

8D Taiwan Travelogue

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TAIPEI · YILAN · HUALIEN · TAITUNG · KAOHSIUNG · TAICHUNG · TAIPEI

DAY 1: SINGAPORE > TAIPEI - YILAN

Assemble at Changi International Airport to check in for your flight to **Taipei**, Taiwan's capital city. Enjoy **Luodong Night Market**, a famous tourist spot with many stores to shop and dine at, a must-visit in Yilan! (Dinner)

DAY 2: YILAN - HUALIEN

Today, visit Luodong Forestry Culture Park, a former timber-processing centre now redesignated as a park dedicated to leisure and educational purposes. Then, DIY Macaron Scallion Pancakes! Experience being a local and have fun in the countryside as you put on a hat and rainboots, step into the field, have fun picking and washing scallions, knead and shape dough by adding natural macaron-like colours, pan-fry your handmade scallion pancake and have a delicious feast. Learn more about the culture of wine, the process of manufacturing it from the time of its inception in the country at Yilan Distillery Chia Chi Lan Wine Museum. Head to Jimmy Park Yilan, a museum and theme park that depicts the magical world of illustrator Jimmy Liao's picture books. Explore TCC DAKA Open Eco-Factory, not just a manufacturing facility, but also a park for leisure, a classroom for knowledge dissemination and a museum for collecting artworks. End your day at Hualien Dongdamen Night Market, the largest night market in Hualien. The market is separated into many divisions and each area offers visitors a delicious insight into Taiwan's local street food. (Breakfast / Lunch)

DAY 3: HUALIEN - TAITUNG

Start your day at Taroko National Park, famous for its spectacular mountains and marble canyons. Visit Buluowan Suspension Bridge, the longest and highest bridge in the park. From the bridge, you get to view the twists and turns of Liwu River, flanked by the steep walls of the gorge that form the magnificent cascade of overlapping layers. Baiyang Trail is one of the "must-see" trails in Taroko National Park where visitors get to see spectacular scenery and explore breathtaking valleys, canyons and cliffs. The highlight is the Water Curtain Cave (Shuilian Cave) as water naturally filters through the rock to constantly gush out of the ceiling of the tunnel above the cave (wear non-slippery, waterproof shoes, raincoat provided). Experience the Rice Straw Art Festival, a festival initiated by the Fuli Farmers' Association to encourage creative expression and, more importantly, to recycle straw waste after the seasonal rice harvest. Local community members worked for more than a month to collect the straw and weave into animal figures using rope, driftwood, and other natural materials. Spend the night in a famous hot spring hotel in Taitung. (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

Remarks: The sequence of itinerary is subject to changes with/without prior notice. During major Taiwan Public Holiday, some attractions may be closed or operate half day. During such occurrences, attractions maybe combined into 1 day and/or time spent at each attraction will be reduced. During major events/trade fairs/peak season, accommodation may not be in the city mentioned.

DAY 4: TAITUNG - KAOHSIUNG

Explore Kaohsiung Port Warehouse No. 2, an old railway warehouse that has been reimagined and repurposed to combine cultural creativity, dining, and exhibition spaces into a completely open port area, making it totally Instagram-worthy! En route, stop by a Taiwan pearl store. Marvel at Great Harbour Bridge, the first horizontally rotating landscape bridge in Taiwan and the longest cross-port rotating bridge in Asia. Experience Kaohsiung Music Center, the landmark for pop music performances in Southern Taiwan which nurtures and supports the local pop music industry. In addition, the architectures are integrated into the surrounding harbour scenery to create a new tourist attraction in Kaohsiung. Buy all types of traditional goods at a bargain at Sanfong Central Street, Kaohsiung's largest grocery wholesale market. End your day at Ruifeng Night Market, one of the biggest and most diverse night markets in Kaohsiung. Here you can find every kind of traditional Taiwan night market food you could ask for!

(Breakfast / Lunch)

DAY 5: KAOHSIUNG - TAICHUNG

Enjoy a scenic boat ride on the beautiful alpine **Sun Moon Lake**, located in the middle of Taiwan. Be amazed by the uniquely designed **Xiangshan Visitor Centre** that has wood-patterned exteriors and wings that stretch like human arms embracing the earth. **Xiangshan Scenic Lookout** is a short stroll from the visitor centre with an aerial view of Sun Moon Lake. En route, stop by a local products store for some local delights. Shop and eat to your heart's content at **Fengjia Night Market**, one of the most famous night markets in Taichung. (Breakfast / Lunch)

DAY 6: TAICHUNG - TAIPEI

Explore **Jiufen** and the surrounding mountain area, feel 'spirited away' in this decommissioned gold mining mountain town, originally built by the Japanese and now a maze of lanes and alleyways with rich history and culture. En route, stop by a local souvenir store and Tienlu Gallery to gain insight into the traditional handicraft of Chinese fengshui. View Taipei's most iconic landmark, **Taipei 101** (visit the observatory deck at your own expense). Enjoy **Ximending**, the mecca for youth culture and a famous shopping district in Taipei with amazing street art, quirky restaurants and cafes. (Breakfast / Lunch)

DAY 7: TAIPEI

The day is at your own leisure to explore this vibrant city.
(Breakfast)

DAY 8: TAIPEI > SINGAPORE

Bid farewell to Taipei and transfer to the airport for our flight back to Singapore. We hope that you have had an enjoyable time with SA Tours!
(Breakfast)