

Confucius Temple Route Meeting Point

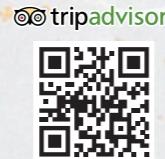
Entrance of National Museum of Taiwanese Literature
No. 1, Zhongcheng Rd., West Central Dist., Tainan City

Chihkan Tower Route Meeting Point

Entrance of Sacrificial Rites Martial Temple
No. 229, Sec. 2, Yongfu Rd., Tainan City

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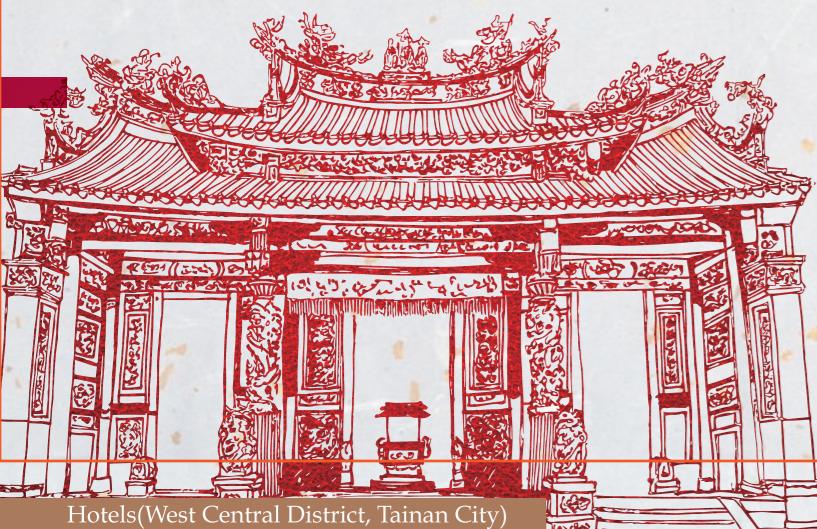
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HISTORIC TAINAN WALKING TOURS



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Ying Dai Hotel 06-2221161	Cambridge Hotel 06-2219966	Oriental Hotel 06-2221123	Sin Mei Hotel 06-2222334	Li Du Hotel 06-2210666
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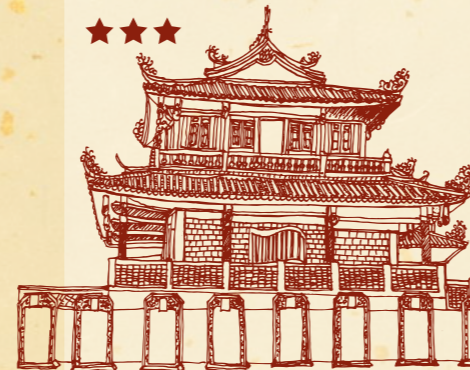
North District, Tainan City

Bites through the route

CHEFFRESH Café 06-2214632	Pulao-Chuang Herb-Flavored Sausage 06-2262288	BaoGo Hei Lun Stir-Fried Instant Noodles 06-2285442	Klin Taiwan Baozi 06-2222257	Narrow Door Cafe 06-2110508	Fujii Bawan 06-2157157	Jinn Fwu Dawan Peanut Brittle 06-2218338	Dong Gao Duck Thick Soup 06-2288012	Han Jin Grandma's Flan 06-2220237	Jin De Chun Tea Shop 06-2284682
Lily Fruit Shop 06-2137522	Du Hsiao Yueh Dan zai Noodle Restaurant 06-2231744	Yi Fong Winter Melon Tea 06-2233779	Sen Mao Rice Bowl Cake 06-2225575	Shanghai Huadu Eatery 06-2216268	Gan Ben Tang Cake & Bakery 06-2233632	Sin Yui Shop 06-2285606	Song Cun Smoked and Stewed Foods Specialty Store 06-2296398	Rong Ji Hao Cake & Flour Factory 06-2227061	Fan Wang Bo Fruit Preserves 06-3583688
Fong Cha Tea House 06-2233115	A-Sia Restaurant 06-2224420	Fule Bakery 06-2212727	A-Mei Restaurant 06-2222848	Hanlin Teahouse 06-2203333	Chihkan Danzai Noodles 06-2205336	Zai Fa Hao Rice Dumpling 06-2223577	Wu Miao Bawan 06-2229142	Old Yong Ruei Jhen Bakery 06-2223716	

Antiques & Crafts

Wang Cuyan Ying Paper Shop 06-2276839	Wen Fong Tea House 06-2245591	Wei Jyun-Bang Sculpture Shop 06-2267416	Wu Wan-Chun Incense Shop 06-2226842	Guangcai Embroidery Shop 06-2226206	Fuli Antique Ceramics 06-2220917
Sin Wen Tang Stamp Shop 06-2227375	Wenjhong Hall 06-2221525	Yongsheng Canvas Bag Shop 06-2275125	Laoshen Hall 06-2250021	Chengmei Embroidery Shop 06-2271315	Tian De Stationery Store & Paper Factory 06-2285548



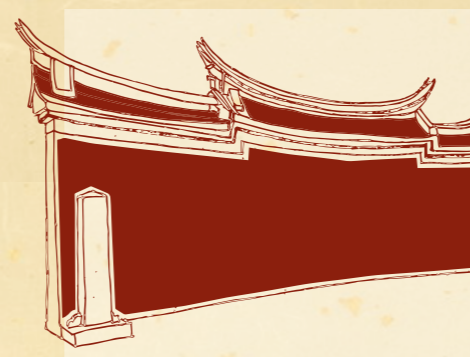
Chihkan Tower
No.212, Sec.2, Minzu Rd. +886-6-2205647
Built in 1653 by the Dutch and originally named Fort Provintia, the tower is known to the Han Chinese as "Chihkan Tower" or "Red-Hair Tower." The candidates for examinations believe that they can pass more easily if they got blessed by Wenchang Dijun, the god of Culture and Literature, also known as Kui Xing. As a result, visitors used to steal the pen placed in the hands of the statue of Kui Xing, which is on the second floor of the Wenchang Pavilion. In response, the "Kui Xing pen" is now for sale in the souvenir shop, which remains popular among visitors.
Open Hours: 08:00-21:30
Ticket: Adult NT50; Discounted NT25



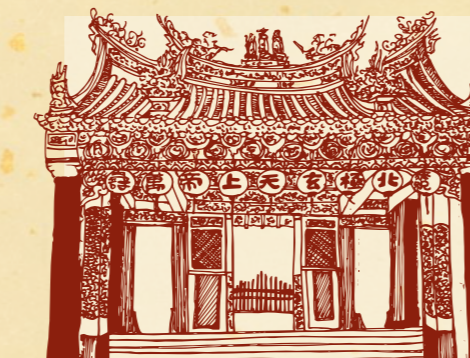
Official Mazu Temple (Ningjing Praise Residence)
No.18, Ln. 227, Sec.2, Yongfu Rd. +886-6-2211178
Built in 1665, the temple is the first Mazu temple in Taiwan named after the Tianhou, which means "Empress of Heaven." With a history of over three centuries, it is a very well-preserved building dating back to the Ming dynasty. Yue Lao, the Matchmaker god, is also worshipped in the temple. For over a century, pilgrims have come here in great numbers to pray for good matches and marriages. Many of them came not for the goddess Mazu, but for the Matchmaker god, whose popularity can be seen in the high pile of gold plates and wedding pastries offered in gratitude to the god for granting their wish.
Open Hours: 07:00-20:00
Free Admission



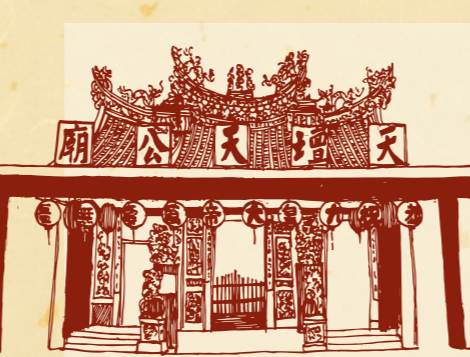
Official God Of War Temple
No.229, Sec.2, Yongfu Rd. +886-6-2294401
Built in 1665, the temple is dedicated to Guan Gong and is commonly known as the "Great Emperor Guan Temple." It is the only martial temple in Taiwan that continues to hold sacrificial rites, and therefore has earned the name "Sacrificial Rites Martial Temple." In the temple, you can find a rich collection of cultural relics, including an inscribed board bestowed by the Qing Emperor that reads "Highest Perfection of Character for Eternity," testifying to the high esteem conferred upon Guan Gong.
An independent Yue Lao (the Chinese Matchmaker god) Temple can be found inside the Sacrificial Rites Martial Temple. If you are looking for an ideal partner or a happy relationship, you can pray sincerely to Yue Lao, and then take one single red string placed in front of the statue. Keep the string with you and your wish will be granted.
Open Hours: 06:00-20:50
Free Admission



The Wanfu An Screen Wall
No. 5 Ln. 317, Sec.2, Minzu Rd.
Wanfu Temple enshrines Guanyin and Sun Wukong. Important historical tablets, including a tablet which reads "Gan Ying Jhao Cheng" (made in 1842) and another three pieces of tablets (made in 1803), which were written by Chao-Ying Lin, are well maintained in the temple. The screen Wall is a typical shelter commonly seen in traditional Taiwanese architecture which is believed that it prevents evil spirits from entering the temple.
Free Admission



Beiji Temple
No. 89, Sec. 2, Mincyuan Rd. +886-6-2268875
Built in 1665, it is also called "Grand God Temple" which worships Xuantian Shangdi. The tablet "Wei Ling He Yi" is the oldest one preserved in Taiwan, and it is the only surviving tablet of the Ming Dynasty. It was once said that Shangdi rests his feet on the turtle and snake. In the Qing Dynasty, in order to consolidate its power, the Qing Government tried to belittle Shangdi and made him the patron god of butchers. But you do not see Shangdi resting his feet on the turtle and snake in Beiji Temple.
Open Hours: 06:00 - 21:00
Free Admission



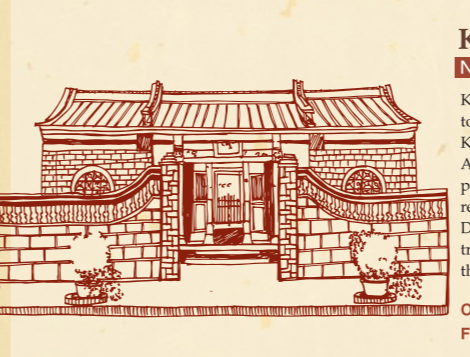
Tiantan Tiangong Temple (Altar of Heaven)
No. 16, Ln. 84, Sec. 2, Jhongyi Rd. +886-6-2227983
Built in 1845, the temple is for the worship of Yu Huang Da Di, also called "King of Heaven temple." This temple is the only one in Taiwan which was constructed by the government and the citizens. The tablet, reading "Yi" (which literally means one), in the temple is one of the three most famous tablets in Tainan City. "Yi" suggests that people can never predict their fate, as the god always can change that by a single stroke. The ninth day of the first month in the Lunar Calendar is Yu Huang Da Di's birthday, and many believers come and celebrate the anniversary. They hope they will gain luck by praying to Yu Huang Da Di. Using paper dolls and whipping a snake-shaped lash, wizards help protect people from bad luck.
Open Hours: 07:00-22:00
Free Admission



Southern Region Weather Center
No. 21, Gongyuan Rd.
Built in 1898, the center was formerly the "Tainan Weather Bureau" and later became the Tainan Weather Station of Central Weather Bureau. The central round tower which the local called "Pepper Bottle" always catches visitors' eyes. By climbing up to the top of the tower, people had the best spot to observe the weather at that time. The weather instruments, as old as the over hundred-year building, still function well, and they are indeed living historical markers.
Open Hours: Monday-Friday and every third Saturday are open to public. Guided Tour Reservation: +886-6-3459218 (Monday-Friday); +886-6-3459200 (Holidays)



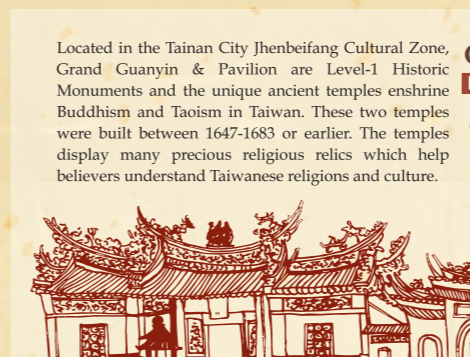
Thai-peng-keng Maxwell Memorial Church
No. 6, Gongyuan Rd., West Central Dist.
Built in 1902, the church was constructed to memorialize the missionary, Dr. Maxwell, who came to Tainan in 1865. In the second floor of the church, there is a 122-year-old pipe organ with a plain and humble look. It is considered as the oldest pipe organ in Taiwan.
Open Hours: Monday-Friday 09:00-12:00, 14:00-17:00
Free Admission



Koxinga Ancestral Shrine
No.36, Jhongyi Rd., Sec.2 +886-6-2250128
Koxinga Ancestral Shrine in Taiwan was built in 1663 by Zheng Jing to enshrine Koxinga. In the Qing Dynasty, the building was called "Koxinga Ancestral Shrine", and it was also known as Jhaoge Hall. An old well in the shrine was filled in during the Japanese colonial period and excavated afterwards according to believers' request to return the well to its original state. Ceramic relics from Ming, Qing Dynasty or Japanese colonial period and the steel bullet from the transition of the Ming and Qing Dynasties were discovered and tell the history of Koxinga Ancestral Shrine.
Open Hours: 09:00-21:00, Daily
Free Admission



Land Bank of Taiwan
No. 28, Jhongjhen Rd.
Formerly Nippon Kangyo Bank, Tainan Branch, built in 1937, located at the intersection of Jhongyi Road and Jhongjhen Road, it was changed to the Land Bank of Taiwan after retrocession and is still in use today. The most attractive feature of the building is a row of corridors which makes visitors think of ancient Egyptian temples. In particular, the entrance of the bank is hidden behind the corridors from the Jhongjhen Road side, and not set at the obvious place even though the building is located at the intersection. This type of design is rarely seen and very interesting.
The interior is not open to the public.



Grand Guanyin & Pavilion
No. 86, Chenggong Rd., North Dist
Located in the Tainan City Jhenbeifang Cultural Zone, Grand Guanyin & Pavilion are Level-1 Historic Monuments and the unique ancient temples enshrine Buddhism and Taoism in Taiwan. These two temples were built between 1647-1683 or earlier. The temples display many precious religious relics which help believers understand Taiwanese religions and culture.
Open Hours: 4:30-21:00



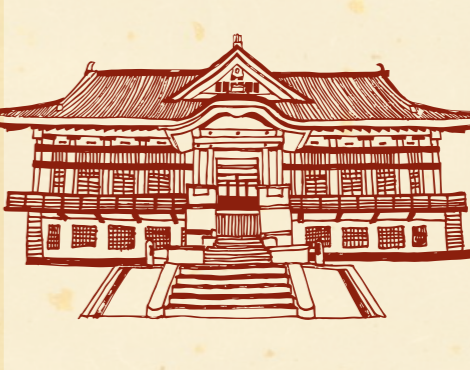
Hayashi Department Store
No. 63, Sec. 2, Jhongyi Rd. +886-6-2213000
Built in 1932, it was the biggest department store in Tainan and was known to the Tainan people as "The Five-Story-House." It was named after its Japanese owner, Mr. Hayashi, as visitors can see the Chinese character "五" shown on the window of the building. The first elevator in Tainan sits in this department store. After the restoration was completed in 2013, the Cultural Affairs Bureau of Tainan City Government launched a bid for outsourcing of the management right and running the department store as Tainan Cultural Creative Department Store.
Open Hours: 11:00-22:00
Free Admission



Chongqing Temple
No. 2, Ln. 5, Jhongjhen Rd. +886-6-2232628
Chongqing Temple, built in the Qing Dynasty (1721 A.C.), located in the back alley of the National Museum of Taiwan Literature, Tainan City. The temple at first only enshrined Buddha, Taoism and Vajrayana Buddhism were introduced later, and the three religions thus shared the temple. It also enshrines the god, Yue Lao. People who want to find true love come here to pray. People say the Yue Lao here always makes their wishes come true.
Open Hours: 7:30-18:00
Free Admission



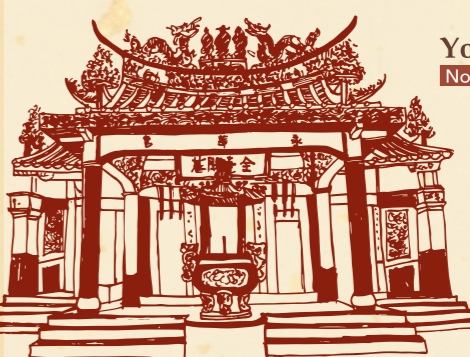
Yeh-Shyr-Tau Literary Memorial Museum
No. 8-3, Yo-ai St. +886-6-2215065
Built in 1925, the building was formerly the Tainan Forest Office during the Japanese Colonial Period and was then turned into the tourist information center of the Confucius Temple Cultural Zone. In 2012, Yeh Shih-tao Literature Memorial Hall was established. There are two around 3-floor high Norfolk Island pine trees planted in 1951 in the courtyard. Through the years, the two trees have grown toward and embraced each other. People call them the "Couple Trees".
Open Hours: 9:00-17:00 Wednesday-Sunday
Free Admission



Tainan Martial Arts Academy
No. 2, Sec. 2, Jhongyi Rd.
Built in 1936, Jhongyi Elementary School's hall was once the location of the Tainan Martial Arts Academy. Tainan Martial Arts Academy was built to glorify Japanese samurai spirits. There are four other martial arts academies, respectively in Tainan, Changting, Kaohsiung and Ghsan District of Kaohsiung City; while Tainan Martial Arts Academy is the largest and grandest among the five.
The interior is not open to the public



Patriotic Women Association
No. 195, 197, Sec. 1, Fucian Rd. +886-6-2149510
Patriotic Women Association was an important women's association during Japanese War. The headquarters were established in Taipei, and the Tainan branch was built in the 1920s. After the war, the patriotic women's associations were transferred to the Red Cross Association. In 2013, part of the building became the office of Cultural Creative Development Section of the Cultural Affairs Bureau, Tainan City Government.
Open Hours: 9:00-17:00
Free Admission



Yonghua Temple
No. 20, Ln. 196, Sec. 1, Fucian Rd. +886-6-2242319
The temple actually does not enshrine Chen Yong-hua, Koxinga's chief counselor, but worships Kuang Te Tsun Wang. However, after Chen Yong-hua passed away, the locals changed the temple's name to Yonghua Temple in order to commemorate his contribution to Taiwan's cultural education. Yonghua Temple plays an important role in Fujong Street community reform. It teaches children the history of Taiwan by offering drum training courses, lantern painting workshops and parades in the community.
Open Hours: 6:00-20:00
Free Admission



Tainan Confucius Temple
No. 2, Nanmen Rd. +886-6-2214647
The first Confucius Temple in Taiwan was built in the Ming Dynasty as proposed by Chief Counselor, Chen Yong-hua. It was not only the highest level of official school but also the pioneer of Confucian Education. Thus, it is also called the first school of Taiwan. On every Teacher's Day (Sep. 28th), the temple holds a Confucius worship ceremony, the most important ceremony in the Confucius Cultural Festival, including 38 rituals. Tainan Confucius Temple is the only Confucius Temple which has continued to follow the traditional worship ceremony since 1713.
Open Hours: 08:30-17:30
Ticket: NT\$25



Chianan Irrigation Association
No. 25, Yo-ai St.
Built in 1940, Chianan Irrigation Association was formerly the Chianan Tachuan Office. Together with Former Tainan Municipal Art Museum, the 2 buildings are scheduled to be the future Tainan Municipal Art Museum. The L shape design of the building is quite simple without delicate decorations because the material and the budget were quite limited due to war during the construction period. The architecture style also leans to Modernism.
The interior is not open to the public.



Former Tainan Police Station
No. 37, Nanmen Rd.
Built in 1931, the Former Tainan Police Station lies to the east of the Former Tainan Prefecture Office. As the Chianan Irrigation Association, the station is scheduled to be the future Tainan Municipal Art Museum. The Former Tainan Police Station features the Art Deco style. The main building has a gable above the second floor. The gable has ladder-shape decorations with a crest in the center. A tablet with a turtle-shape pattern is hung under the gable.
The interior is not open to the public.



National Museum of Taiwan Literature
No. 1, Jhongjhen Rd. +886-6-2217201
Built in 1916, the National Museum of Taiwan Literature was formerly Tainan City Government and the preparatory office of the National Headquarters of Taiwan Traditional Arts, Executive Yuan. The museum is the first national literature museum in Taiwan. In addition to literature collection, preservation and research, the museum aims to let people get more familiar with the literature by exhibitions, events and educational promotions and thus brings up the cultural development.
Open Hours: 9:00-18:00, closed Monday
Free Admission