

Huangshan: City Guide

Anhui Province : Huangshan

In the southmost part of Anhui province, Mt. Huangshan, in Yixian, 2200-year-county built in Qin dynasty (221B.C.), famous for its Sijue "strange pines, absurd stones, sea of clouds and hot springs"; in 1990, listed in the "Inventory of the World's Cultural and Natural Heritage"

Neighboring Areas: Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Jiangxi, Hubei, Henan, and Shandong provinces

Physical Features: mainly covered by mountains and hills, rich geothermal energy resource, within the scope of slaterite and loess and with evergreen broadleaf

Population: 1.46 million
Urban Population: 0.4 million
Area: 9,807 sq km

Nationalities: Han, Hui, and She

Climatic Features: subtropical humid monsoon climate; warm and rainy, 4 seasons clearly, frost-free period of 236 days; no severe coldness in winter

Average Temperature: 15 to 16C annually
Rainfall: annual precipitation of 1670 mm with the highest of 2708 mm, concentrated on May, June, July and August

Mountains: Mt. Huangshan famed for its beautiful natural scenery, Mt. Jiuhuashan and Mt. Qiyunshan

Rivers: Xin'anjiang River, Taiping Lake, Shuxi River and Huishui River

Products: paddy rice, wheat, tea, flue-cured tobacco, hemp, stock raising famous tea - Huangshan Maofeng and Taiping Houkui, Huangshan Magic Fungus-glossy Ganoderma, Huangshan Xianggu Mushroom, Huangshan Air-dried Bamboo Shoots

Local Highlights:

Arts and Crafts: Huangmei Drama, Anhui Qinshu
Others: Shen Inkstone, Hui Ink, and Jingxian Xuan Paper