



If you're looking for a taste of old Taipei, then head for the Wan Hua district.

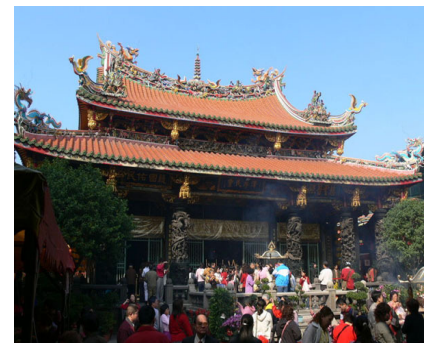
Located on the Dan Shui River, Wan Hua was an important Chinese trading post and the prosperity of the period is reflected in its ornate temples, one of which is the Longshan temple.

Another historic part of the city is the Da Tong (Tatung) district. Amongst the winding alleys you will find European style colonial buildings standing beside intricate Chinese temples. Take a stroll down Di Hua St, which is lined with traditional shops selling all manner of potions and cure-alls! The Shi Lin (Shihlin) district is renowned for its bustling night market, whilst Taipei's vibrant night scene bumps and grinds until the early hours in nearby Da An (Ta An). In the bustle of modern Taipei, Zhong Shan (Chungshan) the former commercial centre is now known for its shops, bars and cultural sights, which include the Taipei Fine Arts Museum, whilst the current hub of commercial activities, Song Shan (Sungshan) is also one of the most cosmopolitan districts and packed with foreign restaurants. Zhong Zheng (Chungcheng), the political centre, is home to municipal parks and museums, of which the Chiang Kai-Shek Memorial Hall is the most renowned.



### Longshan Temple

The Longshan Temple houses hundred of statues of Buddhist, Taoist, and Confucian deities. The temple mixes traditional Chinese siheyuan ("four-building courtyard") with palace architecture in its design. The temple is divided into front hall, main hall, rear hall, right wing and left wing. Painting of vivid creatures grace the temple walls, and stone statues of mystical creatures guard the temple grounds. The joining of wall and roof did not use any nails or braces made of metal. Covered by overtopping tiles, the temple roof is decorated with figures of dragon, phoenix and other auspicious creatures. The figures are decorated with porcelain, clay, and shards of colored glass. They represent the pinnacle of mosaic art in Taiwan. The temple has been declared a Secondary National Heritage Site.



### Taipei 101

The world's tallest building standing at 1667 ft!  
Spectacular 360-degree night view of the city!

## Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall

Located at the heart of Taipei City, Chiang Kai-Shek Memorial Hall (National Taiwan Democracy Memorial Hall) was built to commemorate the former Taiwan President Chiang Kai-Shek. Established in 1980, Chiang Kai-Shek Memorial Hall has a total area of two hundred and fifty thousand square meters. Occupying a large area, the memorial hall is covered with the colors of Taiwanese flag: blue, white, and red. The colors of the flag symbolize independence, equality, and universal love. Since 2007, it has been noted as a national historical site of Taiwan. Chiang Kai-Shek Memorial Hall is now an important landmark of Taipei that attracts large populations of visitors every year.



## National Palace Museum

Taipei's National Palace Museum, located in the Waishuanghsi neighborhood of the Shihlin District, is the pride of Taiwan. It ranks as one of the four best museums in the world, in a class with the Louvre, the British Museum and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The museum holds the world's largest collection of Chinese artifacts, around 700,000 items in all. Since the museum only has space to display around 15,000 pieces at any given time, the majority of the treasures are kept well protected in air-conditioned vaults buried deep in the mountainside. The displays are rotated once every three months, which means 60,000 pieces, can be viewed in a year and it would take nearly 12 years to see them all. Furthermore, the collection continues to grow through donations and purchases.

## Jiufen

Jiufen, also known as Jiufen or Chiufen, is a mountain town in the Rueifang Township of Taipei County near Keelung, Taiwan. Until the 1950's, Jiufen was a prosperous gold mining town. The town went into sharp decline when mining was discontinued. The quaint streets, tea houses and stunning views of the Pacific Ocean saved it from becoming yet another anonymous mining ghost town. Jiufen is now a popular tourist destination for Taipeiites eager to relive scenes from the past. It has provided the setting for several period movies. For example, its downtown was used as a model in the anime movie - *Spirited Away* by Hayao Miyazaki.



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