

CHONGQING

CITY GUIDE





INTRODUCTION

The city of Chongqing can be best described as southwest China's commercial capital. Since 1997, the city and its surrounding areas became the fourth municipality, independent from Sichuan Province, to be under the direct control of the central government.

Chongqing Municipality's population as of 2016 is just over 30 million with an urban population of 18.38 million. Approximately, 8.5 million of the 18.38 million live in Chongqing City itself. The summers are hot and humid with highs of 36 to 38°. Winters are wet and cold, with an average temperature of 8°. Springs is considered the best travel season. The total GDP was over 304 billion USD in 2018.

 8.5 million

38°C   8°C

GDP \$304bn

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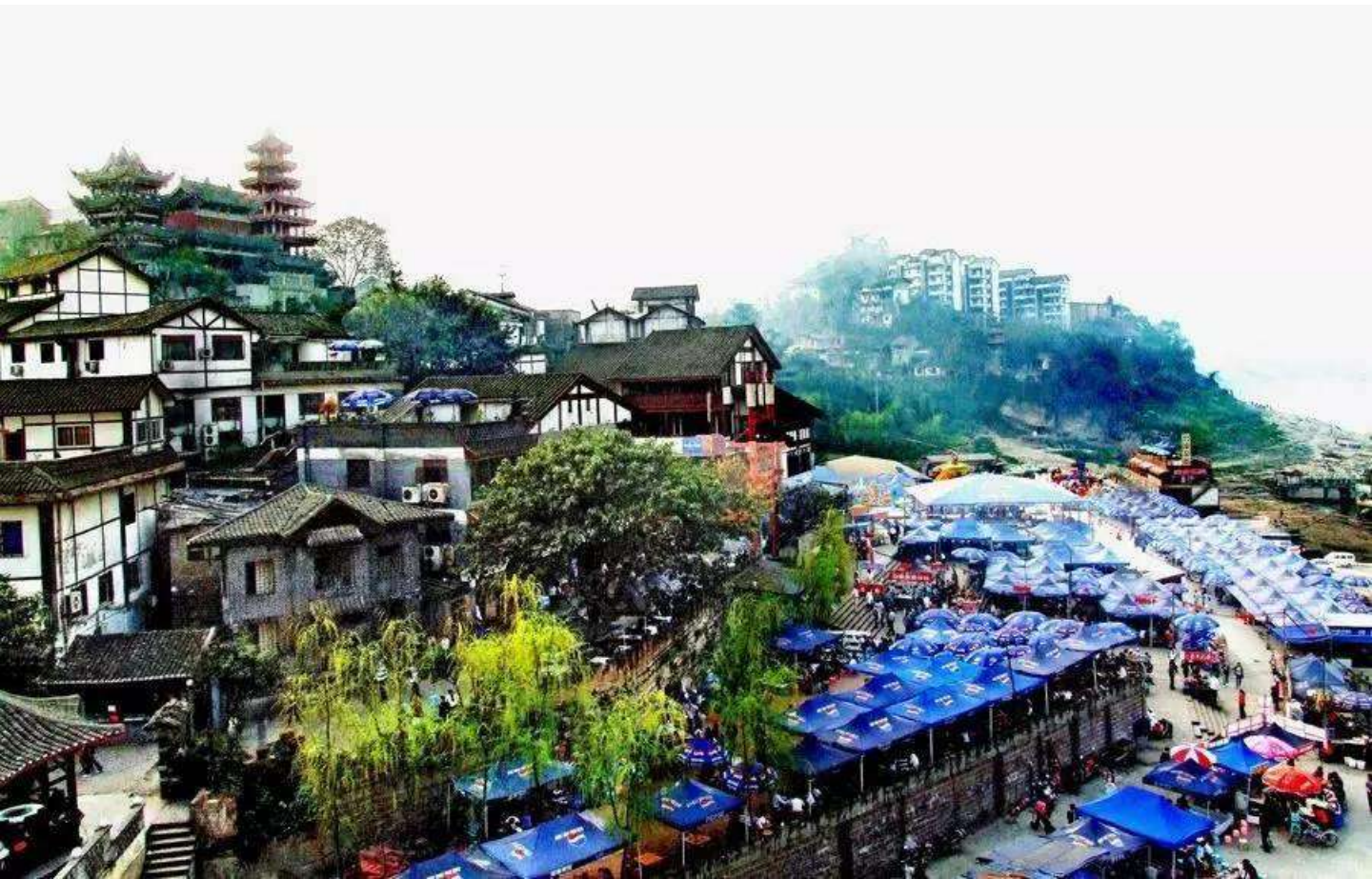
C U L T U R E



Chongqing is a famous city with a long history and a brilliant culture. There are many ancient ruins, local tombs, interesting building, temples and tens of thousands of collections of cultural relics.

Take the **Bayu Culture** for example, It is one of the special ethnic cultures along the upper reaches of Yangtze River. The origin of Bayu Culture came from Ba culture. Ba people lived and fought in the mountains and river valleys. Living in this tough environment these people developed a tenacious character for which they are famous for even today.

HISTORY & NATURAL



There are many wonderful **ancient towns** (古镇) in Chongqing with the highlights being “Ciqikou”, “Laitan” & “Shuangjiang”. These ancient towns will transport you to architectural and cultural marvel originating from the countries rich past.

Walk around and try the many **traditional snacks**, or go at night, drinking local beverages, and surrounding yourself among locals taking refuge from their modern lives.

LESSER THREE GORGES



The Lesser Three Gorges are three valleys of the Daning River in Wushan County. They are called Longmen (Dragon Gate) Gorge, Bawu (Misty) Gorge, and Dicui (Emerald) Gorge. They are a destination of some Yangtze River cruises, and you can book a trip that will take you there. Now that the Three Gorges Dam is built, large cruise ships can go in. The gorges are in a forest with wild animals, and there are sheer cliffs and steep hillsides.

C U I S I N E



A **Chongqing hotpot** (火锅) is very unique. The meats used, the soup base, and the sauces and condiments are different to those used in other Chinese hotpots.

You can find many great local places in Chongqing to enjoy a delicious hot pot. Be prepared that the Chongqing hot pot is famous for its “**spicy taste**”!

I N D U S T R Y

Gateway to Western China

- Chongqing's GDP surpassed 304 billion USD in 2018
- It is also a vital part of the Western Triangle Development Zone, which contain the largest industrial, commercial, and economical hubs in Western China.
- As Chinese economical development moves land inwards, Chongqing will be at the forefront.
- It is on an international cargo railroad that leads all the way to Duisburg in Germany.

Multi-national Companies

- An increasing number of multi-national companies have set up operations in Chongqing. By the end of 2015, 262 of the world top 500 companies have set up operations in Chongqing.

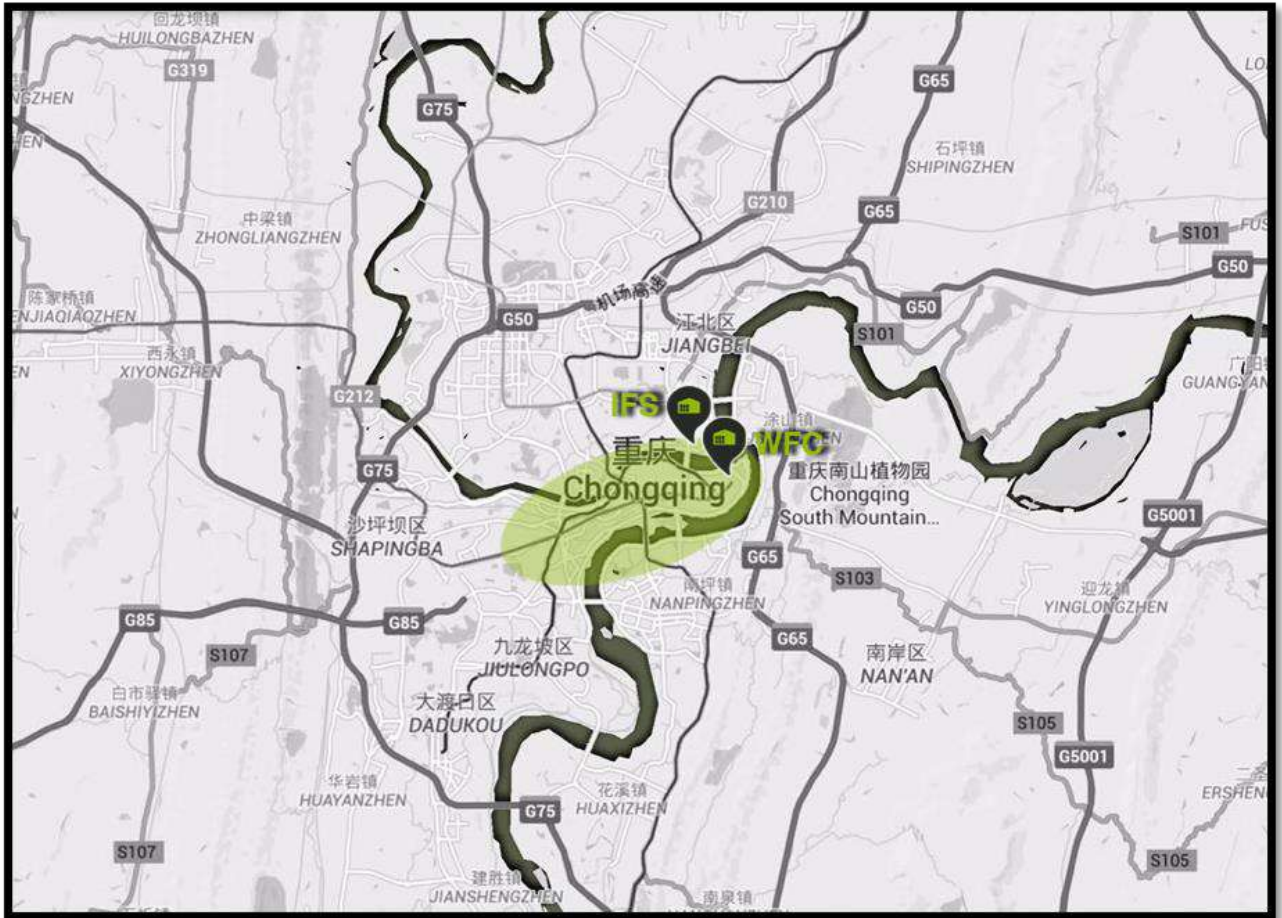
Big in Major Industries

- It is a major automobiles, military, iron & steel and aluminium industry center in China. Chongqing's industry is dominated by heavy industry.

Government

- Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, providing favourable conditions and incentives for national and international companies.

CITY MAP

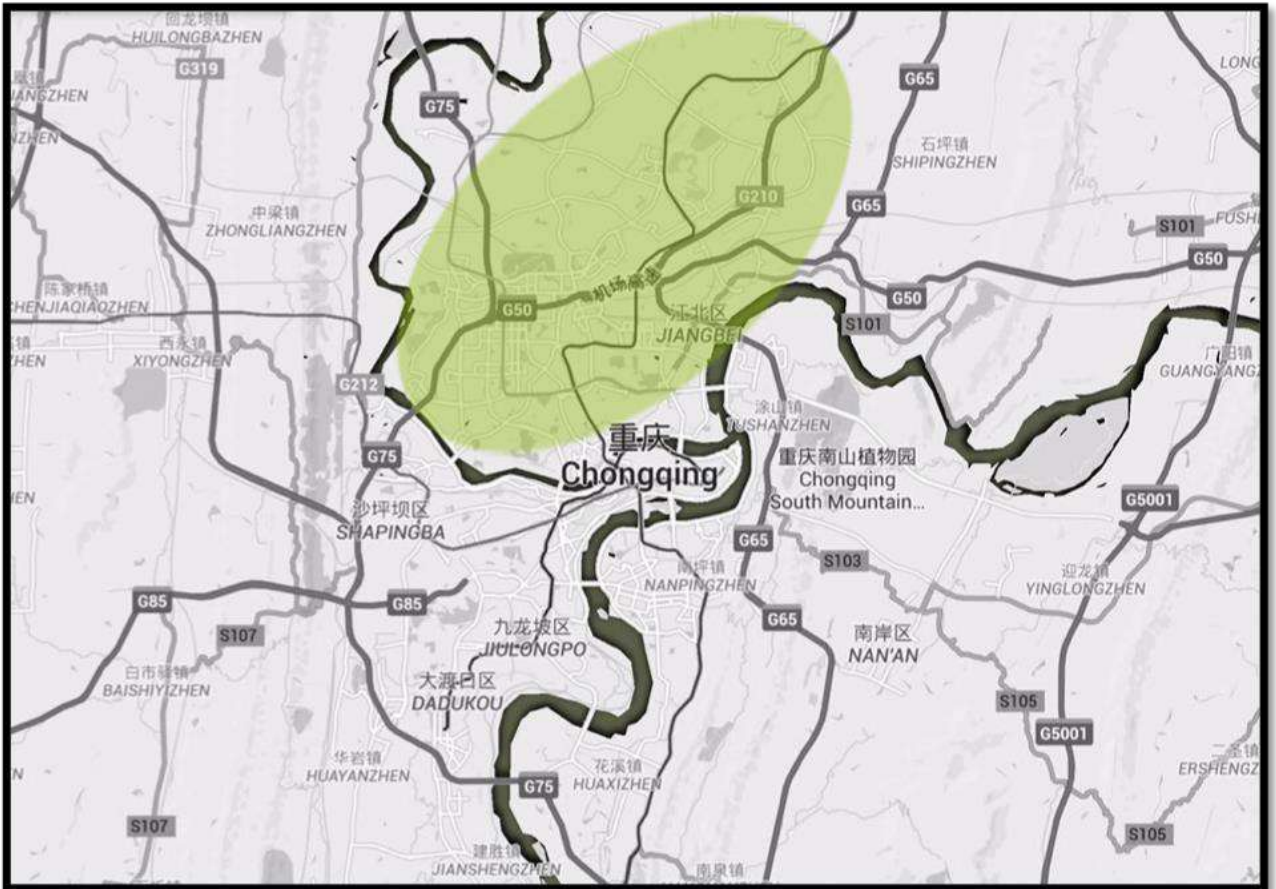


Chongqing City is made up of nine districts with Yuzhong District at the center.

Yuzhong District is the political, economical, and entertainment center of the city of Chongqing.

Yuzhong contains some of the tallest skyscrapers in China and is the most densely populated district.

TWO RIVER ZONE



Two River New Zone, a district in Chongqing was established on the 18th of June 2016.

This area includes important districts of Chongqing such as Yubei, Jiangbei and Beibei.

Two River New Zone is a great area for companies in the automotive & transport industry. Many foreign companies are connected in this part of Chongqing.

ATTRACTIVE



Hongyadong
75 Cangbai Road, Yuzhong District



Chaotianmen Dock
6 Binjiang Road, Yuzhong District



Ciqikou Ancient Town
1 Cinan Road, Shapingba district



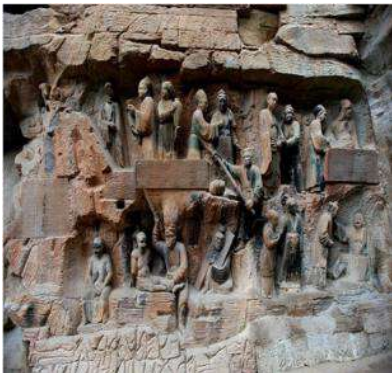
Changjiang Cableway
153 Xinhua Road, Yuzhong District



Zhazi Dong
21 Zhazi Dong, Shapingba District



Wulong Tiankeng
Sansheng Sanqiao, Wulong county



Dazu Rock Carvings
Dazu Shike, Dazu District



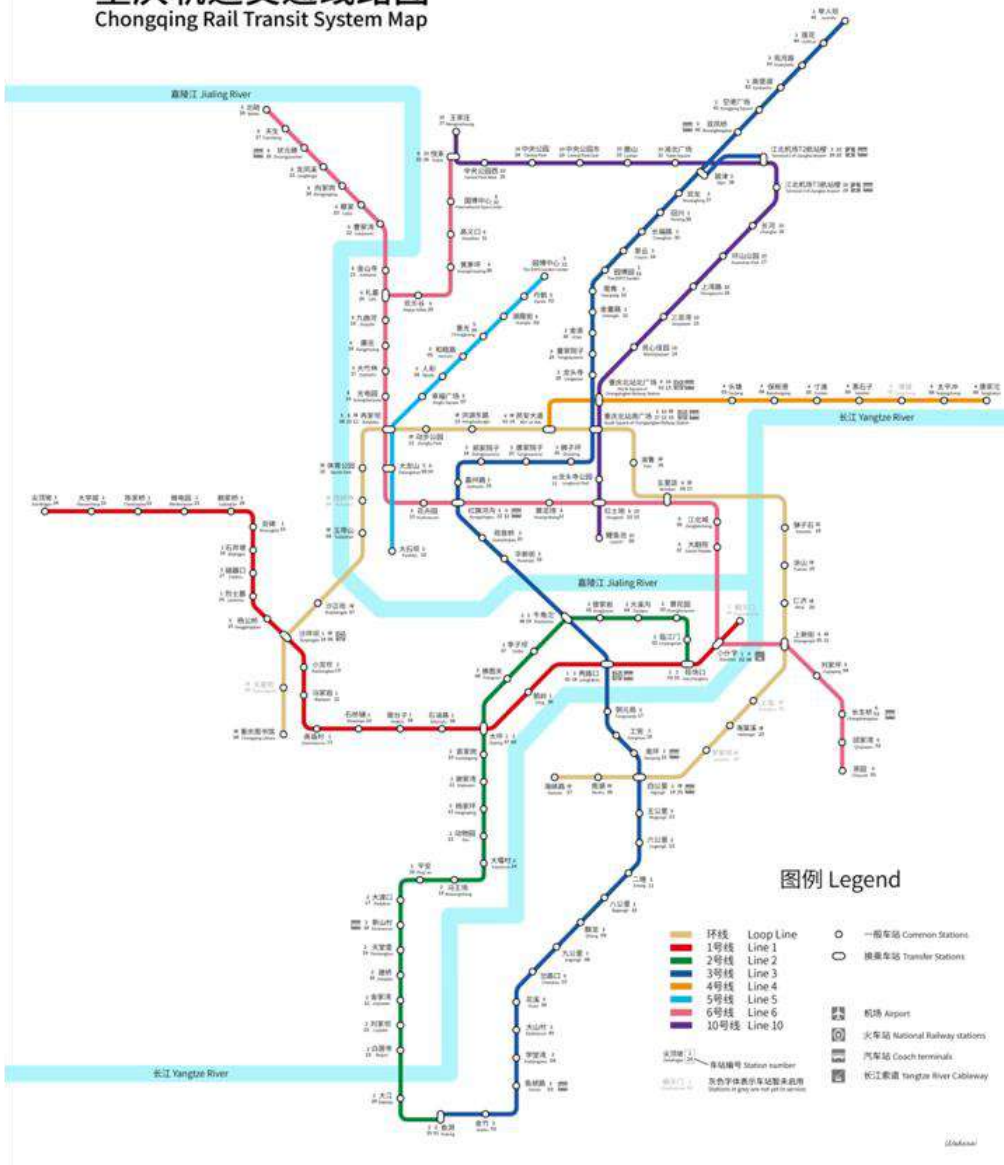
Wansheng Stone Forest
Wansheng Shilin, Wancheng district



Jinfo Mountain
Jinfo Shan Tianxing Town, Nanchuan district

M E T R O

重庆轨道交通线路图
Chongqing Rail Transit System Map



- Chongqing metro has 8 lines, making it very fast and convenient to travel around the city. Development of the metro is fast, with work ongoing to complete a network with a total of 18 lines.
- The ticket fare ranges from 2-10 RMB depending on distance travelled.

B U S

Regular Lines

- More than 500 city bus lines serve the city.
- Most of them are self-service buses, charging CNY2 per person, while some only charge CNY1. Buses with conductors charge various between CNY1 and CNY10 depending on the distance travelled.

Nightlines

- Multiple nightlines that start from 19:00 till 6:30.

Long Distance Buses

- About 8 expressways connect the city with other cities, thus long-distance buses are very important vehicles for the city. Six major long-distance bus stations are distributed throughout the city's different districts making traveling convenient and fast.

Sightseeing Lines

- Bus: Line 480
- Price: 10RMB(single-use) 30RMB(24 hours unlimited use)
- Operating hours: 9:00am - 18:00pm.
- The route starts and finishes at Guotai Art centre, passing any famous attractions along the route.

TAXI



- Regular yellow taxis will take you everywhere in the city. Its 10 RMB for the first 3km, then 1.4 RMB per additional kilometer. After midnight the starting price is 11RMB and 2.3 RMB per additional kilometre.
- Alternatives are Uber and its Chinese competitor Didi, which often offer cheaper rides in better quality cars.

TRANSPORT INFO



Transport IC Card

- Can be purchased at several subway stations
- 25 RMB non-refundable deposit + travel value
- Can be topped up at many supermarkets

Ferry

- This is a great way enjoy Chongqing's landmarks and gorgeous views
- Ferry Route 1 (short trip): 10 minutes, 5rmb / person.
- Ferry Route 2 (long trip) : 70 minutes, 20rmb / person.

HOUSING

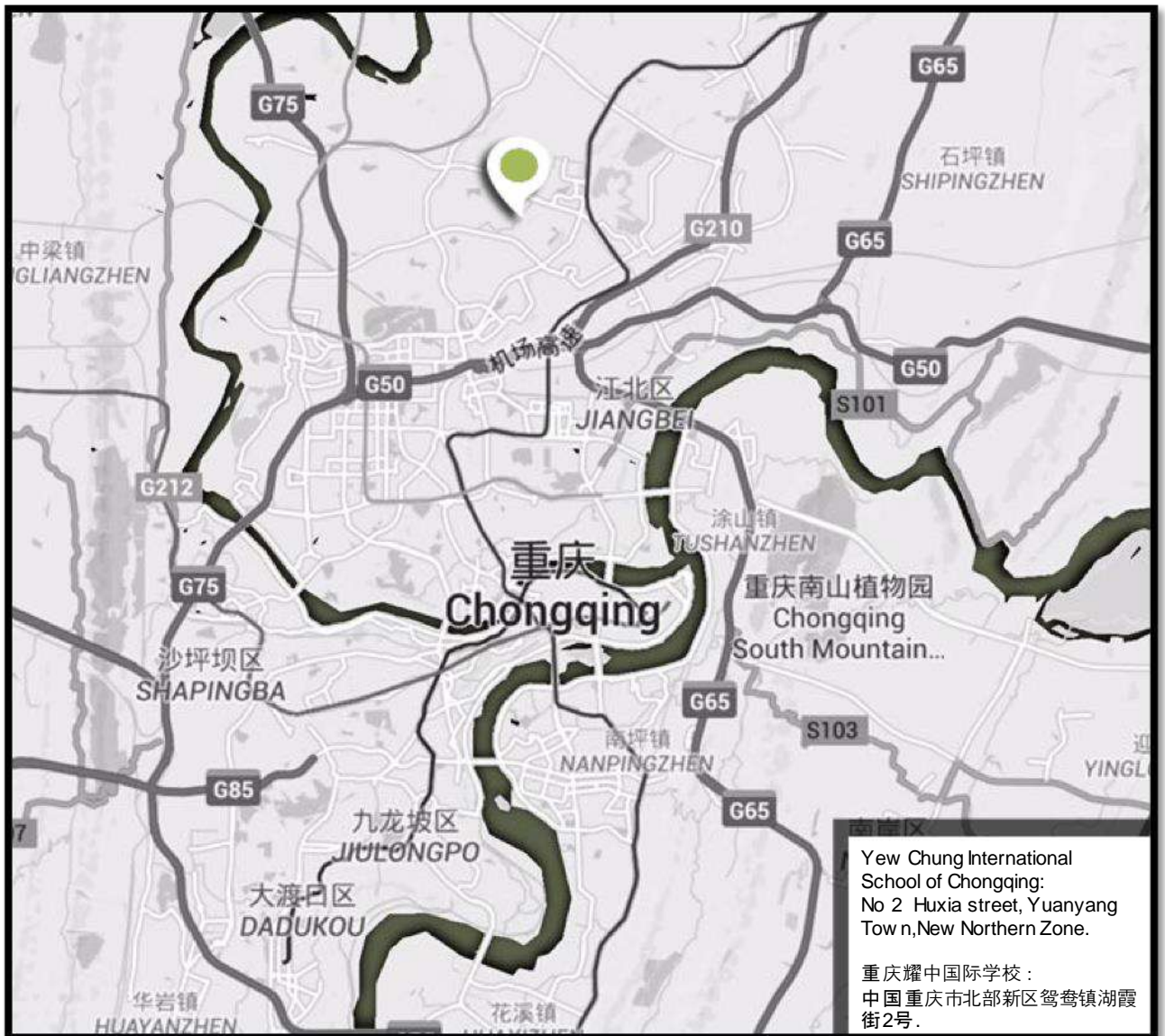


- Large variety of accommodations, which can be found on the property proposal webpage of Maxxelli
- Apartments, townhouses, and villas in both western and traditional styles listed in high to low price ranges
- For a comparison of rental levels between different cities in the second tier category check the [Second Tier Insight – Rental Prices](#) article on the Maxxelli Blog

SCHOOLING

Chongqing has one international school that provides high quality education taught in English.

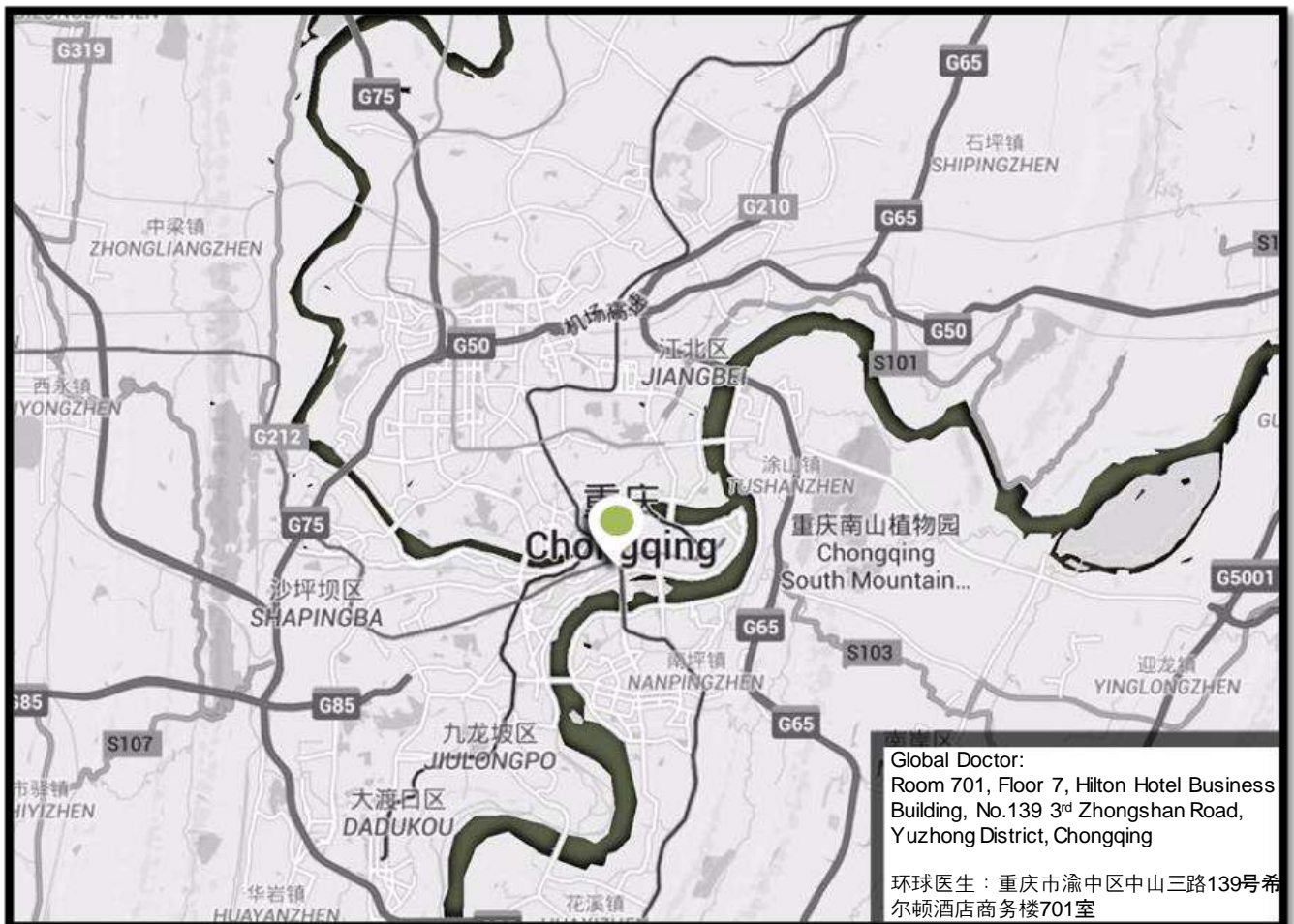
Yew Chung International School of Chongqing



HEALTHCARE

International doctors in Chongqing can offer primary services to patients like check-ups, x-rays, and acupuncture. For more advanced medical procedures like surgery, cooperation with local hospitals is the custom.

Maxxelli recommends to visit Global Doctors for consultations in English and a faster service.



SHOPPING



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

The most concentrated shopping streets are located on Jiefangbei Pedestrian Street, the heart of Chongqing. In this area you can find over 3000 stores. Nanping Pedestrian Street is a great recommendation if you would like to do some fashion shopping! It is also one of the best places to enjoy the night scene.

NIGHTLIFE



Chongqing's lively night life is the same as that of China's other flourishing cities, boasting bars, theatres and clubs which bring the city alive the night hours.

There are some great cocktail bars like Flavor lounge or great clubs like Muse. Explore hundreds of bars and other entertaining places in Chongqing.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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



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