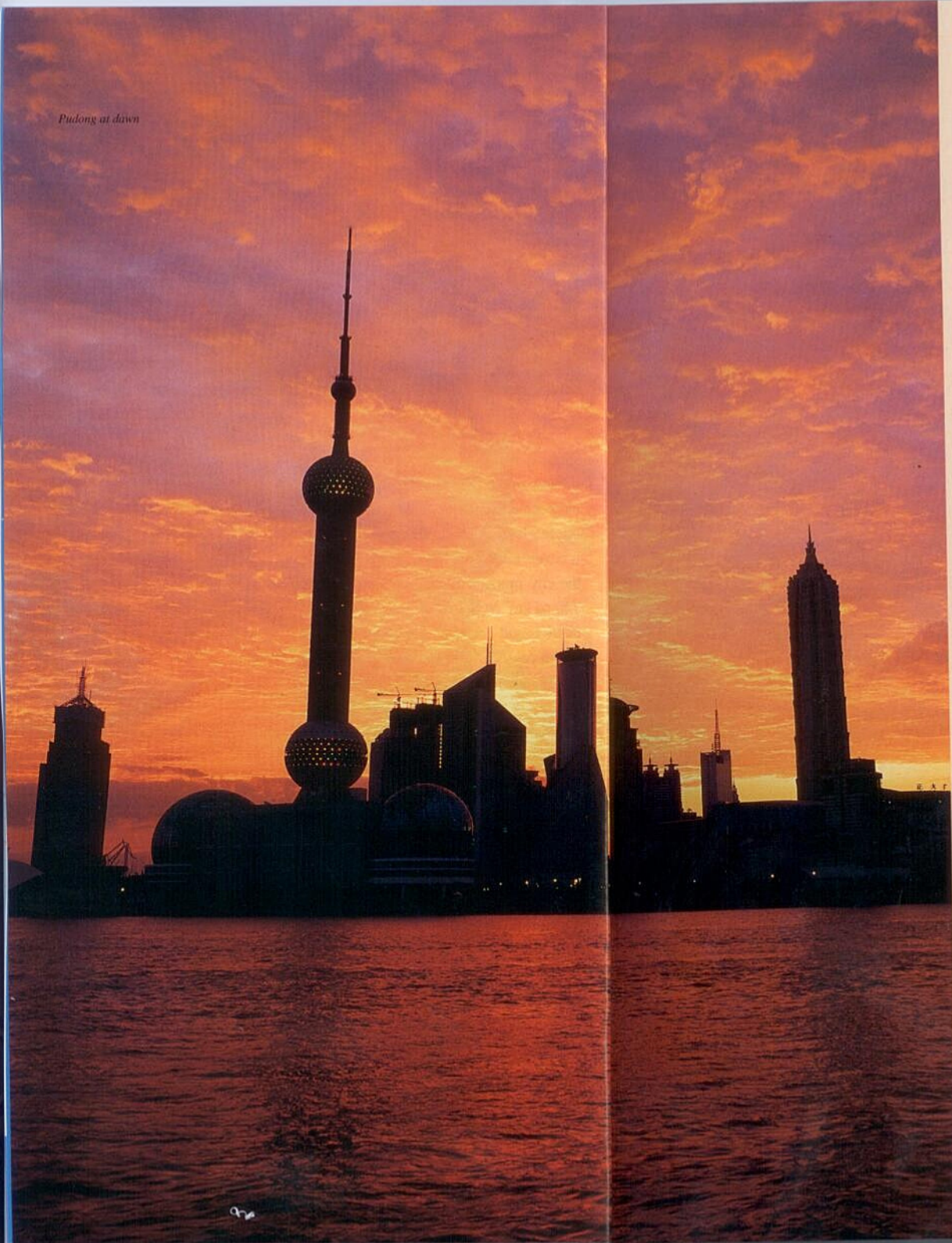


Pudong at dawn

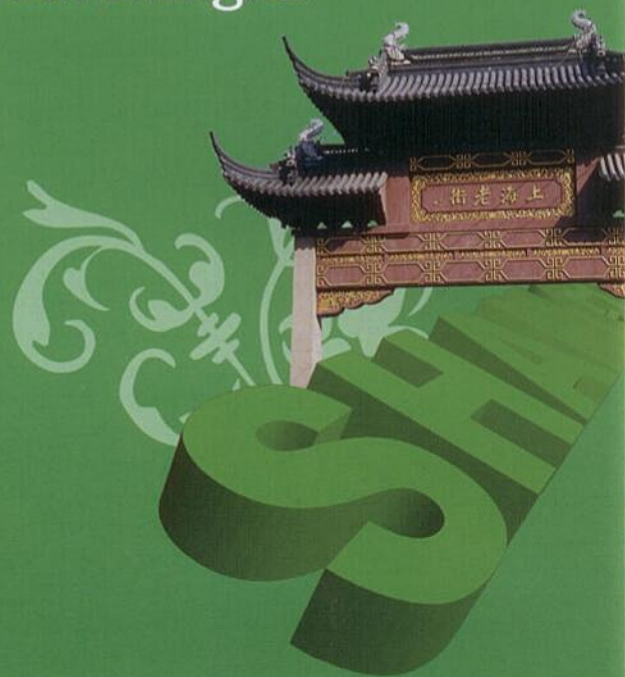


buildings, among which are the site of the First National Communist Party Congress, the former residence of Chairman Mao, the former residence of Lu Xun, the former residence of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and the former residence of Soong Ching Ling.

In addition to its scenes and sights of cultural interest, Shanghai is famous for its natural beauty as well. Its main watercourses include the Huangpu River and the Wusong River. The Dian-shan Lake, and such islands as the Chongming Island, the Changxing Island and the Hengsha Island make up an earthly paradise. What's more, the Sheshan National Forest Park, the Dongping National Forest Park and numerous seashore playgrounds offer a perfect opportunity for visitors to go back to nature.

Shanghai is a perfect combination of classic oriental beauty and modern metropolitan spirit. By 2006, Shanghai is home to 19 places of historical interest under state protection, over 100 places of historical interest under municipal protection, 175 spots of superior modern architecture and over 300 scenic spots, which fill Shanghai with irresistible charm.

Touch Shanghai



Sculptures in the street

The Best Travel Time

Shanghai has four distinctly different seasons. Winter and summer last a long time while spring and autumn are quite short. Neither winter nor summer has extreme weather. Therefore the four seasons, especially spring and autumn are the best time for touring in Shanghai.

Special Flavor of Shanghai

Old City and Its Residential Buildings

Shanghai's southern old city area refers to the place extending from Shiliupu to Gaochangmiao, compared to the northern city area which had been concession once. The city wall in southern old city area was first built in the 32nd year (1533) during the reign of Jiajing in the Ming Dynasty. It is 4.5 km long and 8 m high with 6 gates. Between 1912 and 1914 the whole city wall was pulled down except the Dajingge section. Yet the old city area is not without its antique elegance and beauty. The Shikumen residential buildings built in the 1870s takes up an important position in

The old city area

