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Welcome to Taipei

Taipei is the yin and yang of cities: modern malls and trading towers stack next to smoky temples and Qing-era shophouses. From its cuisine to the courtesy of its people, the city's beauty is born from a blend of Chinese, Japanese and Southeast Asian influences. Taipei today is a celebration of tolerance and taste. Welcome to Asia's most progressive capital!





Taipei 101

Taipei's Eiffel Tower. **p118**

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Bao'an Temple

Folk deities conjure rich dreams. **p56**

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Dihua Street

Taipei's most atmospheric district. **p54**



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Huashan 1914 Creative Park

Hip and historical converted wine factory. **p36**

Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall

Imposing square, bristling with history. **p34**

Beitou Hot Springs

Soaks in the city. **p142**



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Maokong Gondola

Sky sailing to mountain teahouses. **p102**



Shilin Night Market

Scrumptious, sizzling and squashed fun. **p134**