

XI'AN

CITY GUIDE





INTRODUCTION

Xi'an is located in the central-northwest region of China, records the great history of China just like a living history book. Xi'an is one of the first places of the old Chinese civilization in the Yellow River Basin area.

Xi'an's population as of 2018 is just over 10 million with an urban population of 7.1 million. Xian climate is gentle with four particular seasons, a warm spring, a hot summer, a cool and fresh autumn, and a dry and cold winter. The temperature is around 7°C during winter and 35°C during summer. The total GDP was over 118 billion USD in 2017.

 10.6 million

35°C   7°C

GDP \$118.8bn

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Xi'an is a cosmopolitan metropolis where visitors not only can experience its ancient past but also the rich present. The lifestyle of Xi'an's locals blend the best of China's long history and rich culture.

Xi'an has many different cultures and religions such as: Buddhism, Daoism, and Islam. This makes the cities diverse and you can see this back in the daily life of Xi'an. Take for example, [The Muslim Snack Street](#) and [Big Wild Goose Pagoda](#). These two places are great points of interest where you can taste delicious foods and discover an amazing religious building.

HISTORY & NATURAL



Together with Athens, Rome and Cairo, Xi'an belongs to the four major ancient civilization capitals of the world. We can see this back in many areas within the city of Xi'an.

You can discover many ancient points of interest like the Terra-Cotta Warriors which is the most popular ancient attraction among tourists. Here you can find one of the biggest discoveries in pottery in the world. More than 7.000 pottery soldiers, chariots, weapons and horses are being displayed here. It is listed by UNESCO as one of the world cultural heritages.

C U I S I N E



Xi'an cold noodles is a famous and an incredible popular snack among the citizens of the city. This snack is made of rice or flour noodles that comes with a delicious dressing.

On the basis of different raw material, Xian cold noodle is divided into mi pi (made from rice) and mian pi (made from flour).

I N D U S T R Y

Growth

- Xi'an's GDP surpassed 94 billion USD in 2016
- GDP growth rate of more than 10%, year on year
- Xi'an boasts the 4th biggest infrastructure in China, with 35 universities and 15 research institutes in operation

Business

- A zone that was established in 1991 by the government and is currently one of the most successful national high-tech zones in China
- Not only a cornerstone for China but also for other countries in Asia

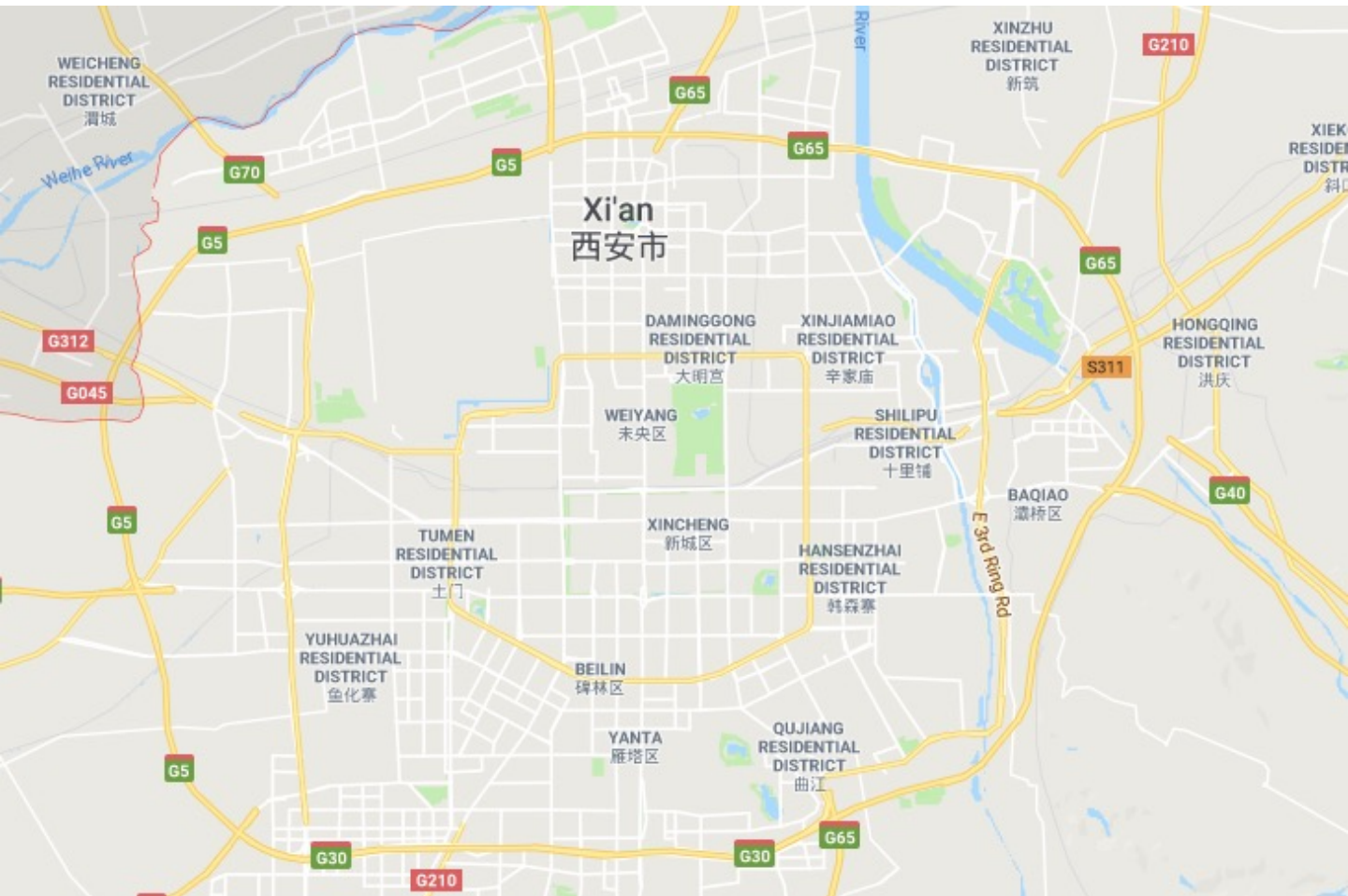
Xi'an Economic and Technological Development Zone

- This important zone was established in 2000 to encourage the development of Commercial vehicles, electricity and electronics, new materials, food and beverages

Multi-national Companies

- Thanks to these zones in Xi'an, many multinational companies are established here. For example, companies like ABB, Siemens, Bosch, Samsung, Applied Material, UTC, Micron, Total

CITY MAP



Xi'an is divided into 9 districts. The two most important districts are the Hi-tech District and Qujiang District.

Hi-tech District is the economic center of Xi'an where many foreign and local companies are located. In this district you can find international schools and hospitals as well. These factors make it very convenient for expats to live in this vivid district of Xi'an.

ATTRACTIONS

City Wall is also known as the fortifications of Xi'an, stands at 12 meters tall and 12-14 meters wide at the top. This wall is the most complete city wall that has survived in China.

Greater Wild Goose Pagoda is a well preserved ancient building and holy place for Buddhists. It stands in the Da Ci'an Temple complex, the appealing style of construction attracts numerous visitors.

Tang Paradise The biggest cultural theme park in the northwest of China. The park provides the perfect exhibition of the brilliance of culture from the Tang dynasty.

Shannxi History Museum regarded at the peak of ancient dynasties and house of Chinese treasures. This museum is essential for a glimpse into the thousands of years of Chinese history.

Terra-Cotta Warriors the 8th wonder of the world. Only discovered in 1974, created thousands of years ago to protect Qin Shi in the afterlife. This is no doubt a must-see.

Huashan Mountain is a holy land for Taoism. Huashan has 5 peaks which are the representative attractions and each peak has distinctive charms.

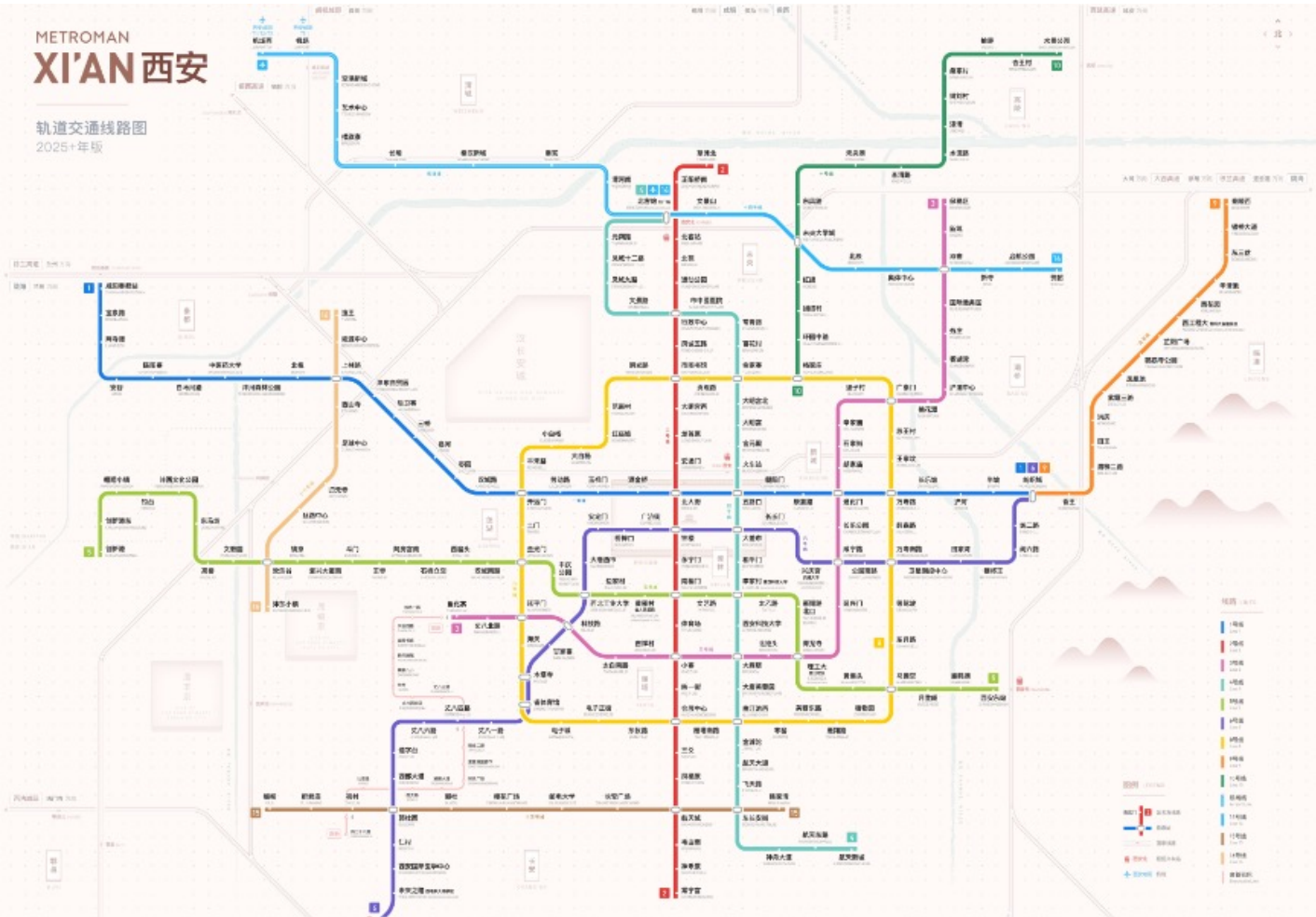
Hui street (Muslim Quarter) is the ideal place to wanderland soak up Xi'an diverse culture. Operated by Muslims there are stalls, shops and restaurants.

Long City Wall



This 13.7 kilometres long city wall in Xi'an is the most complete wall in China that has survived many battles. The architecture of this defence wall is amazing with 98 ramparts to protect the wall against climbing enemies and had about six thousand battlements outside the wall to shoot down intruders. You can't skip this place when you are in Xi'an. Who wouldn't want to visit one of the largest ancient military defensive systems in the world?

M E T R O



- Xi'an currently has 8 metro lines, and 7 under construction. the fares are usually between 2 RMB and 4RMB for each line
- A transfer to another line will cost you between 2RMB and 9RMB
- For 18RMB you can buy a transportation card in Xi'an, after adding any value you will get a 10% discount on subway fares and 50% discount on bus fares

B U S

Public Buses

- More than 200 city bus lines serve the city
- Most of them are self-service buses, charging CNY1 per person, while some buses with air-conditioning charge you CNY2 per person. You can recognize a bus with air-conditioning when it has a “K” displayed in front.
- The buses start riding from 06:00 until 23:00 in the evening

Night Buses

- The city offers 4 night lines starting from 23:30 until 05:30.
- The fare is between CNY1 and CNY3

Transportation Card

- Can be purchased at several subway and bus stations in Xi'an
- 18 RMB non-refundable deposit + travel value
- Can be charged at many subway and bus stations

TAXI

- Regular taxis will take you everywhere in the city with a starting price of 8.5 RMB for the first 3 kilometers and 2 RMB per additional kilometer. After midnight the starting price is 9.5 RMB and 2.3 RMB per additional kilometer.
- Alternatives are Uber and its Chinese competitor Didi, which often offer cheaper rides in better quality cars.

H O U S I N G



- 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

Xi'an has a few international schools that provide high quality education taught in English

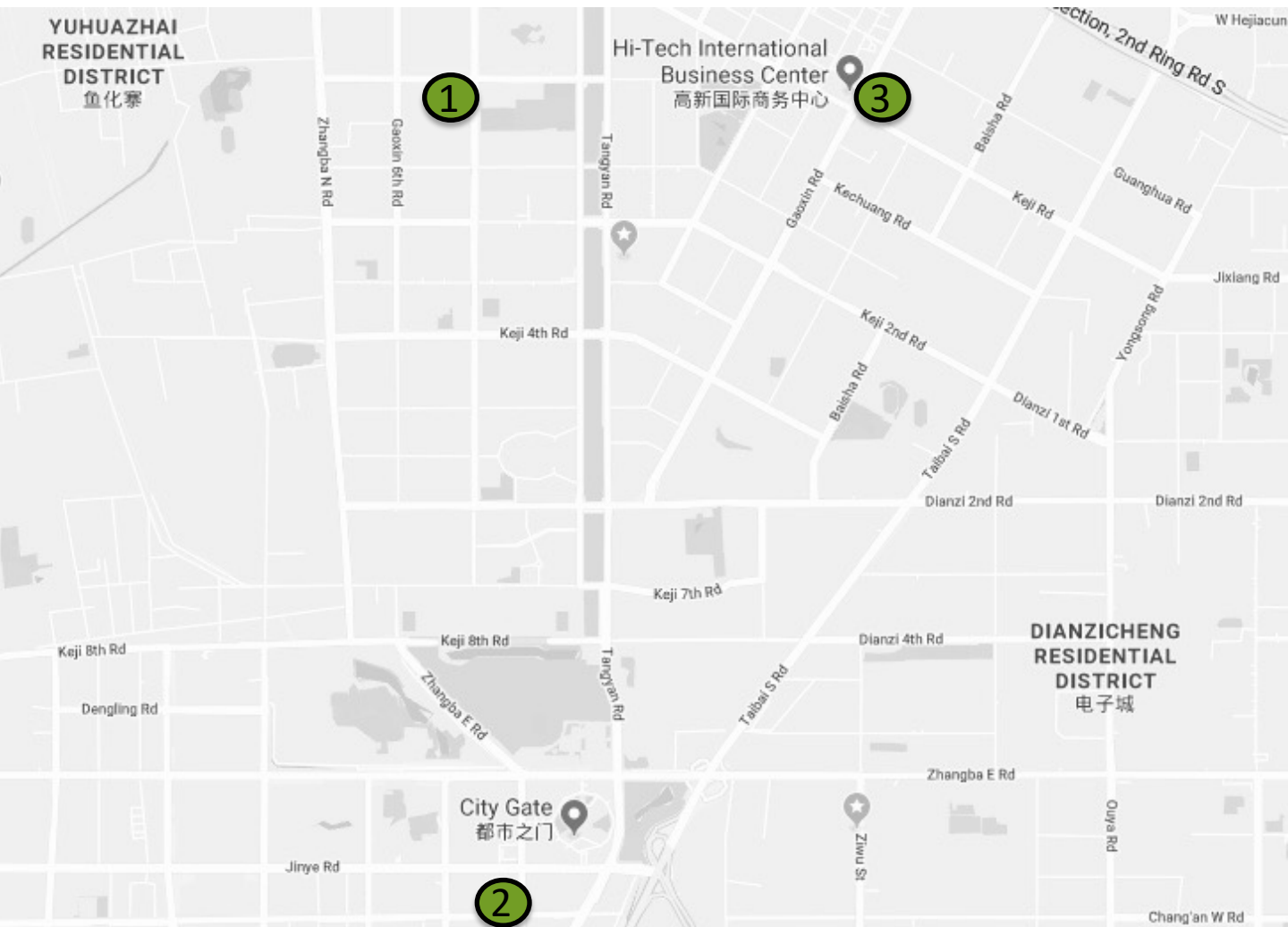
- 1 XLIS
- 2 Xi'an Hanova International School
- 3 Xi'an International School



HEALTH CARE

Maxxelli recommends visiting Global Doctors for a fast service and consultations in English.

- 1 Xi'an Hi-Tech(Gao Xi) International Hospital
2. Global Doctor
3. Xi'an Li-ren Hospital



SHOPPING

Local and global brands are widely available throughout the city in shopping streets and huge malls.

Many of Xian's citizens like to spend the evenings shopping in Xian's many boutiques. The most popular places among expats to shop are SAGA Plaza, Joyce City and SKP. You can find a wide range of products in these luxurious malls for all kinds of needs.



NIGHTLIFE

Xian shines the best when the sun sets. This is the moment that most of the ancient and modern buildings are lit up. The younger people love to go to the many bars and nightclubs that Xi'an has to offer. Great bars including the popular "The Xi'an Brewery and Thai Flavors can be found along the city wall within the South Gate. Furthermore, there is a very popular bar street in Defuxiang that is located near the city centre.



EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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Police emergency	110
Traffic Accident	122
Medical Emergency	120
Fire Emergency	119
Tourist Complaint	87706026



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