

KUNMING

CITY GUIDE



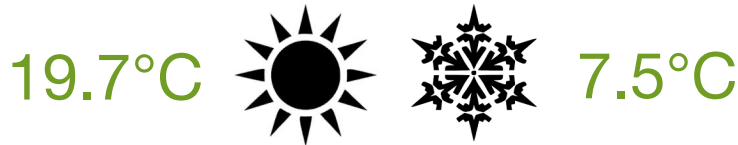
INTRODUCTION

Kunming is the capital and largest city of Yunnan province in southwest China. Today it is a prefecture-level city and the political, economic, communications and cultural centre of the province as well as the seat of the provincial government. The headquarters of many of Yunnan's large businesses are in Kunming. It was important during World War II as a Chinese military center, American air base, and transport terminus for the Burma Road. Located in the middle of the Yunnan–Guizhou Plateau, Kunming is located at an altitude of 1,900 metres above sea level and at a latitude just north of the Tropic of Cancer.

Kunming's population as of 2016 is over 6.78 million. The average temperature in the summer is around 19.7° in July. Winter is warm with an average of 7.5°. The total GDP of Kunming was over 485.7 billion RMB in 2018.



21.54 million



19.7°C

7.5°C

GDP 485.7 bn

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CULTURE



The Han dynasty (205 BC–AD 220), seeking control over the Southern Silk Road running to Burma and India, brought small parts of Yunnan into China's orbit, though subsequent dynasties could do little to tame what was then a remote and wild borderland. During the Sui dynasty (581–618), two military expeditions were launched against the area, and it was renamed Kunzhou in Chinese sources.

The city grew as a trading center between the southwest and the rest of China. It is considered by scholars to have been the city of Yachi Fu where people had used cowries as cash and ate their meat raw, as described by the 13th-century Venetian traveler Marco Polo.

HISTORY & NATURAL



Mineral resources include phosphorus, salt, magnesium, titanium, coal, quartz sand, clay, silica, copper. Phosphorus and salt mines are the most plentiful. Kunyang Phosphorus Mine is one of the three major phosphorus mines in the country. Rock salt reserves are 1.222 billion tonnes (1.203 billion long tons; 1.347 billion short tons) and mirabilite reserves are 1.908 billion tonnes (1.878 billion long tons; 2.103 billion short tons). Dongchuan is a major copper production base.

Proven reserves of Coal bed gas is about 500 billion cubic metres equal to 720 million tonnes of standard coal. Geothermal resources are widely distributed.

C U I S I N E



Yunnan cuisine, alternatively known as Dian cuisine, is an amalgam of the cuisines of the Han Chinese and other ethnic minority groups in Yunnan Province in southwestern China. As the province with the largest number of ethnic minority groups, Yunnan cuisine is vastly varied, and it is difficult to make generalisations. Many Yunnan dishes are quite spicy, and mushrooms are featured prominently. Flowers, ferns, algae and insects may also be eaten. The cuisine of Yunnan is often compared to the cuisine of Southeast Asia as the province borders the region and many of the ethnic minorities or related cultural groups also have a presence in Southeast Asia.

CITY MAP



Kunming is located in east-central Yunnan province. It is located between north latitude $24^{\circ}23'$ and $26^{\circ}22'$ N, and east longitude $102^{\circ}10'$ and $103^{\circ}40'$ E, with a total area of 21,600 square kilometres. Its widest stretch from the east to the west amounts to 140 kilometres and its largest expansion from the north to the south amounts to 220 kilometres.

ATTRACTIONS

Kunming, the capital of Yunnan province, is also known as the "spring city". It is an important tourist city and state-list famous historical and cultural city in China. There are various types of famous tourist spots in Kunming, including ethnic villages, lakes.

Top Attractions:

- Bamboo Temple (Qiongzhu Temple)
- Bamei Village
- Black Dragon Pool
- Chengjiang Fossil Site
- Dongchuan Red Land
- Flowers and Birds Market
- Fuxian Lake
- Grand View Park (Daguan Park)
- Green Lake Park (Cuihu Park)
- Jiaozi Snow Mountain
- Jiuxiang Scenic Area
- Nuohei Village
- World Horticultural Expo Garden
- Yuantong Temple
- Yunnan Nationalities Village
- Yunnan Provincial Museum

M E T R O

Kunming Subway Map (Click to Enlarge)



Kunming Metro, or Kunming Rail Transit, is a rapid transit system in Kunming, the capital of Yunnan Province. With a population of just over 3 million people, Kunming was one of the largest cities in China without a metro system before its construction.

TAXI

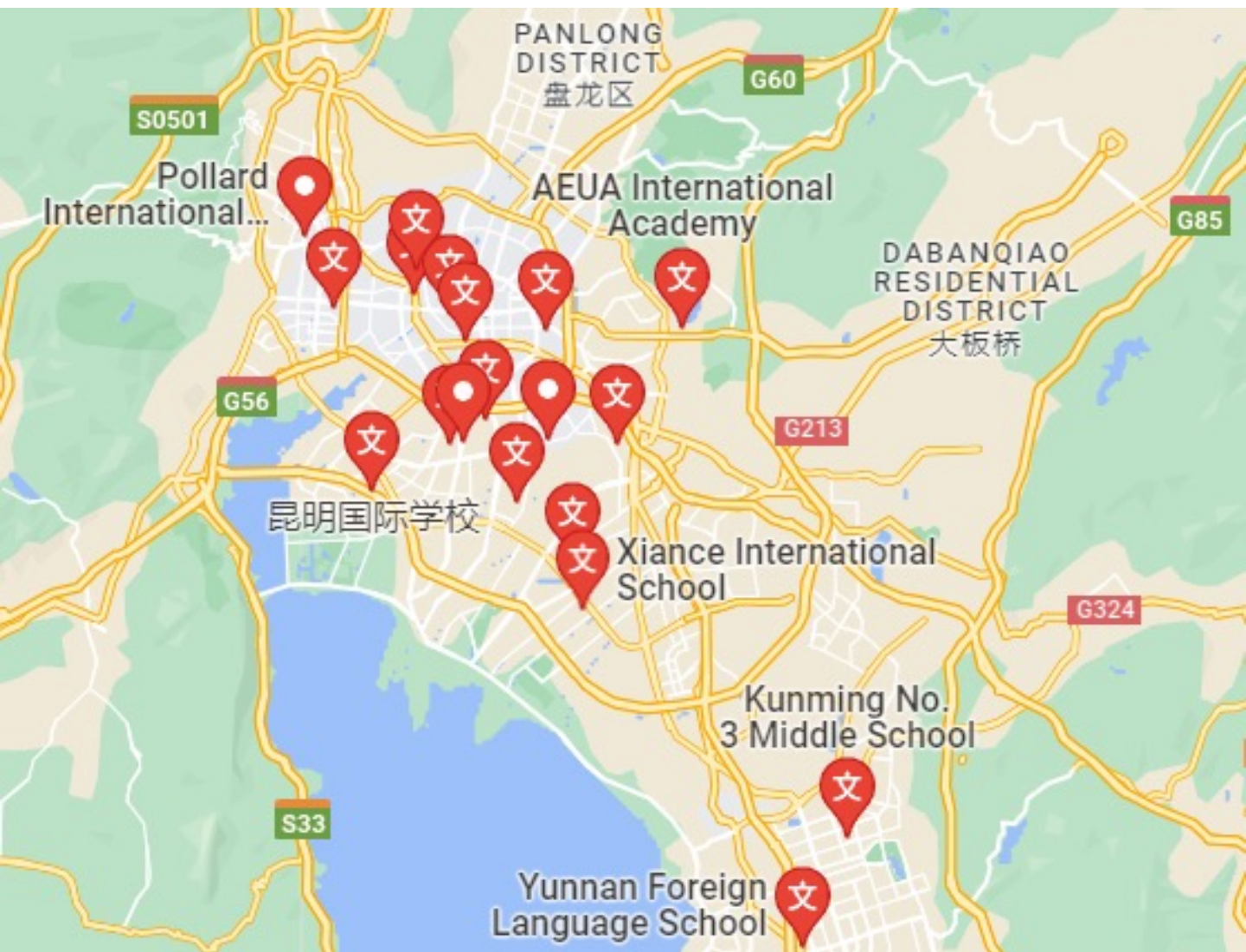
- Regular taxis will take passengers anywhere in the city with a starting price of 10rmb for the first 2 kilometers and 2rmb per additional kilometer.
- When a journey is longer than 10 kilometers, taxis charge an additional 50% on the price per kilometer for an empty return.
- Passengers can also use 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.

S C H O O L I N G



- AEUA International Academy
- Kunming Wujie International School
- Kunming Aiyou Great Man International Kindergarten (Children's Place)

HEALTHCARE



- Richland Hospital
- Yunnan International Travel Healthcare Center Kunming Airport Port Branch Center
- Kunming International Airport Medical Emergency Hospital

NIGHTLIFE

Kunming is in the heart of Yunnan province, China's most developed province when it comes to facilities for tourists. Often, Kunming is disregarded and treated as a starting point, as the place you have to pass in order to get to the real destination. As they say, it's often about the journey, not the destination. Kunming has a lot to offer and spending a few days in the city will definitely enrich your experience, in China. Kunming's nightlife is very colourful and experiencing it will surely contribute to a better understanding of Chinese culture.



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