

Taipei: A Cultural and Creative Journey

Welcome to Taipei, Taiwan's dynamic capital, where ancient traditions harmoniously blend with modern innovation. This comprehensive 2-day guide will take you through the city's rich cultural heritage, creative spaces, and vibrant night markets, perfect for first-time visitors.

Historical Overview

Taipei has evolved from a small trading settlement to a bustling metropolis that seamlessly combines Chinese, Japanese, and modern influences. The city's transformation into a cultural and economic hub makes it a fascinating destination for travelers seeking both historical depth and contemporary experiences.

Iconic Landmarks

- National Palace Museum: Home to the world's largest collection of Chinese art and artifacts
- Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall: A magnificent monument honoring Taiwan's former leader
- Taipei 101: Once the world's tallest building, offering spectacular city views
- Longshan Temple: A historic temple showcasing traditional Taiwanese architecture

Cultural Treasures

- Taipei Fine Arts Museum: Taiwan's first modern art museum
- National Taiwan Museum: The oldest museum in Taiwan
- Museum of Contemporary Art: Showcasing cutting-edge artistic expressions
- Confucius Temple: A peaceful sanctuary dedicated to Chinese philosophy

Creative Districts

- Huashan 1914 Creative Park: A former winery transformed into a creative arts center
- Songshan Cultural and Creative Park: A renovated tobacco factory now hosting cultural events

- Ximen Red House: A historic building featuring independent designers and performances
- Dihua Street: Historic architecture with traditional shops and modern boutiques

Taipei Lifestyle

- Night Markets: Experience local cuisine at Raohe and Shilin Night Markets
- Tea Culture: Enjoy traditional tea ceremonies and modern tea houses
- Shopping: From traditional markets to modern malls in the Xinyi District
- Parks: Relax in urban oases like Daan Forest Park and Taipei Botanical Garden

Natural Escapes

- Yangmingshan National Park: Volcanic landscapes and hot springs
- Maokong Gondola: Tea plantations and mountain views
- Beitou Hot Springs: Natural thermal springs and Japanese colonial architecture

Practical Travel Tips

- Transportation: Efficient MRT system; consider an EasyCard for convenience
- Best Times to Visit: October to December for pleasant weather
- Language: Mandarin Chinese is primary; English is widely used in tourist areas
- Safety: Taipei is known for being one of Asia's safest cities

2-Day Itinerary Highlights

Day 1: National Palace Museum, Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, Liberty Square, Ximen Red House

Day 2: Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Huashan 1914 Creative Park, Songshan Cultural and Creative Park, Raohe Street Night Market

This guide features a carefully curated selection of over 30 locations, allowing you to

customize your Taipei experience. Each destination offers unique insights into the city's rich cultural tapestry and modern creative spirit.

Taipei is more than just a city; it's a vibrant fusion of tradition and innovation. As you explore its historic temples, creative parks, and bustling night markets, you'll discover a metropolis that honors its past while embracing the future.

Let Taipei's unique charm and warm hospitality guide you through an unforgettable journey of cultural discovery and creative inspiration. Enjoy your adventure in Taipei!

Itinerary Preview

2 days

National Palace Museum

Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall

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Liberty Square Arch

The Red House

Taipei Fine Arts Museum

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Songshan Cultural and Creative Park

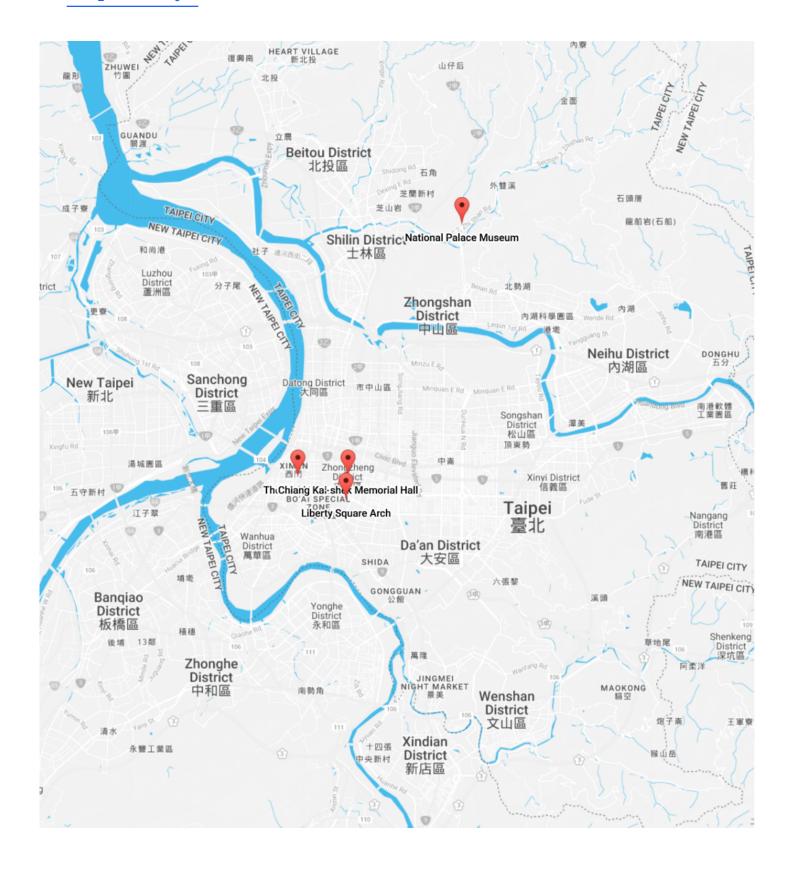
Raohe Street Night Market



Daily Events

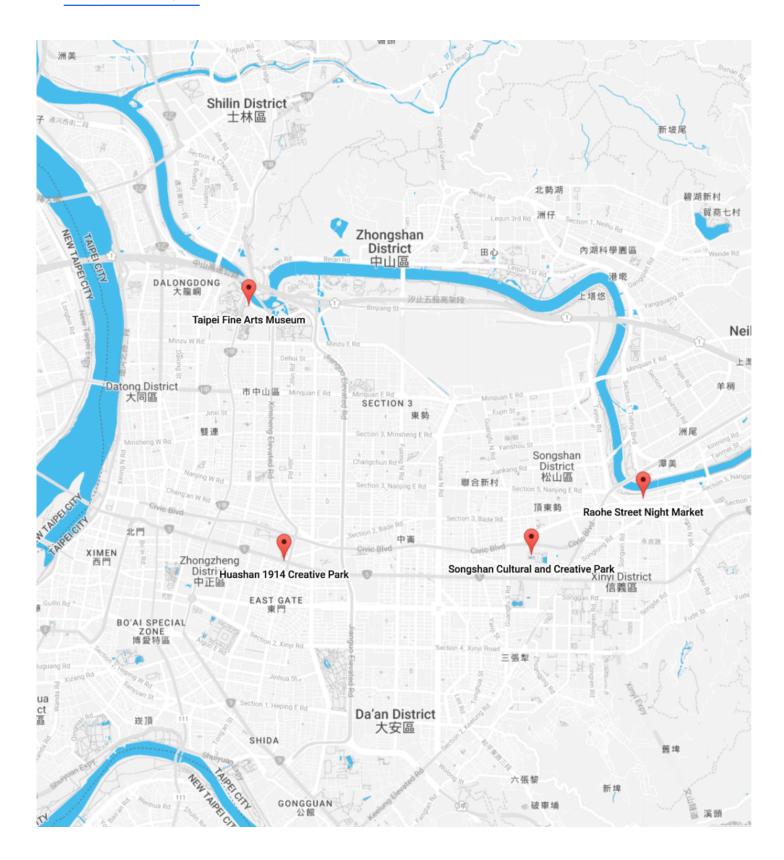
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	No. 221, Sec 2, Zhi Shan Rd, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan 111
11:00	
11:45	Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall
	Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100
13:45	
14:30	Liberty Square Arch
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	No. 21, Zhongshan S Rd, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100
16:30	
16:30	Taiwan 100

Map for Day 1



09:00 Taipei Fine Arts Museum No. 181, Section 3, Zhongshan N Rd, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10491 11:00 11:45 **Huashan 1914 Creative Park** No. 1, Section 1, Bade Rd, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100 13:45 Songshan Cultural and Creative Park 14:30 No. 133號, Guangfu S Rd, Xinyi District, Taipei City, Taiwan 11072 16:30 18:00 **Raohe Street Night Market** Raohe St, Songshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 105 20:00

Map for Day 2





Spots



Bopiliao Historical Block

Lane 173, Kangding Rd, Wanhua District, Taipei City, Taiwan 108

Summary:

Historic city block featuring traditional 18th-century architecture, plus an educational center.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

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Tamsui Old Street

No. 1, Zhongzheng Rd, Tamsui District, New Taipei City, Taiwan 251

Summary:

Compact pedestrian road lined with shops & snack sellers, plus street performers & sculptures.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours



National Revolutionary Martyrs' Shrine

No. 139號, Beian Rd, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10491

Summary:

Castlelike shrine dedicated to fallen soldiers & featuring a changing-of-the-guard ceremony.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

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Ximen

Ximen, Wanhua District, Taipei City, Taiwan 108



Taipei Astronomical Museum

No. 363號, Jihe Rd, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan 111

Summary:

Popular museum with astronomy exhibits, a viewing telescope & IMAX dome theater, plus a restaurant.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM



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No. 2, Lane 5, Guling St, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100

Phone:

02 2391 9393



Yangmingshan National Park Tourist Information Center

No. 1-20號, Yangming Creek Walkway, Beitou District, Taipei City, Taiwan 112

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Phone:

02 2861 3601



Songjiang Nanjing Station

號B1, No. 126, SongJiang Rd, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10491

Phone:

02 2181 2345



Xinyi Assembly Hall

No. 50, Songqin St, Xinyi District, Taipei City, Taiwan 110

Summary:

Exhibition space in historic village area with 4 halls, a park, cultural museum & central square.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

02 2723 7937



Taipei Children's Amusement Park

No. 55號, Section 5, Chengde Rd, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan 11169

Summary:

Family-friendly attraction featuring kids' rides, indoor & outdoor play areas & arcade games.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

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Beitou Hot Spring Museum

No. 2, Zhongshan Rd, Beitou District, Taipei City, Taiwan 112

Summary:

Tudor-style museum & former bathhouse featuring facility tours & exhibits on regional hot springs.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

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Lin An Tai Historical House and Museum

No. 5號, Binjiang St, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10491

Summary:

This traditional mansion completed in the 1800s is now a museum with a large garden.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

02 2599 6026



Taipei Story House

No. 181-1號, Section 3, Zhongshan N Rd, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10491

Summary:

Museum in a Tudor-style home from 1913 featuring cultural exhibits, a garden & teahouse/restaurant.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

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Dihua Street

Section 1, Dihua St, Datong District, Taipei City, Taiwan 103

Summary:

19th-century thoroughfare with traditional shops & a bustling market during Lunar New Year.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours



The Red House

No. 10號, Chengdu Rd, Wanhua District, Taipei City, Taiwan 108

Summary:

Built in 1908, this landmark 8-sided structure features exhibits, a teahouse, markets & theaters.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM Sunday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Phone:

02 2311 9380



Shilin Night Market

No. 101, Jihe Rd, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan 111

Summary:

Traditional night market with a large array of vendors selling street food, clothes & jewelry.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM Tuesday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM Wednesday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM Thursday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM Friday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM Saturday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM Sunday: 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM



Taipei Confucius Temple

No. 275, Dalong St, Datong District, Taipei City, Taiwan 103

Summary:

Colorful, Minnan-style Confucian temple featuring educational shows in a 4D cinema.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM Thursday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM Friday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM Sunday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM

Phone:

02 2592 3934



Daan Park

No. 1號, Section 2, Xinsheng S Rd, Da'an District, Taipei City, Taiwan 106

Summary:

Large city-center park offering grassy picnic areas, a playground, footpaths & ponds with wildlife.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours

Phone:

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National Palace Museum

No. 221, Sec 2, Zhi Shan Rd, Shilin District, Taipei City, Taiwan 111

Summary:

Bustling museum featuring one of the largest collections of Chinese art & artifacts in the world.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

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Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall

Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100

Summary:

Celebrated memorial hall with history exhibits surrounded by a large park with fish ponds & gardens.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

02 2343 1100



Liberty Square Arch

No. 21, Zhongshan S Rd, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100

Summary:

Set in an open square, this grand historical gate with 5 archways is illuminated at night.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours

Phone:

02 2343 1100



Taipei Zoo

No. 30號, Section 2, Xinguang Rd, Wenshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 116

Summary:

Large indoor-outdoor zoo in a scenic setting with a children's area, gondola & shuttle train.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

02 2938 2300



Huashan 1914 Creative Park

No. 1, Section 1, Bade Rd, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100

Summary:

Cultural hub in an old sake winery featuring shops & showcasing local art, film, crafts & events.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours

Phone:

02 2358 1914



Maokong gondola station

Wenshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 116



Taipei Botanical Garden

No. 53號, Nanhai Rd, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100

Summary:

Bird watching is popular at this relaxed botanical garden with many plant species & multiple ponds.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM Tuesday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM Wednesday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM Thursday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM Friday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM Saturday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM Sunday: 5:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Phone:

02 2303 9978



Taipei Fine Arts Museum

No. 181, Section 3, Zhongshan N Rd, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10491

Summary:

Museum showcasing contemporary Taiwanese & international art within a striking geometric building

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM Friday: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 8:30 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Phone:

02 2595 7656



Museum of Contemporary Art Taipei

No. 39, Chang'an W Rd, Datong District, Taipei City, Taiwan 103

Summary:

Taiwan's first contemporary art museum is housed in a brick former school built in the early 1900s.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

02 2552 3721



Raohe Street Night Market

Raohe St, Songshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan 105

Summary:

Buzzing, venerable nighttime street market offering shops & street food vendors.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM Tuesday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM Wednesday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM Thursday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM Friday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM Saturday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM Sunday: 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM

Phone:

02 2766 8876



Songshan Cultural and Creative Park

No. 133號, Guangfu S Rd, Xinyi District, Taipei City, Taiwan 11072

Summary:

Former tobacco factory warehouses turned exhibition spaces & shops for local artists & designers.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

02 2765 1388



Taipei 101 Observatory

110, Taiwan, Taipei City, Xinyi District, Section 5, Xinyi Rd, 7號89樓

Summary:

Sleek 89th-floor observation deck offering sweeping, 360° city views & a souvenir shop.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Phone:

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National Taiwan Museum

No. 2, Xiangyang Rd, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City, Taiwan 100

Summary:

Venerable national museum with a variety of exhibits, including history & natural history.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

02 2382 2566



Lungshan Temple

No. 211, Guangzhou St, Wanhua District, Taipei City, Taiwan 10853

Summary:

This well-known temple originally built in the 1700s honors both Buddhist & Taoist deities.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM Friday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM Saturday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM Sunday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

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