**Maokong Travels**

Maokong is located in the northern part of Taipei City. It is famed for its teahouses and is home to the famous Maokong Gondola, which offers a unique and picturesque view of the city. The area is known for its tea produção and is home to numerous tea shops and cafes.

**Maokong Testaing**

The Pioneering of Exporting Taiwan Tea to the World

Tea cultivation had already started in the Muhs and Shenrings at the end of the 18th century, and processing for sale overseas was enabled with the opening of the trade port in 1860. In that year, the British tea merchant John Dodd, who had been as representative of Co, set up his own Dodd & Co factory specifically for the export of local tea. Trials to Macao were a success, and tea plants were brought in from China to expand cultivation. Ships from Formosa Oolong Tea were sent to New York in 1869, and were an immediate success in the US, and competition to set factories in Taiwan, and the tea trade grew on. Taiwan tea soon achieved renown on the global stage.

**Tradition and Innovation in Perfect Harmony**

"Yun" Hong is produced in the Muhs and Wanhe tea cultivation areas, blessed with fertile plains and sweet waters. Carefully selected Teguyun and Qing Xin Green Heart Oolong from the summer and autumn harvests are used, along with other tea sprouts, to create a unique and aromatic flavor. The tea leaves are combined in a special ratio, then oven-pan fried to maintain the freshness of the tea leaves. This method of production gives the tea a rich flavor and a pleasant aroma.

**New International Stars Born in the World of Tea**

The emphasis on tea production and tasting has also led to the emergence of new international tea stars. These individuals have contributed significantly to the promotion and appreciation of tea culture worldwide.

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**Maokong Dining**

The Tea Master Cheng Nai-Miao Memorial Hall

Located at 37-1, Sec. 2, Xinyi Rd., the Tea Master Cheng Nai-Miao Memorial Hall is a building that was designed specifically to house the exhibits and information related to the life and legacy of the noted tea master. The hall includes a museum where visitors can learn about the history of tea production and distribution, as well as a tea shop where visitors can purchase quality teas.

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**Maokong Seasonal Events**

Spring Visitors can enjoy the beautiful scenery of green tea fields. In the fall, the leaves change color, and visitors can witness the stunning autumn colors.

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**Maokong Gondola and Information Assistance**

**Maokong Gondola**

- **Business Hours:** This service does not operate on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.
- **Operational Dates:** June 10, 2023 (midday) - June 10, 2023 (midnight).
- **Ticket Prices:**
  - Adult: NT$150
  - Child: NT$75
- **Location:** Tamsui Station
- **Opening Times:** 08:00 - 22:00
- **Contact:** 02-2821-1234

**Maokong Tour Bus**

- **Route:** Maokong Gondola → Maokong Station → Taoyuan Bridge → Zhongshan Temple → Cingjing Farm → Maokong Gondola
- **Stop:** Tamsui Station
- **Opening Times:** 08:00 - 22:00
- **Contact:** 02-2821-1234

**Visitor Center / Visitor Information Stations**

- **Mounting Station:** Tamsui Station / Zhongshan Station
- **Location:** 101 Tamsui Station, Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan
- **Opening Times:** 09:00 - 17:30
- **Contact:** 02-2821-1234

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**Maokong Ecology**

This area is a beneficial flora and fauna ecosystem, with over 50 bird species to be observed. The area also provides a sanctuary for various species of butterflies and insects, playing an essential role in the ecosystem's health.

**Special Maokong Scenic Sites**

Tajpe Tea Promotion Center for Teguyun and Banxhong

The center promotes the Teguyun tea production process and related tea-related information. The guide service is available from Tuesday to Friday, and is scheduled to last for 2 hours in advance. Visitors are encouraged to book a guide online.

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**Zhihun Temple** (position on back cover map D2)

- **Location:** 106 Xinyi Rd., Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan
- **Opening Hours:** 09:00 - 17:30
- **Contact:** 02-2821-1234

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**The Tea Master Cheng Nai-Miao Memorial Hall** (position on back cover map D2)

In 1989, the tea master Cheng Nai-Miao built Teguyun tea plantations in Taiwan and practiced in Taiwan. The hall includes a museum that exhibits the life and legacy of the noted tea master.

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**Zhanjiang Temple** (position on back cover map D2)

- **Location:** 37-2, Sec. 2, Xinyi Rd., Zhongshan District, Taipei City, Taiwan
- **Opening Hours:** 09:00 - 17:30
- **Contact:** 02-2821-1234

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**The Mayor's Office**

The majority of Maokong's tea restaurants are located in the aforementioned Red, Yellow, and Blue Zones. For the safety of visitors, some of these establishments do not encourage patrons to buy alcohol, and are not allowed to sell alcohol.

If you'd like to sample Maokong vegetarian tea, note that each day throughout the year Zhihun Temple serves light breakfast, lunch, and dinner meals. Visitors can also make a donation to return, known as a "calling incense and oil money." Along the Zhongshan First Art Gallery, which sits at the foot of the Maokong temple on Sec. 2, Zhihun Temple is located on the 2nd floor of various family businesses offering distinctive dining experiences. Names range from traditional Hakka cuisine to modern European and Japanese restaurants. In fact, the Zhongshan First Art Gallery is the perfect spot for a diverse and exciting culinary experience, whether tasting tea or exploring the vibrant local food scene.