

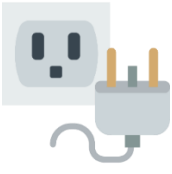




Travel Information

About Taiwan

Taiwan's culture is fine and diverse. At each corner, one can find some unique stories and local sentiments to enjoy. You are cordial to travel to Taiwan and discover people's lifestyles. The beautiful island has many off-the-beaten-track destinations to offer. Why not savor Taiwan's culture and nature and meet our hospitable locals! Friendly, wise, and full of wonderful experiences – Taiwan cordially awaits you!

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	Weather Taiwan enjoys a subtropical climate with warm weather all year round. Taiwan is extremely suitable for traveling. It will be around 18-24 degrees Celsius in November in Taipei.
	Time Zone Taipei is 8 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).
	Electricity Taiwan uses an electric current of 110 volts at 60 cycles. Appliances from Europe, Australia, or South-East Asia will need an adaptor or transformer.
	Currency The official currency in Taiwan is the New Taiwan Dollar (NT\$). Foreign currencies can be exchanged at government-designated banks and hotels. Major credit cards such as American Express, Master Card, and Visa are accepted, and traveler's checks may be cashed at foreign-exchange banks, some tourist-oriented businesses, and most international tourist hotels.
	Tipping Tipping is not customary in Taipei, but some hotels and restaurants automatically add a 10% service fee to the bill.



Tax / VAT

- Eligible Applicants:

Foreign travelers who enter the R.O.C. with the following documents and stay for no more than 183 days from the date of Arrival:

1. Passport of a country other than the R.O.C.
2. R.O.C. passport without personal ID No. recorded.
3. Travel documents.
4. Exit & Entry permit.
5. Temporary entry permit

- Requirements for VAT Refund:

With the entry document, foreign travelers who make purchases of at least NT\$2,000 on the same day from the same designated stores with the "Taiwan Tax Refund"-label are eligible to request the "Application Form for VAT Refund." To claim the refund, they must apply at the port of their departure from the R.O.C. within 90 days following the date of purchase, and they must take the purchased goods out of the country with them. [More Information](#)



Health System

Ranked as one of the best universal health care systems globally, Taiwan prides itself on having over 99% of its population coverage to residents and nationals. Satisfaction rates have an approval rating of over 80%, and many English-speaking doctors are available for any health concerns.

Destination Taipei

The city is situated in a basin in northern Taiwan inhabited by aboriginal peoples until settlers from China moved into the area about 300 years ago. Eastern Taipei was largely underused fields until the nineteen-seventies when the city began to develop the site as a financial and commercial district. Here, the modern face of Taipei shines through, with its glass and steel skyscrapers, wide boulevards, and the world's tallest building, Taipei 101. Taipei also boasts dozens of world-class performance venues, where you can enjoy world-class theater and concert events. The city also offers a wide range of other diversions -- shopping malls, nightclubs, live-music bars, quality hotels, and exotic restaurants.

Transportation



Airline

There are two main airports in Northern Taiwan, **Taoyuan International Airport** in Taoyuan city and **Taipei Songshan Airport** in Taipei city. There are 60 international airline companies with flights to Taiwan. To be eco-friendly to our environments, we'd like to invite you to have your trips with these airlines which take part in Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) or other similar projects.



Mass Rapid Transit System (MRT)

The MRT currently has six lines in operation. Tickets can be purchased at automatic ticket machines in all MRT stations. A "Single-journey Ticket" costs between NT\$20 to NT\$65 depending on the distance. A NT\$180 "Taipei one-day Pass" purchased from a service booth will allow unlimited travel among all MRT lines within one day. The MRT runs from 6 am to 12 midnight seven days a week. Smoking, eating, drinking, or chewing gum are prohibited on all MRT trains.

- [Travel Pass Discounted Ticket \(One-Day, Multi-day Pass, and more\)](#)
- [Joint Tickets \(Taipei Metro & Taoyuan Airport MRT and more\)](#)



Taxi

Taipei has a huge fleet of taxis. Charges are NT\$70 for the first 1.25km and NT\$5 for every 200 meters. An additional NT\$5 is charged for every two minutes of waiting, and a 20% surcharge is added to fares between 11 pm and 6 am. All fares appear on the meter, except for a NT\$10 charge for cabs dispatched by phone and each piece of luggage placed in the taxi trunk. Tips are not required.



YouBike

The Taipei Bike Sharing System is abbreviated as YouBike. It uses an unmanned automated management system to provide "A Leases and B Returns" 24- hour bike rental service in the hope that the citizens will choose bikes as their short-distance transit vehicles. You may rent a YouBike either as a member or a single rental user. Single rental users can use kiosks at each station to rent a bike and use credit cards to pay usages fees. The rate is NT\$ 10 per 30 minutes within the first 4 hours, NT\$ 20 per 30 minutes between 4 to 8 hours, and NT\$ 40 per 30 minutes exceeding 8 hours.

Taipei Attraction



National Palace Museum

The National Palace Museum houses the world's most extensive collection of priceless Chinese art treasures, which spans China's nearly 5,000-year history. Most of the museum's over 600,000 art objects were part of the Chinese imperial collection, which began over 1,000 years ago in the early Song dynasty. [Travel Information](#)



Jiufen Old Street

Jiufen is an old mountain village in Ruifang District of New Taipei City. It has perhaps the best old street in all of Taiwan, with authentic Taiwanese food, sloping steps, traditional Chinese architecture, and great views of Su Ao and Keelung Harbors. There are also numerous historical sites within the town. The entire village is built on a mountain slope so that you can enjoy views of Taiwan's north coast from basically anywhere in the city. [Travel Information](#)

Xingtian Temple



This is a young temple, built-in 1967, with a simple and dignified appearance. In front of the hall is a censer with a somewhat unusual design, its two handles are shaped by flying dragons and its four sides are adorned with dragons' heads stretching toward the sky. The temple's courtyard is usually busy, with crowds of worshippers bowing their heads or kneeling in devotion. On the main altar, you will see offerings of only fresh flowers and tea since the temple forbids the killing of an offering of animals. The temple supplies free candles, and there is no donation box-a first for traditional religion in Taiwan. [Travel Information](#)

Raohe Street Tourist Night Market



Raohe Street Tourist Night Market is located on Raohe Street, Taipei, 600 meters in length. This area was called Xikou and was a business center because of its location and transportation. However, with the development of transport, Raohe Street has become a secondary road, and the business has also declined. Therefore, the government set up a night market in 1987. It is the second tourist night market in Taipei. Various products and local foods are sold in the night market.

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Xinyi Shopping District



Xinyi is a one-of-a-kind tourism area in Taiwan. Xinyi is also home to Taiwan's biggest bookstore chain, Eslite and the international landmark Taipei 101 building, Songshan Cultural and Creative Park, an internationally-renowned Michelin star restaurant, eye-catching facilities, and installation art, and the annual Taipei New Year Eve Party all further add to the sparkle of Xinyi District. From shopping, entertainment, and delicious cuisine to art, culture, and international MICE facilities, Xinyi District serves up the best of Taiwan. [Travel Information](#)



Dihua Street

Dihua Street, one of the most charming tourist spots in the city, is one of the oldest streets in Taipei — certain sections even date back to the 1600s, when parts of Taiwan were under Dutch colonial rule. It is located in Dadaocheng, the oldest remaining neighborhood of Taipei, and retains much of its history and architecture due to conservation efforts by the government. Once one of the biggest centers for trade-in Taipei, Dihua Street is still very commercially active, with many shops selling tea, dried goods, incense, traditional medicinal products, fabric, local crafts, and more. It's a great area to explore for its beautiful architecture and a glimpse into Taipei's history. [Travel Information](#)



Treasure Hill

Treasure Hill Artist Village Located along the Xindian River in Taipei's Gongguan district, Treasure Hill Artist Village is a historical milieu centered on Treasure Hill Temple, a municipal historical site generally extending to the surrounding settlement. Illegal shanties, erected mainly in the 1960s and 1970s, meander up the natural slope, haphazard and intricate, forming one of Taiwan's unique visual landmarks. In 2004 Treasure Hill Temple was formally registered as a historical building and officially opened on October 2, 2010. It is currently engaged in three major projects: historical community preservation work, an Artist-in-Residence program, and Treasure Hill Traveler's Hostel. [Travel Information](#)



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