

Landmark Tour

1.Shi Lian Building

📍 348-366 (even no.), Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City

The ten connected red brick Baroque architecture, bearing signs from the old businesses, heighten a sense of nostalgia for visitors, who stroll through its continuous archway porches. The second floor features art galleries and exhibits.



2.Dadaocheng Wharf

📍 Tamsui River Evacuation Gate No. 5
(End of Minsheng W. Rd., Taipei City)

In addition to the beautiful view of Tamsui River, the wharf features a collection of transformed shipping containers for visitors to enjoy trendy food and street performances at night. Held around July to August every year, “Taipei Summer Festival” is also a not-to-be-missed event.



3.Yongle Fabric Market

📍 2F and 3F, 21, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City

The largest fabric wholesale center in Taipei features traditional Taiwanese fabrics, imported textiles, and merchants selling a wide variety of clothing accessories, laces, and embroidery items. Many fashion designers and creative artists are attracted to the market in search of hidden treasures.



4.Dadaocheng Theater

📍 8F and 9F, 21, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2556-9101

For the purpose of preserving the art of traditional opera, Dadaocheng Theater allows visitors to enjoy traditional opera performances, such as Taiwanese (Gezi) Opera and Glove Puppetry, while also offering lectures and courses of the cultural environment of traditional opera.



5.Dadaocheng Visitor Center

📍 44, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2559-6802

In addition to providing tourism information, the visitor center has been made to resemble a traditional Chinese medicine store, a coffee shop, a tailor store, a lantern garden, and a public school, offering visitors photo opportunities to dress in retro clothing for free.



6.Dihua Street Post Office

📍 38, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2556-0519

Built during the Japanese era, it is said that Jiang Wei-shui, a Taiwanese physician and activist, often came to this post office to send telegrams, as the manuscripts are on display outside of the post office. Visitors may send postcards to share their travel experiences and enjoy the architectural details of this century-old historical building.



7.Watson's Pharmacy

📍 34, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City

Built by businessman Li Jun-qi in 1917, it was the first western pharmacy in Taiwan. The majestic Baroque-style building is now operated by Art Yard, providing creative and culturally rich stores, a café, and space for art performances.



8.Taiwan New Cultural Movement Memorial Museum

📍 87, Ningxia Rd., Taipei City (02)2557-0087

Formerly known as the Taipei Police Bureau during the Japanese era, it's now open to the public, allowing visitors to explore the old prison cells, the fan-shaped detention rooms, and the water jail. Guided tours and various interactive activities are available to showcase the history of the Taiwan New Cultural Movement.



A Feast of Nostalgia

9.FU COFFEE

📍 Yang-Hang | 328, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City
Yang-Guan | 218-1, Guisui St., Taipei City

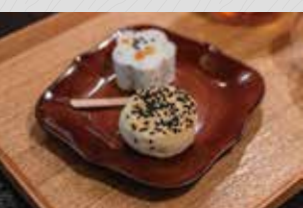
The Japanese-style coffee shops feature retro furniture and nostalgic lighting, specializing in coffee brewed with Taiwanese roasted beans. Visitors can also try hand-brewed specialty coffees and purchase unique brewing utensils.



10.Hoshing 1947

📍 223, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2557-8060

The 70-year-old Chinese pastry shop has maintained the red brick pillars with interior decorations that set off a nostalgic and most festive atmosphere. As traditional cakes have been refined in recent years, the shapes of their exquisite and lovely traditional muffins are freshly made according to different seasonal flowers.



11.BOLERO (Main Store)

📍 314, Minsheng W. Rd., Taipei City (02)2555-0521

Founded in 1934, BOLERO was the first western restaurant in Taipei. With most of the original decorations still preserved, the signature fried steak served on special iron plates brings customers back to the good old days.



12.Fleisch Café

📍 76, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2556-2526

With servers dressed in qipao and hanfu, the café has a traditional Chinese atmosphere. The old vibes are pulled together with new local tastes, including a variety of diverse coffees, beers, chef's specialties, and other menu items that promise to delight all diners.



13.San Formosan

📍 1, Sec. 2, Yenping N. Rd., Taipei City (02)2555-8680

What used to consist of pastry shops, imported goods companies, coffee suppliers to large restaurants, the western-style building of the World War II era is now a boutique coffee shop, featuring selected coffee beans from all over Taiwan, giving customers the best taste of local Taiwanese coffee.



14.lab33 Restaurant & Bar

📍 251, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City (02)2555-5839

With retro wooden sliding doors and window sills, this vegetarian restaurant has a unique antiquated atmosphere. Dishes like flour-coated and deep-fried bean curd rolls drizzled with special sauce and “future meat” burgers that are crispy on the outside and soft on the inside give the vegetarian diet a whole new meaning.



Stores with Character

15.Lao Mian Cheng Lantern Shop

📍 298, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2557-8856

The century-old shop continues the traditional techniques, and revitalizes the ancient aesthetics and ways of lantern making at the same time. With Taiwanese flower-patterned cloth and Japanese cotton cloth, ink artists transform the traditional simple red lanterns into a combination of classical and modern works of art.



16.inBloom Together

📍 248, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2557-0506

Combining grocery items, dining, and handicraft experiences, visitors here can select customized fabrics to create something to their liking. COFE Bar located on the second floor serves Taiwanese savory foods and exquisite coffee and tea.



17.FULL MOUNTAIN

📍 220, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2557-8605

After renovating the old storefront into a Kyoto-style grocery store, FULL MOUNTAIN offers traditional groceries of Dihua Street, including raisins, drupes, and other healthy dried fruits, in a culturally inspired way.



18.Lin Feng Yi Grocery Store

📍 214, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2557-8734

Selling a wide range of traditional groceries and necessity goods, from handmade bamboo products to rattan and wooden goods, the grocery store attracts many customers to purchase something simple and sturdy from the dazzling array of choices.



19.Gao Jian Bucket Shop

📍 204, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2557-3604

With all kinds of beautiful and durable wooden and bamboo products, the shop sells bright-colored and hand-woven vegetable baskets that are very popular among foreign tourists for their eye-popping colors and practical large capacity.



20.Xiao Hua Yuan Shoes Store

📍 237, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City (02)2555-8468

First opened in Shanghai, the store sells small and quaint embroidered shoes with various colors and patterns handcrafted by shoe masters, making each pair with a unique personality. Their plain and modified high heels are also part of their modern and fashionable products.



Have A Drink

21.Lu Dan Bar

📍 333, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City 0955-816-917

22.Bar CityNorth

📍 2F, 15, Ln. 362, Minsheng W. Rd., Taipei City (02)2559-5560

23.Ginspiration Bar

📍 3F, 76, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2556-8169

24.Watson Bar

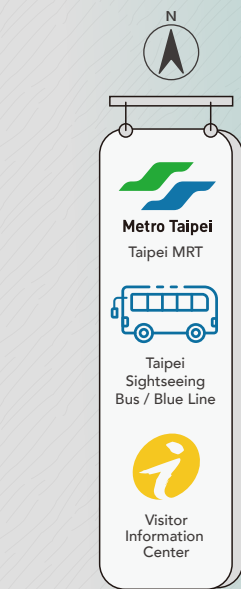
📍 2F, 34, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2555-9913

25.Mikkeller Bar

📍 241, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City (02)2558-6978



※Excessive drinking is hazardous to your health.



Religious Vibes

26.Dadaocheng Cisheng Temple and Food Court

📍 17, Ln. 49, Baoan St., Taipei City (02)2553-9978

Also known as Dadaocheng Mazu Temple, the wooden plauso from the Tongzhi period of the Qing Dynasty still remains. Visitors can also sit under Banyan trees while enjoying delicacies from the many food stalls in front of the temple, including pork rib soup, savory pork congee, and Sishen soup.



27.Xiahai City God Temple

📍 61, Sec. 1, Dihua St., Taipei City (02)2558-0346

The Xiahai City God is the main god enshrined here, known for attracting many single tourists who are seeking love and marriage. Every year around the 14th day of the 5th lunar month, the “Taipei Xiahai City God Cultural Festival” is held to celebrate the birthday of the City God, inviting many to gather and pray for blessings.



28.Fazhugong Temple

📍 2, Ln. 344, Nanjing W. Rd., Taipei City (02)2556-2964

The temple worship of Zhenjun, the guardian deity of the Fujian people, was brought to Taiwan by Quanzhou tea merchants. Every year on the 22nd day of the 9th lunar month, believers gather on the Day of “Qigui Huangui” to pray and offer red turtle-shaped rice cakes, symbolizing wellbeing.



Festival Highlights

Taipei Lunar New Year Festival

📅 Before the Lunar New Year
📍 Dihua Street Shopping District

Taipei Xiahai City God Cultural Festival

📅 Around the 14th day of the 5th lunar month (The birthday of the Xiahai City God)
📍 Xiahai City God Temple

Taipei Summer Festival

📅 July-August
📍 Dadaocheng Wharf (Yanping Riverside Park)

New Cultural Movement Month

📅 October
📍 Taiwan New Cultural Movement Memorial Museum, Dadaocheng Theater, etc.

Tua-Tiu-Tiann International Festival of Arts

📅 October
📍 Dadaocheng District

※The information contained herein is correct as of the date of publication.
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