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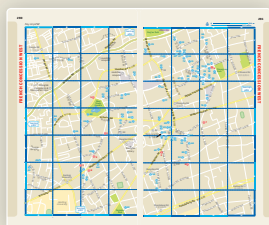
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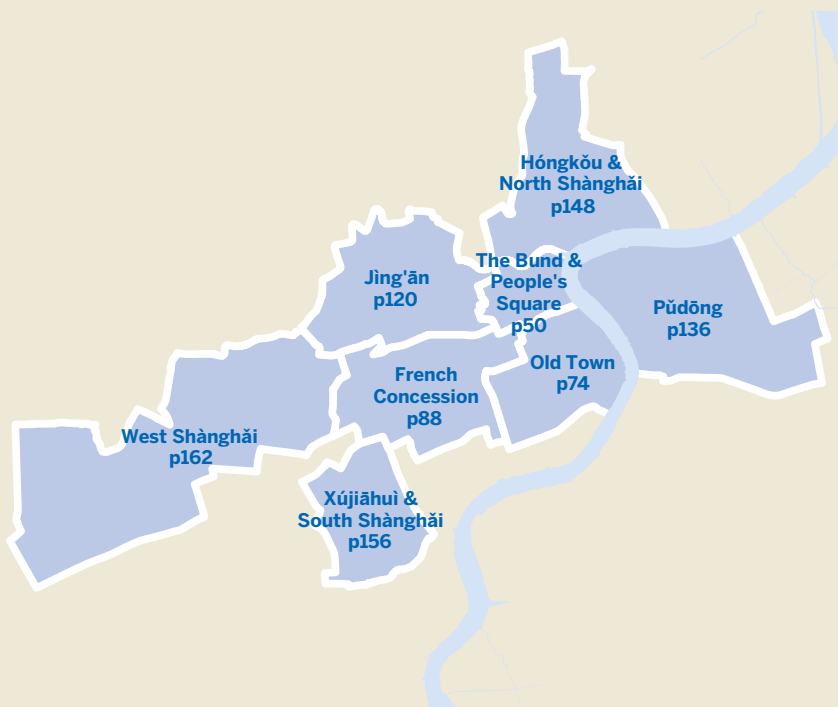
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- Castle
- Christian
- Hindu
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- Jewish
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- Museum/Gallery
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- Winery/Vineyard
- Zoo
- Other Sight

Eating

- Eating

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- Drinking & Nightlife
- Cafe

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- Entertainment

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- Shopping

Sleeping

- Sleeping
- Camping

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- Canoeing/Kayaking
- Skiing
- Surfing
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- Walking
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- Tourist Information

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- Bus
- Cable Car/Funicular
- Cycling
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- Monorail
- Parking
- S-Bahn
- Taxi
- Train/Railway
- Tram
- Tube Station
- U-Bahn
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- Other Transport

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- Freeway
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- Secondary
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- Unsealed Road
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- Steps
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- Pedestrian Overpass
- Walking Tour
- Walking Tour Detour
- Path

Boundaries

- International
- State/Province
- Disputed
- Regional/Suburb
- Marine Park
- Cliff
- Wall

Geographic

- Hut/Shelter
- Lighthouse
- Lookout
- Mountain/Volcano
- Oasis
- Park
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- Picnic Area
- Waterfall

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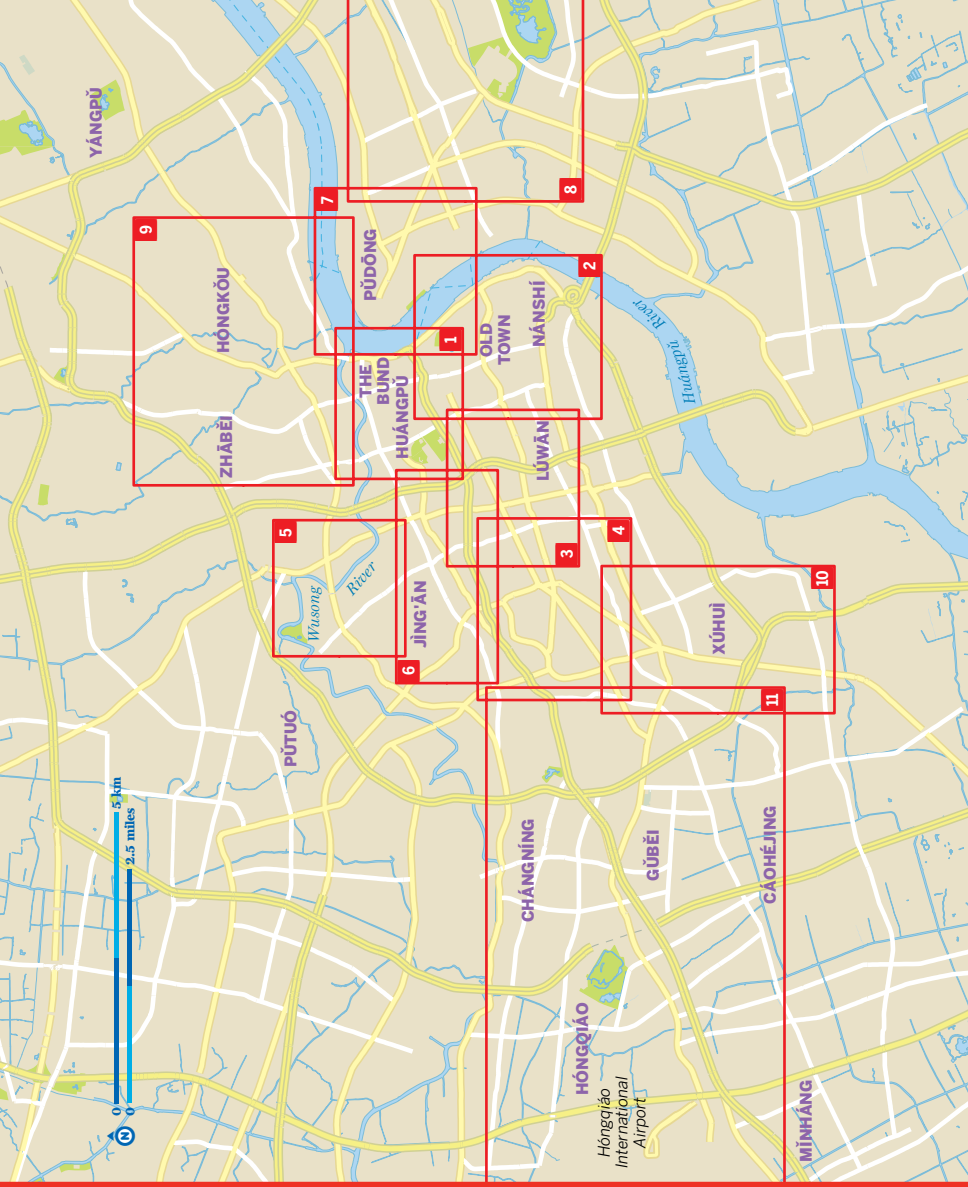
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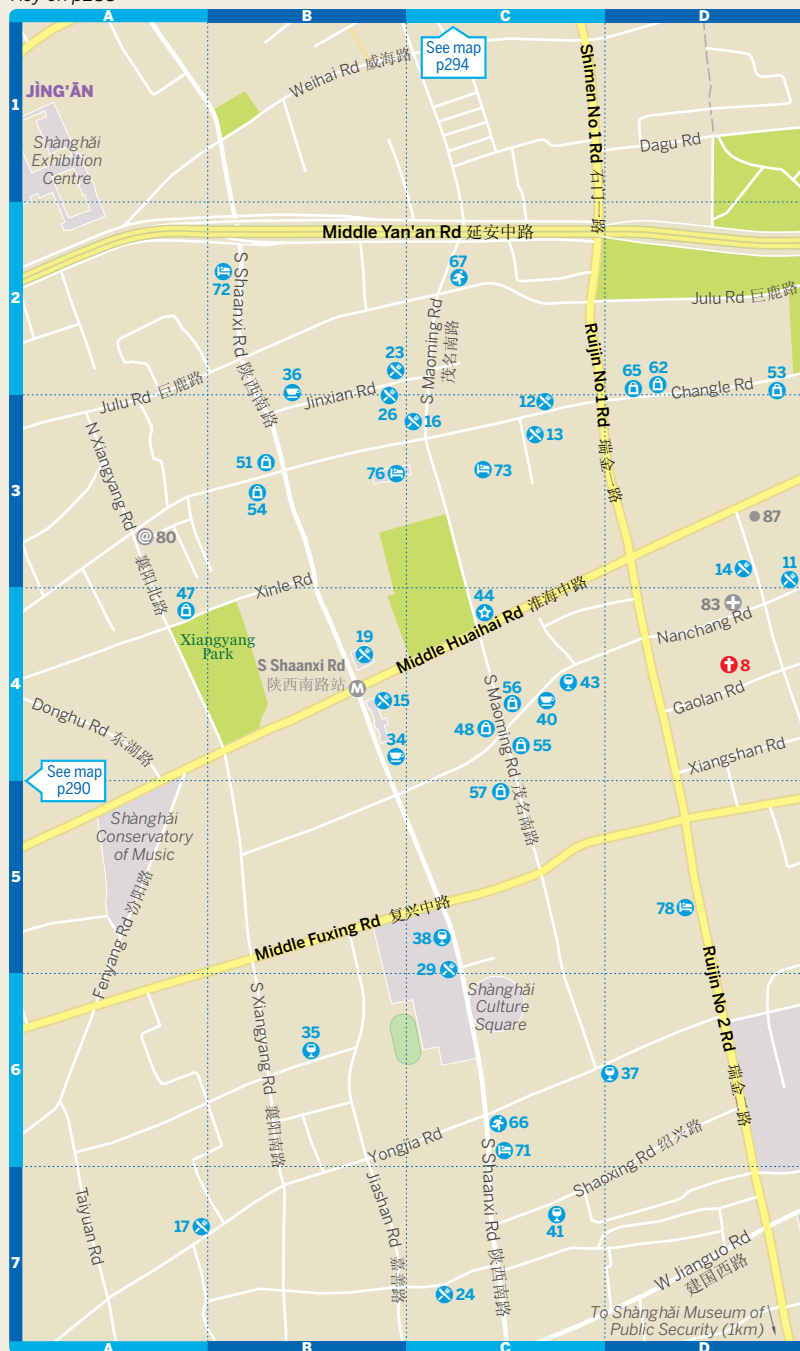
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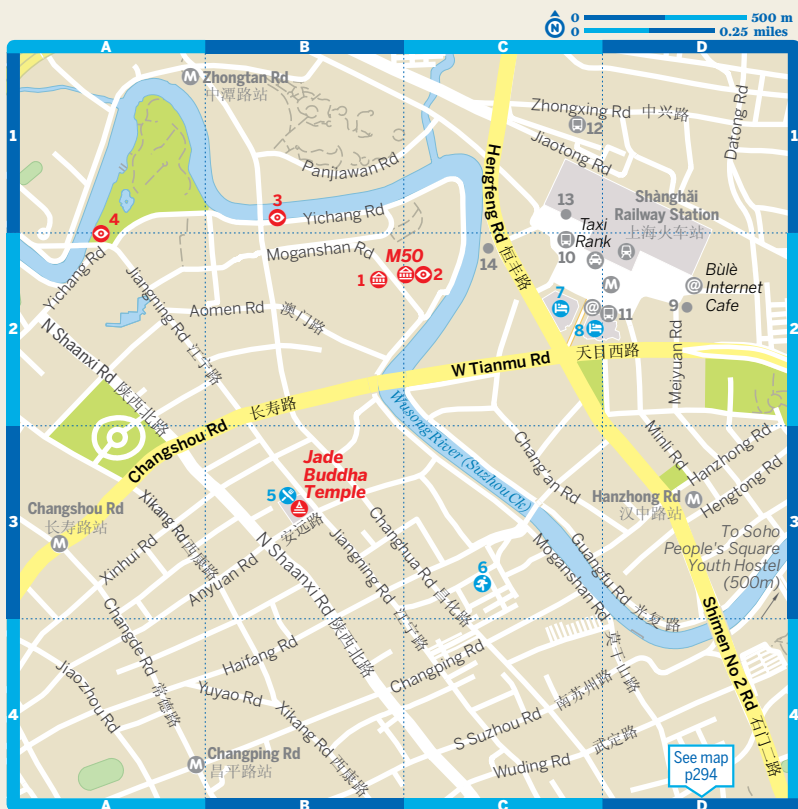
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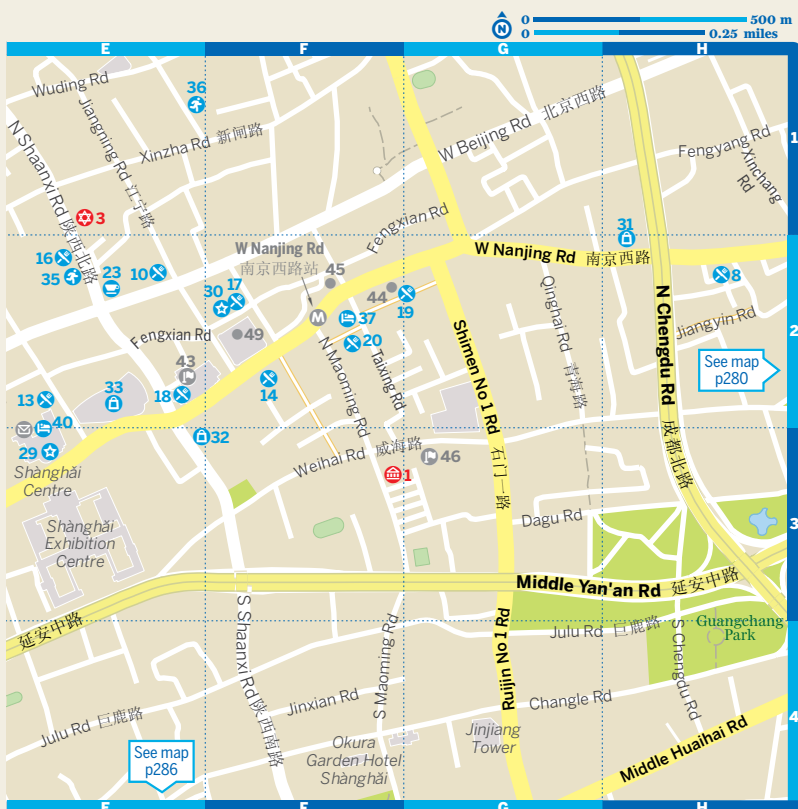
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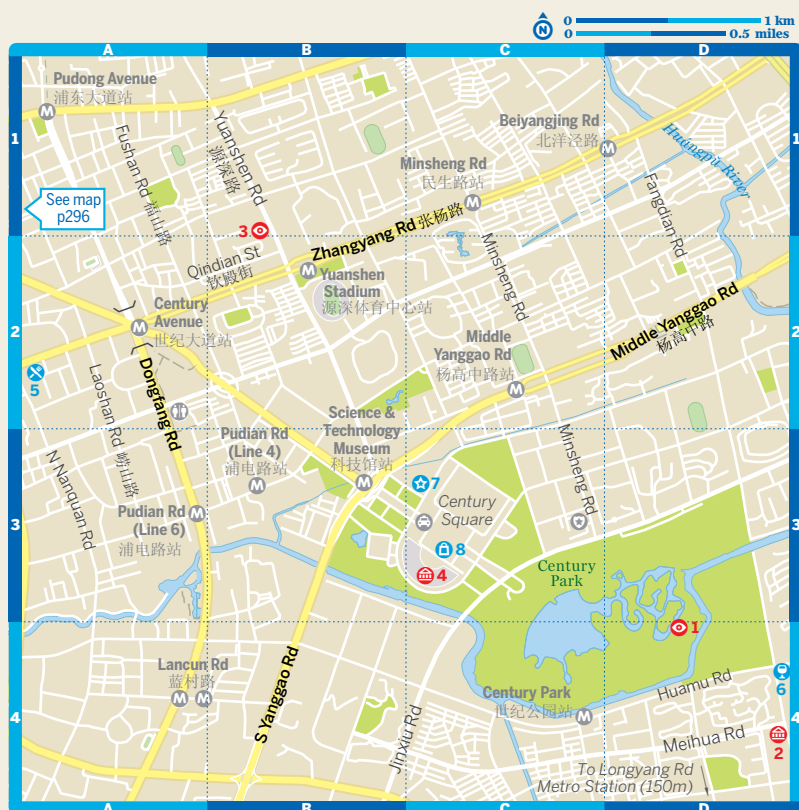
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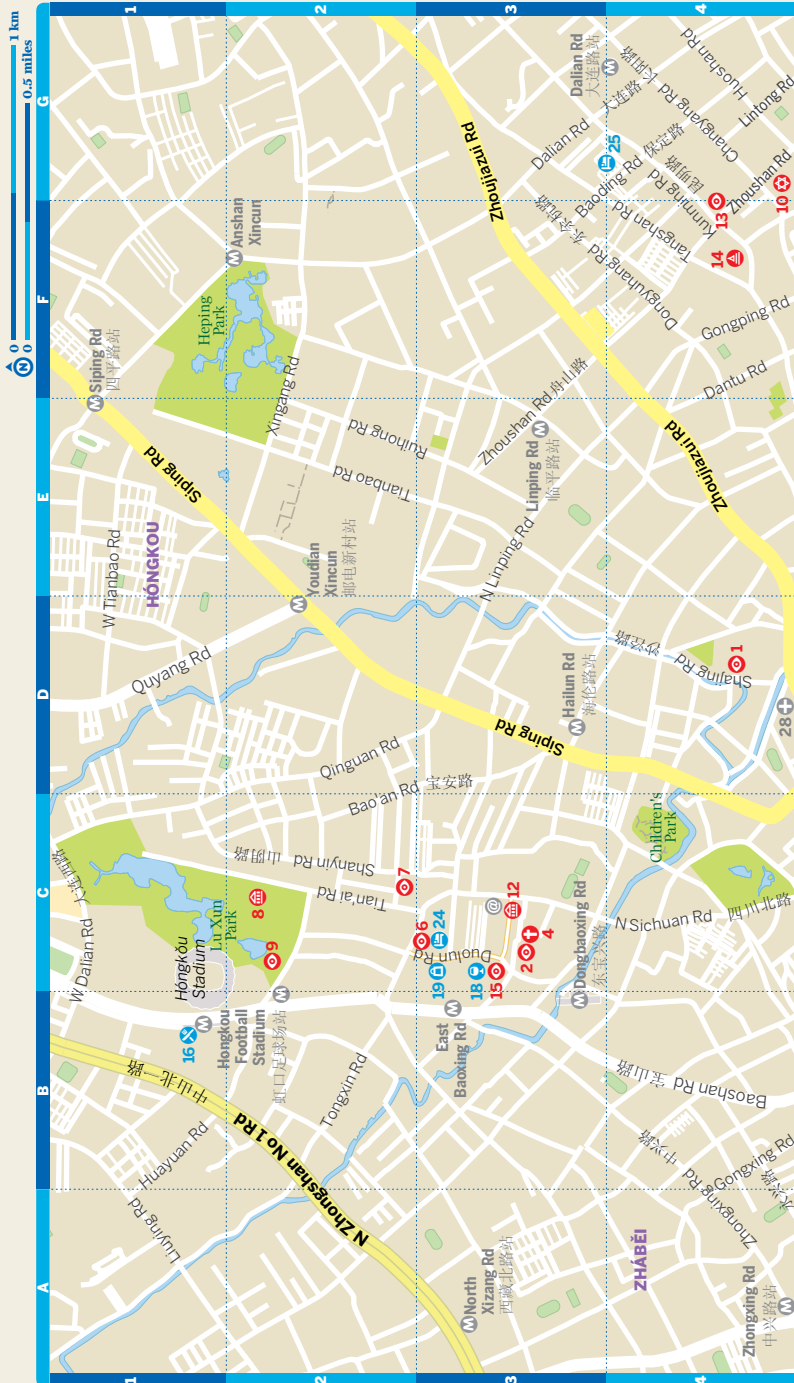


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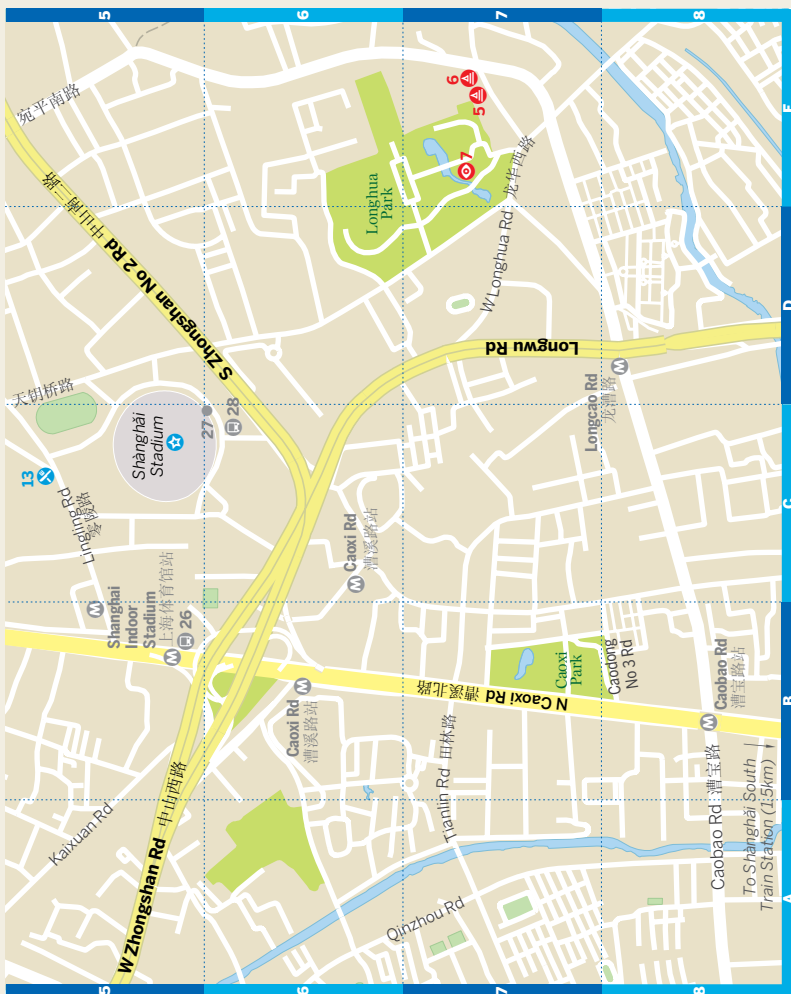
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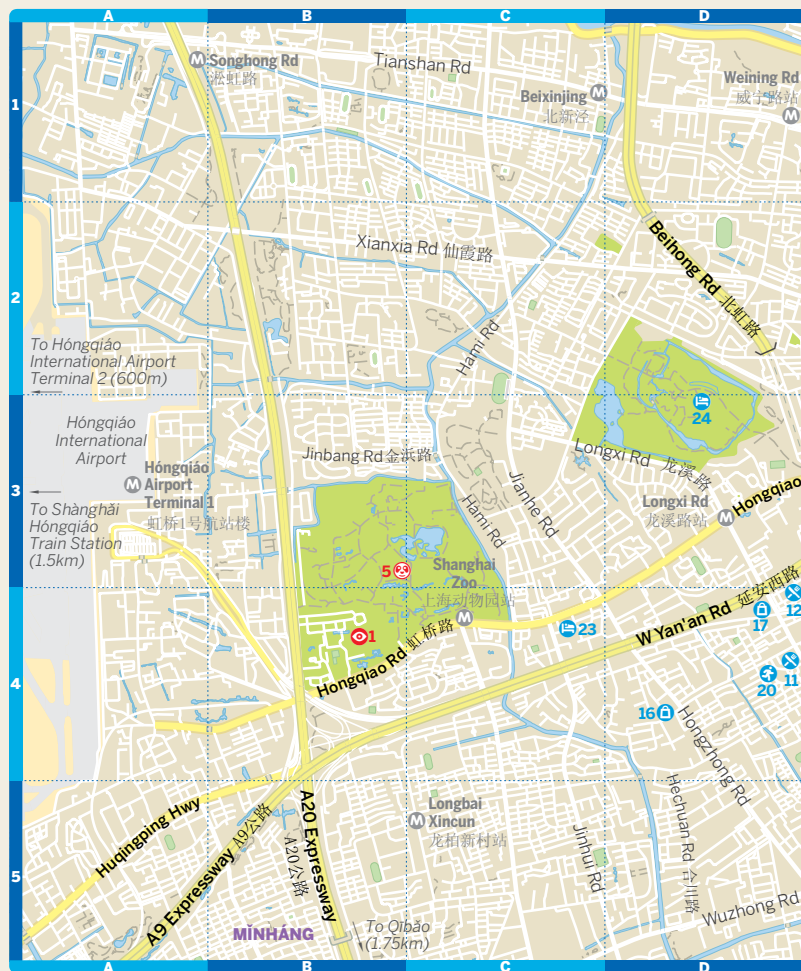
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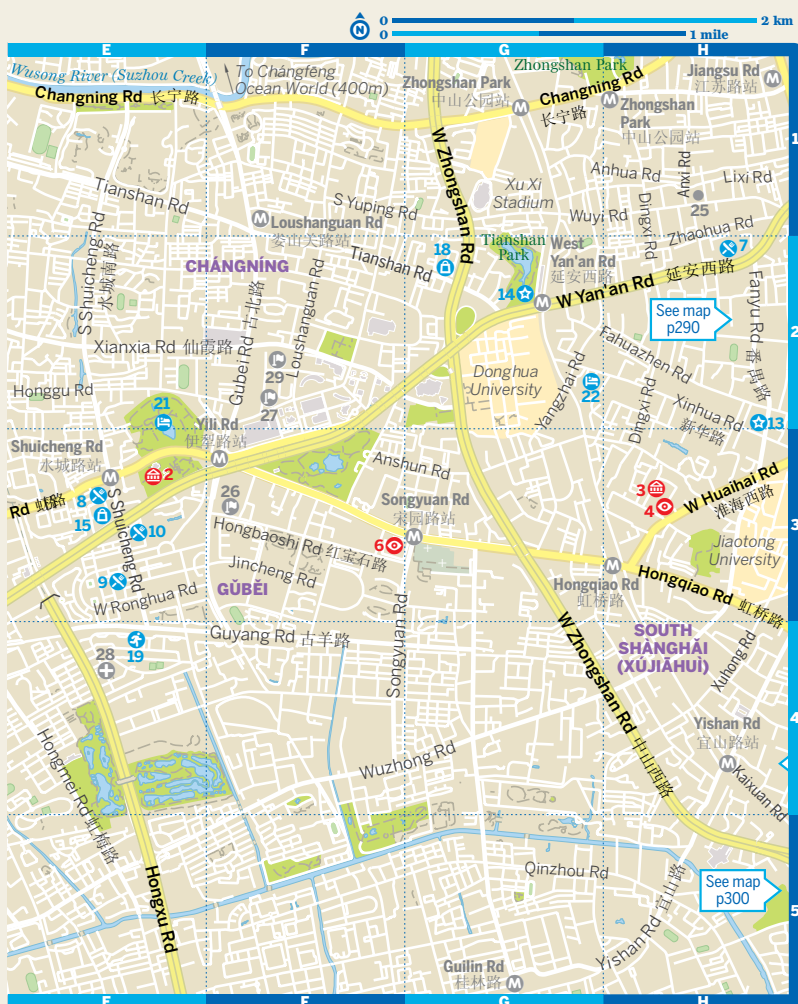
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The Bund (p52)

 First stop, follow the sweep of architectural pomp along the **Bund** and savour the art-deco grandness of the **Fairmont Peace Hotel**, before walking along the riverside promenade to pixelate **Pūdōng** across the Huángpǔ River. Art lovers can swoop upon the **Rockbund Art Museum**, while architecture fans can revel in the highlights of **Yuanmingyuan Road**. Head west along East Nanjing Rd past shoppers to **People's Square**.



Lunch Lost Heaven (p66): all the flavours of far-off Yúnnán province.

People's Square (p65)

 Immerse yourself in the outstanding collection of the **Shànghǎi Museum** before weighing up the **Shànghǎi Urban Planning Exhibition Hall** or finding a pocket of greenery in People's Park. The **Shànghǎi Art Museum** blends art and concession-era architecture; for views, shoot up in the lift to the lobby of the JW Marriott on the 38th floor of **Tomorrow Square**.



Dinner Kitchen Salvatore Cuomo (p141): have a table booked.

Lùjiāzuǐ (p138)

 Hop on the metro (or a sightseeing bus) from People's Square to Lùjiāzuǐ to wander round the walkway in front of the **Oriental Pearl TV Tower**. Choose between the observation towers of the **Jinmao Tower** and the **Shànghǎi World Financial Center**, or settle for an evening cocktail at **Flair** or **Cloud 9**.

Day Two

French Concession East (p92)

 Relish the architecture and boutiques of **Xīntiāndì** and pop into the **Shíkùmén Open House Museum** for a lowdown on **shíkùmén** (stone-gate house) architecture before tracking down **St Nicholas Church**, the fairy-tale **Moller House** or taking a seat to watch locals relax in French-designed **Fùxīng Park**.



Lunch Din Tai Fung (p97): classic, moreish Shànghǎi dumplings.

French Concession West (p95)

 Admire the dazzling glass creations at the **Liúli China Museum** and the photographs at the **Beaugeste** gallery before totally disappearing among **Tiánzifāng's** warren of lanes. Boutique window-shop around Tiánzifāng, take your hat off to the collection in the **Propaganda Poster Art Centre** and hunt down contemporary art at **James Cohan**, **Art Labor** and **Space**.



Dinner Spicy Joint (p100): fantastic Sichuan restaurant (but book ahead).

The Bund (p70)

 Zip up the day in style sipping cocktails and dining on the **Bund**, but most of all enjoying the mind-altering neon views. Select from a long list: the **Glamour Bar**, **New Heights**, the **Long Bar**, **Jiao Bar**, **Bar Rouge** or **Captain's Bar** – or don your best togs for views, booze and moves at **MINT**. Die-hard traditionalists can lend an ear to the jazz band in the **Fairmont Peace Hotel Jazz Bar**.

Day Three

Old Town (p77)

 Reach the Old Town's **Yùyuán Gardens** early in the day, before the crowds arrive. Sift through the handicrafts on sale in the **Yùyuán Bazaar** before tracking down bargain collectibles along **Old Street** and **Dongtai Road Antiques Market**. Head east past **Dǒngjiādù Cathedral** to the **Cool Docks** for its appealing blend of *shíkùnmén* and riverside warehouse architecture (plus views).



Lunch Nánxiáng Steamed Bun Restaurant (p83): celebrated dumplings.

Jing'an (p124)

 Weave some Buddhist mystery into your afternoon at the **Jade Buddha Temple** before sprinkling contemporary art into the mix at the fascinating galleries of **M50**. Consider a cruise along **Sūzhōu Creek** or explore the **Jing'an Temple** before seeking out the *lilong* lanes of the **Bubbling Well Road Apartments** and shopping along West Nanjing Rd.



Dinner Fu 1088 (p101): fine Shanghai cuisine in dapper villa surrounds.

French Concession (p105)

 Round off your day ticking off some of Shanghai's best bars, all handily located in the French Concession: chill out at **Bell Bar**, seek out specialist beers at **Kaibā** or **Boxing Cat Brewery**, sink a drink in the garden of **Cotton's** or corner your perfect cocktail at **el Cóctel**.

Day Four

Xújiāhuì & South Shànghǎi (p158)

 Spend the morning admiring the former Jesuit sights of Xújiāhuì, in particular the **St Ignatius Cathedral** and the **Tousewe Museum**. Pay your respects to the Buddhist **Lónghuá Temple & Pagoda**; the green-fingered can explore the foliage of the **Shànghǎi Botanical Gardens**.



Lunch Xínjiāng Fèngwèi Restaurant (p160): feast on Uighur lamb.

Hóngkǒu & North Shànghǎi (p150)

 Pay a visit to the **Ohel Moishe Synagogue** and the surrounding former Jewish neighbourhood, walk up **Duolun Road Cultural Street**, track down some of the neighbourhood's best architecture and relax in **Lu Xun Park**. In the late afternoon, head back south to the North Bund area of Hóngkǒu, which puts you within easy reach of the Bund.



Dinner Guǒyuán (p152): super-duper spice-infused dishes from Húnán.

Pǔdōng (p138)

 Get haggling at the **AP Xīnyáng Fashion & Gifts Market** before getting a handle on local history at the **Shànghǎi History Museum**, followed by an evening walk along the **Riverside Promenade**, gazing over to the Bund. For fine Pǔdōng views, jump on a ferry across the river to toast the skyline from **Char Bar** in the South Bund or **The Waterhouse** by the Cool Docks.

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