

Nanjing, ning for short, is the capital of Jiangsu Province, which is located in the eastern China, the Yangtze River downstream. There are 11 districts under the jurisdiction of the city, with a total area of 6587.02 square kilometers and the permanent population is 9.4911 million. Nanjing has a history of more than 6000 years of civilization, founded nearly 2600 years and capitals of nearly 500 years, is one of China's four big ancient capital, known as "the six dynasties ancient capital". Nanjing is an important birthplace of Chinese civilization and has long been the political and cultural center of southern China, with a thick cultural heritage and rich historical relics.

# **Nanjing Attractions**

# 1. Xuanwu Lake

Xuanwu Lake is in the central-northeast part of Nanjing, it nears Nanjing Railway Station and Ji Ming Temple. It is surrounded by the Zijing mountain to the east. The Ming city wall borders the park to its south and east. The lake covers 472 hectares. Xuanwu Lake is one of Nanjing Zhongshan state-level scenic spots and an important part of the national AAAA class tourist attractions. It is the largest comprehensive park in Nanjing with the function of entertainment, leisure and exercise.





### 2. The Confucius Temple

The Confucius Temple in Nanjing was originally constructed in the year of 1034 in the Song Dynasty. It was a place to worship and consecrate Confucius, the great philosopher and educator of ancient China. In front of the Confucius Temple, the Qin Huai River is flowing. On the south bank of the river, there is the longest screen wall in China which is 110-meter-long (about 120 yards) and piled with bricks. The area around the temple consists of a series of tourist shops, snack bars, restaurants and tea cafes. A variety of snacks encompassing eight of the most famous flavors are available for purchase at here. They are necessary parts of food culture in Nanjing.





### 3. Sun Yat-sen's Mausoleum

Covering an area of 80,000 square meters (about 20 acres), Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Mausoleum is located in the Zhong Mountain Scenic Area in the east suburb of Nanjing City. As the mausoleum of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the father of the Republic of China, it is considered the Holy land of Chinese people both home and abroad. With deep historical significance, magnificent architecture and beautiful scenery, it is a place that you must go to when traveling in Nanjing.





#### 4. Ming Xiaoling Mausoleum

Ming Xiaoling Mausoleum is one of the biggest imperial tombs in China. It lies in the eastern suburbs of Nanjing City at the southern foot of Zhongshan Mountain. Emperor Chengzu, Zhu Yuanzhang, the first emperor of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) and Queen Ma were buried there. Construction of the mausoleum began in 1381 and was completed in 1431. Ming Xiaoling Mausoleum is renowned for its unique design, its eminent status, its amazing beauty and its magnificent scale. It's the milestone in the historical development of Chinese mausoleums. As an extension of the 'Imperial Tombs of the Ming and Qing Dynasties, it is listed by UNESCO as a world cultural heritage site.





## 5. Qixia Mountain

Lying 22 km northeast of Nanjing City, Qixia Mountain (She Mountain) is dubbed "the most beautiful mountain in Nanjing". The mountain is 286 meters high and has three peaks - Dragon Peak, Tiger Peak and Fengxiang Peak. The west side of the mountain is called Fengling, with patches of maple trees. Every late autumn, the mountains are covered in red, and the scenery is very charming. It is the main attraction for tourists to Qixia Mountain.



#### 6. Nanjing Museum

Covering an area of 12.9 hectare, Nanjing Museum is situated inside the Zhongshan Gate of the city from which it takes its name. It was originally established in 1933, proposed by Mr. Cai Yuanpei (a modern democratic revolutionary and educationist), and now numbers among its extensive collections some 2,000 first class treasures of national and cultural interest. Should you be fascinated by the long and cultured history of China, then this Museum is a 'must-see' for you. Let it be an absolutely indispensable part of your itinerary.



