



National Democracy Hall

Night markets

As shopping and eating are the top entertainments in Taiwan, good places to experience these are at the many night markets dotted throughout the city. Many stay open until midnight. ShihLin night market (Wenlin Road, Datung Road and Pingan Road, Shih-Lin District) is the largest, while Huashi Street Night Market (Snake Alley, between Siyuan Road and Huanhe South Road) a few paces from Lungshan Temple, is the most famous. It sells everything from snake soup and painted umbrellas to shoulder massages.

Taipei 101

Built as the tallest building in the world in 2004, Taipei 101 offers 101 floors of entertainment and consumption - the Taiwanese idea of heaven. Everything is here - restaurants, a health club, cinema and designer boutiques. While you're there, take the fastest lift in the world up to The Observatory for the ultimate city view.

National Palace Museum

Located in the verdant hills on the outskirts of Taipei, The National Palace Museum is home to more than 650,000 priceless Chinese artefacts - the world's largest collection. The main exhibition, including the famous Jadeite Cabbage, follows an interesting and easily interpreted timeline through China's dynasties to the present day.



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Wisteria Tea House

The Wisteria Tea House is an authentic Chinese teahouse. It is also where Ang Lee shot the film *Eat, Drink, Man, Woman*. The garden is one of Taipei's most historic sites and is filled with heaps of wisteria.

Beitou Museum

The Beitou Museum was originally a hotel under Japanese occupation, then an antique house and then finally a museum when it was reconstructed in 1984.

It features over 5,000 artefacts of traditional folk art including aboriginal art and embroideries. It remains one of the largest, free-standing, wooden houses dating from the Japanese occupation in Taiwan.

Landis Pause Resort

Taiwan has the second highest number of hot springs outside Japan. Bathe in sulphurous ones in the forested mountains at the Landis Pause Resort. At Wulai, visitors can also experience aboriginal traditional



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