



Tainan

Taking a Walk Around Guanziling Hot Spring Area



Tainan's Number One Hot Spring One of The World's Three Major Mud Springs Three-hundred Years Old Fire and Water Spring

Free Guided Tour of Guanziling Hot Spring Area

Summer (April - October) Winter (November - March) Every Saturday 3-5 pm Every Saturday 2-4 pm Every Sunday 9-11 am (family-friendly route) Every Sunday 9-11 am (family-friendly route)

How to sign up: Please make a reservation on the Travel Tainan website. (http://www.twtainan.net/)



Tainan City Government Tourism Bureau

Minzhi Civic Center (Bureau HQ) 06-6353226 Yonghua Civic Center (Tourism Service Section) 06-3901175

Travel Information

Guanziling Linding Visitor Center 06-6823481 Tainan Railway Station Travel Service Center 06-2290082 Tainan Airport Travel Service Center 06-3359209

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How to Get There

Public Transportation

Taiwan Railways Houbi Train Station 06-6872055 Xinying Train Station 06-6322104 Tainan Railway Station 06-2261314 www.railway.gov.tw

Taiwan High Speed Rail Chiayi Station 05-3107000 Tainan Station 06-6009000 Customer Service Hotline 40663000

Freeway Schedule Bus Service United Highway Bus Xinying Station 06-6590449 Tainan Station 06-2281552 Ho-Hsin Bus Xinying Station 06-6590449 Tainan Station 06-2281552

By Car National Freeway No. 1 National Freeway No. 3 Baihe Interchange -> City Highway No. 172 to Baihe & Guanziling National Freeway No. 3 Baihe Interchange -> City Highway No. 172 to Baihe & Guanziling

Tainan City Bus Yellow (Main) Route

Take the Yellow Route bus at Xinying Station to Baihe stop. Then transfer to Guanziling via Yellow 12 or Yellow 13. Then transfer to Guanziling via Yellow 12 or Yellow 13.

Table with bus routes: Yellow Route, Yellow Branch Line 12, Yellow Branch Line 13, Guanziling > Xinying, Yellow Branch Line 12, Yellow Branch Line 13, Yellow Route.

Yellow 12-2 Guanziling Holiday Bus

Circles around Attractions in Guanziling Runs on holidays, including long holidays and lunar new year holidays.

Table with bus routes: Guanziling -> Nanliao Intersection -> Fire and Water Spring -> Huoshan Biyun Temple -> Dasian Temple -> Xiancaopu -> Baocuan Bridge -> Guanziling.

Taiwan Tourist Shuttle Bus No. 33 Guanziling Route (Weekends)

Table with bus routes: THSR Chiayi Station -> Guanziling, Guanziling -> THSR Chiayi Station.

Singing Bus 06-6322513 : http://tourguide.tainan.gov.tw/

Buses in Chiayi

Table with bus routes: Chiayi -> Guanziling, Guanziling -> Chiayi.

Chiayi Bus 05-2750895 : http://www.cibus.com.tw/

Recommended Attractions

Baihe District

Baihe lotuses (summertime), Guanziling Scenic Area, Dasian Temple, Guanziling Biyun Temple, Fire and Water Spring, Dadong Mountain hiking trail, Baihe Reservoir, Liuchong River Hot Spring.

Houbi District

Jingliao Wumiler Community, Tugo Art Village, TSC Wusulin Recreational Park, Taiwan Orchid Plantation, Xiaonan Sea Scenic Area (bike lane).

Dongshan District

No. 175 Dongshan Cafe Road, Dongshan Coffee Cultural Hall, Bixuan Temple, Xiangong Temple, Kanding Fuan Temple, Shantou Mountain Trail, Kabua-Sua Village, Wing On Golf Country Club, Senwho Leisure Farm.

Things to Eat

Barrel-roasted Chicken, Jar-roasted Chicken

Signs for barrel-roasted chicken, jar-roasted chicken, and teapot chicken are everywhere in Guanziling. All of these cooking methods stew-roast the chicken to lock in the freshness and sweetness of the meat.



Dongshan Coffee

Good coffee beans need the right environment to grow in. Dongshan's climate, altitude, and day and night temperature difference make it the perfect place for cultivating high-quality coffee beans.



Nanliao Ponkan Mandarin

Nanliao is sandwiched between Guanziling Hot Spring and Dongshan Cafe Road. Located on the shady hillside of Dadong Mountain, this is the main production place of Tainan's ponkan mandarin.



Wild Vegetables

Besides barrel-roasted chicken, Guanziling's restaurants offer fresh crisp wild vegetables such as mushrooms, vegetable fern, arca flower, and wild bitter melon.



Mushroom Eggs

It is said that Guanziling residents made created this dish with local mushrooms, free-range chicken eggs, corn silk, and a Chinese herb house blend in 1914 when Taiwan Governor Sakuma Samata inspected Guanziling.



Rusty Leaf Mucuna Chicken Soup

When you come to Guanziling, don't miss the unique rusty leaf mucuna chicken soup. In addition to rusty leaf mucuna, the soup also has Chinese angelica, astragalus root, wolfberry, processed rehmannia root, and black dates.

1 Dacheng Hall



The location of Dacheng Hall was originally the site of the Guanziling Shinto shrine which was built in 1941 (the 16th year of Showa Era, Japanese Occupation Period). The main deity worshipped here was Amaterasu. It was rebuilt as Dacheng Hall (Confucius' shrine) on April 10, 1950.

2 Lingding Park



In 1932, the Japanese set up Taiwan's first mini-golf course here. The course was fun: the golf ball went over small hills and through caves, passed narrow bridges and small islands in ponds.

3 Wu Jin-Huai Plaza



An important Taiwanese musician and composer who changed the modern Taiwanese Hokkien music scene and influenced famous Taiwanese Hokkien singers such as Kuo Chin-fa, Huang Yee-ling, and Chris Hung.

Erjiewan River Cutoff View Point



A hundred years ago, travelers going to the hot spring area from Cukeng Village must pass by Erjiewan River Cutoff. Hot Spring Valley is right behind it. Erjiewan River Cutoff was later paved with asphalt and the road was no longer used after Hongyue Tunnel was built.

12 Bawcock Slope



Bawcock Slope is one of the most famous attractions at Guanziling. It originally had 293 steps, thus the Japanese called it "three-hundred steps" or "the slope of man". During the Japanese Occupation Period, this was where injured soldiers were rehabilitated.

11 Huo Wangye Temple



Lingquan is an unstable hot spring zone. In the past century, it periodically collapsed at random points and causes geological disasters. Therefore, the Japanese and locals invited the deity Fudō Myōō to reside here in hope that the deity can make the hot spring zone more stable.

10 Huo Wangye Lingquan (outcrop)



The present Huo Wangye hot spring outcrop was known as Lingquan during the Qing dynasty. In 1920, Lingquan and Baocuan outcrops were jointly referred to as Taiwan's Best Hot Spring.

9 Sky Ladder



The Sky Ladder was built in 2009 as the former Tainan County government wanted to fully connect the entire Guanziling Hot Spring Circular Trail and let visitors access Lingding Park via the old and new Bawcock Slopes from Baocuan Park.

8 Guanziling Hot Spring Old Street



A hundred years ago, this was the only street in Guanziling. In 1920, Guanziling already had hydroelectricity and electric lamps. Back then people compared the prosperous Guanziling with Jiufen in northern Taiwan.

6 Baocuan Bridge Outcrop



In 1898, when the Japanese military was clearing out resistance forces that occupied the Guanziling region, they accidentally discovered Baocuan outcrop (present Baocuan Park). Japanese expert 早川政太郎 (Hayakawa Setarou Jatar) identified that the unique water quality of the local mud hot spring has healing properties.

7 Xianyun Bridge



A century ago, the entrance to Hot Spring Valley was a simple wooden bridge named Xianyun Bridge over Gunshui River. The poet Lin Chun-Shui wrote a poem describing himself standing on Xianyun Bridge and reminiscing a love affair that happened at the hot spring.

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Guanziling is famous for its mud spring. During the Japanese Occupation Period, Guanziling Hot Spring and the hot springs in Beitou, Yangmingshan Mountain, and Sizhong River comprised Taiwan's four major hot springs. In 1920, the water quality of the hot spring was widely praised and was even regarded as "Taiwan's best hot spring" by the Japanese author 友寄景清 (Tomoyori Kagekiyo) in his book 《關子嶺の溫泉》 ("The Hot Spring at Guanziling"). Since the spring water flows through mudstone formations and mixes in fine grains of mudstone and various minerals and saline matter, the water is black; thus the mud spring is also known as the "black hot spring". The large amounts of minerals and saline matter make the skin soft and smooth after a bath in the mud spring. In other words, this mud spring is the best natural beauty product!

In 2012, Guanziling became the only hot spring area in Taiwan to obtain all hot spring certifications. The area has passed inspections conducted by water resources, tourism, and health agencies and received the Hot Spring Certificate. This certification not only guarantees the quality of hot spring baths and accommodations at Guanziling but also lets consumers know they can safely enjoy the hot spring brand of "Tainan Hot Springs".

Accommodations with Hot Spring Certificates

A05 Mingyuan Hotspring	06-6822586	B03 A-Mei Hot Spring	06-6822804
D05 Zhang Hong Hotel (Yosemite Hot Spring Resort)	06-6822831	A03 Shangda Mineral Mud Spring Resort	06-6822780
D04 Guanziling Police Lodge	06-6822626	A03 Muchen Hot Spring B&B	06-6823003
E04 Chinya Hotspring Hotel	06-6822550	A03 Gulugulu Mountain Villa	06-6822086
D03 Jing Leh Resort Hotel (Jing Leh Building)	06-6822678	A02 Xinxin Homestay	06-6823325
E03 Fuyu House Mineral Hot Spring	06-6822888	A02 Qingshuang B&B	06-6822532
E03 Chidzuru Hot Spring Resort	06-6822313	A02 Old Tree Creek Resort (Old Tree Creek Hot Spring Resort)	06-6822093
E02 Xi Xin Guan Hot Spring Resort	06-6822302	B01 Muchun Hotspring Resort	06-6823232
E02 Lingyi Hostel	06-6822325	A01 Li Quan Hot Spring Resort	06-6822582
E02 Li Tang Resort	06-6822322	B01 Guanziling Lin Kuei Yuan Hot Spring Resort	06-6823122
D02 Qingxiu Hotel	06-6822322	B01 Hongye Hotel (New Hongye Hotel)	06-6822822
D02 Guanziling Hotel	06-6822321	B01 Reikei Hot Spring Resort - Lifestyle Building	06-6822588
C01 Fungo Hotel (Fun Go House - Mud Hot Springs)	06-6822222	B01 Joy Day Villa (King's Garden Villa)	06-6822500
C02 Hong Lin Hot Spring Resort	06-6822347	A01 Guanshanling Mud Hot Spring Resort	06-6823099

For more information, please visit the Taiwan Stay website (<https://www.taiwanstay.net.tw/>)

★ For accommodation and dining details, please refer to notice by business operators.

Guanziling Major Circular Route Map



Suggested Itinerary



Legend



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