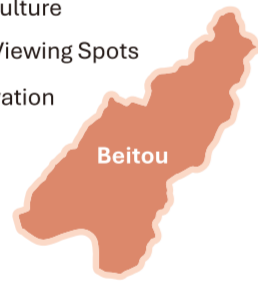


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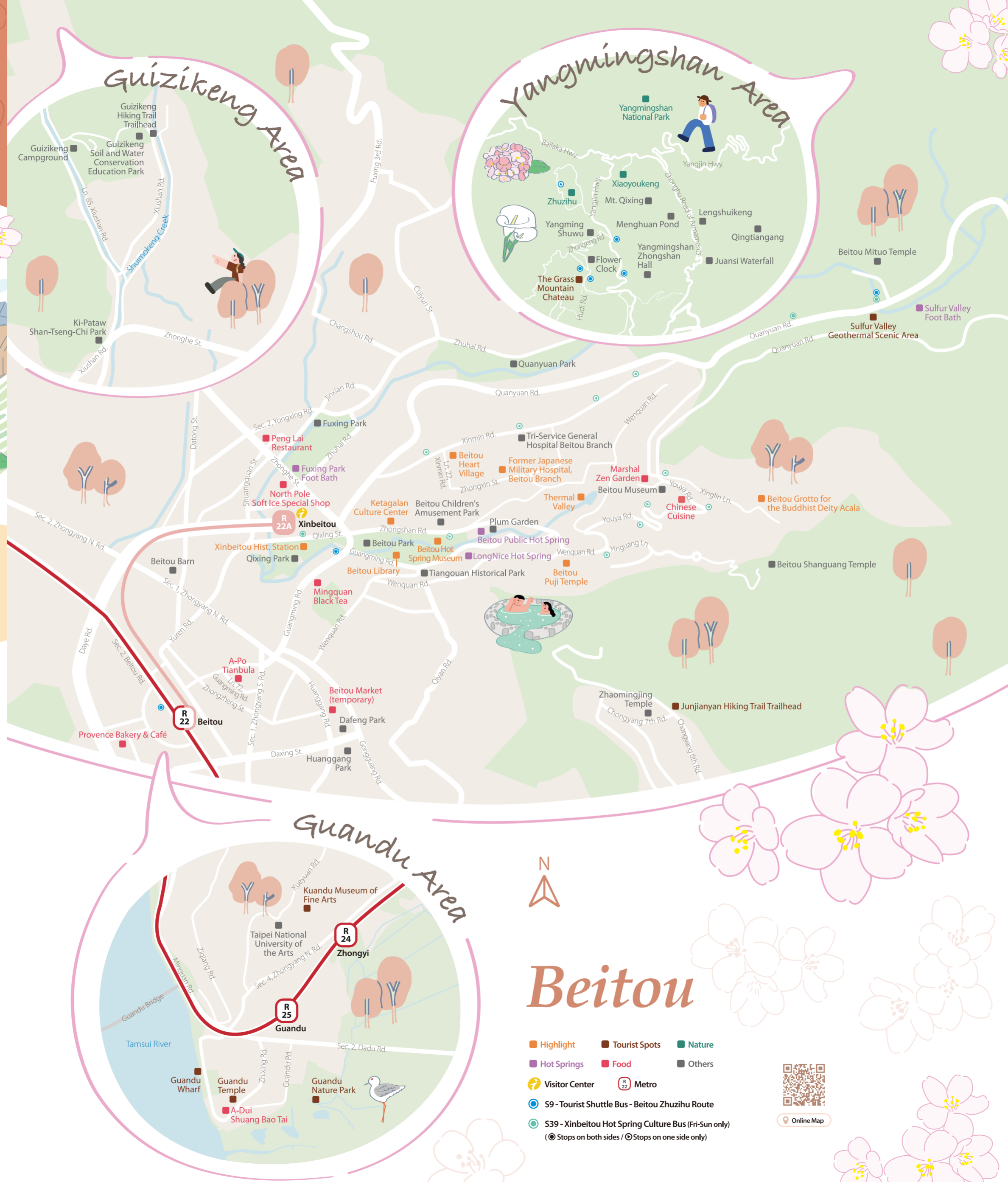


Beitou's rich volcanic geothermal resources have fostered a hot-spring culture since the Japanese era, also leading to the unique nakashi culture and authentic banquet cuisine. The fertile Guandu Plain and its surrounding wetlands provide a rich environment for wildlife, making it a favorite for bird watchers and a great place for family outings. The area's various historical sites make it ideal for short trips that combine hot springs with culture.



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Exciting Events

Shan Tseng Chi Flower Festival

- February-March
- Ki-Pataw Shan-Tseng-Chi Park

The park's hillside is planted with diverse flowers – silver ragwort, rainbow pink, lavender, among others – to depict the shape of a crested goshawk.



Yangmingshan Flower Festival

- February-March
- Yangming Park

In spring, the mountains erupt in a vibrant display of cherry blossoms, azaleas, and daffodils, attracting flower-loving tourists.



Zhuzihu Calla Lily Festival

- March-April
- Zhuzihu area farmland, Yangmingshan

The Zhuzihu area transforms into a landscape of pure white calla lilies in spring, and visitors can enjoy the experience of picking their own flowers.



Zhuzihu Hydrangea Festival

- May-June
- Zhuzihu area farmland, Yangmingshan

Hydrangeas bloom abundantly in the valley, forming colorful flower walls that serve as popular backdrops for photos and social media check-ins.



Beitou Summer Festival

- May-June
- Beitou Park, Qixing Park, Qihu Park, and other venues

Unique lighting and installations inspired by local materials are featured alongside musical performances, authentic banquet cuisine, and vibrant market events, inviting everyone to experience the charm of Beitou fully.



Guandu International Nature Art Festival

- September-December
- Guandu Nature Park

Each year, artists from Taiwan and around the world are invited to create works using natural materials sourced locally. The festival features art exhibitions, open-air markets, hands-on workshops, ecological experiences, and other engaging activities.



Taipei International Birdwatching Fair

- October
- Guandu Nature Park

Focusing on environmental education and parent-child interaction, this event invites domestic and foreign conservation groups to present exhibitions and offer activities such as interactive games and markets.



Hot Spring Festival in Taipei

- October-November
- Around MRT Xinbeitou Station

This annual event features a market, a street parade, performances by Taiwanese and Japanese cultural groups, and more. Visitors can also join guided tours to discover the unique features of Beitou.



Beitou

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- 59 - Tourist Shuttle Bus - Beitou Zhuzihu Route
- 539 - Xinbeitou Hot Spring Culture Bus (Fri-Sun only)
- (● Stops on both sides / ○ Stops on one side only)



Online Map

Highlight

Around the Xinbeitou Hot-Spring Area

Xinbeitou Historic Station

► 1, Qixing St. ► (02) 2891-5558

The only remaining station from the old Tamsui railway line, this century-old building retains its wooden structure and carved brackets. A historic train carriage is also exhibited here. Special exhibitions are held regularly at the station.



Beitou Library

► 251, Guangming Rd. ► (02) 2897-7682

This diamond-rated green wooden building features abundant natural lighting, a roof with solar panels, toilets flushed with rainwater, and a collection that highlights ecological conservation.



Ketagalan Culture Center

► 3-1, Zhongshan Rd. ► (02) 2898-6500

Taiwan's indigenous peoples are the theme of this exhibition hall, which displays the clothing, art, and cultural artifacts of diverse tribes.



Beitou Hot Spring Museum

► 2, Zhongshan Rd. ► (02) 2893-9981

In the past the largest public hot-spring bathhouse in East Asia, this site now presents Beitou's hot-spring history. Its preserved tatami lobby and bathhouse, along with old artifacts and photographs, offer visitors a glimpse into Beitou's former glory.



Beitou Heart Village

► 9, Ln. 22, Xinmin Rd. ► (02) 2891-0804

Combining hot springs and medical features, this is a unique military dependents' village. A sanatorium during the Japanese era, it was later rebuilt for dependents of military medical personnel. Visitors can learn history about houses built during different periods.



Former Japanese Military Hospital, Beitou Branch

► 60, Xinmin Rd. ► (02) 2895-9808 ext. 603602

This century-old Japanese military hospital features recreated examination rooms and a registration counter, complete with period clothing, photographs, and artifacts. It now serves as a sheltered workshop. Guided tours and hot-spring foot baths are available.



Thermal Valley

► Low-lying area between Zhongshan Rd. and Wenquan Rd.

A key source of Beitou's hot springs, this area, with constant mist and a strong sulfur smell, is famously called Hell Valley. To conserve the unique Beitou Stone (*hokutolite*), a protected area was created. Following the lakeside trail feels like walking through a fairyland.



Beitou Puji Temple

► 112, Wenquan Rd. ► (02) 2891-4386

This century-old Japanese-style temple features black tiles, cypress wood, and tatami floors. It enshrines Guanyin, the Bodhisattva of Compassion, and the Guardian Guanyin of Hot Springs, a distinctive deity of Beitou.



Beitou Grotto for the Buddhist Deity Acala

► Opposite 2, Xinglin Ln., Youya Rd.

Constructed in 1925 during the Japanese era, this rare Buddhist cave temple in Taiwan enshrines Fudō Myō-ō (Acala). It is now a municipal historic site.



Tourist Spots

Sulfur Valley Geothermal Scenic Area

► Opposite 77, Quanyuan Rd.

Stroll along the trail in the area to appreciate the steaming volcanic landscape and the golden-brown hills shaped by sulfur erosion. In autumn, the sight of silvergrass is a special seasonal highlight.



Junjianyan Hiking Trail

► Zhaomingjing Temple trailhead: At the end of Chongyang 7th Rd.

A snow-white giant rock atop a mountain resembles a warship nestled among the green foliage. From the top, you can take in expansive views of the Datun Volcano Group, Mt. Wuzhi, and the scenic confluence of the Tamsui and Keelung rivers.



The Grass Mountain Chateau

► 89, Hudi Rd. ► (02) 2862-2404

Once the residence of President Chiang Kai-shek and his wife, this historical building is now a space for art, culture, and dining. Visitors can enjoy delicious food while appreciating the building's history and art.



Guandu Temple

► 360, Zhixing Rd. ► (02) 2858-1281

Dating back to 1712, this Mazu temple holds significant historical importance in northern Taiwan. Its remarkable architectural design and exquisite carvings showcase a rare level of temple craftsmanship.



Guandu Wharf

► 360-1, Zhixing Rd.

Take scenic boat tours along the river and explore the container market featuring diverse cuisine. Savor delicious food while taking in the stunning waterfront views in a relaxing atmosphere.



Guandu Nature Park

► 55, Guandu Rd. ► (02) 2858-7417

An international-level wetland environment education center, this park provides habitat for migratory birds and diverse flora and fauna. Guided tours offer visitors insights into the wetland ecosystem and why conservation matters.



Kuandu Museum of Fine Arts

► 1, Xueyuan Rd. ► (02) 2896-1000 ext. 2432

Located on the campus of Taipei National University of the Arts, this museum features nine exhibition halls in its distinctive asymmetrical building. It showcases exhibitions with works by local artists, with guided explanations.



Food

Beitou Market (temporary)

► 33, Huanggang Rd. ► (02) 2894-5380

This market is a treasure trove of time-honored flavors, such as Ying Yang Oysters, renowned for their oyster noodles; Ai Zi Cai Braised Pork Rice, serving savory and sweet sticky rice; and Gao Ji Tea House, famous for refreshing tea selections.



Peng Lai Restaurant

► 238, Zhonghe St. ► (02) 2891-2778

This 70-year-old Taiwanese restaurant serves a variety of classic dishes. Beyond its popular spareribs, be sure to try the delicate Soft Jade Tofu. Other enticing choices include the Sugar-Braised Pork Liver and the Crab Meat and Oyster Thick Soup.



Mingquan Black Tea

► 174-2, Guangming Rd. ► (02) 2891-8576

This local tea shop, steeped in tradition, is known for its distinctive black tea with a unique barley aroma. Blended with freshly squeezed lemon, kumquat, or sour plum, it creates a wonderfully refreshing flavor. The rich and smooth grass jelly is also a beloved choice.



A-Po Tianbula

► Ln. 72, Guangming Rd.

With a legacy spanning over 80 years, this place is celebrated for its exquisite handmade *tianbula* (sweet-fish cake) and savory mushroom meatballs. The soup, a light and refreshing broth simmered with fish paste and radish, is a representative local traditional dish.



Chinese Cuisine

► 30, Youya Rd. (inside Grand View Resort Beitou) ► (02) 2898-8888

This restaurant creatively blends Taiwanese cuisine into its offerings. The Stewed Beef, for instance, is enriched with Chinese herbs and then finished with a vibrant Sanxing scallion sauce. Other choices include the Steamed Lobster, made with fermented black beans, and Fresh South African Abalone, in classic Taiwanese "three-cup" style.



Marshal Zen Garden

► 34, Youya Rd. ► (02) 2893-5336

Once the secluded retreat of Young Marshal Zhang Xue-liang, this is now a charming hot-spring resort offering visitors a culinary experience within its Japanese-style buildings. Guests can savor dishes favored by the Marshal, such as nourishing old hen soup. The resort also offers private bathhouses and a soothing foot bath.



A-Dui Shuang Bao Tai

► 222, Ln. 301, Sec. 3, Dadu Rd. ► 0918-880-607



Located near Guandu Temple, their renowned fried bread features delightful crispy exterior and soft, chewy light interior. Visitors also find rich taro cakes, savory pickled cabbage buns, and doughnuts.

Hot Springs

Beitou Public Hot Spring

► Near 6, Zhongshan Rd. ► (02) 2896-6939

Beitou Park features scenic Beitou Creek and has open-air thermal pools of varying temperatures. Visitors can enjoy affordable and warm hot-spring bathing under a pleasant breeze and sunshine.



🔍 Swimsuit and cap is required.

🔍 The hot-spring facility is currently being renovated and will reopen in early 2026.

LongNice Hot Spring

► 244, Guangming Rd. ► (02) 2891-2236

This historic Japanese-style bathhouse features original Qilian stone bathtubs, traditional single baths, and a relaxing garden foot bath. Guests can also enjoy special snacks and afternoon tea here.



Hot-Spring Foot Bath Pools

► Fuxing Park Foot Bath: Opposite 61, Zhonghe St.
► Sulfur Valley Foot Bath: Opposite 77, Quanyuan Rd.

Fuxing Park Foot Bath is fed by a rare radium spring, while Sulfur Valley Foot Bath features milky white sulfur spring water. If you're pressed for time, take a warm foot soak for a quick and delightful way to enjoy Beitou's hot springs.



Certified Hot Spring

The Taipei City Government grants the Certified Hot Spring certificate to operators that meet standards for safety, water quality, hygiene, and the environment — ensuring peace of mind for visitors.



Certified Operators

Nature

Yangmingshan National Park

► 1-20, Zhuzihu Rd. ► (02) 2861-3601

Located just outside bustling Taipei, the park offers highlights like the iconic Flower Clock and the serene Menghuan Pond, and the chance to spot the Taiwan blue magpie.



Xiaoyoukeng

► Visitor Center: 69, Zhuzihu Rd. ► (02) 2861-7024

This place has a unique volcanic landscape featuring fascinating sulfur crystals, bubbling hot-spring pools, and steam rising from cracks.



Zhuzihu ► Zhuzihu Rd.

This area was once a volcanic lava-dammed lake and home to japonica rice cultivation. From March to June, calla lilies and hydrangeas bloom in waves, with the views of steaming Xiaoyoukeng in the distance.

