

Shanghai Travel Guide

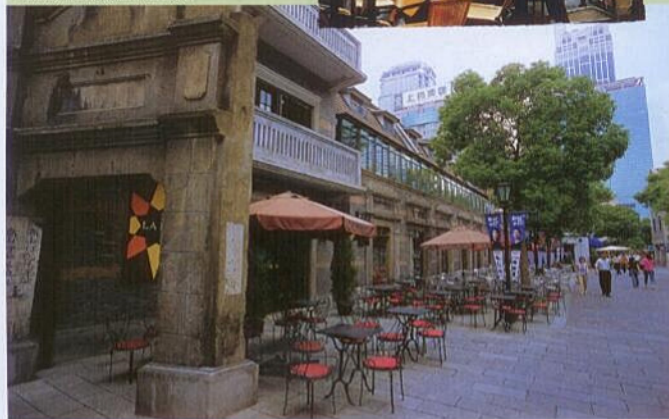


Old residential area

Shanghai architectural history, and reflects ordinary people's lifestyle very well. Its design derives from traditional Chinese courtyard house and European row house. Looking from outside, the whole building is completely separated from the outside world, just like a warehouse. With its gate made up of stone, it gets the name "Shikumen".

Located on the southern side of Huaihai Middle

Xintiandi Pedestrian Street



Road in the city center, Shanghai Xintiandi is a shopping mall based on the building area of Shikumen building complex. Covering an area of 30,000 sq m with 60,000 sq m of floor area, the shopping mall keeps the old brick walls, roof tiles and stone gates of the original building, but the interior is of the modern style with oriental artistic charm. Shanghai Xintiandi has become an important recreation place in Shanghai.

Shanghai-style Culture

Since its opening to the outside world in 1843, Shanghai has been receiving Western civilization. With the constant conflicts and merger of Chinese and Western cultures, Shanghai has formed a unique economic and cul-



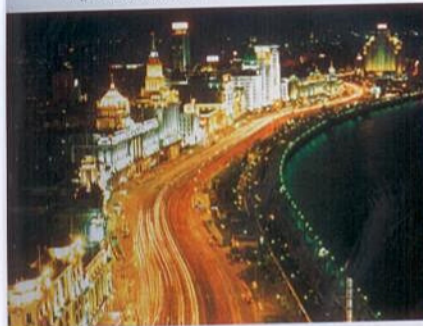
tural atmosphere. First in the fields of painting and Peking Opera, and gradually in other fields, Shanghai has given birth to the "Shanghai-style Culture", characterized by its combination of both Chinese and Western civilization. Representatives of Shanghai-style paintings are Zhao Zhiqian, Ren Bonian, Wu Changshuo and Huang Binhong. The representative of Shanghai-style Peking Opera is Zhou Xinfang.

Night Scene of the Bund

The most beautiful night scene in Shanghai is in the Bund on the western bank of the Huangpu River. When night comes and all lights are on, dozens of tall buildings stand along the river like glittering crystal palaces. The whole bund is a splendid world.

Stand on the Bund and look at the opposite side of the river, and you will see the Oriental Pearl TV Tower and buildings of the Lujiazui Financial and Trade Zone glittering with golden light against the river, which look like a dreamlike scene in the paradise.

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Festivals

Shanghai has various festivals, which demonstrate not only traditional Chinese culture and customs, but also Chinese people's intelligence and artistic taste. Besides, there are many flower festivals, among which the most famous are the Nanhui Peach Blossom Festival, Shanghai International Flower Festival and the Osmanthus Blossom Festival.

Nanhui Peach Blossom Festival

The first Nanhui Peach Blossom Festival was held in 1991. Since 2002 the festival has been held annually between March and April in Nanhui District. The purpose of holding the festival is to display the beautiful rural scenery and demonstrate the prospects of the country-

Blossoming peach trees in Nanhui

