

Zhongshan Shuanglian Walking - Map -



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The area around Zhongshan and Shuanglian has fashionable department stores, the Zhongshan underground Book Street popular with hipsters, along with various arts spaces.

Various styles of stores are hidden in the decades-old buildings in the alleys here, where you can admire cultural-creative products, search for the latest fashions, drink good coffee, or experience a Taiwanese hair wash. Take a rest at the Zhongshan Linear Park if tired after a long walk, or stroll through the Tiaotong shopping area where the distinctive colonial Japanese atmosphere remains.

Must-Visit

There are a number of must-see historic sites located in this area, including SPOT-Taipei which shows art movies, MOCA Taipei and Zhongshan Art House which host a diverse range of exhibitions, and the Rose Historic Site where the aroma of fine coffee fills the air. Enjoy the storefront window displays, decor and signs of the cultural-creative stores you will encounter when walking in these alleys, and experience totally different kind street scenes.

Must-Buy

Creativity is the common language in this area. Here you can find both local Taiwanese brands and concept stores where you purchase not only objects but also the designer's creativity. If you are a fashion lover, the department stores and cosmetics shops here will meet your need for the trendiest makeup and clothing. If you are a book lover, Zhongshan Underground Book Street's numerous and varied books definitely make it heaven for you.

Must-Eat

The food culture of Zhongshan and Shuanglian area mingles old and new. You could have afternoon tea in either century-old buildings or characterful cafés, enjoy fine Taiwanese cuisine in time-honored restaurants, or enjoy authentic Japanese cuisine in the taverns of the Tiaotong area. Looking for budget eats? Visit Shuanglian Market and Ningxia Tourist Night Market for local street food and savor the tastes of old Taipei.

Friendly service signs

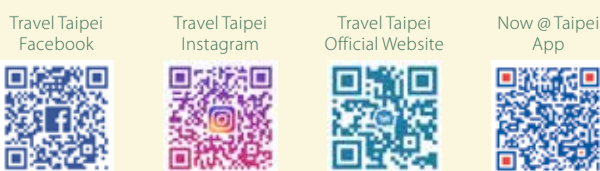


Itinerary 1 Art and Culture Tour

Art Walk (MOCA Taipei, Zhongshan Linear Park) → Coffee Tasting (Illumination Books, Mogu) → Culture and Creativity Exploration (Lovely Taiwan Shop, The Xiaoqi, Zhongshan Underground Book Street) → Street Food Adventure (Ningxia Tourist Night Market)

Itinerary 2 Shopping and Eating Tour

Morning Prayers (Taipei Wenchang Temple) → Historic Site Visits (Rose Historic Site, SPOT-Taipei) → Delicacy Appreciation (SASA, RoseMary, Celestial Restaurant) → Fun with Shopping (Eslite Nanxi Branch, Zhongshan Art House, Lin Tien Coopery) → Taste of Taiwan (Chingye Taiwanese Cuisine, Chi Chia Chuang)



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1 TaipeiEYE



Here you can enjoy the diverse genres of traditional Chinese performing arts, including Taiwanese folk opera, glove puppetry, Peking opera, Kun opera, Chinese variety art, South Tube, North Tube and Eight Sounds, etc. Performers interact with audiences before the performance and during the intermission.

113, Sec. 2, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2568-2677

2 Taipei Wenchang Temple

The temple enshrines Wenchang Dijun as the main god. It is packed with worshippers especially during exam season, countless students visiting the temple to pray for a good result.

9, Ln. 45, Minsheng W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2521-0366



3 Rose Historic Site - Tsai Jui-yueh Dance Research Institute (DANCE CAFÉ)



The building once was the dormitory for government officials during the Japanese era, and used to be the residence and dance studio of Tsai Jui-yueh, the mother of Taiwan's modern dance. Today, the space is partially used as a dance café. The spacious lawn next to the building spans over 660 square meters and is a good place to relax.

10, Ln. 48, Sec. 2, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2560-5724

4 SPOT-Taipei (Taipei Film House)

This Southern Colonial-style building once served as the residence of U.S. ambassadors. Inside the building, there is an art cinema, a café and cultural-creative product store, etc. Visitors can enjoy a cup of coffee either in the white and high-ceiling building or sit outside under the old tree, finding a moment of peace in the hustle and bustle of the city.

18, Sec. 2, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2511-7786



5 Zhongshan Linear Park



Different-theme public art installations are placed in the park. It is the best recreational space for families and visitors.

The green corridor next to MRT Zhongshan Station, Exit 1

6 MOCA Taipei

Originally, the building was Jiancheng Elementary School during the Japanese era, now, this historic site has a new role as an art museum. Besides contemporary art exhibitions, family-friendly art courses for both adults and kids are provided from time to time.

39, Changan W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2552-3721



7 Zhongshan Art House



The historic building, former the offices of the Taipei City Department of Health, has been revitalized as an exhibition, performance and sales platform for disabled artists. The Art House is both a tea house and a cultural-creative space, with guided tours provided every Thursday.

15, Changan W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2522-2486

8 Zhongshan Christian Presbyterian Church

Built in the Japanese era as a Christian Anglican Church, the building's exterior was designed in the English Gothic church style. The European-style decorations including the cross on the rooftop, pointed arches and buttresses are all well-preserved.

62, Linsen N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2551-8480



9 Illumination Books



The owner of the bookstore renovated this 70-year-old loft building and turned it into a space that exudes an artistic and cultural air. Customers are welcome to find a quiet corner to read or relax with a cup of coffee.

2F, 16, Ln. 47, Chifeng St., Taipei City
02-2550-7288

10 Lovely Taiwan Shop

The handmade products in the store are made by residents in communities and aboriginal villages in remote areas. Each item is unique and full of memories of and feelings for the land.

18-2, Ln. 25, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2558-2616



11 Mogu



A Taiwanese local brand which has been established for over ten years. The most popular items are T-shirts, canvas bags and naturally dyed clothing made from organic cotton. A café is located on the 2nd floor.

18-1, Ln. 25, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2552-5552ext.11

12 The Xiaoqi

The store sells Japanese crafts and folk art daily use items, including a complete collection of daily essentials from kitchen utensils to tableware.

29, Chifeng St., Taipei City
02-2552-7039



13 Bomb Metal & Fry Jewelry



A design studio which designs and makes metal accessories and life art works.

27, Ln. 1, Sec. 2, Chengde Rd., Taipei City
02-2552-5931

14 Zhongshan Underground Book Street - Eslite Nanxi Branch

Zhongshan Underground Book Street, the longest book street in Taiwan, is managed by R79 Eslite, the book street features a wide variety of books and also includes shops that sell cultural-creative products as well as vinyl records.

The six-story - Eslite Nanxi Branch is a cross-culture space which provides selected Taiwanese lifestyle aesthetics brands. The main attraction of the bookstore is its collection of nearly 5,000 magazines, including exclusively-imported magazines from eight Southeast Asian countries, which attract readers to spend a whole day here.

Zhongshan Underground Book Street Eslite Nanxi Branch
Located in an underground walkway between MRT Zhongshan Station and MRT Shuanglian Station
14, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2581-3358

15 Cloudhues

The store provides selected Taiwanese aboriginal and cultural-creative products, special handmade embroidery bags, Hakka printed cloths and bracelets, and local gifts such as Taiwanese dried fruit, tea, nougat and pineapple cake, etc.

2, Ln. 31, Sec. 1, Nanjing E. Rd., Taipei City
02-2571-2539



16 Lin Tien Coopery



This nearly 90-year-old traditional handmade wooden barrel store inherited the skills from Japanese masters and makes barrels from cypress wood and Chinese fir wood. The attractive and useful barrels perfectly exemplify the craft of coopery.

108, Sec. 1, Zhongshan N. Rd. Taipei City
02-2541-1354

17 Ningxia Tourist Night Market

Enjoy all kinds of local street food here, including braised pork on rice, sesame oil chicken soup, pork-meat soup, salty rice pudding, taro cake, etc., which will all please your taste buds! Among the vendors, Rong's Pork Liver and Liu Yu Zi are recommended by Michelin Bib Gourmand Taipei 2018.

Ningxia Rd., Taipei City (Between Nanjing W. Rd. and Minsheng W. Rd.)



18 SASA



Selected by Plate Michelin Taipei 2018, SASA provides a fine dining environment. Most of the ingredients are imported from Tsukiji, Japan; it is a sushi restaurant recommended by many food connoisseurs.

6, Ln. 42, Sec. 2, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2561-1246

19 Celestial Restaurant

Established for nearly 40 years, the restaurant is focused on northern Chinese home-style cuisine. The most popular dish is the signature Peking Roast Duck with its authentic and delicious flavor.

3F/4F, 1, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2563-2171



20 Xiao Chun Lou Braised Snacks



Serving filled steamed buns, shumai, crispy pork ribs, etc.; the best-known braised snacks are made with a special sauce containing over 10 spices, giving an unforgettable taste.

206, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2559-3648

21 RoseMary

The restaurant is spacious and comfortable; all the ingredients are specially selected, the chef insisting on making the delicious Italian dishes fresh every day.

9, Aly. 13, Ln. 12, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2521-9822



22 Chi Chia Chuang



Chi Chia Chuang is a time-honored Taiwanese restaurant which is famous for its chicken dishes. The signature Three Tastes Chicken, Chicken Toufu and Homemade Caramel Egg Pudding are the most classic dishes in the restaurant. (Chi Chia Chuang's Changchun Main Restaurant was selected by Plate Michelin Taipei 2018.)

9, Ln. 105, Sec. 1, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2541-8261

23 Fei Qian Wu Unagi Don Shop

This popular Japanese restaurant is located in an alley in Jiu Tiaotong. The aromatic and delicious plump unagi don (eel rice) and unagi egg rolls (eel egg roll) are must-order dishes. Expect to have to wait in the line for the excellent food!

13-2, Ln. 121, Sec. 1, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2561-7859



24 Chingye Taiwanese Cuisine



The first authentic Taiwanese cuisine restaurant, Chingye Taiwanese Cuisine focuses on Beitou banquet style food, the dishes made with in-season vegetables. After half a century since its opening, the restaurant is still popular among the wealthy and celebrities.

10, Ln. 105, Sec. 1, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2551-7957

25 Café Monument

After renovation, this nearly 100-year-old baroque style building has finally revived its splendor. Visitors can enjoy good coffee in this historic European style building.

2, Changan W. Rd., Taipei City
02-2581-6088



26 The Island



This café transformed from a Japanese style old building serves light meals, desserts and coffee, etc. Small-scale concerts are held every Friday evening.

1, Ln. 33, Sec. 1, Zhongshan N. Rd., Taipei City
02-2531-4594

27 Le Palais (Palais de Chine Hotel)

Le Palais, honored as a three-star Michelin Taipei 2018 restaurant, serves a variety of Chinese dishes and exquisite dim sum. Don't miss the crispy roast duck, roast suckling pig and crispy deep-fried chicken.

17F, 3, Sec. 1, Chengde Rd., Taipei City
02-2181-9985



Estimated walking time



15 mins

10 mins

5 mins



- Must-Visit (Historic building, Temple, public art)
- Must-Buy (Department store, bookstore, Select Shop)
- Must-Eat (Good food, restaurant, Coffee and drinks shop)
- Michelin Guide
- YouBike
- Information station
- Hair salon
- Police station
- Convenience store
- Park
- MRT Station