



Chengdu

"Having Hotpot in Pandas' Hometown"

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“hometown of panda, Hot pot and Mapo Tofu”

Chengdu, is a city with leisure and relax, located at Sichuan Basin. The city also called as most “巴适” (means “comfortable”) city in China. At the 4th Century B. C, Chengdu had become the capital of ancient Shu Country. The location of Chengdu is the center of Sichuan Basin, the richest place of Sichuan. So there’ s also a saying for Chengdu as “the best city of Tang Dynasty” (扬一益二), makes Chengdu the most safe and secure rear city during the thousand years of Chinese history. “Chengdu is a city once you come and never want to leave” said by Director of “Heroes” , Chinese Director Zhang Yimou.



Keywords of Destination

- Climate Subtropical monsoon climate,
Average annual temperature 19°C
- Tour days 7~9 days
- Must-see panda, Face-changing
- Specialty panda dolls, Sichuan embroidery


Bucket list

- 1 . Go to meet the Giant Panda
- 2 . Try Sichuan Hotpot
- 3 . Original Sichuan opera Face-changing
- 4 . Play Mahjong, Dig out the ears like locals
- 5 . Enjoy the tea time at teahouses in Chengdu
- 6 . Try original Sichuanese Dandan noodle

Write down your own Bucket list:

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Basic information of Local

- Time zone : UTC+8
- Area code : +86/028
- Post code : 610000 - 611944 (depends on Municipal District)
- Language : Chinese
- Currency : Yuan (元, RMB), the cent is called 角/毛 (Pronunciation Jiao/Mao)
- Symbol : ¥
- Conversion : Decimal system, 10 Jiao/Mao = 1 Yuan/RMB
- Plug base : 
- Voltage : 220V, you might need a adapter before you set out
- Frequency : 50Hz
- Exchange : 1\$ = 6.37RMB, it changes frequently, only for reference

Why go? Culture & History & Customs

Chengdu, founded by the settlers 3200 years ago. At first the name of Chengdu was from a history book written in 1st century “it takes 1 year to make a county, 2 years to make a city, 3 years to make a metropolis” so here’ s the origin of Chengdu (means “became a metropolis” in Chinese).

In 3rd century, Chengdu was famous for its Lotus, so it is also called “Furong Cheng” , means “the city of Lotus”

Chengdu, as well as Sichuan Province, is famous for Spicy Sichuan Food, such as Mapo tofu and hot pot, it is worth a try!

Local Price

Restaurant

Most prices in Chengdu is cheap, one dish of noodle in common restaurant won’ t more than 8 yuan, the street stalls common price won’ t more than 4 yuan. And middle or higher Restaurant costs 100 yuan and above for one person.

Accommodation

One night in international Youth Hostel is 50 yuan or so, and common accommodation costs 150 yuan for one person, middle or higher accommodation cost 500 yuan and above.

Bus

The fare of bus is unified for 2 yuan, and you must take some coins because it’ s self-service ticketing.

Taxi

Basically taxi’ s flag-fall price is 8 yuan for 2 km (and adds 1 yuan for gas bill), after 2 km, the price for each km is 1.9 yuan, from 10 km to 60 km is 2.85 yuan/km. At night time taxi’ s flag-fall price become 9 yuan for 2 km, and after 2 km is 2.2 yuan/km, from 10 km to 60 km is 3.3 yuan/km. Besides, Premium taxi adds 1 yuan than common taxi.

Subway

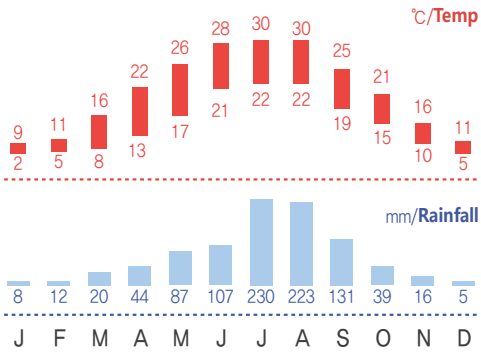
Subway’ s flag-fall price is 2 yuan, and when goes over 6 or 7 stations adds 1 yuan, whole line costs 5 yuan.

Private car

Huo San Lun, means “Fire 3-wheels” , is a popular transportation among people in Chengdu, flag-fall price’ s around 3-6 Yuan, but few of them could speak English, take care when you take.



Perennial temperature & Precipitation



the best season to travel

The best season of travel is spring and autumn, but you'd better avoid Chinese public holidays. In public holidays, all the Scenic spot will be filled by tourists so you won't have a good experience. And Chengdu city is based at Sichuan Basin, so the weather is always wet and foggy, and muggy at summer.

Language & Pronunciation

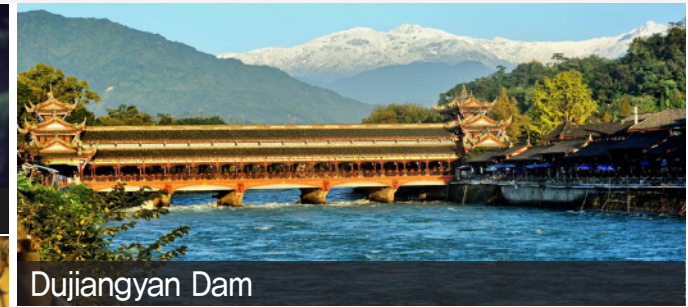
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How much?	多少钱	duō shǎo qián	Yes	是	shì
I wanna go to	我想去	wǒ xiǎng qù	No	不是	bú shì
Thank you	谢谢	xiè xiè	Hotel	酒店	jiǔ diàn
You are welcome	不客气	bú kè qì	Male	先生	xiānshēng
Toilet	厕所	cè suǒ	Female	女士	nǚ shì
Help	救命	jiù mìng	Attention	注意/禁止	zhù yì/jìn zhǐ

Tourist attractions & Map

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National Panda Base



Dujiangyan Dam



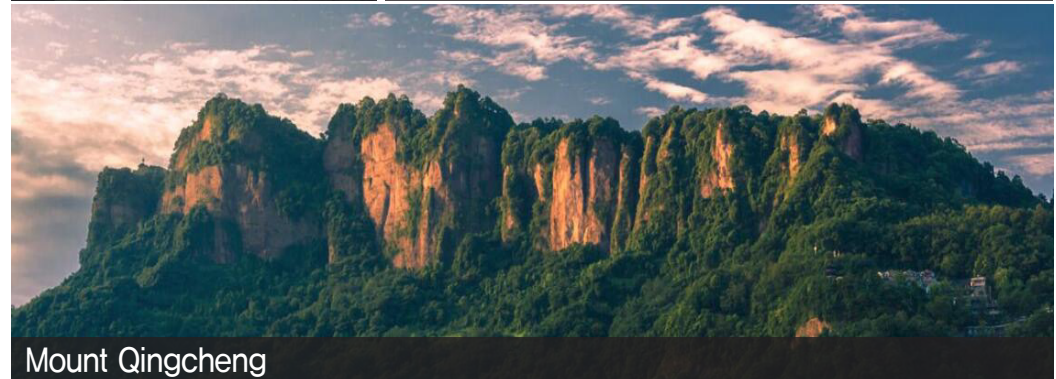
Jinli Promenade



Broad-Narrow Alley

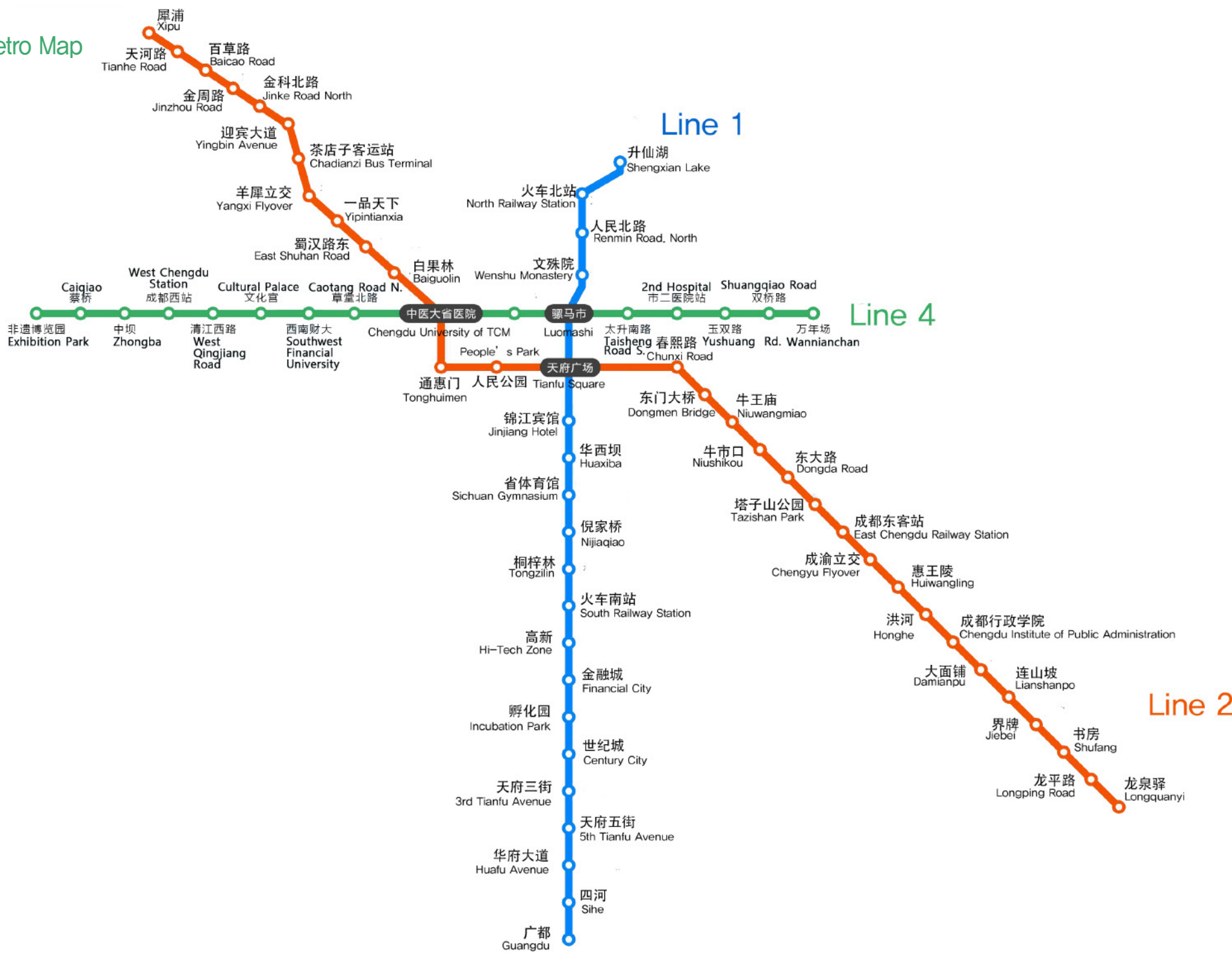


Jinsha Site & Museum



Mount Qingcheng

Metro Map



Sight1: National Panda Base (大熊猫基地)



Story

Pandas had already lived on earth for over 8 million years, and nowadays only survived in Sichuan province of China because of the natural disaster within recent centuries. Former in the Chinese Empire's court, Chinese Emperors fed pandas to fight with themselves. (Emperor Zhu Houcong of Ming Dynasty)

Now pandas are protected in the National Panda Base in Chengdu, everyday their life are on air through TV.

Ticket price 58 Yuan

Address Panda Ave. North 3rd circle, Chenghua District
(四川省成都市成华区外北三环熊猫大道1375号)



07:30-18:00 Everyday

Ticket Check-in ends at 17:00

Arriving 1, Bus: Route 87 and ends at Pandas' Base Station
2, Taxi: Taking a taxi from the urban area to the Base would take around 40 minutes and aroua 45-60 Yuan.

Tel 028-8351-0033, 028-8350-7814

Website <http://www.panda.org.cn/> (with English & Japanese version)

Sight2: Dujiangyan Dam (都江堰)



Story

The Dujiangyan Dam, 45km north of Chengdu, is an ancient technological wonder of the country. More than 2000 yers ago, Li Bing(250-200BC), as a local governor of the Shu State, designed this water control and irrigation dam and organized thousands of local people to complete the project to check the Mingjiang River. For many years the river, flooded the Chengdu agricultural area and local farmers suffered a lot from the water disaster. Due to the success of the project, the dam automatically diverts the Mingjiang River and channels it into irrigation canals. For many years the dam has continued to make the most of the water conservancy works.

Ticket price 90 Yuan, sight-seeing van for 15 Yuan

Address 231, Dujiangyan Ave. Dujiangyan City, Chengdu
(四川省成都市都江堰市城西都江堰大道231号)



Dec.1st-Mar.1st :8:00-17:30

Mar.2nd-Nor.30th 8:00-18:00

1.railway: North Chengdu Railway Station, C6107 departures at 8:58, C6119 Departures at 12:51, C6129 Departures at 17:18, D6197 Departures at 20:44
It takes about 30 minutes to get to Dujiangyan, and the price is 15 Yuan for single trip

Arriving

2.Bus: There're direct buses to Dujiangyan at Chadianzi Station, Xinnanmen Station and Shuangliu Station, 10/18 Yuan for single trip to Dujiangyan. But the officers probably can not speak in English, so you could show them this guidebook.

Tel 028-8729-3800

Sight3: Wuhou Shrine (武侯祠)



Story

Situated in the south suburb of Chengdu, Wuhou Ci / Wuhou Shrine covers an area of 3.7 hectares. It is dedicated to the memory of both Liu Bei (161 – 223), Emperor of the Kingdom of Shu in the Three Kingdoms period (220 – 280), and Zhuge Liang (181 – 234), Prime Minister of the Kingdom.

After the Han Dynasty collapsed in the early 3rd century, the state was divided into three kingdoms, Wei, Shu, and Wu. Competing to reunify the country, the three were locked in war, leaving behind many famous historical remains and tales of heroism.

Ticket price 60Yuan, and 120 Yuan for family package

Address 231, Wuhouci Ave. Chengdu City
(四川省成都市武侯祠大街231号)



8:00–18:00 Everyday

Arriving Bus Route 1, 57, 82, 334 at Wuhouci Station

Tel 028–8555–2397

Sight4: Jinli Promenade (锦里)



Right next to the Wuhouci Memorial Temple is Jinli Promenade, a rebuilt trading and folk art street imitating the ancient-style buildings in West Sichuan. "Jinli" is the name of an old street in Han-dynasty Chengdu, meaning "make perfection still more perfect and hide the universe in the universe". The ancient Jinli was one of the oldest and the most commercialized streets in the history of West Shu and had been well-known throughout the country in Qin, Han, and Three Kingdoms Periods. With Qin, Han, and Three-kingdom cultures as its soul, the social style of Ming and Qing dynasties as its appearance, the West Sichuan folkways and customs as its body, the new Jinli Promenade, condensed the essence out of the worldly life in Chengdu: teahouses, inns, restaurants, bars, theatrical stages, handicrafts, local snacks and specialties.

Ticket price for free

Address 231, Wuhouci Ave. Chengdu City
四川省成都市武侯祠大街231号



all day

Arriving Bus Route 1, 57, 82, 334 at Wuhouci Station

Sight5: DuFu Cottage (杜甫草堂)



During the An Lushan–Shi Siming Rebellion (the most destructive rebellion in Chinese history, over 10 million people died), Du Fu, one of the most famous Tang Dynasty poets and the "Sage of Chinese Poems", took refuge in Chengdu from Chang'an (now Xi'an). With the help from his friends, the thatched cottage was built by the Huanhua Stream on the west suburbs of Chengdu, where he spent four years of his life and produced more than 240 poems oft-quoted and widely loved. From Song Dynasty, people started to construct gardens and halls on the site of his thatched cottage to honor him and pay him respects. The Cottage itself is a solemn and serene landscape, in which the memorial buildings are elegantly simple, close to a commoner's house, yet in their accommodation there is a very large collection of different editions of Du Fu's poems and other relics.

Ticket price 60 Yuan

Address 37, Qinghua Rd. Qingyang District, Chengdu City
四川省成都市青羊区青华路37号



Summer: 8:00–18:30
Winter: 8:00–18:00

Arriving Bus Route 19, 35, 58, 59, 82, 165, 170, 309, 319 at DuFu Cottage Station

Sight6 : Broad-Narrow Alley(宽窄巷子)



Being in the list of Chengdu Historical and Cultural Protection Project, Broad and Narrow Alley is composed of broad alley, narrow alley and across alleys, among which, there are a lot of traditional courtyards, or Siheyuan.

Some very old alleys in Chengdu where some important people had lived. After its reconstruction, the Broad and Narrow Alley has been reopened to public and is now, one of the hottest tourist destination in Chengdu.

Ticket price Free

Address Tongren Rd. Qingyang District, Chengdu City
四川省成都市青羊区同仁路以东



all day

Arriving Metro Line 2 at Renmin's Park Station or Bus Rout 5, 13, 43, 47 at Jinhe Road Station

Sight7: Jinsha's Site & Museum (金沙遗址)



Story

Jinsha Site Museum is a significant relic of the ancient Shu civilization discovered in recent years. It is considered to be the ancient civilization center along Yangtze River and dates back to 12th to 7th century B.C. (the similar ages with Greeks). From the remains of buildings and a great deal of jade, pottery, and gold ware excavated there, we can draw the primary conclusion that the site used to be the capital of the ancient Shu Kingdom more than 3,000 years ago. Jinsha Site Museum and Sanxingdui Museum become the holy land for scholars and tourists who are interested in Chinese civilization. The pattern of the Saint Sun Birds unearthed in Jinsha ruins has been selected as the logo of China Cultural Heritages.

Ticket price 80 Yuan

Address 2, Jinshayizhi Rd. Chengdu City
四川省成都市城西金沙遗址路2号



08:00–18:00 every day

Ticket selling ends at 17:30

Arriving Bus Route 82, 83, 5 at Qingyang Ave. Station
Taxi: Starts from the center of Chengdu it takes about 50 Yuan.

Sight8: Wenshu Monastery (文殊院)



Story

Wenshuyuan (Wenshu Monastery) stands in the northern part of Chengdu City, initially built in the Tang Dynasty (618 – 907), Wenshuyuan was once called Xinxiang Monastery. In 1681, during the reign of Emperor Kangxi of the Qing Dynasty (1644 – 1911), Cidu, an accomplished Buddhist monk, came to the monastery. He built a simple hut between two trees and for several years lived an ascetic life there. Legend has it when Cidu was being cremated; the statue of Wenshu (Bodhisattva Manjusri in Sanskrit) appeared in the flames, staying for a long time. So people regarded Cidu as the reincarnation of the Bodhisattva Manjusri. Thereafter, Xinxiang Monastery became Wenshuyuan.

Ticket price 5 Yuan

Address 58, Jianguyuan Gongsu Street, Qingyang District
四川省成都市青羊区酱园公所街58号(人民北路)



8:00–17:00

Arriving Metro Line 1 at Wenshuyuan Station

Sight9: Xiling Mountains (西岭雪山)



“from my window the snow-capped-crowned Xiling hills are seen; beyond the door the east-bound ships at anchor lie” excerpted from a poet (tang) du fu the spectacular sight highlights Xiling in the Du Fu’s travel notes in form of eulogy of poem: thick snow-capped, being white and crystal, is like beams of jade persisting all year round on the snow-capped mountain towering into sky, for this, xinling turned out to be a brand for such marvelous mountain. Now it became a resort for the locals, with skiing field and amusement park.

Ticket price Front Part 30 Yuan, Back Part 120 Yuan

Address Dayi County, Chengdu City
成都市大邑县西北



Mar.–Nov. 8:00–18:00

Dec.–Feb. 9:00–17:00

Arriving (1) Xinnanmen Bus Station(新南门汽车站), take bus to Dayi County, departure time ranges from 8:00–9:00 in the morning

Arriving (2) Chadianzi Bus Station(茶店子汽车站), take bus to Dayi County, departure time ranges from 8:00–9:00 in the morning

Sight10 : Chunxi Road (春熙路)



Chunxi Road is located in Chengdu city center, is a long history, bustling downtown business district, it is not only a fashion center in Chengdu, beautiful look to play, also gathered for delicious snacks, Zhong dumplings, glutinous rice balls Lai(赖汤圆), Beef and

Beef Tendon, Korean dumplings, Long Chao Shou, there are streets of spicy barbecue and Chuanchuan Xiang, price index and index contrast is absolutely delicious in a real treat you the same time, does not worry about the rapid shrinking wallet. Chunxi Road has always been a place of traders, is the most representative of Chengdu, the most bustling commercial pedestrian street, almost all the popular elements together, eating, wearing, playing, everything is there.

Ticket price Free

Address Chunxi Road, Jinjiang District, Chengdu City
四川省成都市锦江区春熙路

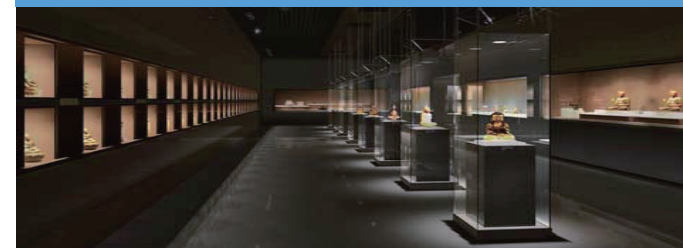


All Day

Arriving Metro: Line2 at Chunxilu Station

Bus: Route 58,81,98 at Chunxilu Beikou Station

Sight11 : Sichuan Museum (四川博物馆)



Sichuan plain has been enjoying the reputation of “Tianfu”(The Land of Abundance) both for its abundant natural resources and rich cultural heritage. A great numbers of relics discovered here provide the opportunity to build a comprehensive museum, accordingly, the Sichuan Museum was found in the early 1940. Since then, generations of people, through their hard work and unremitting effort, have made the museum collection more than 300000 pieces, which allows Sichuan Museum ranks the sixth large museum in China.

Ticket price	Free after registering
Address	251, Huanhuanan Rd, Qingyang District 成都市青羊区浣花南路251号(浣花溪公园旁)
Arriving	Bus: Route 19, 35, 47, 82, 309A at Songxianqiao Station
	6:00–20:00

Sight12 : Green Goat Palace (青羊宫)



Qing Yang Gong Temple (Green Goat Palace) is the oldest and largest Taoist temple in the Southwest of China. It is situated in the western portion of Chengdu City. Originally built in the early Tang Dynasty (7th century), this temple has been rebuilt and repaired many times. The existing buildings were mostly built during The Qing Dynasty(19th century) According to legend, Qing Yang Gong was said to be the birth place of the founder of Taoism, Lao Tsu, and is where he made the first sermon about Taoism. Ever since Taoism was established, this temple was said to be holy place for immortals to get together. According to recorded history, this temple was visited by two emperors of the Tang Dynasty. The temple was named by one of these two emperors. Because


of this, Qing Yang Gong is regarded as a cultural and historical site of great importance in Chengdu.

Ticket price	10 Yuan
Address	9, West 1st circle Rd, Qingyang District, Chengdu City 成都市青羊区一环路西二段9号
Arriving	Bus Route 11, 19, 27, 34, 45 at Qingyanggong Station
	Summer: 8:00–18:30 Winter: 8:00–18:00

Sight13: Sichuan University (四川大学, 望江校区)




Founded in 1896, it is one of the earliest universities in China. In modern era of China, Sichuan University cultivated massive of Chinese scholars, nowadays still ranking top 10 in China. Wangjiang campus of it is the most famous one for its river sights, and “Wangji—ang” means “sightseeing on the river” in Chinese.

Ticket price	Free
Address	South 1 Circle, Jinjiang District, Chengdu City 一环路南一段
Arriving	Bus Route 19, 35, 335 at Sichuan University Station
	9:00–19:00 to the public

Sight14 : Tazishan Park (塔子山公园)



Tazishan Park lies in east of Chengdu City, with plenty of Chinese style buildings in it, and most of all, the symbolic architecture is called “Jiutian Lou”, literal means “building stretching to the sky”, a traditional Chinese building heights over 50 meters.

Ticket price	Free
Address	Yinghui Rd, Jinjiang District, Chengdu City 锦江区迎晖路
Arriving	take bus route 306 at Chengdu Railway Station
	7:00–18:30

Sight15 : Mount Qingcheng (青城山) around Chengdu



Mount Qingcheng is at 65km west of Chengdu, and it is one of the ancient cradles of Taoism. The mountain has numerous Taoist temples and sites along the paths to its peak. The area is green all year round and is known for its secluded tranquility. Jianfu Temple (Jianfu Gong) sits at the base of the mountain and is a large, well-preserved Daoist temple from the Tang Dynasty. About halfway up the mountain sits Tianshi Cave (Tianshi Dong) the temple and school of Zhang Daolin, a famous Daoist master who taught here and contributed greatly to spreading Daoism in China. The present Tianshi Cave buildings were built at the end of the Qing Dynasty. Lastly, near the peak sits Shangqing Temple, which was originally established in the Jin Dynasty, while the current temple buildings are Qing Dynasty constructions.

Ticket price Front Mountain :90 Yuan(45 for students)
35 Yuan for cableway, 60 Yuan for a round trip
5 Yuan for Sightseeing van
Mountain Back : 20 Yuan

Address Qingchengshan county , Dujiangyan, Chengdu City
四川省成都市都江堰市西南青城山镇



Mar.2nd–Nov.30th 8:00–17:00

Dec.1st–Mar.1st 8:00–10:00

Arriving

Bus: at Chadianzi Bus Station to Qingchengshan county,

departure ranges from 8:00–10:00, 28 Yuan for each

Railway: Chengdu North Railway Station, High-speed railway
for 15 Yuan/person, about 30 minutes.

Eating : Sichuan Cuisine

Sichuan Cuisine, known often in the West as Szechuan Cuisine, is one of the most famous Chinese cuisines in the world. Characterized by its spicy and pungent flavor, Sichuan cuisine, prolific of tastes, emphasizes on the use of chili. Pepper and prickly ash also never fail to accompany, producing typical exciting tastes. Besides, garlic, ginger and fermented soybean are also used in the cooking process. Wild vegetables and animals are usually chosen as ingredients, while frying, frying without oil, pickling and braising are applied as basic cooking techniques. It cannot be said that one who does not experience Sichuan food ever reaches China.

Hot Pot (火锅)



In the past, the boatmen by the Yangtze frequently lodged at the dock for night. Once they pulled in, they began to make a fire for dinner and getting warm. Their cooker was just a pot that held some water and vegetables added with flavorings such as hot pepper and pepper for dispelling damp (a saying goes like this: vegetables can serve as food while hot pepper kills cold). When the boatmen finished the "feast", they would gain spirit again. Later, the dish was spread to all piers along the Yangtze River. Some people even began to name the hotpot as "hot potted landscape", "flavor in pot" and "hot happiness".

Chuanchuanxiang Stick (串串香)



It is a kind of spicy hot snack, somewhat like hot pot. Sliced raw meats, edible offal's (entrails and internal organs), and vegetables are impaled on bamboo skewers, and we should

dip them into a pan with boiling spicy soup mounted above a heating device. The price is also fantastic: 0.2–1Yuan per one.

Fuqi Fei Pian (Pork Lungs in Chili Sauce 夫妻肺片)



The original of the dish is about 70 years before, a couple called Zhang and Guo were using tender Beef, spicy beef ,as well as lungs of a cow making a mixture with hot pepper.

Dandan Noodles (担担面)



Dandan noodles or Dandanmian is a classic dish originating from Chinese Sichuan cuisine. It consists of a spicy sauce containing preserved vegetables (often including zha cai, lower enlarged mustard stems, or ya cai., upper mustard stems), chili oil, Sichuan pepper, minced pork, and scallions served over noodles.

Wanna more details? or more sight / food photos? Contact us and we can give you a hand. Visit hichinatrip.com for more.

Mapo' s Tofu (麻婆豆腐)



Founded in 1862. One Store owner called Mapo was quite famous in Chengdu at that time. She was good at cooking the domestic dishes of Sichuan, particularly make the bean curd and she had a set of special cooking technique then became famous by praises till now. It also spreads its fame from home to the outside world and gets both domestic and international hearties gourmets' complement.

Ye Er Ba (Lotus Leaf Harrow 叶儿粩)

A representative snack in Chengdu. From the outlook could we see Ye Er Ba was a yellow flour revolved in one piece of Lotus Leaf, looks like ears of a baby(that is also the origin of the name, Ye Er Ba literally means “Ears in lotus leaf”). After steamed of 10 minutes, the harrow melts, and that is the best time to eat.

Liang Noodles (凉粉)

Liangfen, or Liang Noodles, is a kind of cuisine that is clearly with areal characteristics. There are 3 types of Liang Noodles mainly existed in Chengdu: the Sichuan Liang Noodles, the Hakka Noodles, and the “Happy” Liang Noodles. The noodles' mainly made from mung bean flour , and usually being crystal.

Tutou (Rabbit' s head 兔头)

It is quite unique that people in Sichuan loved Tutou so much. It had been said the tradition of eating Tutou was from the tradition of the surrounding barbarians in Sichuan in ancient times. Nowadays Tutou become a famous yummy dish in Sichuan, but for Chinese outside Sichuan also think it is hard to enjoy. If it is possible, you can have a try.

Youcha (oil tea 油茶)

A spice of traditional breakfast in Chengdu and it is quite different from milk tea in other Asia countries. put mung bean flour with oil in a cup of tea and stir for 30 seconds, a cup of Youcha' s made. It is not oily as imagined, actually in Chengdu, every morning you could see bands of people staying in line for a cup of Youcha.

Lengguoyu (Cold-pot Fish 冷锅鱼)



The Lengguoyu' s also a famous Sichuanese cuisine and the hot flavor conquered stomachs of the mass. Actually it is not cold at all. Boiled fish with spice served in pot at first, then after about 30 minutes , the servant of the restaurant would put other ingredients into the pot and start to make a hot pot (here' s the origin of “Cold-pot”)

Douhua (Soft Tofu 豆花)

It is said that Douhua was invented by an Earl in Jin Empire of China (about 4th century), and people in Chengdu made giant improvements with it, nowadays became a cold dish before meal in Chengdu.

Feichang Noodle ("fatty intestine" Noodle 肥肠粉)

Not a common dish for people in Chengdu, though it is very delicious. In previous times that people in Chengdu could not afford having pork of other meat every day, so they found frying intestine with noodle became an economical cuisine for them, so the noodle was spread throughout Chengdu. Now in order that people would worry about the condition of intestine, restaurants usually make this dish in front of the gourmets.



Tihua (Pig' s feet soup 蹄花)

In Chengdu, Tihua rice/ Lao -ma' s Tihua are famous among the locals, and it is a pretty good cuisine for people in winter.

Niuwangmiao Noodles (牛王庙怪味面)

It is called "No.1 noodle in Chengdu", and a special taste from various materials made this noodle famous, with is out of words to express.

It' s said that sause of the noodle is made of tomatoes but the exact material is still a mystery. People in Chengdu also put beef and Pork Intestines(as food) as toppings of the noodle.



Famous restaurants

Hongxin Resto (红杏酒家 紫荆店)

A restaurant with long history in Chengdu, famous for the origin Sichuan cuisines.



Average cost	100 Yuan
Address	Qinghuafang 2 ,137, East Ziwei Rd, Wuhou District 武侯区紫薇东路137号清华坊2号综合楼
Tel	028-8519-9008

Qinshanzhai (钦善斋)

Not far from Wuhouci & Jinli, and the soup' s famous overthere.

Average cost	90 Yuan
Address	247, Wuhouci Avenue, Wuhou District 武侯区武侯祠大街247号(武侯祠东北侧)
Tel	028-8505-3333

Mingting Restaurant (明婷饭店)

Reported by BBC Documentary previously, it is really famous in Chengdu, though it is a small restaurant indeed, everyday during the dining time you could see lots of people "faire la queue" over there, if you want to have a try, ask the waiter "Ni tui jian Sa tzu" (what do you recommend) because there is no English menu at all.

Average cost	50 Yuan
Address	26-16, Waicaojiexiang, Chenghua District 成华区外曹家巷26号附16号(近马鞍南路)
Tel	028-8331-5978

Shunxing Tea House (顺兴老茶馆 沙湾店)

A tea house of long history, there are performances during evening' s service.



Average cost	90 Yuan
Address	International Exhibition Centre, 258, Shawan Road 金牛区沙湾路258号国际会展中心3楼(会展中心南侧)
Tel	028-8769-3202 or 028-8764-9999

Xiaotan' s Douhua (小潭豆花 西大街店)

An old shop in Chengdu. Famous for Douhua making, and since the price of the Douhua' s quite economical that lots of people come to this shop for fame, so we suggest not to visit during the dining time or it would be so crowded.

Average cost	12 Yuan
Address	86-13, West Ave. Qingyang District, Chengdu City 成都市青羊区西大街86附13号

Sister Kang' s Chuanchuan (康二姐串串香 中道街店)

A fantastic shop “worshipped” by locals hidden in an alley.

Average cost 30 Yuan

Address 99-32,Zhongdao Str. Jinjiang District
锦江区中道街99号附32号

Fuqi Fei Pian Restaurant (Pork Lungs in Chili Sauce 夫妻肺片)

From the name of the resto we could know here is famous for Pork lungs, and after that, there are dumplings, ducks, noodles etc. traditional Chinese food for customers.

Average cost 45 Yuan

Address 23,Zongfu Rd. Jinjiang District
成都市锦江区总府路23号 (近王府井百货)

Tel 028-8661-7171

Liao' s Bangbang Chicken (廖记棒棒鸡 静居寺店)

Bangbang Chicken' s a snack from another city in Sichuan called Leshan, 90 years ago spread to Chengdu City, and became hot in recent years. What Bangbang Chicken differs from other chicken is that it was trump by bars and torn by hand, not cut by chopper.



Average cost 30 Yuan

Address 99-25, Jingjusi Rd. Jinjiang District
碑林区粉巷南院门20号

Liao' s Ribs (廖排骨 新鸿路店)

This shop focuses on rib making , all kinds of Chinese cuisines' rib could be found here.

Average cost 20 Yuan

Address 331, Xinhong Rd. Yimingcaishi, Chenghua District
成都市成华区溢明菜市新鸿路331号

Lai' s Tang yuan (Lai' s glue pudding 赖汤圆)

Named after its founder call Old Lai. For Chinese glue pud -ding(Tang Yuan), it is easy to stick on bowls, chopsticks and your teeth because it was made from glutinous rice flo -ur. But Lai used a new formula to make his dumplings, so this non-stick Tang yuan become the most famous one in Chengdu.

Tel 028-8662-9976

Address No.27, Zongfu Rd
锦江区总府路27号



Hotels & Hostels

As the capital of Sichuan province and a well-known touri -st city in China, it is quite easy to find a hotel in Chengdu. On general, choose a hotel near Tianfu Square or WuhouCi would be much convenient for travelers to make their trip. One more thing, in Jun-Aug it is the travel season for Chin -ese travelers going to Sichuan & Tibet, and Oct-Nov is the National Day Holiday of China, so there will be massive of people going to Chengdu, so it is better to make your decision earlier.

Youth Hostel

Tuobanxie Hostel of Chengdu (成都拖鞋鞋青年旅舍)

About 5 minutes' walk to Chunxi Road Metro Station, with free bier and activities in the night, quite a lot foreign travelers choose here to stay.

Address 98, Dongsheng Street, Jinjiang District
成都锦江区东升街98号

Cost Multiple Room: 30-40 Yuan
Standard Room: 160 Yuan

Tel 028-6250-0185

Arriving Bus Route 1022 at Dongsheng Street Station

Mengzhilv International Youth Hostel

成都梦之旅国际青年旅舍

For Backpackers and students, there' re many restaurants nearby.

Address 242, Wuhouci Ave. Chengdu City
成都市武侯祠大街 242 号 (武侯祠对面)

Cost Multiple Room: 30 Yuan
Standard Room 185 Yuan

Tel 028-8557-0315

Arriving Bus Route 1, 57, 82, 334, 335 at Wuhouci Station

Langman Manwu Holiday Apartment

成都浪漫满屋度假公寓

Opened in 2014, not far away from Broad-Narrow Alley.

Address No.59, Jinhe Rd, Qingyang District
成都市青羊区金河路59号 (宽窄巷子对面)

Cost 170 Yuan

Tel 028-8626-2762

Arriving Bus Route 5, 13, 43, 47 at Jinhe Road.
Metro Line 2 at Renmin' s Park Station, Exit A

Nice Hotel

Jinli Inn Youth hostel 成都锦里客栈



This hostel lies in Jinli Promenade, and the hostel were made of 3 Qing-Dynasty style building, with a history of over 100 years, in the garden of the hostel could travelers experience the traditional Chinese living style, but rooms are not large enough for many European travelers.

Address	231, Wuhouci Avenue 武侯祠大街231号
Cost	Standard Room for 360 Yuan
Tel	028-6631-1335
Arriving	Bus Route 1, 57, 82, 334 at Wuhouci Station

Langutou(Lazy bone) Youth Hostel 成都懒骨头青年旅社

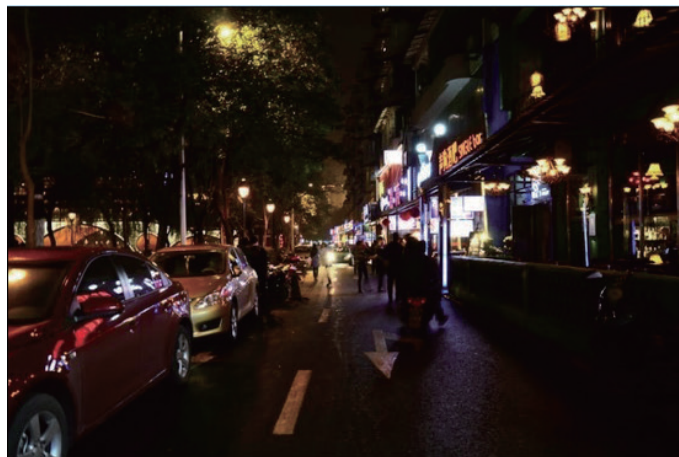
Not far away from Metro and Scenic spots and it is a veteran hostel of Chengdu. Many foreign travelers choose here to stay.

Address	16, Yangshi Road, Qingyang District 成都市青羊区羊市街16号
Cost	Multiple Room for 40 Yuan Standard Room for 200 Yuan
Tel	028-8669-5778
Arriving	48, 55, 56, 98, 298 at Luomashi Station

Entertainment

Bars & Clubs

Jiuyanqiao Bar Street (九眼桥酒吧)



Jiuyanqiao is an area that gathered lots of bars & pubs, and its fame had known throughout China because lots of singers were from this bar street. When it gets dark, music with rhyme would shock the ground, and every night there're traffic jam because of the crowd.

Address	Jiuyanqiao, West 1st Circle (西一环九眼桥)
Average cost	100 Yuan

Fanglin Rd Bar Street (芳邻路)



A bar street with its tradition, although not famous as Jiuyanqiao, but still, Fanglin Road is seizing an irreplaceable position in people of Chengdu. It is not noisy as in Jiuyanqiao, but sitting in a quiet bar with a cup of cocktail with your friend would be a good choice. Also, backpackers from all parts of China, especially people are going to Tibet) would gather and talk about what is great in their adventure.

Address	Fanglin Rd, West 1st Circle (成都市西一环芳邻路)
Average cost	120위안

Bianlian (Face-changing) in Sichuan Opera (变脸)



It is said the origin of face changing has something to do with the resistance of wild beasts. In ancient times, when coming across a ferocious animal, people used to draw different patterns on their faces to scare the animal away and keep themselves safe. Later on, such trick was applied to the stage performance of Sichuan Opera, and the unique art of face changing has thus come into being.

Recommended	Shufengyayun Theater (蜀风雅韵)
Cost	150 Yuan
Address	Wenhua Park, Qintai Road 琴台路文化公园内
Performing Time	Every Night 20:00-21:00

Kungfu Tea (功夫茶)



People in Chengdu love tea drinking, and their enthusiasm towards tea was kind of crazy in some Chinese' s eyes. Everywhere in Chengdu it is not hard to find a teahouse, because teahouses are spread from avenues to alleys. When it is sunny, lots of people in Chengdu would sit in a teahouse with their friends and families. And this is what we thought the most Chengdu way to live here.

Recommended: Shunxing Teahouse (顺兴老茶馆)

A Ming Dynasty style teahouse in Chengdu. Travelers could enjoy the performances with drinking tea. Every evening at 8 o' clock, there would be Sichuan Opera, Er Hu, and face-changing performances in this teahouse.

Tel	028-8769-3203 or 028-8769-3208
Address	3-4 International Trading center, 258, Shawan Rd 沙湾路258号成都国际会展中心3-4楼
Arriving	Bus Route 113, 101, 32, 3 at Trading Center Station

Shopping and Particular souvenirs

Where to buy

Chunxi Road

春熙路

It is a representative of Chengdu, for its thrive commercial atmosphere. And also, it is one of the "4 Downtown Streets" in China. The local beauties often shopping & doing their get-togethers here, so Chunxi Road was named "the Road of Beauties" by Chinese.

Address	Chunxi Road, Jinjiang District (四川省成都市锦江区春熙路)
Arriving	Metro Line 2 at Chunxi Road Station

Yanshikou District

盐市口

Yanshikou District with various kinds of shopping malls, could conform all types of buyers.

Address	Yanshikou District, Chengdu City (四川省成都市锦江区盐市口)
Arriving	Bus Route 1, 8, 43, 45, 47, 48 at Yanshikou Station

Xinchengshi Guangchang (New City Square)District

新城市广场

Downtown in west part of Chengdu City. Full of the local style that people in Chengdu often have their get-togethers over there. If it is possible, don' t forget to try night markets with local snacks in the midnight.

Address	Xinchengshi Guangchang, Qingyang District (四川省成都市青羊区新城市广场)
Arriving	Bus Route 4, 56, 7, 37, 62 at Xiyuecheng Station (West Moon City Station)

Particular Souvenirs

Shujin (蜀锦, Sichuan figured satin)



Shujin, literal means "Embroidery made in Sichuan", was recorded in history books tracing back to Han Dynasty (2nd Century B.C), from the famous Silk Road Shujin spread to the Roman Empire, Parthia Empire at that time. For which is hard to product so it would be a precious gift for friends.

Average cost	400~1000 Yuan
Address	Jinli Promenade (锦里)

Chinese Tea (茶叶)

Sichuan is a natural tea-producing zone for tea, going with the habit for the locals, so tea culture seized a very important position in people of Chengdu. As the 2 most famous spices of Chinese tea, the Jasmin Tea, and the Green Tea "the cyan bamboo" produced in Qingcheng Mountain, you cannot miss when you come to Chengdu.

Average cost	50~200 Yuan
Address	At Jinli Promenade too (锦里)

Shuxiu (蜀绣, Sichuan embroidery)



Shu embroidery is renowned for its superb workmanship, smooth and bright in quality. It has strong expression and artistic effect. The features of it are said as "fine and smooth needlework, simple and elegant colors, graceful and easy lines and the traditional Chinese paintings' style". Its needling characteristics lie in "the even stitches, bright threads, closeness and softness in texture, and both centrifugal and centripetal needling". The embroidery takes locally-produced colorful satin and threads as its materials.

Average cost	300~2000 Yuan
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Address	Around Broad-Narrow Alley (宽窄巷子)
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Zhangfei' s Beef (张飞牛肉, General Zhang' s Beef)



Zhang Fei, was a epical general in Chinese history & literature. In 3-kingdoms Age of China (4th century A.D) , general Zhang with his king, Liu Bei, founded a new kingdom called Shu (also the name of Sichuan), and general Zhang became a legend when time passes by. Like Lan- celot and King Arthur in Britain, Zhang and Liu gradually became the symbol of loyalty and bravery. It is said that general Zhang was quite fond of beef, and himself was a good cook on beef, so Zhangfei' s beef became a traditional snack in Sichuan. Now in Chengdu when you can see sellers on street dressing like an ancient Chinese, with black face and beard, that must be Zhangfei' s Beef, have a try.

Average cost	20~80 Yuan
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Address	Jinli Promenade (锦里)
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Panda Souvenirs 熊猫纪念品

Panda dolls, panda notebooks, panda postcards; in many places in Chengdu could we find signs of panda and souvenirs.

Most relative products of panda selling in Pandas' house & Panda Post are popular for tourist. Also, the panda base offers notes & notebooks made from panda' s excrement, people could buying with helping funding the money for panda protection.

Sichuan Opera & 3-Kingdoms 川剧-三国纪念品

Things represent Chengdu. For face-painting cuts and book-marks are cheap but meaningful for travelers, on average those cost about 10-15 Yuan, and in tourism area could be found.

Nice shop

Panda House 熊猫屋

Well Praised by locals. Souvenirs about panda are with various kinds within this shop. And Panda House also designed lots of souvenirs itself that people could only buy here. And photography in the shop is prohibited.

Average cost	80 Yuan
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Address	in Broad-Narrow Alley (成都市青羊区窄巷子20号附1)
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Tel	028-8669-6869
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One sew one life (一针一线一生)



A handicraft shop positioning on Shuxiu, there' s a beautiful Chinese style court in the shop, and also could we have a drink there. The price would be higher in this shop.

Average cost	110 Yuan
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Address	24, Narrow Alley, Broad-Narrow Alley (成都市青羊区窄巷子24号)
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Tel	028-8669-6869
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Jianshan Bookstore (见山书局)

A bookstore that offers snacks and tea for readers. Decoration of the shop is fully Chinese tradition style, people who want to get experiences of Chinese reading cannot miss it.

Tel	028-6619-2896
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Address	Broad-Narrow Alley (宽窄巷子)
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