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Guide book



Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region is situated in southern China, bordering Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macao to the east, the South China Sea to the south, and Vietnam to the southwest. Covering a land area of approximately 240,000 square kilometers with a population of around 57 million, it is China's only ethnic minority autonomous region that is coastal, riverside, and border-connected. Guangxi comprises 14 prefecture-level cities, with its capital, Nanning, serving as the permanent host city for the China-ASEAN Expo. The region is celebrated for its abundant cultural and tourism resources, including Guilin's world-famous karst landscapes, picturesque coastal vistas, distinctive borderland charm, and the rich cultural heritage of its diverse ethnic minority communities.



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LANDSCAPES AND RETREATS

Guilin is home to the world's most beautiful, iconic, and concentrated karst landscapes. Designated as a UNESCO World Natural Heritage site in 2014, it ranks among the "Top Four Chinese Tourist Destinations" recommended by the United Nations World Tourism Organization.



● **Guilin Two Rivers and Four Lakes Scenic Area**

A city-encompassing water network rivaling Venice's canals, offering a nighttime cruise to explore Guilin's core scenic belt.



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● **Elephant Trunk Hill in Guilin**

The iconic landmark of Guilin, symbolizing the city's natural and cultural identity.

● **Yulong River in Yangshuo, Guilin**

The longest tributary of the Li River within Yangshuo, ideal for bamboo rafting or cycling along its serene banks.

EXPLORING THE FRONTIER HERITAGE

As the core area of Guangxi's China-Vietnam Border Tourism Belt, Chongzuo captivates visitors with its rich Zhuang ethnic culture, magical natural landscapes, and convenient cross-border tourism experiences.



● **Zuojiang Huashan Rock Art**

Listed in the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage, dating back over 2,000 years.

● **Pingxiang Friendship Pass**

One of China's Nine Great Passes, offering distant views of Vietnamese scenery from its tower.

● **Mingshi Pastoral**

A romantically poetic "National-Level Tourist Resort".

● **Detian Transnational Waterfall**

The Largest Cross-border Waterfall in Asia.

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CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Guangxi is an autonomous region with a diverse population, home to 12 indigenous nationalities including the Zhuang, Han, Yao, Miao, Dong, and Mulao. The vibrant culture here continues to thrive and flourish.

● GUANGXI Double Third Festival

The grandest ethnic traditional festival in Guangxi.



● LIUZHOU RONGSHUI MIAO ETHNIC GROUP POHUI FESTIVAL

The most grand traditional celebration for the Miao people.



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● GRAND SONG OF DONG ETHNIC GROUP

Recognized as a “National Intangible Cultural Heritage” of China and included in UNESCO’s “Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity”.

● CHENGYANG EIGHT VILLAGES IN SANJIANG, LIUZHOU

One of China’s largest Dong ethnic communities, the Chengyang Eight Villages is known for its unique mortise and tenon architectural structure, hailed as a “wonder of world architecture”.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS VACATION

Guangxi is an international destination for longevity and wellness tourism. Its hot springs, nestled in natural surroundings, are rich in minerals and trace elements beneficial to human health, offering significant therapeutic and healthcare value.



● HECHI NANDAN HOT SPRING

The Nandan Hot Spring features crystal-clear water, a strong geomagnetic field, and abundant mineral content.

● GEYASI VALLEY

The Baiku Yao ethnic group, recognized by UNESCO, is celebrated for having the most intact preservation of its ethnic culture.

● HEZHOU HOT SPRING

Hezhou, designated as a “Hot Spring City of China”, boasts forest hot springs seamlessly integrated with the natural environment.

● HUANGYAO ANCIENT TOWN

Ranked among China’s “Top Ten Most Beautiful Ancient Towns”.



OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES ❄ ❄ ❄

● YANGSHUO ROCK CLIMBING

Attracts countless rock climbing enthusiasts to take on its challenges.

● LOW-ALTITUDE FLYING

Soar with paragliders or hot air balloons to enjoy panoramic views of the karst landscapes.

● GEOLOGICAL WONDERS EXPLORATION

LEYE-FENGSHAN UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARK

Features massive geological relics, including sinkhole clusters, natural bridges, and underwater skylight formations.

FENGSHAN SANMENHAI SKYLIGHT CAVES

The world’s only water-traversable sinkhole scenic area.

LEYE DASHIWEI SINKHOLES

The largest sinkhole cluster on Earth.

● WATER SPORTS

COASTAL SURFING:

Beihai Silver Beach, China’s largest natural seaside bathing area.

VOLCANIC ISLAND EXPLORATION:

Discover China’s youngest volcanic island, offering scuba diving and boat tours to spot Bryde’s whales.

DOLPHIN-WATCHING EXCURSIONS:

Qinzhou Sanniang Bay, renowned as the “Hometown of the Chinese White Dolphin”.



CITY WALK

As the capital of Guangxi, Nanning enjoys a subtropical climate with lush greenery and blooming flowers year-round, earning prestigious titles such as “China’s Green City” and “UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour Award” recipient.



● QINGXIU MOUNTAIN

A botanical treasure of Nanning.

● THREE STREETS AND TWO ALLEYS

A historic urban quarter preserving the memories of old Nanning.

● NANNING FANGTawild Aisan Legend

A theme park showcasing cultural elements from all ten ASEAN member nations.

● “THE NIGHT OF NANNING” NIGHT MARKET

A cultural tourism pedestrian street blending Guangxi’s local characteristics with trendy national cultural elements.

SPECIALTY CUSINE ❄ ❄ ❄

● GUANGXI RICE NOODLES

Nanning Old Friend Noodles (Laoyou Fen)
Liuzhou River Snail Rice Noodles (Luosifen)
Guilin Rice Noodles

● GUANGXI TEA CULTURE

Wuzhou Liubao Tea:

A UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

Guangxi Oil Tea:

Recognized as a UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage, hailed as “Chinese Coffee”.

● LOCAL SNACKS

Guangxi Suanye (Pickled Vegetables and Fruits)

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