HAIKOU

CITY GUIDE





INTRODUCTION

Haikou is the capital and most populous city of the Chinese province of Hainan. It is situated on the northern coast of Hainan, by the mouth of the Nandu River. The northern part of the city is the district of Haidian Island, which is separated from the main part of Haikou by the Haidian River, a branch of the Nandu. Administratively, Haikou is a prefecture-level city, comprising four districts, and covering 2,280 square kilometres (880 sq mi). There are 2,046,189 inhabitants in the built up area all living within the 4 urban districts of the city.

Haikou's population as of 2018 is just over 12.8 million. The average temperature in the summer is usually around 26° in July. Winter is warm with an average of 18°. The total GDP of Haikou was over 71.3 billion Yuan in 2018.



GDP 71.3 billion yuan (2017)

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CULTURE



Haikou was originally a port city, serving as the port for Qiongshan. Haikou was developed as a port during the Sino-Japanese War following Japanese occupation; after the war, Haikou and Hainan remained under Nationalist control until Landing Operation on Hainan Island, when it fell to Communist rule. Today, more than half of the island's total trade still goes through its ports. The city is home to Hainan University, which has its main campus on Haidian Island. The Temple of the Five Lords is located to the southeast of the city.

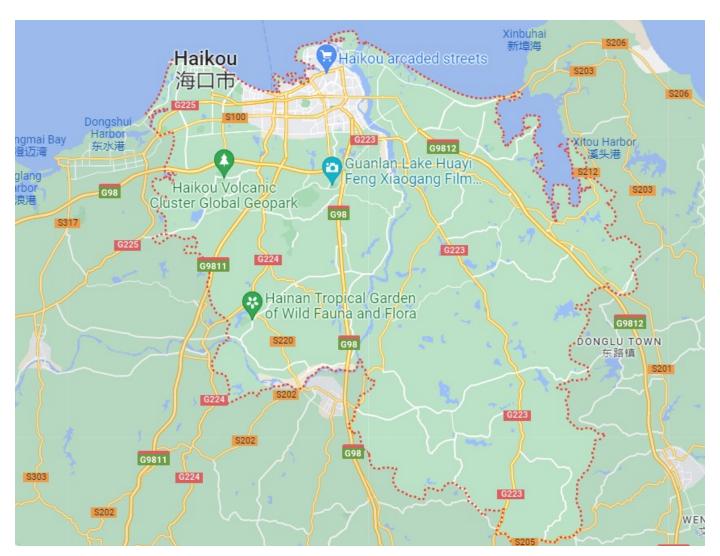
CUISINE



Hainan cuisine, or Hainanese cuisine, is derived from the cooking styles of the peoples of Hainan Province in China. The food is lighter, less oily, and more mildly seasoned than that of the Chinese mainland. Seafood predominates the menu, as prawn, crab, and freshwater and ocean fish are widely available.

Congee, mantou and baozi are eaten for breakfast, with a noodle dish also being widely eaten. This consists of fine, vermicelli-type noodles with various toppings and gravy. Along with lunch and dinner, late night outdoor barbecue dishes are also served.

C I T Y M A P



Haikou is situated on the north coast of Hainan Island, by Haikou Bay, facing the Leizhou Peninsula across the Qiongzhou Strait that stretches west from Beibu Bay near Vietnam to the James Shoal bordering the South China Sea to the west. Most of the city is almost completely flat and only a few metres above sea level.

It has an area of 2,304.84 km2 (889.90 sq mi). The Meishe River winds through the east side of the city flowing northward to the Haidian River.

ATTRACTIONS

Haikou has a number of important sites of historical interest. The Wugong Temple (The Five Official's Temple), the Tomb of Hai Rui and the Xiuying Emplacement each serves as reminders of the historical importance of Haikou.

Holiday Beach

Holiday Beach is a typical place for touring and having leisure at the beach. The Holiday Beach is located at the side of Qingling Road of the west in Haikou, and the total length of the Holiday Beach is 6 kilometers.

Volcano Crater Park

Located 15 kilometers from Haikou in the Shishan town, Volcano Crater Park is a natural volcano geology museum in Haikou, Hainan Province. The eruption of the ancient Qiongbei Volcano left the most intact volcano craters here.

Hairui Tomb

Hairui Tomb is in the Binya Village, in the west suburbs of Haikou. It is a historical and cultural relic under state protection. Hairui was an uncorrupted minister in the Ming Dynasty.

Hainan Tropical Wildlife Garden

At the Dongshan lake front which is 27 kilometers from Haikou city, in Dongshan town, Qiongshan district, Haikou, Hainan Tropical Wildlife Garden is the first theme garden on tropical wildlife in China.

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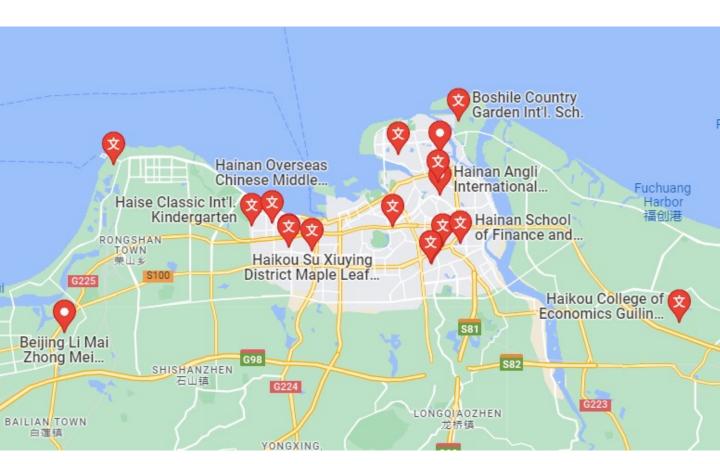
- Regular taxis will take passengers anywhere in the city with a starting price of 10rmb for the first 2 kilometers and 2rmb per additional kilometer.
- When a journey is longer than 10 kilometers, taxis charge an additional 50% on the price per kilometer for an empty return.
- Passengers can also use the Didi app, which often offers more affordable rides in better quality cars.

HOUSING



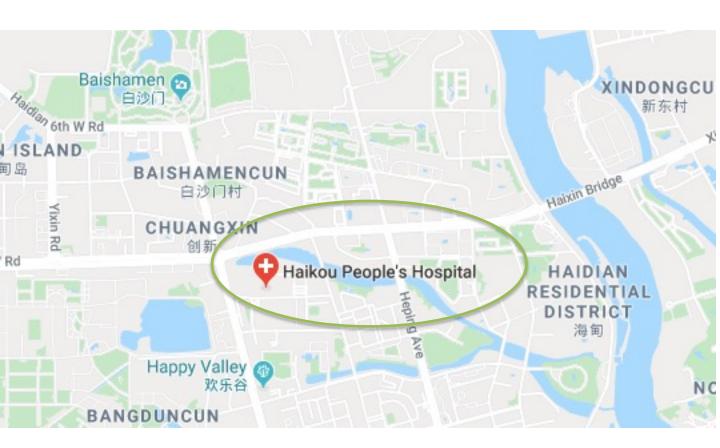
- Apartments, townhouses and villas in both western and traditional styles can be found.
- A large variety of accommodation can be found on the property proposal webpage of Maxxelli.

SCHOOLING



- Beanstalk International Kindergarten (Southwest Gate)
- Hainan Overseas Chinese Middle School
- Haikou Jiabao Dadi International Kindergarden

HEALTHCARE



Haikou People's Hospital

NIGHTLIFE

Bars and KTV are patronized until after midnight. There are several popular bar streets within the city. Up until 2015, roadside BBQ sites were common throughout the city, however a large-scale campaign to clean up the city has since prohibited them.



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