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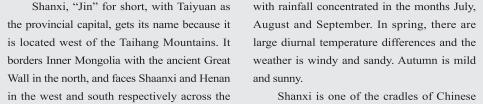
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Loess Plateau, high in the northeast and low in the southwest. The plateau's interior undulates with rertical and horizontal river valleys. There are omplex and diverse landforms as well as many famous mountains, such as Mount Heng, Mount Xinzhou, etc. present a unique cohesion and Wutai, Mount Beiwudang, and Mount Mian.

The province enjoys a temperate culture continental monsoon climate. Winter is long, cold and dry. Summer is short, hot and rainy,

Area and Population The area is 156,700 square kilometers.

level cities: Taiyuan, Datong, Yangquan, At the end of 2012, the permanent resident population was 36,108,000. Changzhi, Jincheng, Shuozhou, Jinzhong,



Yellow River. Liu Zongyuan, a famous Tang civilization reputed as the "museum of ancient Dynasty poet from Yuncheng, Shanxi, Chinese arts." There are historical sites described his hometown as "mountains and everywhere such as temples on Mount Wutai, the Hanging Temple on Mount Heng, the The terrain of Shanxi Province is a typical Ancient City of Pingyao, the Yungang Grottoes,

Here, there are also rich and unique folk customs. Folk customs in Jinzhong, prestige percussion in Linfen, rural folk music in Hequ, deposition of characteristic ancient Chinese

Website: www.shanxichina.gov.cn

Yuncheng, Xinzhou, Linfen, and Lvliang.

Shanxi Province is divided into 11 prefecture

Website: www.chinaJinciTemple.com

and cultural city.



2,500 years, was the capital of nine

dynasties. A profound historical heritage and

rich cultural resources are the most

significant features of this famous historical

Jinci Temple, built during the Northern

Wei Dynasty, integrates ancient Chinese

ritual architecture, gardens, sculptures,

murals, and inscription art. With an elegant

environment and beautiful scenery, it is

world-renowned for its magnificent building

Website: www.tyta.gov.cn

Jinci Temple ——

complex and superb statue art.

### Taiyuan, a city with a history of over **Twin Pagoda Temple** ———

The Twin Pagoda Temple was built during

the Wanli Period of the Ming Dynasty. Because

there are two majestic ancient pagodas in the

temple, it is thus called the Twin Pagoda

Temple, also known as the "Jinyang Wonder."

The "Towering Twin Towers" are one of the

Shanxi Museum ————

Shanxi Museum is the province's largest

cultural relics collection, conservation, study

and exhibition center, showing Shanxi's

unique contributions to the 5,000-year

Website: www.shanximuseum.com

development of Chinese civilization.

eight scenes of ancient Taiyuan City.

Linfen is so named because it stands by Ming dynasties, and has now become a holy the Fenhe River. As one of the cradles of place for Chinese to seek their roots and Chinese civilization, it has a long history and worship their ancestors. The scenic spot is a splendid culture. Within its territory, there themed on "Seeking Roots and Worshipping are various historical sites and a profound Ancestors" and divided into three unique parts. historical sense.

Website: www.lfta.gov.cn

Yaomiao Temple ———— The Hongtong Ming Dynasty Prison is The Yao Temple was built during the Jin the only well preserved ancient prison of the Dynasty. With a history of over 1,700 years, it Ming Dynasty in China. It was built during is a national ancestral temple with rich culture, the first year of the Hongwu Period (1368). reflecting the history of 5,000 years of In the Peking Opera "Su San under Police civilization. The Chinese Gate west of the Yao Escort," the courtesan Su San was unjustly Temple Square is magnificent and known as wronged in Hongtong and imprisoned here. "the first gate in the world."

**Hongtong Ming** 

Dynasty Prison ————

**Dahuaishu Ancestral Memorial** Garden Scenic Area

The Dahuaishu Ancestral Memorial Garden Scenic Area was the departure point for the great immigration of the late Yuan and early



Yuncheng was established for the salt Pujiu Temple industry and recognized as "a City of Salt Transportation." It is the hometown of Guan Yu, a famous general of the Three Kingdoms. Yuncheng enjoys a long history and is the ancestral root of the Chinese civilization. As the saying goes, "one can learn about 5,000year civilization in Yuncheng."

### **Temple of Guan Yu in**

Website: www.yclyw.gov.cn

Temple of Guan Yu in Haizhou, located 20 kilometers west of Yuncheng City, was built during the Sui Dynasty, and expanded in later dynasties. It is China's largest palace temple and one of the most complete extant temples of



The thousand-year old ancient temple

hanging on the palisades is China's only

remaining temple integrating Buddhism,

**Pagoda of Fogong Temple** 

The Pagoda of Fogong Temple is China's

oldest and best preserved pure wooden tower. It

is not only called an "architectural treasure" by

the construction industry, it is also a protected

area for China's rare Liao Dynasty artifacts.

Taoism and Confucianism.

The Pujiu Temple is where "the West

Chamber," one of the four famous classical

Chinese operas, took place. It is called "Holy

Love Land" and is world-famous. In the

temple, the refined and elegant former

residence of Yingying's "Pear Blossom

Courtyard" attracts the admiration of many

The Stork Tower, known because of the

poem "Climbing Stork Tower" by the Tang

Dynasty poet Wang Zhihuan, is one of the

four famous towers in ancient China. It is

spectacular with a peculiar body structure.

Looking into the distance from its top can

Stork Tower —

broaden your mind.

Huangcheng Chancellor The House of the Huangcheng Chancellor is the mansion of Chen Tingjing, a famous prime minister of the Kangxi Period in the Qing Dynasty. It is a distinctive castle-like official mansion complex of the Qing Dynasty with a simple, primitive, and strong architectural design style, giving it a sense of mystery.

hanxi Compound

Yangcheng House of the

### Qixian County Qiao Family

Compound The Qiao Family Compound is a typical northern residential building built during the Qianlong Period of the Qing Dynasty. It is a fully enclosed castle-style building complex. The houses are of generous and fantastic structure and appearance, simple and refined, embodying the unique style of Chinese residential buildings of the Qing Dynasty.

**Lingshi** Wang Family Compoun

The Wang Family Compound is an

ceneries of the

Zhenze Palace.

Taihang Mountair

**Lingchuan** Wang Mang Ling

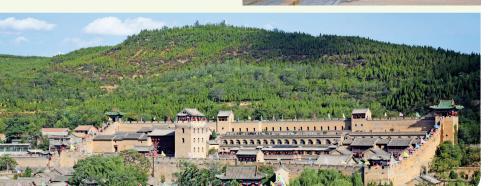


Dynasty. Its architectural technology, decorative

art and carving skills are superb, and it can be

likened to a shining pearl among residential

ildings in northern China.



## Mount Wuta

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A Tour of World Heritage

Yungang Grottoes

Tourist Itineraries

Route: Ancient City of Pingyao - Mount Wutai -

Reason for Recommendation: World cultural heritage

cultural property of all mankind. This route covers

three world heritage sites in Shanxi Province and is a

Route: Datong Huayan Temple - Shanhua Temple -

Hanging Temple - Pagoda of Fogong Temple -

Reason for Recommendation: Shanxi has always

been known as an "on-the-ground cultural relic

Taiyuan Chongshan Temple - Mount Wutai

classic route to appreciate Shanxi culture.

A Tour of Ancient

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museum" with many extant ancient religious

buildings. This route covers many famous temples in

Shanxi Province and includes different types of

model ancient Chinese buildings of different times.

Route: The Mansion of the Chang's - Qiao

Family Compound - Cao Family Compound - Qu

Family Compound - Wang Family Compound

Reason for Recommendation: Shanxi compounds have

different features. Local houses to official residences

are a microcosm of society there in modern times. They

contain a wealth of cultural elements and reflect the

ancient customs of Northwest China from the mid-19th

House of the Huangcheng Chancellor

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sites are both China's precious treasures and the A Tour Shanxi Compounds

Mount Wutai is a world heritage site, position. ranking first among the four major Buddhist mountains, and is the site for Manjushri. Its landscape includes a Buddhist temple complex, natural scenery and folk customs. Website: www.wutais.cn

**Xiantong Temple** 

Xiantong Temple is the largest temple clouds. On the South Terrace, there are in the Mount Wutai temple complex. In the majestic peaks and numerous flowers. Guayue temple, there are over 400 existing halls and Peak on the West Terrace is the best place to dormitories, most of which were built during enjoy the moon. Yedou Peak on the North the Ming and Qing dynasties. Around the Terrace is majestic and grand. Cuiyan Peak on temple are rolling hills, and inside it are the Middle Terrace is green and lush. towering halls and pavilions, a perfect combination of natural beauty and Buddhist

'Pusading" means "the place where Manjushri lives." The largest Tibetan Buddhist monastery in Mount Wutai, it was built during the Northern Wei Dynasty and later rebuilt. During the Qing Dynasty, it was a royal temple enjoying a very honorable

ransportation

opened international flights to Paris, London,

Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Hong Kong,

In Shanxi, the Datong-Puzhou Railway

from Datong to Fenglingdu and Ruicheng runs

through the province from north to south. In

addition, the Shijiazhuang-Taiyuan Railway,

and medium-sized cities in China.

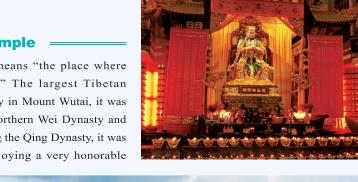
New York, Singapore, Moscow and other

By Air

Taipei, and so on.

By Train

By Road



Five Scenes of

The "five terraces" in Mount Wutai

have different sceneries with their own

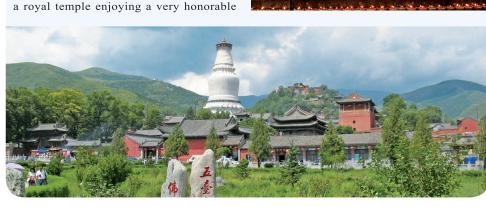
characteristics. On the East Terrace, there is

the wonder of the rising sun and the sea of

centered at Taiyuan, Datong, Changzhi, Linfen

and other places. In addition, there are also

Numbers and Websites



Taiyuan Wusu International Airport, the seven national highways passing through

largest airport in Shanxi Province, has the province, which provide convenient

Taiyuan Railway, the Taiyuan-Jiaozuo Railway, Taiyuan Wusu Airport Customer Service 0351-7286462

the Handan-Changzhi Railway and other Datong Yungang Airport Customer Service 0352-5688112

Xinzhou Tourism Bureau

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Datong Tourism Bureau

places as well as many domestic flights to Useful Telephone

the Beijing-Baotou Railway, the Beijing- Telephone Number Enquiry

railways run through the province to most large Railway Ticket Booking

# ount Wutai

Nanchan Temple —

Nanchan Temple was rebuilt over 1,200 China's oldest wooden structure. The temple's exquisite Tang Dynasty sculptures are treasures of sculpture art.

Foguang Temple is the second oldest years ago. Its Tang Dynasty main hall is extant wooden architecture in China, next only to Nanchan Temple. In the temple, buildings, sculptures, murals and inscriptions of the Tang Dynasty are called the "four unique treasures."

Foguang Temple ———



Datong is one of the national historical Buddhism. It is a typical building of the Liao and cultural cities with many attractions and Jin dynasties. After the mid-Ming within its territory. In 2008, it started to fully Dynasty, it was divided into an upper temple implement the ancient city recovery and a lower temple, each with their own protection project. The restored ancient city gates and specific patterns. of Datong represents the style of ancient cities of the Ming Dynasty.

Website: www.dttour.gov.cn

Datong Ancient City Wall = Datong Ancient City Wall was built on the basis of the ancient earth city walls of the Taizu Zhu Yuanzhang of the Ming Dynasty. ancient Pingcheng City of the Northern Wei On the wall are nine evenly distributed flying Dynasty from the 25th year of Hongwu Period dragons, with extraordinary charm. of the Ming Dynasty (1392) and was greatly damaged. Today, it has been rebuilt. After the restoration, the ancient city wall became magnificent and extraordinarily charming.

the Liao Dynasty according to the classic "Avatamsaka Sutra" of the Huayan School of



Nine-Dragon Wall —

The Nine-Dragon Wall built during the

late Hongwu Period of the Ming Dynasty is

the colored glaze screen wall in front of the

palace of Zhu Guidai, the 13th son of Emperor



The Yungang Grottoes, built during the Northern Wei Dynasty, have a history of over

1,500 years. As one of China's three major grotto complexes, it is listed on the "World Heritage List." The most famous, the Tanyao Five Grottoes, are classic masterpieces from the peak period of Chinese Buddhist art.

Website: www.yungang.org Mount Heng —

Mount Heng Scenic Area includes 13 scenic spots including the Tianfeng Ridge, the Qianfo Ridge, the Hanging Temple, etc.





### making it the highest peak in the South Taihang Mountains. Its sea of clouds, sunrise, majestic Taihang Grand Canyon peaks, cliff highways, and three-dimensional The Taihang Grand Canyon has very waterfalls form the most famous natural rich natural landscape and cultural resources.

landscape in the 800-li Taihang Mountains. Based on the main lines of Wuzhi Gorge, Longquan Gorge, and Wangmang Gorge, there are four major scenic spots: Zituan

Lishan Mountain Nature Reserve Cave, Yungai Temple, Shuiyao Cave and The Lishan Mountain Nature Reserve is

located in the southwest of Qinshui County, Jinzhong City. Richly endowed by nature, it is famous for its unique climates, canyons, The Wang Mang Ling Scenic Area covers forests, grasslands, Xiachuan cultural sites a total area of over 40 square kilometers, and and Shun culture. reaches an altitude of over 1,700 meters,





# Ancient City of Pingyao

The Ancient City of Pingyao, built Rishengchang during the reign of Emperor Xuan of the **Exchange Shop** — Western Zhou Dynasty, has a history of over 2,700 years. So far, the basic outlook of the Ming and Qing dynasties are well preserved here. It is one of China's four best preserved ancient cities.

**Ancient City Walls of Pingya** 

The Ancient City Walls of Pingyao are one of China's four best preserved ancient city walls. The existing section, rebuilt during the Ming Dynasty and repaired dozens of times, still maintains the overall style of the early Ming Dynasty.

The Ming-Qing Street —

The Ming-Qing Street, over 400 meters long, is an ancient commercial street preserving over 70 ancient relics shops of the Ming and Qing dynasties, including exchange shops, banks, pawnshops, silk shops and other industries.



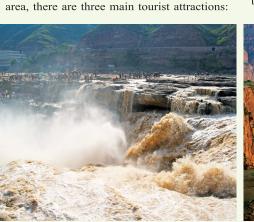


## ceneries of the Yellow River

Jixian County Hukou Waterfall

Website: www.hukoupubu.cc Ningwu the Luya Mountain

The Laoniuwan, located in the heart of Jinshan Grand Gorge, is one of China's top ten beautiful canyons. On both banks of the Laoniuwan Canyon stand steep cliffs and the towering Great Wall. In the villages nearby, and more than 30 waterfalls. In the scenic there are many historical sites.





the Luya Mountain National Forest Park, the



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Holliday Inn Datong City Center	5	No. 37, Yingbin Road, Datong	0352-211888
Jing's Residence Pingyao	5	No. 16, East Avenue, Pingyao County, Jinzhong	0354-584100
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Holliday Inn Datong City Center	5	No. 37, Yingbin Road, Datong	0352-21188
Jing's Residence Pingyao	5	No. 16, East Avenue, Pingyao County, Jinzhong	0354-58410
Hengze Hotel, Yuncheng	5	Xuefan Road, Xincheng District, Yuncheng	0359-26188
Wufeng Hotel	4	Taihuai Town, Wutai County, Xinzhou	0350-33658
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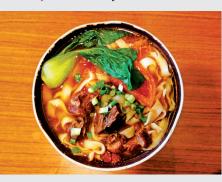


# Dining and Shopping

Dining

The biggest feature of Shanxi food is various wheaten dishes with distinct flavors. Specialties include Guoyourou (stir-fried meat), Yang Za (stir-fried mixed mutton offal), pork blood sausage, etc.

Shanxi Wheaten Food: There are over 300 kinds of Shanxi wheaten food, including haven noodle, ramen noodles and braised noodles, all of different flavors. Guoyourou: Guoyourou is the most



famous Han traditional dish in Shanxi and is golden, salty, soft outside and tender inside. Yang Za: The biggest feature of Yang Za s the original soup made with the most



## common spices and sheep offal. The meat and

soup are fresh and delicious.

Shanxi specialties mainly include Xinghua Village Fenjiu, Shanxi mature vinegar, Pingyao beef, etc.

Xinghua Village Fenjiu: Xinghua Village Fenjiu is one of the famous ancient Chinese vintage wines. With a color like that of crystal jade, a pure fragrance, and an infinitely delicious taste, it has sold well abroad. Shanxi Mature Vinegar: Shanxi mature

vinegar is sweet, mellow, sour and fragrant. It is not only the best for seasoning, but can also help with digestion, beautification, and sterilization.

Pingyao Beef: Pingyao beef is ruddy with a mellow flavor and delicious taste.



Rishengchang Exchange Shop is China's first exchange shop and the founder of China's modern banks. Its architectural style integrates the Jinzhong area's folk house characteristics and specialty shops.





0,000-year Ice Cave National Geopark and Hukou Waterfall is China's second the Tianchi Holiday Resort. largest waterfall and the world's largest Website: www.chinaluyashan.com yellow waterfall. Grand and magnificent, it is the location of the famous "Ten Scenes of Pianguan Laoniuwan Canyon

Luya Mountain has more than 200 peaks





