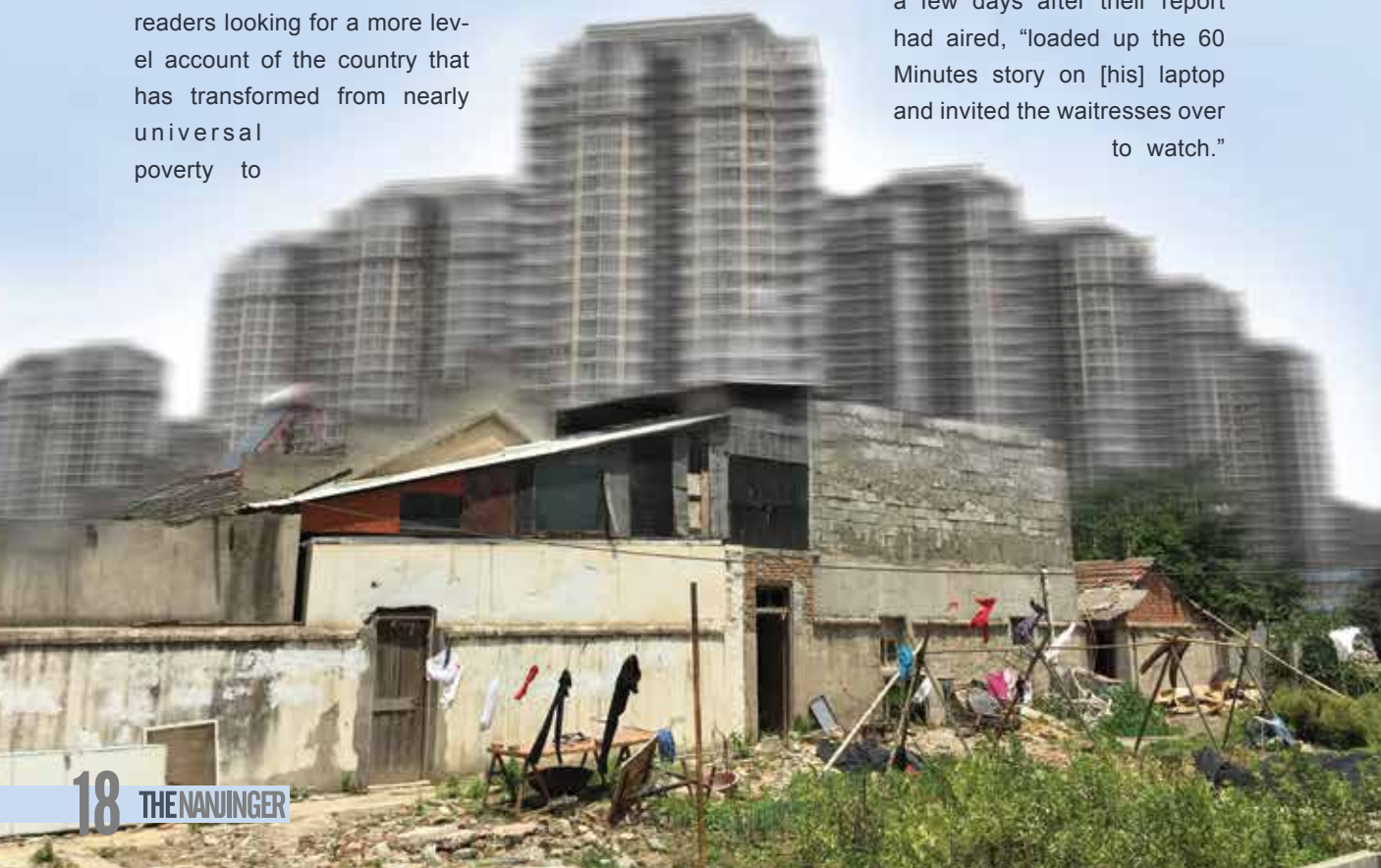
The selection of books regarding China in any given library is, generally speaking, diametric in nature. The opinions expressed by authors range from those predicting China will surpass the United States and be crowned the sole world power to those suggesting that its collapse is imminent. In many respects, to a casual, objective observer of the information produced in the West regarding China, it appears to be more focused on alleviating one's personal fears about the country or pandering to prejudices; if one thinks America, for example, is being poorly run, read books commending the Chinese economic surge; if one views China as a threat, read about its recklessness; its certain decline. Perhaps Wade Shepard's recent book, *Ghost Cities of China*, is attempting to make its bed with a third group of readers looking for a more level account of the country that has transformed from nearly universal poverty to

economic might within roughly the same time that Kansas City, my home, proposed a light rail system, voted in favour of it, and then essentially proceeded to not build it.

The book is very concerned with analysing and providing a touch of humanity to the largely unpopulated "ghost cities" that have popped up around China, captivating the world's attention.

Its attempts to debunk the popular Western narrative of these ghost cities have a modern, rogue-journalist feel.

For example, Shepard describes how he went to the city of Zhengdong, declared a "ghost city" by the popular American television program *60 Minutes*, only a few days after their report had aired, "loaded up the *60 Minutes* story on [his] laptop and invited the waitresses over to watch."



This anecdote from the book ended with the waitresses' surprise at the report's claim that there were no people in Zhengdong for "miles and miles," as it did not meet the reality of their lives; roughly 2.5 million people were living there at the time, more than the total population of Houston, Texas in just one Chinese city.

In addition to the portraits drawn up of his own endeavors to get to the reality of the "ghost cities" story, Shepard also touches on the grit of the issue at hand. He explains the policies behind the funding of these massive development projects and their expectations as well. He points out successes and failures and makes predictions for the future.

In the end, the book left me with the feeling that what makes the whole situation truly interesting is not its recklessness, but rather its unabashed rationality.

Today in China, economic models are being implemented religiously in the interest of rapidly urbanising the country. Subways, eco-friendly developments and the construction of virtually brand new cities are included in this drive that sometimes appears more like a well-thought-out game of Sim City than the management of a country itself. Furthermore, unlike the West, the Chinese do not seem concerned by this. The book posits, rather, that it is often seen as a necessary stepping-stone to the country's future.

In stark contrast to this national situation, I found the book to be both succinct and clear. With a mixture of personal anecdotes and analysis of outside research on the topic, Wade Shepard weaves together his take on the ghost cities of China. It felt balanced, neither proclaiming the situation's brilliance nor its insanity. Instead, the reader is left with a wealth of material to argue in support of either extreme. This is not an academic work per se, but it does provide a good

read for someone looking for a fair introduction to the Chinese phenomenon dubbed "ghost cities."

After finishing the book, I had the chance to sit down with Wade Shepard and talk about his work. At ten o'clock on a Saturday morning, Shepard was dressed smartly, sporting a long-sleeve suit jacket that nearly succeeded in concealing the wealth of tattoos that crept down his arms, but not quite. At his suggestion, we each ordered a pint. Below, I've included some of the highlights from our interview.

Q: Your book pointed out the 60 Minutes story regarding Zhengdong. Would you say they sacrificed good journalism in order to create a viral story?

"When the 60 Minutes report aired I was actually in Zhengdong New District, along with over a million other people. What was funny about the 60 Minutes ghost cities report was that within Zhengdong there are some developments that are so new that they are very much uninhabited, but they didn't film there. Instead they went right into the central business district, a place that is the banking capital of Henan province and has the regional headquarters of HSBC and all of China's big banks among its 150 financial institutions. What they said was empty for "miles and miles and miles and miles" was actually a place that was packed full of cars and people, corporate offices and businesses. I actually went to the same places and tried to get the same videos, but couldn't. There were just too many cars and too many people.

"We should talk about what good journalism is. In for-profit media, good journalism is what gets a captive audience. They love the idea of this crazy place on the other side of the world that does things we can't understand. It goes with the mentality that China is building their own doom. I don't want to say they lied. I just want to say they went to China with a pre-written script they were

bent on fulfilling by any means necessary.”

Q: A housing bubble largely fueled the 2008 financial crisis, but your book argues that a similar situation could not happen in China. How do you justify this statement?

“People in the USA were paying for this property with money they took out in loans, so when the property market started going down it caused an economic domino effect. It took many businesses down with it all the way up the chain. In China you won’t see this happen because people are buying lots of property with cash. They use cash and they use it to save their money. In order for a bubble to pop, you need a mass selloff. In China, there is no incentive for a massive selloff, because what are people going to do, sell the house and keep money in the bank? Store it in stocks or bonds? No. They’re buying houses because they have nothing else to do with their money.

“Recent measures have had a negative impact

on China’s housing market. Previously, housing in China was very opaque money laundering and stashing of illicitly received funds. With Xi’s crackdown, this major driver of real estate sales virtually disappeared overnight, but even this won’t cause the bubble to burst, if there ever was one.”

Q: Your book describes Chinese architecture as being at a point of adolescence. How do you see it developing?

“Well, communism essentially wiped the architectural slate clean. Everything was very pragmatic, but that’s not appealing right now. So afterwards it leads to this kind of artistic search. They are just trying new styles because they can. I think China is in this crazy kind of adolescent phase; you dress kind of funny, trying to wear new clothes and find your own style. Overall it’s just like Chinese mass culture. It’s a culture that’s still searching, trying to find its own footing, and its no better manifested than in its architecture.”

My interview with Wade Shepard left a great



deal to be digested. From his contention that media outlets on which the West depends are unreliable, to his anecdote-driven arguments as to why we should not sensationalize our reporting of China (e.g. through footage of “ghost cities”, filmed during Chinese New Year), my interview with Shepard, along with his book, was not merely about ghost cities in China. It also got at the deeper questions regarding the ways in which we should report on China, not to mention the future of this ever-fluctuating country, as well.

Towards the end of our interview, Shepard and I discussed the differences between ghost cities in the United States and those in China. As he explained in his book, the abandoned towns found in the rust belts of America are victims of a changing economy. Walking through them, one may wonder, “what happened here?” But in China this is not the case.

Walking through the empty ghost cities of China, the compelling question is “What will happen here?”

Posing this question to Shepard obviously elicited an avalanche of theories, from the idea that the current buildings are temporary and will be rebuilt later, to the reality that our understanding of China is limited because it is doing things that have never been done before. Eventually he arrived at his conclusion and, in a moment of genuine honesty, proclaimed; “So basically what I’m saying is I have no idea.”

Just as a college professor explained to me how he was taught in 1990 that the Soviet Union would last for at least another fifty years; we just don’t know. That said, the one thing Ghost Cities of China truly impressed upon me is the notion that these uninhabited cities are part of a coherent plan, and will probably be populated and functioning normally long before any light rail trains become a viable means of mass transportation in Kansas City. **NK**

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SECOND GLANCE

With Andy Heath

Pictures and additional reporting by Siyang Yu

My first encounter with Mr. Jiang has a magical quality. We meet at seven o'clock on a misty morning beside Xuanwu Lake. A small man standing behind a large tree, he is entirely hidden from view. Only the pure tone of his zhudi, or bamboo flute, gliding through the melody of a Chinese folk song, tells me I am in the right place.

China is home to a vast, varied family of blown instruments like the zhudi. They have different names in different places. They are made of woods, metals, even jade. They almost all have six finger holes and are played across the mouth, like a Western flute, rather than end-blown, like a recorder.

Fifteen years ago, a six-holed bone flute was dug up in Henan province. Carbon dated to 9,000 years ago, it would seem perfectly familiar to any modern zhudi player. These instruments are part of a truly ancient world of music-making.

This is the world I enter as I step behind the tree into a little glade, shaded by the city wall. Mr. Jiang finishes his song, the last note hanging in the air. He lowers his flute, looks down, turns slightly away from me, then glances back up with warm, friendly eyes. At first he doesn't say much, answering questions briefly but politely. He's in his 70's and has been playing for ten years. No, he's never had a lesson. Yes, he practices for several hours every day. As he talks, he plucks a leaf from a bush and shreds it between his thumb and forefinger.

Then he shifts the conversation away from himself to his instrument and the music he plays. "I love the songs of the grasslands, the wilderness," he explains. "They have meaning: 'I Will Meet You at the Journey's End,' 'A Girl from Arli Mountain.' I don't even need to know the words. Just the music changes my mood. It has a feeling. And that feeling matches the sound of the zhudi." Soon his talking is unprompted. His arms break into gesture and throaty chuckles punctuate his Chinese. "The real nomads play a smaller flute," he says. "It's easier to travel with if you have to carry everything."

I ask him about Western music. "When I was a child I did not receive a good education. Nothing about foreign music. But when I listen to it, I can understand, I can hear similarities. Just listening, you can understand things. I once saw an Indian film, about a traveller. I don't know the language but I understood the music. Now I play Indian music."

I am about to ask more when he lifts his flute and begins to play. He sways, one foot gently tapping, as he passes from passages of breathy staccato to clear, lilting notes that carry through the air. When he finishes, he notices that walkers have slowed down or stopped to listen. He looks away, embarrassed.

Has he ever visited the grasslands? "No," he laughs. "I went to Anhui Province once, to visit the mountains in Guangde County. While I was walking, I found a cavern and began playing inside. When I finished, there was a crowd of hikers listening. The echo made it sound so beautiful."

As I get ready to leave, I ask him if he always plays alone. "No," he replies. "Many musicians come to the lake. Singers, a violinist, an erhu player, someone else with a zhudi. I enjoy playing with them. But I never make plans. I also love to play alone." **NK**





Umami in Tea

■ ***“It don’t mean a thing if it ain’t got weijing.”***

Few ingredients are more contentious than MSG (味精 wèijīng), aka monosodium glutamate, flavour enhancer or yeast extract. For some people, no dish is “complete” without it; certainly no restaurant dish. Yet, many Chinese cooks will boast that they “never use it”, usually overlooking the fact that it’s in their soy sauce, chicken powder, pickles. It is not added to tea. Read on to find out why it doesn’t need to be.

Whether or not MSG is risky (and that’s another debate), there is a perception that it is somehow cheating your senses, distorting the playing field for making guests say “wow”. And we perhaps worry that it is recalibrating our taste faculties, making it impossible to enjoy non-processed ingredients without a laboratory-manufactured contrivance.


In fact, the origins of “gourmet powder” are not as cynical as certain other ingredients (palm oil, for example). Legend has it that in 1908 the Japanese scientist Kikunae Ikeda was drinking seaweed soup and wondering what made it taste so “meaty”. Having pronounced this taste as “umami” (deliciousness), he was soon able to isolate the compound responsible and produce it in raw form.

It’s not only seaweed, parmesan cheese, tomatoes and fragrant mushrooms (香菇) that have since been described as naturally umami-rich, but also several teas; most of them greens. The amino acid theanine, a determinant in the flavour of green tea, is a compound very close in structure to the MSG glutamate. When tea leaves are exposed to sunlight, this compound is converted into the polyphenols that form tea’s tannic qualities. Shaded or quickly-picked varieties of green tea therefore often have more pronounced umami flavours, with less astringency.

“Mouth-filling” and “meaty” are terms often used to describe the umami aspects of such teas. There is a distinct nuttiness to Anji Bai Cha (安吉白茶) that correlates with its high amino acid content. And there have long been comparisons made between the unique taste of Long Jing (龙井茶) and roast chicken.

It is perhaps no coincidence that among the most umami-rich teas are Japanese greens; umami is the main criterion on which Gyokuro leaves are judged. Its richness here may perhaps also be attributed to the relative absence of fertiliser (as well as the shading) used in their nurturing.

Amino acids are the “building blocks” of proteins. Yet, even if they are not so aligned as to form solid chains, compounds like these offer satisfying, complex flavours. Green tea is a way of enjoying these unique flavours, calorie free! Other Chinese teas contain a smaller share of these compounds but, for quite different reasons, still manage to taste sweet, and “mouth-filling”.

Personally, I do not believe that even artificially-manufactured umami can distort the human palate, as long as we accept this concept in our vocabulary; either as a yummy loan word or an entirely new one. As with salt, sugar or fat, we just need to focus on the benefit and enjoyment brought with each successive bite or sip. 

RIVER TO RIVER

By Bobby Gentry & Wang Tiantian

Clay taken from the Mississippi and Yangtze rivers is set to unite contemporary artists from the twinned cities St. Louis and Nanjing. With just two weeks until the exhibition "River to River" opens, The Nanjinger was invited into the contemporary artists' inner circle to witness the collaborative processes found at the 1865 Creative Park.

The collective is made up of four individuals with very varying degrees of experience with China. From first timers to regulars, overseas Chinese to born-and-bred locals, this colourful group of people draw on inspiration from their Chinese surroundings in order to create art in very different fashions.

Ron Fondaw focuses on the powers invisible to us all. Over the last month one of his art projects has been a pixelated photographic montage, which he wishes the viewer to move through, wanting nothing to be static, presenting a time-based hybrid, which he intends the audience to traverse.

A second project includes a plastic mold, in which are placed Nanjing's renowned Yuhua Stones. With great enthusiasm Fondaw explains how this work came into existence through a collaboration with local artists, who assisted Ron in understanding the cultural aspects and Chinese principles of aesthetics.

His successful cooperation is certainly in no small part due to his humble approach to the whole experience. "My real interest is in interacting with the Chinese people in as many different ways as I can; not to change them, although it's always reciprocal, but to change myself. That's what art is for me; it's a tool for understanding myself and my place in the world".

After his stay in Nanjing, Fondaw concludes that once you peel the layers of stereotype away, we are not really that different. He illustrates this by pointing to the strong connections between Nanjing and its sister city St. Louis, from which he hails; both sharing common interests, aliking St. Louis' Eads

bridge to Nanjing's Yangtze River Bridge, and St. Louis' Sycamore trees to Nanjing's Plane trees. This optimistic approach to the exchange is certainly visible in his art and in his demeanour, a poster child for successful cultural exchange.

Perhaps the most inspiring aspect for any true artist in such an endeavour is the process of finding oneself in entirely new surroundings and interpreting them on a mental and an artistic level.



Noah Kirby, a metal fabricator, became interested in Arte Povera with its everything used and repurposed mantra as a starting point for his creative process. This being Noah's first visit to Nanjing, he looked beyond language, taking inspiration from markings for navigational aids, signage and posts. He noticed the heavy reliance of scaffoldings on buildings, strong use of patterns and began to build a visual response to this stimulus. He said, "That's the thing that really stands out [about China]; there's pattern everywhere. It's sensory overload".

River to River runs from 10th June to 10th July, 2015, at the Founder Art District in 1865 Creative Park. Find out more at www.hellonanjing.net/river2river



Catherine Magel started out with simple walks through her Nanjing neighbourhood which resulted in the creation of a series of paintings incorporating reclaimed objects from her mini adventures. Something that particularly caught her attention was how locals stack countless items on top of each other or build entire constructs by tying them together with string. Magel in turn used this practice to bind together her 3D creations. "It is so interesting how back in the US you have artists who build constructs and then you have drivers and people transporting things. But here everyone is an artist by the way they tie layers and layers of material together."

Relating her experience of simply stepping outside and looking at her surroundings, the glimmer of excitement in Magel's eyes is hard to miss. She sees young people playing badminton, old people practicing Taiji, all the wonders one discovers upon newly arriving in China. One cannot help but envy her for the sheer joy of discovering an entirely new culture many expats have already traded in for a more sombre view.

Wu Wing Yee, a Hong Kong born ceramist, works predominantly in St. Louis and New York. She feels her work in Nanjing is subconsciously connected to culture. After walking through Nanjing, gathering discarded objects, keeping in mind that anything can be extended to sculptural form, she records time in journey through responding to those forms in ceramics.



Collaborating with renowned ceramist and lecturer at Nanjing Institute, Lu Bin, who has also been invaluable to the collective in securing studio and exhibition space, the two are creating visual responses in ceramics to each other's work. Through sculptural forms employing clay from both Mississippi and Nanjing, River to River is a fascinating personification of the sister city relationship; visiting artists from abroad and locals coming together to produce something new. **WY**





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METROPOLIS OR GHOST TOWN

A STORY OF CITIES WITHOUT PEOPLE

When taking the bullet train from Nanjing to Beijing, observe the surreal scenes of grey, skeletal, high-rise residential and office blocks, the sad blank squares of the windows failing to conceal the fact they are empty of both interiors and inhabitants. Here are ghostly gusts of wind, not the clamour of construction. The views resemble stage sets from Fritz Lang's silent film *Metropolis*, (1927) inspired by his first sighting of the Manhattan skyline as he sailed in from Germany. As in the film, families of skyscrapers, freeways and metro links (ok, maybe not the biplanes) abound. Since the 90's, new cities have risen phoenix-like and at a speed of development unheard of in the West where a patchwork of private ownership makes large building projects such a costly and time-consuming business. Here is

the real estate bubble writ large before your very eyes, and not on a dry balance sheet.

The truth is that more than 60 million empty apartments await buyers. 50 percent of the population are reported to be "worried" about high house prices and the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences estimated in late 2009 that residential property was too expensive for an alarming 85 percent of people. Premier Li Keqiang stated in March that "we must avoid the typical urban malady where skyscrapers coexist with shanty towns", but in less favoured areas, this is in fact what is occurring. Is doomsday imminent (as in the US collapse of the housing market after the demise of the Lehmann Brothers in 2008), or is China riding the inevitable wave that comes from the urbanization of 400 million people in 20 years?

To understand the nature of the beast is to know that a new China is needed (fast) and urban planning does not want to preserve the old. Nanjing's 1900s grey brick two

-storey terraces being rebuilt around Zhou Enlai's former courtyard is the exception not the rule. In just two years, between 2011 and 2012, the country produced more cement than the US did in the entire 20th century to feed the maw of construction. To obtain this, whole mountains have been halved in size for their limestone. Secondly, no one actually owns property; the state owns all of the land, generating vast income for the local authorities by means of government leases (of 30-70 years) to the property developers. This has not, however, prevented a distorted property market developing along the line of London's with its high private rents, a lack of social housing, and an exponential rise in the use of property as investment by the middle classes as well as commercial investors. Finally, urbanisation is far more lucrative than agriculture, so the municipalities have no choice but to lease out their land to pay for urban necessities such as infrastructure, education, health and social services.

To revive the comatose housing market, in early March this year the People's Bank of China announced a surprise rate cut following last year's 4.5 percent drop in housing prices. Furthermore, policies which encourage investors to "sit on" unfitted-out flats are being phased out. In more prosperous areas, the problem is solving itself as new businesses or universities arrive, encouraged by a policy of low or even no rents, plus a metro link. This kick starts occupation. There is a desperate need to increase the proportion of social housing to 25 percent from the present lowly 3 percent to avoid growing inequality, and this policy is in the pipeline. However,

in reality, house prices need to fall further in order to entice buyers from poor quality homes into the new blocks.



Back to Lang's *Metropolis*. In the story, a vast army of workers live underground in an urban dystopia contrasting with their masters' life of ease in the skyscrapers. Liberated from their masters, the masses emerge to

enjoy the leisured life of the middle classes in the tower blocks. Just remember, Pudong, Shanghai's Central Business District was once seen as a "ghost city" but is now one of the most prosperous and populated places on earth. So, as in the film, will there be a happy ending? **NUX**

AROUND CHINA IN 80 MINUTES

It is easy to forget looking out of one's window at the sea of skyscrapers that Nanjing also has some incredible green spots giving nature a space. One outstanding example of sustainable urban planning and of what Nanjing's moniker of "green city" looks like in practice is the Green Expo Garden (绿博园). Less commonly known in English as Virescence Exposition Centre; this is another case of locals seemingly picking the most fancy sounding word from an English dictionary.

The Green Expo Garden is many things; first and foremost a botanical exhibition. It features a breadth of offerings to keep the whole family occupied for a day out, and to add to the excitement, at no cost whatsoever. Opened in 2005 for the "First China International Virescence Exhibition", the GEG's aim was to be a green exhibition centre and botanical garden rolled into one. Since its construction a decade ago, the site has further become a hot-spot for family outings with a full blown-playground that even includes a basic climbing construct and is certainly every toddler's dream.

Personal highlight are the "provincial gardens". While there is always this strange connotation of the word "provincial" to English natives, it has in China been reappropriated to one that is very commonly used as a translation for anything related to the nation's large and plenty provinces.

To be found in the South-Eastern area of the park (or rather, walk through the main gates opposite Lvboyuan metro exit 2, turn left, across the basketball court and then straight ahead onto one of the small walkways, if you are not into cardinal directions and interpreting what the moss on the tree reveals in the directional sense), the provincial gardens are no more and no less than what they promise to be; a collection of small botanical installations from each province featuring characteristic architecture, gardening implements and ever so slightly cringe-worthy animal statues.

My European mind always laughed off the idea of simplistic "copies" of locations in that slightly ignorant way that one believes "nothing can compare to the original". Places such as Shenzhen's "Window to the World" with miniature copies of the Louvre and Eiffel Tower, or Shanghai's suburban British town with its red telephone booths only seem to reinforce the negative stereotype in many a Westerners mind that all the Chinese do is copy everyone else.

Yet wandering along the admittedly slightly crude replications of Guizhouvian, Inner Mongolian and Tibetan gardens, one cannot help but give in to a feeling of enjoyment.



OUT & ABOUT GREEN EXPO GARDEN

By Louise Nutchey

After all, while perhaps not quite as grand as the original, these gardens can give you a taste of all the variety China has to offer, plus a feeling for the distinctions between each province, and all of this in a short walk. Hop from the Xiamen garden with its otherworldly tea pot and goddess statue right into the farmer's den of Guizhou. If ever you needed proof that each of China's provinces might well be its own country, here it is right under your nose.

More importantly, the attitude that the original is always better admittedly stems from the very fortunate perspective of a person who can afford to just jump on a plane to even the farthest reaches of the country, if she so desired. Many locals, though, might not have that luxury. For them the provincial gardens are a fabulous method of learning about the diversity of their own country.

The Jiangsu gardens are, to no one's surprise, easily the highlight of the bunch; a typical Southern garden with nooks and crannies, the well-known delicate architectural style and a little rock-garden including a waterfall. Even on a Saturday around noon there are hardly any people to be found here and sitting next to the little lake, listening to the calming sound of the rushing waterfall, you will be hard pressed to find a more relaxing lunch break in the entire city.

It does admittedly get a little confusing when suddenly North Korea appears amongst these provincial gardens; was there a political implication here? In actual fact, North Korea is not the only international presence on site. The Dutch Garden was a project with Nanjing's sister city of Eindhoven, who provided assistance with the construction of the little village in the style of the Netherlands complete with windmill and barn (incorporating imported thatch). In exchange, a Southern Chinese garden found its home in the country of cheese and wooden slippers. The idyllic European scenery has become a major favourite with couples taking wedding photographs to no great surprise, as this is certainly the most intricate collection of architecture to be found in the entire compound.

Further down south find the "sea of flowers", a fabulous open space with an atrium-like construct at its centre overlooking the Yangtze River, with Jiangxinzhou staring back from the opposite shore, that again benefits from a noticeable lack of human presence. The red walkways that run found here are ideal for a moderately tiring, inner city biking tour; a great opportunity to rent one of the orange Hexi bikes and take them for a spin. Proceed in the direction of the Binjiang Olympic park, home to Nanjing's first foot bridge across the Yangtze, the Nanjing Eye, and you will find a seemingly endless stretch of the red asphalt ironically marked "greenway" and even less people. Cycling along the banks of the river with no soul in sight might even make you forget you are in the world's most populous country. **NIX**





Wine & Song

Rick Staff
with a remit to sniff, taste,
and spit his way around Nanjing
and disseminate the drinkable.

POINT SYSTEM

0-10 A WARNING
11-14 A Feasible Party Prop
15-17 Heartily Recommended
17-19 Exceptionally Good
20 The Apotheosis Of
WINE EXPRESSION



■ Outside a fermentation room in Fenouillèdes, a wine region nestled in the foothills of the Pyrénées and known to attract a certain type, my ears were met with the solemn reverberations of a cello. Courtesy of a hirsute bohème seated next to a large wooden wine vat tenderly embracing said instrument, affecting a stare into the middle distance through amplified Sartre-style eyewear, he whispered, “It relaxes the wine”, without the merest soupçon of a smile. It is an indelible impression, unfortunately, and I unfailingly choke on those challenging spectacles every time I taste that very vineyard’s wines.

Memories, you see, are mighty powerful when it comes to matters of taste. Just as old Heraclitus mesmerisingly put it; “no man steps in the same stream twice”. The stream is ever changing and we are changed by our experience. Thus, we never drink the same wine twice. Flavours and textures on the tongue, along with aromas drawn through the nose, intertwine and then colour our minds with historical connotations, all conniving to eventually render an impression in the cerebral cortex we call taste. Music similarly matures on each listen and though it may not move fermenting grape juice so tangibly it must surely also play an evocative, if often unwitting, role in our gustatory evaluations. In fact, scientific studies suggest music does have a significant part to play in taste. One such led by a Dr. Adrian North (British Journal of Psychology, Vol. 103, Aug 2012, if you feel the need) found that more zingy upbeat sounds indeed made the wine taste more energetic and refreshing than when drunk in silence; play something more mellow then the wine was found to take a more mellifluous turn, a dose of Tchaikovsky; and the wine tasted more sophisticated and refined; and with Orff’s Carmina Burana in the background a robust Shiraz was experienced as more dramatic and broad-shouldered than when unaccompanied. On which note herewith find a couple of useful summer drinkers alongside my extensively trialled recommendations for musical synergy, and scored as such (further improved when the tongue is placed just very slightly in cheek).

If you can still any snobbery you might have over the McDonalds-ish global brand assault of the Aussie giants Jacob’s Creek, then to loosen the collar on a hot afternoon consider their Brut Chardonnay Pinot Noir sparkler. This makes a fine alternative to Prosecco for reasonably priced fizz when trying to duck the Champagne price cartel (a snip below the average from BHG at ¥188). Far fruitier than your Italian sparkler, it immediately gives up a generous hit of citrus, which culminates in a richly satisfying mouthful of creamy, nutty, yeasty flavours... Salted peanuts anyone? Charles Mingus and Friends, dazzlingly jocular rendition of Dizzy Gillespie’s bebop classic, live at Massey Hall in ’53 for the jazzers, charges the bubbles in the glass with the same erratic brilliance, wresting your soul from the torpor of the workplace in one effervescent swirl and a big high hat 18 point hit. Then if the day after calls for something more serene and introspective, Auchan’s Touraine Gamay 2013 from the Loire valley (currently just 70 bucks) is quiet, soft and ripe for reminiscence and really came to life alongside Autumn Leaves as rustled up, very recently, by Bob Dylan. Picking an elegiac path through the coppice of wistfulness, those iconic vocals are full of fragile charm alongside the wine’s soothing interlocutions of light cherry with those softly sawing guitar strings drawing it all to a plateau of delicious contemplation. Or simply savour chilled if picnic heat salve is required, just add a pinch of birdsong (a versatile 18.5 points). **NH**

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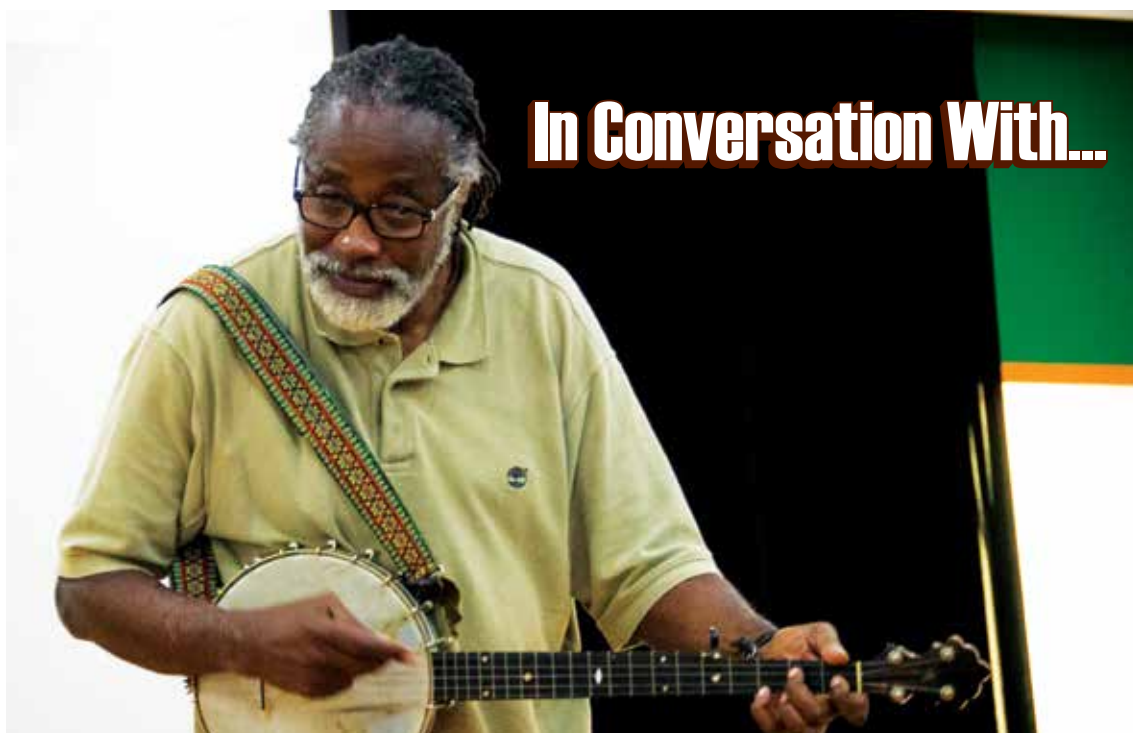
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In Conversation With...

Planetwalker, environmentalist and TED speaker DR. JOHN FRANCIS

By Frank Hossack

...who spent 22 years without boarding a motorised vehicle, silent for 17 years of which, on the power of observation; on taking a moment, stopping and looking around, rather than moving on quickly through our busy lives.

"Today we're driving through cities, we're driving through the countryside, and we look out and say, 'Gee, isn't that nice'. If we don't stop at a town or a gas station, we miss all of that. If we get in a plane we never see that. So as time goes on, this is an experience that is going away, because

of our development. We're missing each other, we're not experiencing the richness of who we are, because we have developed to such a degree that we don't need to. We have cars, and now we have this other thing called the smart phone, which allows us to have relationships with people that we don't even know, and we don't even see. In the United States it is becoming and more and more difficult for students and young people just to have a conversation face to face; 'I'd rather do it on my smart phone'."

In China for the second time, Francis is drumming up support for his new initiative that hopes to get people talking to each other once again, but this time by truly listening, and observing. Travel is often said to be the greatest educator; Francis has proven if done on foot it is the greatest of all. Enter the fray the Walking Campus, a coordinated effort to allow schools to send pupils on their little (or large) walk across China, soaking in the educational experience it offers. A year in the development, the Walking Campus will be supported by an alternative energy vehicle, providing the logistical back up and connectivity required to bring 12 or 15 students along for the trip, be it for a week or a whole term.

"As we move along and arrive in different communities this walking campus becomes a workshop and a community resource for the people in that community. We listen to what their problems are, and maybe we have some way of helping them to solve that, or not. But we're listening."



LET'S GET PHYSICAL

By Nick McBride

A Change is as Good as a Rest

I know. You've been on the countdown for a while now. Looking ahead to stepping off life's treadmill. Sitting back, maybe in a favourite local, maybe in a totally new, exotic destination. Taking in the scenery, the sights, the smells. Small children playing happily at your feet (I've taken it too far, haven't I...). At any rate, THIS is the time of year that we live for; don't try to deny it, all you "I love my job" types. Everyone needs a break from the old routine; it's what keeps us sane.

Now, fast forward two months' time. Visualize. It's the eve before you go back to work after your holiday. You're jet-lagged as hell. You can't remember your computer password. That new initiative that you were supposed to read up on over the summer is starting, and needless to say, less high-brow publications seemed to take precedence. Just to add to the joy, you're now 5kg heavier and none of your work clothes fit properly. Nobody likes an over-hang when starting a new initiative, people.


I'm all for a break, but consider that a change is not just as good as but superior to a rest. Changing your activity to something new is good for body, mind and soul. Find muscles you never knew you had, find a new passion, meet new people and open your mind to new possibilities. Exciting things happen, when you do exciting things. This holiday is not what comes at the end. THIS is a beginning!

Have a look where you are going and see

what's on offer. Take some surfing lessons. How about some wall-climbing? Take up boxing. Look for walking, running or biking groups. Horse-riding even. Me? I'm going to learn to paddle board this summer. The great thing about trying something new is that your mind will be so engaged in this new pursuit, that you won't even notice that you're working your body too. Win-Win; that is unless you fall off your board, smack yourself in the face with the paddle and lose your dignity at the same time; but then at least you have a hilarious story to tell when you're back in Nanjing and ultimately, you never have to see those people again. I will also add that, although darts is apparently a legitimate sport, it doesn't count. Like reading a magazine on the stationary bike. **It does NOT count.**

Similarly with diet. Whilst we're on the treadmill of life, we tend to eat the same things over and over. This is your chance to give your gut a holiday too. Look for local fresh foods that you can't get here in Nanjing. Who knows, after a few weeks away from it, you may come back craving that tofu (no promises).

So go and enjoy that well earned holiday from your normal life. Go make it extraordinary, and then come back ready to dive into that new initiative, minus the extra kg's.

Added tip; write your computer password down on a piece of paper and store it on the fridge. 

Gastronomy

Wot, No Mushy Peas?

Benny Teddy Fish & Chips

By Cromwell Wu



Opened up over the last few months, Nanjing's latest attempt at the British staple Fish'n'Chips is bang on the money, in some ways at least.

Benny Teddy have gone to great lengths to project an air of British authenticity, going so far as to suggest they have shops in London, Manchester, Sheffield and Swansea, "since 1860". Truth be told, Google has never heard of Benny Teddy. There's even a hilarious video on the Benny Teddy WeChat account with a non-native speaker trying to copy the voice of *Come Dine With Me*, and very badly too.

If there is anything to convince that this is indeed a British firm that has opened up shop in China, it is the taste and quality of the fish itself; 100 percent pure sea cod, in crispy batter, identical to that found back in Blighty. Elsewhere on the menu (it's fish and seafood only) are to be found interesting local offerings all given a good battering, such as fish balls and shrimps with heads, tails and all.

As for the chips, we can hardly expect the same welcoming stodge of home, but thankfully Benny Teddy are not insulting us by presenting French Fries. Something in the middle is the compromise and they happily come with a dusting of

paprika. Yet, the salt is missing and so is the vinegar. In their place however, are five different kinds of sauces; tomato ketchup is complimented by honey and mustard mayonnaise, Australian spicy mayonnaise, Thousand Island Dressing and Berlin sweet mayonnaise.

And yes, they ARE served up in newspaper! But it's fake newspaper, especially printed for the enterprise, adorned with headlines from the wonderful world of chips, and stories of the cultural associations with being an island, from a culinary perspective, that is. No soggy mess too, the paper is thick enough to be formed into a robust cone from which one can snack while staring at the big screen, in the case that you have purchased from the New City Mall location.



But alas, no mushy peas, deep fried sausages, gravy, curry sauce, black pudding or haggis. What is wrong with this world? Find Benny Teddy Fish & Chips in The Central (Xinjiekou), Aqua City, New City Mall (Hexi) and Raydu Mall (Jiangning). Additional locations in Shanghai, Hangzhou, Suzhou and Yangzhou. **NUX**

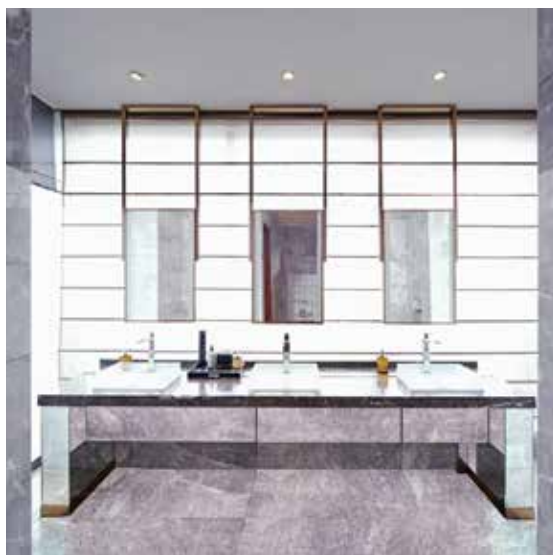
Relaxation Indulgence!

Willow Stream Spa at Fairmont

By Lulu Wang

■ *Once a good friend of mine told me that there is no point in working so hard if you do not allow yourself to enjoy the rewards of that effort. Regardless of bills and pressing responsibilities, it is ok to once in a while spend some time and splash some cash to have a little break and treat yourself. Such is unsurprisingly also recommended by doctors.*

Tired as I always feel, I could not think of something better for me than a spa treatment and fortunately Nanjing is not short of places that offer a first class experience, with a lot of highly reputed local spa parlours and the biggest hotel chains in the world clambering over each other with their best offerings, making the selection not an easy task. One that sparked my interest was The Willow Stream Spa at Fairmont Nanjing; open now for only a year but nevertheless Fairmont have managed to become a very popular place among visitors and locals. For that reason it took me a couple of days to get an appointment, which in my mind was a really good sign.




Upon arrival, the place was to set me in the right mood for the experience; the decoration is sober and minimalistic without compromising elegance. I was introduced to a reserved area with lockers where I could leave my clothes and

other belongings and was given a comfy bathrobe and also disposable underwear.

Before starting the actual spa treatment I could enjoy areas such as the swimming pool, which Fairmont proudly announce as the highest pool in Nanjing, a spacious sauna room with a beautiful ice dispenser by the door that looks like a piece of modern art pulled out of a gallery, and my favourite choice; the heated relaxation chairs submerged in tempered, bubbly water, which by the way are smartly located right in front of a panoramic window with a stunning view of the city, allowing you to enjoy something reminiscent of bath in the clouds, nothing short of a god-like feeling (chuckle).



As hard as it was to leave the clouds, it was time for the main treat. Filled with subtle and soothing aromas, the spa room was also very spacious, with an additional area for sitting, relaxing and watching TV. I was asked if I had any specific preference for my treatment; again a hard choice given the variety. Needless to say the treatment was great, it was an hour of real tension release helped by a combination of creams, oils, essences and aromas in the hands of a professional. After the treatment was over, I was permitted to take as much time as I needed to relax in a comfy chair watching TV or in the heated chairs had I wished.

While the experience of having a spa treatment is usually satisfactory, attention to detail and caring service can make the big jump from mediocre to great. Other than the moment while walking in a public access hallway to the spa room wearing nothing but my robe, the Willow Stream Spa at Fairmont Nanjing is an experience that I would look forward to repeating. 

Cinema

Running Out of Time

Tomorrowland

By Laura Helen Schmitt

The mistake of *Tomorrowland* was trying to be different. The latest real life Disney adventure takes inspiration from a brilliant idea developed by Walt Disney in his last days. The “Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow” (EPCOT) was a project of the mega studio’s founder, in which he envisaged a “community of the future” where America’s corporations would put on their thinking caps to create new urban living innovations.

Tomorrowland, an utopian city made up of artists and scientists and people who are “not politicians”, is based on EPCOT and is without doubt visually breathtaking. The entire movie is most convincing in its visuals; an idealised vision of the past at 1964’s World Fair in Disney World pitched versus an aesthetically and conceptually stunning future and, finally, our bleak reality of environmental and humanitarian disaster.

While the film does attempt to send a strong message about the devastating situation the world faces today and most of society’s unwillingness to do anything about it, the terrible storytelling is entirely incapable of inciting any deeper soul searching and critical reflection on the viewer’s part.

The movie begins in a type of vlog format, in which Clooney’s character Frank Walker and later Casey, the second main protagonist beside the man who only seems to become more handsome with each passing year, talk directly to the camera. During the initial sequences Casey keeps interrupting Walker, in an attempt to create a light, bantering atmosphere. Sadly this is taken too far, disrupting the narrative too much, making it difficult to get into the story right from the outset; certain death for any movie. The vlog format used in the intro is an attempt to try something new by incorporating this type of media use still in its infancy into a big screen movie. However, it feels slightly foreign here since unlike movies such as *The Blair Witch Project*, where an early type of vlogging is incorporated into the overall narrative, *Tomorrowland* uses the speech to camera format only in the beginning. All in all, the initial part of the movie in terms of filming and even dialogue is just incredibly clumsy; one expects more from the director Brad Bird, who brought us *The Incredibles*.

As the film continues, the storyline struggles to unravel, tying a noose for itself. The plot has so many holes and such a lack of backstory, it feels like a summary of a film written by an elemen-



tary school student rather than an actual professional production. We learn that utopia has failed because of a machine built by Walker, yet why exactly that is the case and where the other dimension’s inhabitants are remains unanswered. Killer robots are following Casey, yet again there is no clear explanation as to why. A puppy love story between a posh British robot and George Clooney’s younger self is revealed in less than bite-sized chunks that are simply too insignificant to engage the viewer. Instead, you walk out of the movie feeling unsatisfied and still hungry. *Tomorrowland* is the McDonalds of movie productions.

In terms of the cast, probably the most impressive feat is their managing to find an actor who actually looks like a mini version of Clooney with slightly chubbier cheeks. “Swooney” is his usual dashing self, displaying the minor acting talent we have come to know and love. Flashback to *Solaris* days, he should probably chose his SciFi flicks with greater care or stick to the rugged and lovable criminal gig. Raffy Cassidy, who plays Athena, the robot and Clooney Jr.’s love interest though is a rather interesting persona. Hollywood has recently developed a growing passion for posh British females; Cassidy with her stiff upper lip and Queen’s English is the personification of the uptight lady stereotype we needn’t look far to discover again in *Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*’s Jemma Simmons. Oh, how I would love to take those American film producers for a ride to Newcastle; I daresay they would be surprised.

Upon reflection, there is not much that *Tomorrowland* does right. Aside from some seriously stunning CGI of what the future could look like, the film falls incredibly short of any other meaning. Interestingly though, it can be seen as an analogy for Disney Studios’ own history. Under Walt Disney it became the Dream Factory, an utopia full of artists coming together to create something miraculous, yet after his death, like *Tomorrowland*, the company fell into a dark pit throughout the eighties, only to reemerge in the nineties stronger than ever. The instructions to the army of young robots at the end of the movie is to “go out and find dreamers” the same way Disney has been and is doing every day. **NR**

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Zhenqianghui Guns Club

- There is something slightly disconcerting about picking up a gun anywhere, but in China it is overwhelmingly bizarre. Zhenqianghui Guns Club is Nanjing's only shooting club, located, again somewhat incredulously, in a mall, or close to it, in the Jiaye International building (the big red one) opposite the Olympic Centre. Professional instructors are on standby to offer advice and load the guns, and yes, they are dressed in camouflage. Choose from three rifles and four side arms including the infamous Beretta that was 007's choice in the first six Bond films. Queues at the weekend, but that's what the leather couches with Union Jack cushions are for. ID card/ passport required. 4F, Building 5, Jiaye International City, 158 Lushan Lu 庐山路158号嘉业国际城5号楼4楼, Tel: 58933600. **NIX**





Nanjing International School
Colour me International
13 May

Based on the story *Where Rainbow Butterfly Belongs* by Joy Findlay, the NIS Arts department proudly put on this year's Early Years showcase, *Colours of the World*, in the school's Performing Art Centre. Elsewhere, visitors appreciated the Grade 5 exhibition.





Nanjing Rockets And We'll Keep on Fighting to the End

9th May

Nanjing Rockets ended their competitive season with a victory at the highly coveted Xiamen 10's tournament, where, after defeating Chengdu Pandas, Hong Kong Tsunami and Hong Kong Swire, they met the Shanghai Blacks in a hotly contested battle for first place. The final ended in a whitewash victory for Rockets to the tune of 13-0. Take that, Shanghai!





Nanjing International Club
Odd Man Out!

22nd April

22 ladies and one gentleman of 11 nationalities enjoyed a day trip to Tianmu Lake Natural Scenery Park, rated an AAAAA nature reserve, having fun with a boat ride on the 300 sq km lake, a long walk on the green Longxing Island and a picnic together.







Pfrang Association
Raising Funds & Razzamataz
16th May

Thanks to the Nanjing community and generous sponsors, the 15th annual Pfrang Gala was a fabulous evening of food, dance and philanthropy that drew over 240 guests and successfully raised ¥220,000 to provide scholarships to students in rural Jiangsu and Anhui provinces.





British School of Nanjing Soak the Teacher!

23rd May

The annual summer fair, held in perfect conditions and with over 500 visitors to the campus, was the final major event to be held at BSN's Baijia Lake location before the school moves to their new facility at Cuiping Mountain.





Nanjing Int'l Community Clubhouse Take Your Pick

19th May

Community Clubhouse took a group of 14 ladies on a day trip to Hengxi for tea picking, a walk along "Little Jiuzhaigou", a bamboo park over 30,000 hectares in size, to enjoy nature and for a genuine farmhouse lunch. Who says you need to go to Sichuan province for stunning scenery and delicious food?



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乐尚西餐 F1

52-1 Hankou Lu

汉口路 52-1, 靠近南京大学

83595859

Remaining surprisingly inexpensive since opening its doors in 2005, Les 5 Sens serves authentic and homemade traditional French dishes (fois gras being a particular favourite) in a homely atmosphere.

Motu Burger 摩图 J4

107 Gutong Xiang, Laomendong

老门洞箍桶巷107号

17701598220

Small balcony affords great people watching while munching on delicious Kiwi burgers and ice cream washed down with fine ales.

Dream House 梦想之家音乐西餐 F

20 Jiangjun Da Dao, Jiangning A2

江宁区将军大道20号

52837977

Continuing Nanjing's fascination with Western food and drink leaning toward the Germanic. Popular with students from NUA across the street.

Behind the Wall

答案墨西哥餐厅 F2

150 Shanghai Road (in Nanxiu Cun)

上海路 150 号, 在南秀村

83915630

One of the oldest bars in Nanjing serving drinks and food in a relaxed atmosphere, with perhaps the finest terrace in the city. Live musical performances go well with strong sangria and beer.

Secco Restaurant and Bar

喜客西餐 F

132 Changhong Lu (under the Super 8 Motel)

长虹路 132 号 (速 8 酒店楼下)

83370679

The afterparty may come and go, yet Secco remains one of Nanjing's top options for late night drinks.

Florentina

2-107, 83 Shanghai Lu

上海路 83 号 2 栋 107 G1

3-101, 22 Nanyinyangying

南阴阳营 22 号 3 栋 101 F2

18602560788

Over 100 craft beers waiting for you to try!

Henry's Home

亨利之家 b5

82-2 Fuchunjiang Dong Jie

奥体富春江东街 82-2 号

58577088

One of Nanjing's oldest Western restaurants, with over 20 years experience in serving up western meals; specialties include steaks, fajitas, pizza and organic salads.

Selección Española

57 Zhongshan Dong Lu

中山东路 57 号 H7

Home-made Spanish fast food in the heart of Xinjiekou makes for an attractive and affordable after work option. Open from 5pm, closed Mondays.

Eminence Cellar

香松酒窖 G1

Inside Wutaishan (opposite to Jin Inn),

Guangzhou Lu 广州路, 五台山体育场

66012088

High quality Western restaurant offering organic food, breads baked on-site, cigar bar and wine cellar.

Wagas 沃歌斯 G4

1F, Nanjing IST Mall, 100 Zhongshan Lu
中山路 100 号艾尚天地购物中心一层
85656120
www.wagas.com.cn
Western and modern Asian fare with a special focus on food quality, consistency and safety.

Potato Bistro

马铃薯 E2
5*301 Kangqiao Sheng Fei, 9 Wenfan Road, Xianlin
仙林文苑路 9 号 康乔圣菲 5 幢 301
85791293
A bistro based on green, organic, fresh foods and authentic taste. Large balcony offers outdoor BBQ for up to 150 people.

Axis Mexican Restaurant & Pub

Axis 墨西哥餐厅 E1
Yadong Commercial Plaza, 12 Xianyin Bei Lu
仙隐北路 12 号亚东商业广场
15895872728
A real Mexican dining experience offering a wide variety of traditional Mexican dishes as well as continual additions to the menu.

Nail Jazz Bar

钉子爵士酒吧 Q3
10 Luolang Xiang (200m south of the Sheraton)
罗廊巷 10 号, 离金丝利酒店 200 米
8653 2244
A relaxed atmosphere in which to enjoy a wide variety of imported beers and the odd bit of live music.

Tony Music Bar

托尼酒吧 G4
6 Jinxianghe Lu
进香河路 6 号
84068176
One of the preferred hangouts for the local crowd before they hit the clubs.

Ellens Bar

艾伦酒吧
132-3 Guangzhou Lu 广州路 132-3 号 G1
83641119
37 Hunan Lu 湖南路 37 号 E1
83641118
Laid back and relaxed atmosphere plus food & drinks at great value prices.

Middle Eastern Cuisine

Jacob Arabic Restaurant

嘉珂阿
61 Hankou Lu 汉口路 61 号
86521668
Classic go-to for Middle Eastern fare; grilled Hallal meats, shawarmas and a mouth-watering assortment of dips. Prayer room on the second floor.

Indian Cuisine

Baba Restaurant

巴巴餐厅 D5
Jinyuan Food Court Outlet, No 11 Hexi Central Park, 341 Jiangdong Lu
江东中路 341 号出口南京金源美食广场 11 号负 1 楼
13611574929
Reincarnation of Kohinoor, Nanjing's long serving Pakistani restaurant, features a menu that boasts over 200 dishes, all of which taste nothing alike.

Nanjing Ganesh Indian Restaurant

甘尼仕印度餐厅 E4
3 Kunlun Lu
昆仑路 3 号
85860955
www.ganeshchina.com
The unlikely combination of Indian food and jazz music that nevertheless has stood the test of time

in both Suzhou and Wuxi. Fabulous decoration in a great location by the city wall at Xuanwu Lake. Hosts the occasional jazz concert.

Himalaya-Nepalese & Indian Restaurant

喜马拉雅尼泊尔印度餐厅 P3
193 Shigu Lu (behind the Sheraton)
石鼓路 193 号
8666 1828
Himalaya is a very popular restaurant serving a variety of Nepali and Indian foods in a setting as authentic and inspired as the dishes themselves.

Taj Mahal

泰姬玛哈印度料理 H15
117 Fengfu Lu
丰富路 117 号
84214123
187-1 Shanghai Lu 上海路 187-1 号
83350491
Established in 2003, the Taj Mahal offers a great variety and exotic blend of high quality authentic Indian cuisine that it continues to this day, making it forever popular with the foreign community.

Masala Kitchen

玛莎拉印度餐厅-酒吧 E1
A05, Yadong Commercial Plaza, 12 Xianyin Bei Lu
仙隐北路 12 号亚东商业广场 A05
84448858
masala_kitchen@live.com
Offers vegetarian and meat dishes plus savory Tandoori oven dishes and exotic curries cooked fresh by a chef with over 20 years of experience in his hometown of Hyderabad. Also serves a fine selection of imported wines and beers.

Japanese Cuisine

Kagetsu

嘉月 O5
62 Taiping Bei Lu, 1912
太平北路 62 号 1912 街区
86625577
A lifestyle oriented dining experience with a focus on creative cuisine. Balcony affords views over 1912.

Taiyuo Teppanyaki 大渔铁板烧

57 Zhongshan Lu
中山路 57 号 H6
84729518
All you can eat and drink special offer includes sushi, sashimi, sake, beer and much more. Two more locations in 1912 and near to Xuanwu Gate.

Korean Cuisine

Xianpingjia 咸平家 E2

#6, Block 1, Dongfangtianjun, Xianlin
仙林杉湖西路东方天郡门面房 6 号
84469445
Run by a Korean grandma who has over 30 years of cooking experience. Bulgogi-marinated beef served with vegetables which you cook on the table with Kimchi is a must!

THE Korean 本家 H20

B1, Golden Wheel Tower, 108 Hanzhong Lu
新街口汉中中路 108 号 金轮大厦 B1
84469445

Neolithic Barbecue 新石器烤肉

B1, Deji Plaza, 18 Zhongshan Lu
中山路 18 号德基广场 B1 楼 B116-117 号 H7
84764545
B17, B1, Tianyin Plaza, 336 Shangyuan Lu, Jiangning
上元大街 336 号天印广场 B1 楼 B17 室
81032949
B1, Wonder City, 222 Changhong Lu
长虹路 222 号虹悦城 B1 楼 K1

52275687

Stall 121, Building 1, Chenggowu Garden Centre,
699 Zhongshanmen Da Jie, Maqun H2
中山门大街 699 号花园城购物中心 1 楼 121 号商铺
85568090
B1, One City, 58 Daqiao Bei Lu, Pukou
大桥北路 58 号新一城 B1 楼 A2
58400640 58402105

Ke Jia Fu 可家福 F2

7 Nan Da Heyuan, 168 Xianlin Dadao
仙林大道 168 号南大和园 7 号
86331006

Other Asian Cuisine

Thai Tasty 泰式料理

A05, Yadong Commercial Plaza, 12 Xianyin Bei Lu
仙隐北路 12 号亚东商业广场 A05 E1
84448858
Raydu Mall, 1222 Shuanglong Dadao, Jiangning
双龙大道 1222 号瑞都购物广场 4 楼 R4
87716166
Building 2, 1912 Bar Street, 288 Changjiang Lu
长江路 288 号 1912 街区 2 号楼 O5
87702166
masala_kitchen@live.com
An extraordinary array of distinctive dishes employing authentic seasonings with fresh local produce.

Thai Orchid 梵泰蘭 H15

86-1 Fuchunjiang Dong Jie (La Defense Flower St.)
富春江东街 86-1 号拉德芳斯异国风情花街 (近恒山路口)
83564567
Thai nationals serve as chefs; fantastic group of deals available, e.g. set meal of ten dishes for half price.

Pho Saigon 西贡堤岸越南餐厅 H15

2F Huanya Plaza, 33 Shigu Lu
石鼓路 33 号环亚广场 2 楼
84465722
Popular and inexpensive fare that includes the must try Vietnamese noodles, hence "pho".

Taiwan Teppan Corner 三铁板餐厅 D5

LD148, Jinyuan Hexi Commercial Plaza, 341 Jiangdong Zhong Lu
江东中路 341 号南京金源河西商业广场 LD148
13770325443
Quality and affordable Teppanyaki experience aimed at office workers for lunch and dinner.

Keziguli Muslim Restaurant 克兹古丽餐厅 H15

53 Wangfu Da Jie
王府大街 53 号
85981468
Xinjiang restaurant popular with expats; spicy noodles, potatoes, vegetable, chicken and lamb dishes accompanied by dance performances.

Vegetarian

Green Cuisine 绿野香踪素食馆 M3

1F Zhengyang Building, 56 Yudao Jie
御道街 56 号正阳大厦一楼
6661 9222
A wide selection of creative dishes and plenty of fresh vegetables along with special drinks and teas.

Tiandi Sushi 天帝素食

21 Huji Bei Lu, Entrance to Gulun Park
鼓楼区虎踞北路 21 号古林公园正门口 (近北京西路)
83701391

Bakery & Café

Skyways

云中食品店
160 Shanghai Road 上海路 160 号 F2
83317103
Weilan Zhidu Homeland,

6-4 Hanzhongmen Da Jie 市Q2 ●

汉中门大街 6-4 号蔚蓝之都家园商业裙楼
83378812

A18, Yadong Commercial Plaza, 12 Xianyin Bei Lu

市E1 ●

仙隐北路 12 号 亚东广场 A18 室

85791391

Wanda West, 222-2 Jiqingmen Da Jie

集庆门大街 222-2 万达西地区

85637995

A favourite of the expat community with breads, made-to-order sandwiches, cakes, chocolates, desserts, plus imported deli items such as cheese and salami. Shanghai Lu location has a long queue at lunchtimes.

Sculpting in Time Café

雕刻时光咖啡馆

2F, 47 Hankou Lu

汉口路 47 号 2 楼 市G1 ●

83597180

32 Dashiba Jie (Fizimiao East Gate)

大石坝街 32 号 (夫子庙东门) 市J3 ●

52266082

Delightful atmosphere in which to enjoy coffee, tea, a variety of Western food, plus widely known brownies. Balcony at the Confucius temple branch offers romantic night time views over the Qinhuai river.

Maan Coffee 漫咖啡

1 Qingjiang Lu

清江路 1 号天水滨江花园 市●

85872858 85607277

1F, Dushi Xihe, 8 Xuejia Xiang (next to Jinrunfa supermarket)

薛家巷 8 号金润发超市旁都市羲和一楼 市G3 ●

85607266

81-1 Fuchun Jiangdong Jie (La Defense Flower St.)

富春江东街 81-1 号拉德芳斯异国风情花街 (近恒山路口)

市D5 ●

85607299

1912 Nightlife district (near Chanjiang Hou Jie)

1912 时尚休闲街区 市O5 ●

Korean chain serving waffles, salads and all day breakfast options that go down well amid decor that juxtaposes cement, glass and chandeliers.

Délíce Capy DC 莫奈花园 市H5 ●

1st and 2nd Floor, Friendship Mall, 27 Hanzhong Road, Nanjing

南京市汉中中路 27 号友谊广场 1 楼 2 楼

86829191

Lounge in comfortable armchairs and indulge in an array of treats, from gooey macaroons and hazelnut slices to molten chocolate cakes.

Nightclubs

Kamakama 市O5 ●

1912 Nightlife district (behind Starbucks)

1912 时尚休闲街区

86701912

Nanjing's answer to the sleek sophisticated cocktail bars of Shanghai. No 1912 mayhem here; instead it's signature cocktails, selected fine wines and classic malts all the way.

MAZZO Club 玛索国际娱乐 市O5 ●

1912 Nightlife district

1912 时尚休闲街区

84631912

One of the oldest clubs in Nanjing and the preferred hangout for the foreign community in Nanjing that plays contemporary electronica.

Club TNT 潮人会所 市O5 ●

2-1 Changjiang Hou Jie

长江后街 2-1 号

84401199

A big name in the Chinese nightclub industry, with clubs in Nanjing, Chongqing and Hefei.

Enzo

8-3 Changjiang Hou Jie

长江后街 8-3 号 市O5 ●

83789898

With more of the latest in over-the-top nightclub entertainment, Enzo also has access to many of the big names in entertainment; Paul Oakenfold, DJ R3hab and LMFAO have all played here.

Tourism, Sport & Leisure

Hotel & Hostel

Jinling Hotel Nanjing

南京金陵饭店 市H6 ●

2 Hanzhong Lu, Xinjiekou Square

新街口汉中中路 2 号

84711888

City centre location puts this prize-winning landmark property only two minutes' walk from Xinjiekou metro station. Enjoy eight top-notch restaurants, 970 rooms and suites plus shopping and recreational facilities. International flight and train ticket purchase counter also available.

Holiday Inn Nanjing Qinhuai South Suites

南京上秦淮套房假日酒店 市Y1

12 Mozhou Dong Lu, Jiangning 江宁区秣周东路 12 号

84918888

145 comfortable guest rooms, 83 of which being suites featuring an independent open-style kitchen concept, work desk with ergonomic seating and high-speed internet access. The Umeet All Day Dining Restaurant provides guest a comfortable place to eat that includes the Kids Stay & Eat Free program.

Novotel Nanjing East Suning Galaxy

南京玄武苏宁银河诺富特酒店

9 Suning Dadao, Xianlin 徐庄软件园苏宁大道 9 号

85208888

www.novotel.com

Good spot for a weekend escape from the city, with Purple Mountain still on its doorstep, while the Nanjing Zhongshan International Golf Resort 27 hole course designed by Gary Player is just 5 minutes away.

Fraser Suites Nanjing

南京辉盛阁国际公寓 市V4 ●

116 Lushan Lu 庐山路 116 号

87773777

www.frasershospitality.com

International serviced apartment suites offering full balconies, clubhouse and leisure facilities.

The Westin Nanjing

南京威斯汀大酒店 市E1

Nanjing International Center, 201 Zhongyang Lu

中央路 201 号南京国际广场

85568888

www.westin.com/nanjing

A haven of Chinese distinction in which every room affords a view of scenic Xuanwu Lake.

Sheraton Nanjing Kingsley

金丝利喜来登酒店 市P3 ●

169 Hanzhong Lu 汉中中路 169 号

86668888

Excellent downtown location with amenities including baby sitting and butler service plus car rentals.

Crowne Plaza

南京银城皇冠假日酒店 市R4 ●

9 Jiahua East Road, Jiangning District

南京江宁区佳湖东路 9 号

81038888

The first five star international hotel in Jiangning.

Fairmont Nanjing

南京金奥费尔蒙酒店 市D5 ●

333 Jiangdong Zhong Lu 建邺区江东中路 333 号

86728888

www.fairmont.com/nanjing

Elegant international hotel famous for its services

and cultural features; the building itself resembles a Chinese lantern.

InterContinental Hotel

紫峰洲际酒店 市F4A ●

1 Zhongyang Lu, Zifeng Tower 中央路 1 号紫峰大厦

83538888

www.intercontinental.com

A statement of grandeur in the 450 metre high Zifeng Tower; Nanjing's tallest building.

Sofitel Galaxy 南京索菲特银河大酒店 ●

9 Shanxi Lu 山西路 9 号

83718888

www.sofitel.com

resoff@sofitelnanjing.com

The accommodation of choice for many visitors coming to Nanjing, along with all French dignitaries.

Hilton Nanjing Riverside

南京世茂滨江希尔顿酒店

1 Huaibin Lu (cross of Qinhuai and Yangtze Rivers)

淮滨路 1 号 (近秦淮河和扬子江交汇处)

83158888

nanjingriverside.hilton.com

nanjingriverside.info@hilton.com

A more serene statement from Hilton; extensive conference and recreation facilities and rooms with balconies overlooking the Yangtze.

Nanjing Sunflower International Youth Hostel

南京瞻园国际青年旅社 市M3 ●

142 Dashiba Jie (Fuzimiao west gate)

大石坝街 142 号·在夫子庙西门的附近

52266858 / 66850566

www.nanjingyha.com

A popular youth hostel that includes free pool, DVDs, cable TV, foosball and English speaking staff.

Resorts

Kayumanis Private Villas & Spa

南京香樟华莘温泉度假别墅

Xiangzhang Hua Ping, Sizhuang Village,

Tangshan

江宁区汤山镇寺庄村

84107777

www.kayumanis.com

nanjing@kayumanis.com

High-end private villa with refreshing natural hot spring and mountain view.

Regalia Resort & Spa (Qinhuai River)

南京御庭精品酒店 (秦淮河) 市K2

E5, No 388, Yingtian Da Jie

(inside Chengguang 1865 Technology Park)

应天大街 388 号 (晨光 1865 科技创意产业园) 第 E5 幢

51885688

www.regalia.com.cn

A Thai style spa offering a holistic approach to rejuvenation and relaxation.

Tangshan Easpring Hot Spring Resort

汤山颐尚温泉度假村

8 Wenquan Lu, Tangshan, Jiangning

汤山镇温泉路 8 号

51190666

A leisure hotel in Tangshan offering different types of bathing.

Museums

Nanjing Massacre Memorial

侵华日军南京大屠杀遇难同胞纪念馆

418 Shuiximen Da Jie

水西门大街 418 号 市S2 ●

86612230 / 86610931

Hours: Tue - Sun from 8:30 to 16:30

www.nj1937.org

Located on a former execution ground and mass burial place of the Nanjing Massacre. Admission is free.



Nanjing Museum 南京博物院 市M1 ●

321 Zhongshan Dong Lu

中山东路 321 号

One of China's three national level museums displaying Chinese art, pottery and a life-sized Republic of China street scene. Admission is free with valid ID.

Nanjing Municipal Museum (Chaotian Palace)

南京市博物馆  
4 Chaotiangong
朝天宫 4号
World class museum presenting ancient pottery and earthenware, calligraphy, clothing, jade etc.

Six Dynasties Museum 六朝博物馆

Changjiang Lu / Hanfu Jie
长江路 / 汉府街
Constructed on the ruins of Jiankang Castle, visitors can see over 1,200 artifacts, including porcelain, pottery, epigraphs, stone inscriptions, calligraphy and paintings and even a section of the city wall.

Nanjing Jiangning Imperial Silk Manufacturing Museum 南京江宁织造博物馆

123 Changjiang Lu
南京市玄武区长江路 123 号
83416801
Exhibitions of silk manufacturing, brocade, qipao and most interestingly, one dedicated to "Dream of Red Mansions" in which one can experience settings where many events in the novel happened. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Rabe House

拉贝故居  
1 Xiaofenqiao, Guangzhou Lu
小粉桥 1 号
Monday – Friday from 8:30 to 16:30
German industrialist's former home that served as a refugee shelter and saved thousands in 1937. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.



Purple Mountain Observatory

紫金山天文台
Tianwen Lu, Purple Mountain Area, Nanjing
南京市紫金山区天文路
84440768
Very first observatory to be built in mainland China that is known as "the cradle of Chinese astronomy".



Tangshan Homo Erectus Fossil Museum

汤山直立人化石遗址博物馆
Jiangning District, Tangshan Scenic District
南京汤山国家地质公园内
68720777
Insight into the prehistoric life of the Nanjing cave couple, a pair of 600 000 year old skulls discovered in the Tangshan area of Nanjing in 1993. Designed by French architect Odile Decq. Closed on Mondays.

Nanjing Brocade Museum

南京云锦博物馆  
240 Chating Dong Jie
茶亭东街 240 号
86518580
Observe wooden looms producing the world's finest brocade. Fabric is also available for purchase.



City Wall Museum

南京明城墙遗址博物馆  
8 Jiefang Men 解放门 8 号
83608359
Long-gone city gates, maps and a full-scale model of the walled city.

Nanjing Taiping Heavenly Kingdom History Museum

南京市太平天国历史博物馆  
128 Zhanyuan Lu 瞻园路 128 号
58800123
Houses the largest collection of artifacts and documents from the Taiping Heavenly Kingdom.

Nanjing Science Museum

南京科技馆  
9 Zijinhua Lu, Yuhua District
雨花台区紫荆花路 9 号
58076158
Hands-on fun and learning for kids. IMAX Cinema.

Nanjing Museum of Paleontology

南京古生物博物馆  
39 Beijing Dong Lu
北京东路 39 号
83282252
Full dinosaur skeletons, a mass of fossils from significant digs in China and an interesting lesson in local geology. Open at weekends only.

Nanjing Folk Museum

甘家大院  
South Zhongshan Road, across from the Huamei Building
中山南路 · 在华美大厦的对面
52217104
Study traditional Chinese architecture, including the so-called "99 and a half rooms". Various displays of traditional folk art throughout the year.

Jinghai Temple

静海寺
202 Jianning Lu
建宁路 202 号
58590298
www.yuejianglou.com
In addition to enjoying an insight into the Chinese view of the "unfair treaty" ceding Hong Kong to the British, visitors can learn about the voyages of Zhen He.

Zhen He Treasure Shipyard

南京郑和宝船遗址公园
57 Lijiang Lu
鼓楼区漓江路 57 号
Embark on a replica of one of Zhen He's fleet, view many more models within and sit on the cannons!

Parks & Attractions

Qingliangshan Park 清凉山公园

83 Qingliangshan Lu, near Huju Lu
清凉山路 83 号
Calligraphy and stone museums, as well as an art gallery and pottery studio.

Zixia Lake 紫霞湖

A cold water mountain-fed lake. Exercise with care; the cold undercurrents can cause life-threatening cramps.

Mochou Lake Park 莫愁湖公园

35 Hanzhongmen Da Jie
汉中门大街 35 号
Home to the annual Dragon Boat Race, and great for boating or a walk in a peaceful environment.

Happy World 弘阳欢乐世界

Daqiao Bei Lu, Pukou District
浦口区大桥北路
Fairly violent looking thrill rides plus giant water slide.

Jiuhuashan Park 九华山公园

20 Juihua Shan 九华山 20 号
Visit the pagoda and get on the city wall for gorgeous views of the city.

Xuanwu Lake Park 玄武湖公园

Xuanwu Xiang 玄武巷 1 号
Idyllic islands with playgrounds, gardens, restaurants plus boats and bikes for rent.

Yaxi International Slow City

桤溪国际慢城
6 Shengtai Lu, Yaxi Town
高淳区桤溪镇生态路 6 号
57843968
The village of 20,000 was designated China's first "Slow City" by Cittaslow. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Pearl Spring Resort 南京珍珠泉风景区

178 Zhenzhu Jie, Pukou District
浦口区珍珠街 178 号
A 8.9 sq.km scenic area that includes a zoo, circus, dodgems and cable-car to a so called Great Wall.

Gulin Park 古林公园

21 Huju Bei Lu 虎踞北路 21 号
Gardens, paintball and BBQ plus a view of the city from atop the TV tower.



Zhongshan Botanical Garden

钟山植物园
Covers over 186 hectares and home to more than 3000 plant species.



Nanjing Yangtze River Bridge Park

南京长江大桥 (公园)
7 Baotiaoqiao Dong Jie
宝塔桥东街 7 号
58790362
Memorabilia dating from the construction of the bridge. Ascend to the deck of the bridge by elevator for the obligatory photo.

Memorial for Revolutionary Martyrs

雨花台烈士纪念馆  
Yuhua Dong Lu (north gate)
南京市雨花台烈士陵园北大门雨花东路
A surprisingly relaxing memorial park, yet used as a mass execution ground during the anti-communist revolution of 1927.

Drum Tower/Gulou Park

鼓楼公园  
1 Gulou Jie
鼓楼街 1 号 · 在北京西路口
The traditional centre of a Chinese city.

Lao Shan National Forest Park

老山国家森林公园
Chalukou, Pukou
浦口区岔路口
Enjoy a more rustic experience in Nanjing's second National Park; away from the crowds soak in the virgin forest that is rich in species.

Lamending Neighbourhood

城南 · 老门东  
50 Changle Lu 长乐路 50 号
52201611
A new name card of Nanjing with cultural activities, traditional Chinese architecture and distinctive local features. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Datangjin Fragrant Valley

大塘金香草谷主题餐厅
Zhengfang Da Dao, Jiangning District
江宁区谷里街道大塘金正方大道薰衣草庄园
52716207
Breathe in the intoxicating scents while strolling through the fields of lavender that lead to the shop filled with perfumes, eye patches, pillows, face masks and even lavender perfume.

Sports

Nanjing Zhongshan International Golf Club

南京钟山国际高尔夫俱乐部
9 Huanling Lu 环陵路 9 号
84606666

Nanjing Harvard Golf Club

南京昭富国际高尔夫俱乐部
176 Zhenzhu Jie, Pukou
南京市浦口区珍珠街 176 号
58853333

Nanjing Gingko Lake International Golf

南京银杏湖国际高尔夫俱乐部
1 Guli Yinxing Hu 江宁区谷里银杏湖 1 号
86139988

Century Star Ice Skating Club

世纪星滑冰俱乐部
222 Jiangdong Zhong Lu (Inside Olympic Center)
江东中路222号奥体中心内  
86690465 / 86690467
4F, Wonder City, 619 Yingtian Street
应天大街 619 号虹悦城 4 楼  
52275768 ext. 8001/8002

Nanjing Leiniaio Paragliding Club

南京雷鸟滑翔伞俱乐部  
Wutaishan Sport Center Tennis Stadium
五台山体育中心网球馆
84458450 / 15335179782

Pisarev Ballet 比萨列夫芭蕾舞学校

B901 Junlin International Mansion, 5 Guangzhou Lu
广州路 5 号君临国际 B901 室  ●
86975095

Karate Eifuukaikan 空手道影风道场 ●

5F, Nanjing Workers Culture Palace Fitness Centre, 54 Zhongshan Dong Lu
中山东路 54 号 工人文化宫 5 层健身中心内
52989189

Zhenqianghui Guns Club 真枪会射击俱乐部

4F, Building 5, Jiaye International, 158 Lushan Lu
建邺区庐山路 158 号嘉业国际城 5 号楼 4 楼
58933533 58933600

Massage & Spa

Pathways Spa & Lifestyle Club


颐庭 Spa 生活会馆  ●
13F, Tian'an International Building,
98 Zhongshan Nan Lu 中山南路 98 号天安国际大厦
13 楼
84701266 x 8019
www.pathway-spa.com

Flow SPA 川 · 天地


46-3 Xijia Datang, Ming Cheng Hui
(200m north of Xuanwu Lake's Jiefang Gate)
明城汇西家大塘 46-3 号
57718777

Theatre

Nanjing Art and Cultural Center

南京文化艺术中心  ●
101 Changjiang Lu 长江路 101 号
84797920

Jiangnan 631 Niuda Theatre

江南 631 牛达剧场  ●
5 Yanling Xiang 延龄巷 5 号
84419786

Nanjing Art Academy Concert Hall

南京艺术学院音乐厅
15 Huju Lu 虎踞北路 15 号
83498249

Jiangsu Kunqu Theater 兰苑剧场 ●

4 Chaotian Gong 朝天宫 4 号
84469284


Business & Education

International Education


British School of Nanjing

南京英国学校  ●
Building 2, Jinling Resort, Jiahua Dong Lu
佳湖东路湖滨金陵饭店 2 号楼
52108987

Nanjing International School

南京国际学校  ●
8 Xueheng Lu, Xianlin College
and University Town
仙林大学城学衡路 8 号
85899111

EtonHouse Nanjing

伊顿国际教育集团  ●
6 Songhuajiang Xi Jie (near Olympic Stadium)
松花江西街 6 号 金陵中学实验小学内 (靠奥体北门)
86698778

The Overseas

海外国际  ●
1606 Block A, Junlin International, 5 Guangzhou Lu
广州路 5 号君临国际 A 幢 1606 室
84533133
admin@the-overseas.com
Wechat: overseas

Youth Moment Educational Investment Co., Ltd.


南京青梦家教育投资有限公司  ●
3rd Floor Building E, Kingdee Science and Technology Industrial Park
532 East Zhongshan Road, Nanjing 210016
山东路 532 号金蝶科技产业园 E 栋 3 楼
83736611, 84530009
www.qingmengjia.com
enquiries@qingmengjia.com
Career guidance, entrepreneurial support, overseas study services for Chinese and foreign students.

Foreign Trade & Economic Development Agencies


European Union Chamber of Commerce

中国欧盟商会 (南京)  ●
806, Haihua Mansion, 99 Zhongshan Lu
中山路 99 号海华大厦 806
83627330

China-Britain Business Council, Nanjing

英中贸易协会南京代表处  ●
Rm 2514-2515, 50 Zhonghua Lu
中华路 50 号 2514-2515 室
52311740

Netherlands Business Support Office

荷兰贸易促进委员会南京代表处  ●
Suite 2316, Building B, 23/F, Phoenix Plaza,
1 Hunan Lu
湖南路 1 号凤凰国际广场 B 楼 23 层 2316 室
84703707

Baden-Württemberg International ●

德国巴登符腾堡州国际经济和科技合作协会 7-3
Dabei Xiang Meiyuan Xin Cun
梅园新村大悲巷 7-3 号
84728895
www.bw-i.cn

Australian Trade Commission

澳大利亚贸易委员会南京代表处  ●
1163, Jinling World Trade Center, 2 Hanzhong Lu
汉中路 2 号金陵饭店世界贸易中心 1163 室
84711888 -1163

Canadian Trade Office Nanjing

加拿大驻南京商务代表处  ●
1261, Jinling World Trade Center, 2 Hanzhong Lu
汉中路 2 号金陵饭店世界贸易中心 1261 房
84704574

Language Training


New Concept Mandarin

新概念汉语  ●
821, Floor 8th, PICC building, No.98 Jianye Lu,
Qinhuai district
秦淮区建邺路 98 号鸿信大厦 8 楼 821 室
84872361
www.newconceptmandarin.com
nanjing@newconceptmandarin.com
Over 20-years experience in applied linguistic research and global teaching.

Nanjing Bozhan Consultancy Co., Ltd

南京博湛教育咨询有限公司  ●
#203, Building 3, 19 Jinjin Jie
金银街 19 号 3 栋 203 室
13813944415
bozhan.consultancy@gmail.com
Language training & Mandarin tutoring; from survival to HSK Chinese and enhancement of conversational confidence in English to ESL & IELTS testing.

JESIE - Goethe-Language Centre

JESIE - 歌德语言中心  ●
Jiangsu College for International Education, 3rd Floor, 203-207 Shanghai Lu
上海路 203-207 号江苏国际预科学院 3 层
83335690
www.goethe-slz.js.cn

Nanjing No.1 High School


南京市第一中学  ●
301 Zhongshan Nan Lu
中山南路 301 号
68187208
Only high school designated by the International Office of National Chinese Language Promotion as base for the international promotion of Chinese language. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Alliance Française de Nanjing

南京法语联盟
4F, Qun Lou, 73 Beijing Xi Lu
北京西路 73 号裙楼 4 楼
83598762 83598876
1F, Bld F4, Zone F, Zidong International Creative Park, Xianlin
南京紫东创意产业园 F 区 F4 幢 1 楼
www.afnanjing.org
info.nanjing@afchina.org
French language and culture centre with classes for individuals and corporations at all levels, cultural events plus a modern library with free access to collections.

Cultural Education

Confucius Temple Primary School

南京市夫子庙小学  ●
22 Zhanyuan Lu 瞻园路 22 号
52230929
Founded in 1907 to explore and promulgate the ideology and culture of Confucius. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Clubs & Charities

Nanjing International Community Clubhouse

 ●
南京国际社区中心
www.yourmcc.net
info@yourmcc.net
Hosts many activities such as Chinese and English classes, ballet & quickstep classes, wine and tea tastings plus a monthly ladies night. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Nanjing International Club

南京国际俱乐部
Maqun Scientific Park, 3 Jinma Lu
栖霞区马群科技园金马路 3 号
www.nanjinginternationalclub.org
info@nanjinginternationalclub.org
A club 500 plus strong in membership that dates back to 1990, with events taking place weekly, monthly and annually.

Nanjing No.1 Toastmasters Club ●

南京第一家英语演讲会俱乐部
www.nanjingtoastmasters.com
Weekly event at 1507, Wuxingnianhua Mansion, Hanzhong Lu/Shanghai Lu.

Hopeful Hearts

www.hopefulhearts.info
Raises funds for medical treatment of children with heart conditions.

Pfrang Association 普方基金会 ●

3 Jinma Lu, Maqun Scientific Park
栖霞区马群科技园金马路 3 号
85720118
www.pfrangassociation.org
Sponsors education of children in poor parts of Jiangsu

Butterfly Hospice

Nanjing Butterfly Home
Manager: Linda Huang
njbhmanager@gmail.com
info@butterflych.org
Loving care for cherished lives.

Shopping

For the Home

EAsmart

1F-Z, Wanda Plaza, 68 Zhushan Lu, Jiangning
竹山路 68 号万达广场 1F
52187886
www.eading.com
Fantastic selection of stationary plus coffee machines, electrical and IT appliances, kitchenware and home decoration items.


Working House

生活工场 
4F, Zifeng Tower, Zhongshan Bei Lu
中山北路紫峰大厦购物广场 4F
52360109
Stylish kitchenware in dark tones, candles and colourful vases or even camera cases; just a few of the fascinating products that await in every corner.


Living Story

欧洲生活馆 
173 Shanghai Lu 上海路 173 号
86634155
Compact yet manages to offer coffee grinders, espresso makers, stylish kitchen utensils, picture frames, oil burners and oils, candles, clocks, various pieces of art, wine racks plus a few bottles of wine.


Hongxing Furniture

红星国际家具广场 
224 Zhongyang Lu 中央路 224 号
83118005
Large furniture mall with many shops. Large range of prices, styles, etc.


Jinsheng Market

金盛百货大市场
2 Jiansheng Lu
建宁路 2 号 (南京商厦对面)
9 Wangjinshi (off Changjiang Lu) 
长江路网中市 9 号
Daqiao Bei Lu (beside North bus station)
大桥北路 (长途北站旁)
58507000
Large indoor market with everything from home décor to wires, Christmas trinkets and electronics. Cheap but be prepared to bargain.

Jinling Decoration Market

金陵装饰城 
88 Jiangdong Zhong Lu
江东中路 88 号
86511888
Everything needed for a new home.

Longjiang Flower Market

龙江花卉市场 
78 Qingliangmen Da Jie
清凉门大街 78 号
Huge selection of plants, cut flowers, fish tanks and fish, plus gardening tools.

B&Q

百安居 
90 Kazimen Da Jie (beside Metro)
卡子门大街 90 号麦德龙旁
52450077

IKEA 宜家家居


99 Mingchi Lu (East side of Kazimen Plaza)
明匙路 99 号 (卡子门广场东侧)
4008002345

Electronics & Photography


Professional Photography

Equipment Market
照相器材专业市场 
3F, Binjiang Friendship Shopping Center, 301 Ji-
angdong Bei Lu
江东北路 301 号滨江友好商城三楼
Specialists in wedding photography with equip-
ment including lighting, flash etc.


Camera & photography Equipment Market

东鼎照相器材市场 
Dongding Plaza, 699 Zhujiang Lu
珠江路 699 号东鼎照相器材市场
Widely regarded as the best camera and equip-
ment market in Nanjing.


Mobile phone shops on Danfeng Jie

丹凤街 - 手机 
Indoor markets specialized in new and second-
hand mobile phones and repairs.

IT products on Zhujiang Lu

珠江路 - IT 产品 
A multitude of stores selling everything you can
imagine and more; computers, cameras, MP3 and
MP4 players, iPad, webcams, hard drives, and
portable flash drives.

Video games on Zhongyang Lu

中央路 - 电子游戏 
Any type of video game for all game systems. Also
do minor repairs.

Art

Art Home 聚贤堂

84 Shitoucheng Lu 石头城路 84 号
Arguably the best art supplies shop in Nanjing; oil
and acrylic paints plus many products by Faber-
Castell and Staedtler. Framing service available.

Jiangsu Fande Culture and Art Block

江苏凡德文化艺术街区 
1 Zhengxue Lu 秦淮区正学路 1 号
84711180
An inclusive cultural industry platform for the research
and development, creation, display and transaction
of art works. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded
Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.


Avant-garde Contemporary Art Centre

先锋当代艺术中心 
A1-101 Finder Art District, 1865 Creativity Park,
388 Yingting Da Jie
秦淮区应天大街 388 号 1865 创意园凡德艺术街区 A1-101
52270661 / 13814059763
Dedicated to the promotion of contemporary art.

Fangshan Culture and Art Creative Industry

Park 南京方山文化艺术创意产业园 
1 Donghuyuan, 588 Longmian Avenue 江宁区龙
眠大道 588 号东湖苑 1 号
84933837
Home to 100 cultural industry enterprises, 4 art
institutions and over 40 famous artists in photog-
raphy, oil painting, Chinese painting, sculpture and
pottery. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded
Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Jiangsu Art Gallery

江苏省美术馆 
266 Changjiang Lu 长江路 266 号
84506789
Local artists' work, changed frequently.

ART 国艺堂

D-1 Shuimuqinhuai, 99 Shitoucheng Lu
石头城路 99 号水木秦淮 D-1 号
84506789
Picture framing and art related supplies.

Nanjing Luhe Phoenix Art Gallery

南京六合凤凰山艺术馆 
Fenghuang Shan Park, Yanan Lu, Pukou
六合区延安路凤凰山公园内
57751345
A non-profit institution staging exhibitions and
serving as a platform for people to exchange
information and experience in art creation and
collection. One of 17 locations in Nanjing awarded
Cultural Exchange Base status in 2014.

Shenghua Art Center

南京圣划艺术中心
2 Zhoutai Lu, on Jiangxin Zhou (Grape Island)
江心洲民俗街洲泰路 2 号 (原乡土乐园)
86333097 86333100
Exhibition of contemporary Chinese art.

Stone City Modern Art Creation Gallery

石头城现代艺术创意园
72 Beijing Xi Lu 北京西路 72 号
55583708
Exhibition of modern Chinese art.

Yipai Art

南京艺派文化用品中心
81 Stone City
石头城 81 号
83704786
epair8888@126.com
Well stocked shop, with oil paints, brushes, spatulas,
charcoal, easels, drawing instruments, sketch books
plus a large selection of pens, pencils and lead refills.

International Groceries


Fields

www.fieldschina.com
4000210049
cs@fieldschina.com
Shanghai-based online grocery store that delivers
safe, delicious, high quality and imported groceries
directly to your door. Also offers beverages, organic
produce, baby & personal care products, plus
ready-to-serve items.

Nanjing Bakery

www.nanjingbakery.com
Home made cakes, ready to bake pizzas, lasagna
etc. plus a range of items such as pasta, butter,
cheese, sauces and spices.


Times Grocery

泰晤士 
48 Yunnan Lu 云南路 48 号
83685530
Compact yet its location breeds popularity; wide
selection of imported but sometimes pricey food.

Happy Orange 乐橙便利店

Cuiping International (North Gate), Hanfu Lu, 20
Jiangjun Avenue, Jiangning
将军大道 20 号翠屏国际城北门 (韩府路)
52158366
Small shop with a nice selection of imported items
run by a charming couple from Taiwan.

Petite Abeille

法国小蜂蜜进口商店
80 Nenjiang Lu 嫩江路 80 号 
83217096
Largest selection of French produce in Nanjing, with
an emphasis on biscuits (petite pains, biccottes),
chocolate plus home-made heavy breads and ba-
guettes, croissants and apple pie.

Ronnie's Pies

13912379301
www.ronnies.com.cn
Home made Aussie pies in a variety of flavours, in-
cluding delights such as Cornish pasties, Lancashire
pasties and sausage rolls. Each pie comes individu-
ally wrapped and labelled. Delivers from Yangzhou.

Wendy's Bakery

温底手作
13611577210
http://wendybakery.taobao.com
Classic apple pie, bacon-cheese scones and inventive cranberry shortbread are all just a phone call away. Utilises only imported ingredients.

Metro 麦德龙

288 Ningli Lu 宁溧路 288 号 
300 Jianning Lu 鼓楼区建宁路 300 号
Originally a B2B operation in which private individuals can now shop. Wide selection of foreign foods plus wines, beers and spirits. Passport/ID sometimes required.

Carrefour 家乐福

235 Zhongshan Dong Lu 
中山东路 235 号
341 Jiangdong Zhong Lu 
江东中路 341 号
26 Jiqingmen Da Jie
集庆门大街 26 号
7 Daqiao Nan Lu
大桥南路 7 号
3 Liuzhou Nan Lu, Pukou
浦口区柳州南路 3 号
Good range of dairy products, especially imported butter, cream and cheese plus snacks, pasta and wine.

Auchan 欧尚

151 Hanzhongmen Da Jie
汉中门大街 151 号 (近纪念馆东路口) ●
11 Qinhuai Zhong Lu
秦淮中路 11 号 
866 Yingtian Da Jie
应天大街 866 号 
Another French hypermarché with probably the city's best selection of cheese.

BHG Market

B2, Aqua City, 1 Jiankang Lu
健康路 1 号水游城地下 2 层 
B1, Deji Plaza, Zhongshan Lu
德基二期地下 1 层 
B1, Forest Mall, 301 Zhongshanmen Da Jie 中山门大街 301 号森林摩尔商业街-1 楼 
B1, Raydu Plaza, 1222 Shuanglong Da Dao, 经济技术开发区双龙大道 1222 号 B1 中厅 
Features a very large stock of imported goods plus fresh organic fruit and veg.

RT Mart 金润发

39 Danfeng Jie 
丹凤街 39 号 (近北京东路)
B1, New City Mall, 99 Caochangmen Da Jie
草场门大街 99 号新城广场 B1 ●
260 Longpan Zhong Lu 龙蟠中路 260 号
Shanghai based supermarket with a decent imported food section, dairy and bakery items.

Q.E. Mart 青恩



7 Wenshu Dong Lu, Xianlin 文枢东路 7 号
85862080
Medium-sized supermarket that from the outside is labelled "Korean Market" is the place to head for a wide range of Korean produce.

Sports & Outdoor

Decathlon 迪卡侬

866 Yingtian Xi Lu (same building as Auchan)
应天西路 866 号 
84218420
286 Ningli Lu (next to Metro)
宁溧路 286 号 (麦德龙对面) 
52401018
Unit 8, Area A, 1 Beijing Dong Lu (opposite Jiangsu TV)
玄武区北京东路 1 号 A 区 08 (江苏广播电视台总台对面)
French sports megastore chain that also stocks a big selection of informal-wear shoes in sizes up to 48.

Sanfo 三夫户外

57 Zhongshan Lu 中山路 57 号 
84721228 84720512
4F, Zifeng Tower, Zhongshan Bei Lu
中山北路紫峰大厦购物广场 4F 
83518681 83518682
Chinese outdoor chain store stocking equipment for biking and hiking plus backpacks and apparel for outdoor from big names such as Northland, Kailas and The North Face.

Foreign Language Bookstores

Foreign Language Bookstore

外文书店 
218 Zhongshan Dong Lu (Beside Taiping Nan Lu)
中山东路 218 号长安国际 (太平南路口)
57713287

Xinhua Bookstores

新华书店
56 Zhongshan Dong Lu (near Hongwu Lu)
中山东路 56 号 (近洪武路) 
86645151
54 Hunan Lu (near Matai Jie)
湖南路 54 号 (马台街口) 
83374645

Phoenix International Book Mall

凤凰国际书城 
1 Hunan Lu
湖南路 1 号八佰伴旁 (近中央路)
83657000 / 83657111

Wine Outlets

Newold Wine World

纽澳酒世界 ●
Area B, F1, New City Mall, 99 Caochangmen Da Jie
草场门大街 99 号新城购物中心负一楼 B 区
86265959


Jiangsu Jiuchao Distillery

江苏九朝酒业
278 Hongwu Lu 洪武路 278 号 ●
84404159
10 Beimen Qiao Lu 北门桥路 10 号 
84714862
38 Dashiba Jie 大石坝街 38 号
84706778

Jayson Wines

南京杰森酒业 
52 Taiping Bei Lu 太平北路 52 号
8370 7195

Eminence Cellar

香松酒窖 
Inside Wutaishan (opposite to Jin Inn)
Guangzhou Lu 广州路五台山体育场
66012088

Aussino Cellar

富隆酒窖 
Room 109, 198 Zhongshan Dong Lu
中山东路 198 号 109 室
84679799
www.aussino.net

Ziyo Wines

南京紫元酒窖 
18 Mochouhu Dong Lu
莫愁湖东路
13770923489

Chateau Family Cellar

名庄世家酒窖 ●
16-10 Mochouhu Dong Lu
莫愁湖东路 16-10 号
87781899 / 13852287767

Services

Healthcare

International SOS Nanjing Clinic

南京国际(SOS)紧急救援诊所 
1F, Grand Metropark Hotel, 319 East Zhongshan Lu
中山东路 319 号维景国际酒店 1 楼
84802842 (by appt.)
Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-12noon / 24hr Assistance Center: 010 64629100
www.internationalosos.com
Delivers integrated, quality, comprehensive medical care. Services span from family medicine to 24/7 emergency services. Languages spoken include: English, Chinese, German, and Japanese.

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龙蟠中路 448 号

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Service during flight arrival times, departure as soon as bus fills up (approx every 20-30mins), ¥20							
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Metro Line S1 地铁S1号线	Airport 机场	7 Stops	Nanjing South Railway Station 南京南站				
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Service leaves from NRS East Square 南京火车站东广场 5:30 - 20:40, every 20mins, Longpan Zhong Lu departure 10 - 15 mins later, ¥20							
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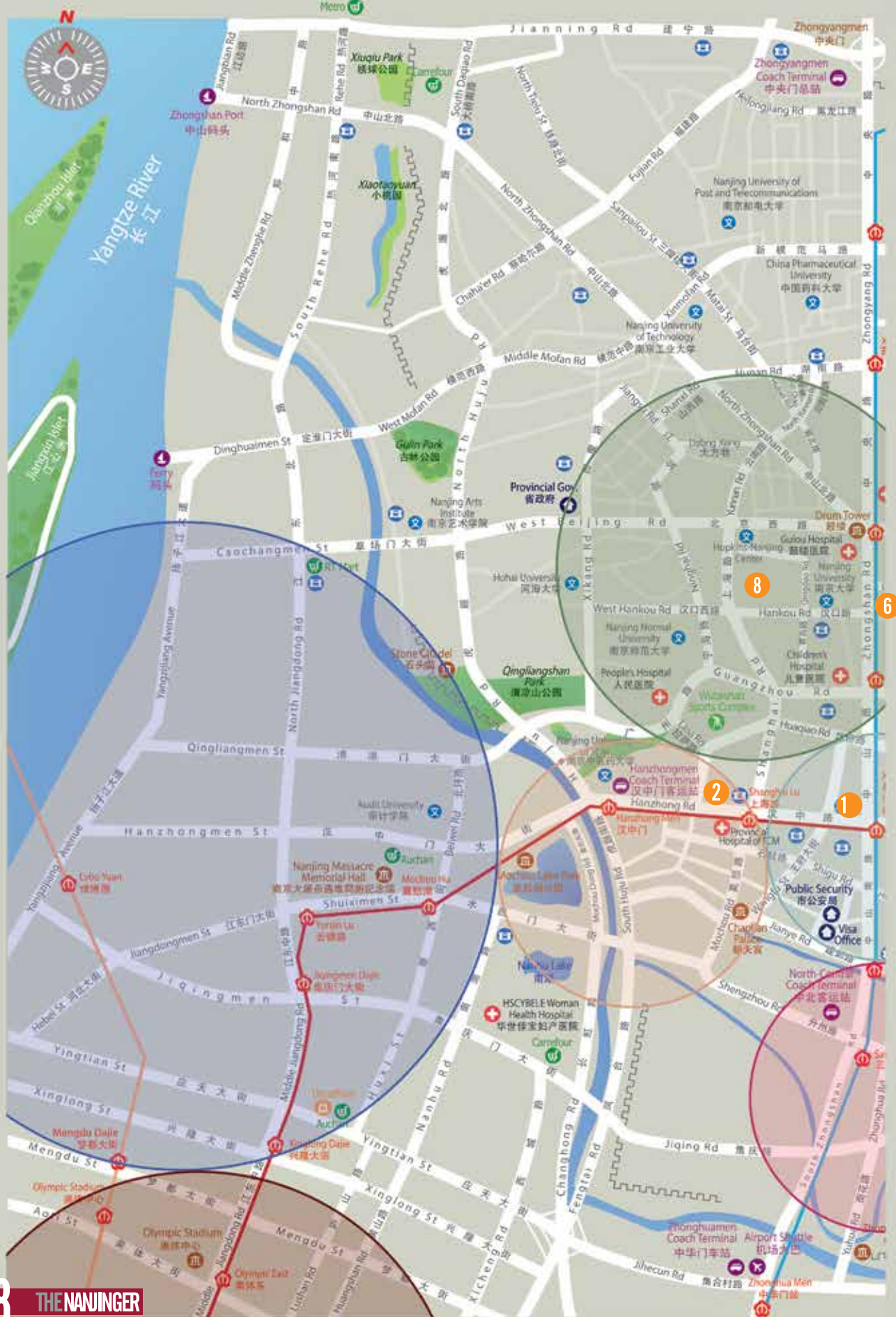


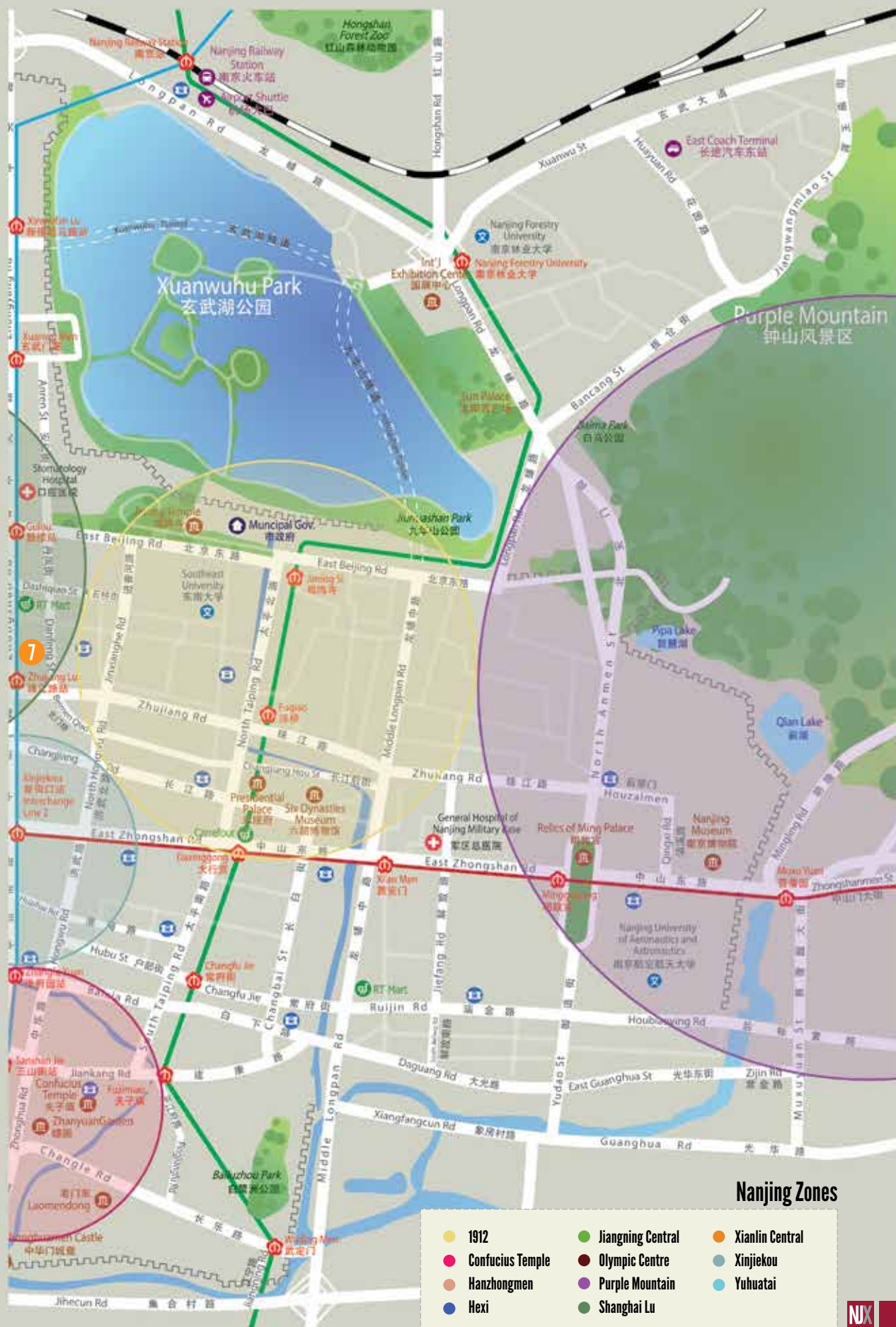
THE NANJINGER BUS TABLE

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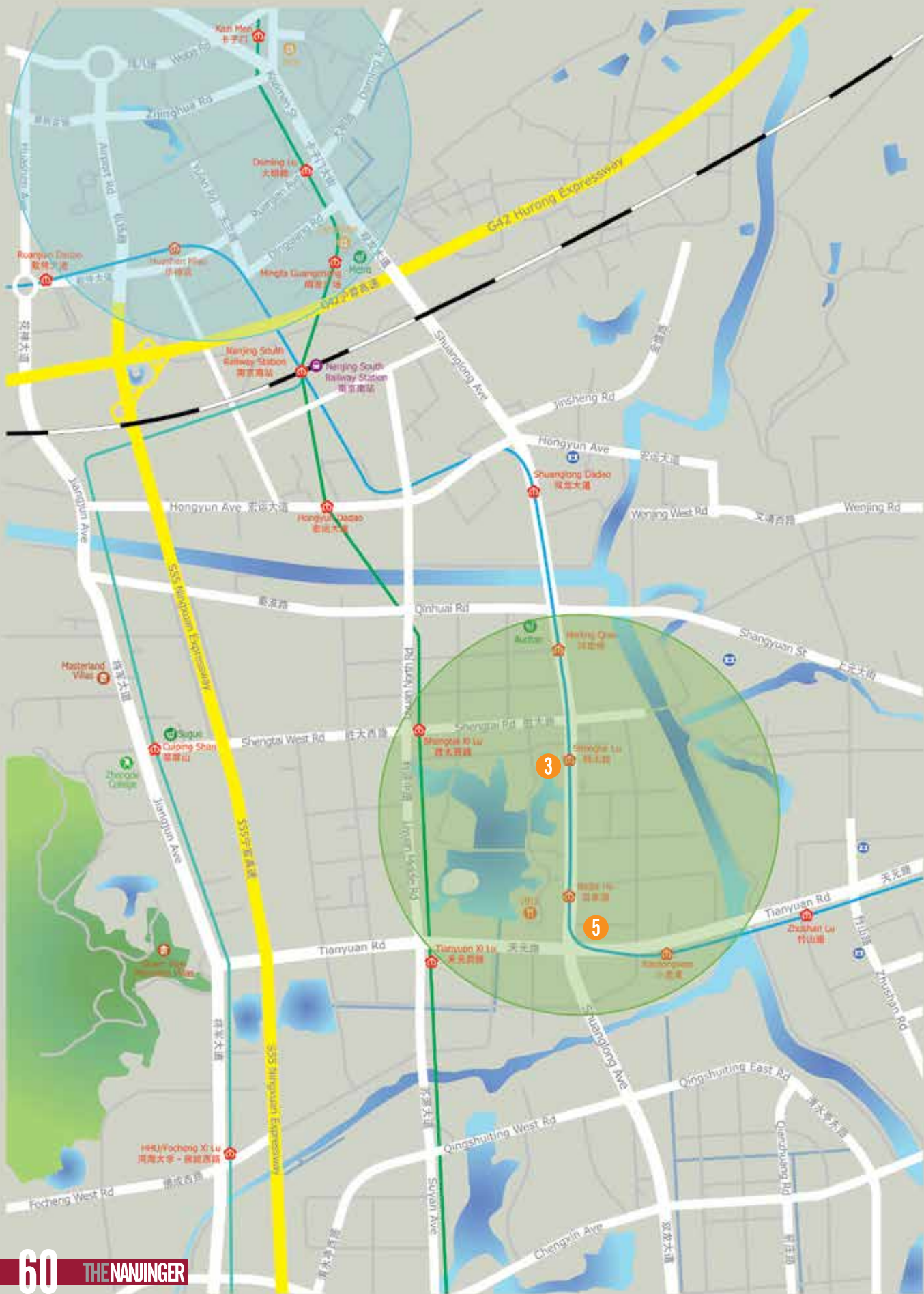
This handy bus table is a cut down version of the entire Nanjing public bus system that focuses on parts of the city of interest to expats. If you are looking, for example, to travel from your home in Xianlin to Nanjing Railway station, look at the Xianlin area of the table (orange), then look to the right to see which lines run between the two locations. In this case number 97. Easy, huh?





Nanjing Zones

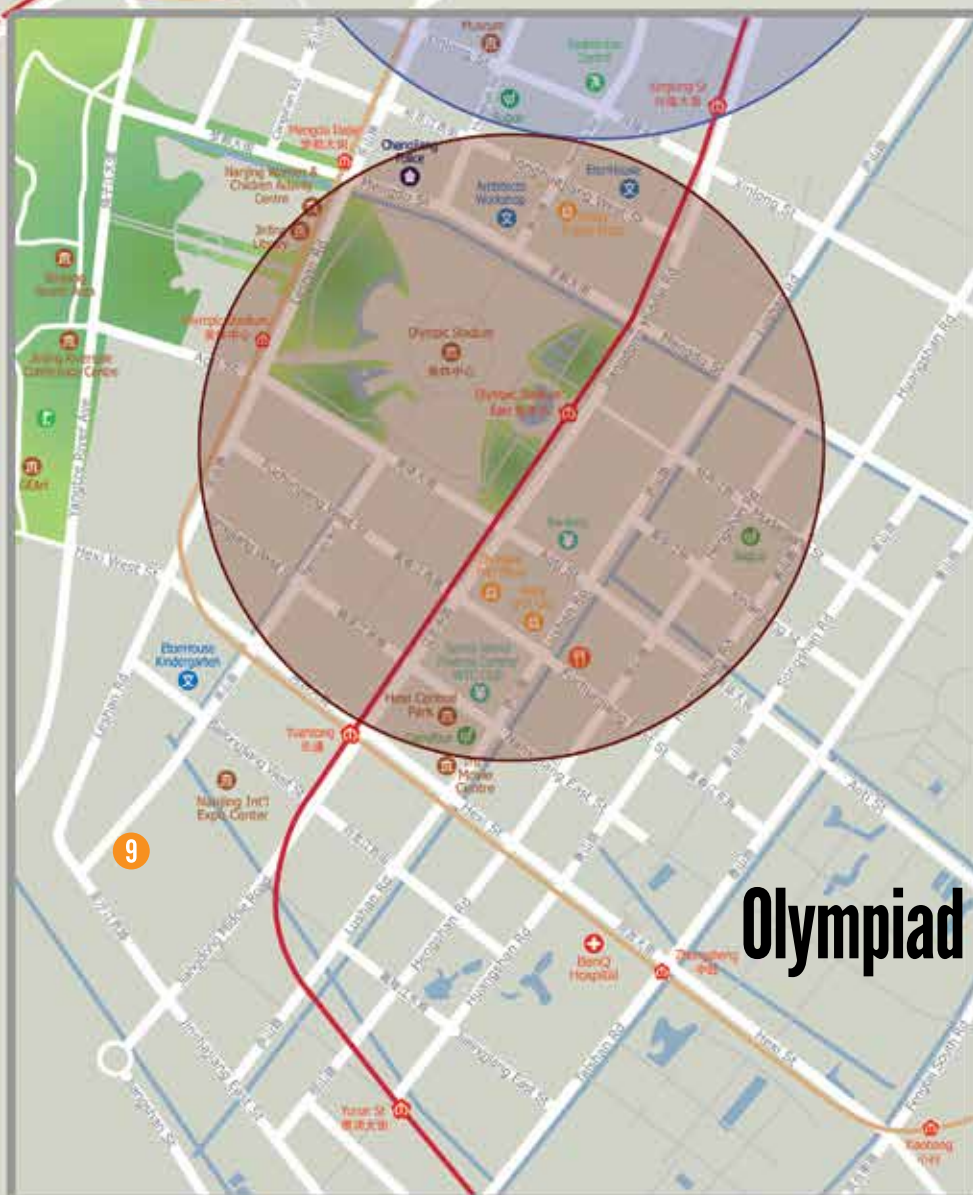
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- Purple Mountain
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Understanding Current Visa Laws

A constant headache for expats are China's ever-changing visa laws. The most recent version of the Exit-Entry Law of People's Republic of China aims at facilitating the importation of foreign talents and further regulate foreigners' exit and entry administration, and has been in effect since July 2013. At the time four new types of visas for foreigners were added, making a total of 12 types of visa.

M Visa Issued to foreigners who come to China for business or commercial activities. F visas (former business visas) will be limited to foreigners who enter China for non-business matters such as academic exchange;

R Visa Issued to highly skilled foreign professionals whose special talent is urgently needed in China. However, the present law does not specify the criteria to qualify;

Q Visa Issued to individuals who enter China for family reunion or on a short-term basis to visit Chinese family members. Q visa is divided into Q1 visa (long term stay-more than 180 days) and Q2 visa (short-term stay-less than or equal to 180 days); and

S Visa Issued to family members of foreigners residing in China for work or study purposes. S visa is divided into S1 visa (long term stay-more than 180 days) and S2 visa (short-term stay-less than or equal to 180 days).

The law strengthened the precaution of the so-called Three Illegal problems (Illegal Entry, Illegal Residency and Illegal Employment) of foreigners, and also defined other circumstances of illegal behavior, for example, issuing fake invitation letters or other application documents for foreigners.

In addition, the 2013 law clarifies requirements regarding time limit for certificate application, delay limit, certificate of relative relationship, the company's business license copy, certificate expiration penalty, the validity of holding card receipt, among others.


Furthermore, the Exit-entry Administration Bureau can

ask foreigners, who apply for residence permits, for fingerprints or other biometric data, or interviews.

Upon meeting the requirements of "bachelor degree or above, two years of full-time work experience, under the age of 60," one needs a Certification of No Criminal Record, medical check, Employment Permit and Work Visa Invitation Letter in turn, at the Human Resources and Social Security Bureau and Commerce Commission. Moreover, the employed foreign worker needs to return to their own country to obtain the working visa from the Chinese embassy or consulate (valid for 30 days), re-enter China, then apply for the Employment Permit and Residence Permit Visa at the Human Resources and Social Security Bureau and Exit-Entry Administration Department of the Public Security Bureau in China.

If an employed foreigner needs to change their job, the employed foreign worker shall first obtain an Employment Permit to Move Out / Cancel in the Human Resources and Social Security Bureau and apply for the Employment Permit and Residence Permit Visa at the Human Resources and Social Security Bureau and Exit-Entry Administration Department of the Public Security Bureau in their city of destination.

Concerning students who are in China and would like to participate in a work-study program or an internship off-campus, they first need an approval from the relevant education institution and to register with the Exit-entry Administration Bureau.

The present law is stricter especially for those who want to come to work and live in China long term, indicating a more stringent approach in approving visa applications. However, China's economic development is attracting increasing numbers of foreigners, so we can expect regulations to be adapted to this reality. 

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Updating Esther



This is our sweet Esther. Named after a beloved Queen, Esther is a treasure to all who know her at Nanjing Butterfly Home. This month, she is being evaluated by a team of doctors. They are developing a plan to remove tumours from her brain. It is both exciting and scary. It is scary because there is great risk in brain surgery. Esther may not survive. We are also excited, because of the possibility for recovery and a full life for Esther. This fills our heart with hope. Read Esther's story on our blog; <http://butterflych.org/hope-and-fear/> This month, we invite you to wait and to pray with us as the doctors develop the best plan for Esther. We also invite you to help with the costs of her surgery and her ongoing care through donation.

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