

About Guangzhou

广州概况

Guangzhou, also known as Sui in Chinese (meaning ear of rice) and Canton City in English, is the capital city of Guangdong Province. As one of the most ancient cities of China, Guangzhou is endowed with a history of over 2,200 years. It is situated in the south of Guangdong and the north of the Pearl River Delta. Bordering on the South China Sea, adjacent to Hong Kong and Macao, Guangzhou is regarded as China's "Southern Gateway to the world" for its favorable location.

Crossed by the Tropic of Cancer, Guangzhou features a subtropical monsoon climate. Its average temperature is 22.8°C, with a low of 0°C and high of 38°C, which is the smallest temperature differential among the major cities across China. Guangzhou has a relative humidity of 68%. The wet season spans from April to June with plenty of rainfall. With the arrival of Summer, especially from August to September, it is hot and has many typhoons. The period from October to December is pleasant with mild temperatures, which is also the optimum season for traveling. Thanks to the abundant sunshine and warmth, Guangzhou enjoys various blossoming flowers all year round and has a reputation as "the City of Flowers".

Hosting a population of 13.5 million in its 7400-plus square kilometers area, Guangzhou boasts the third largest GDP amongst Chinese cities, next only to Beijing and Shanghai. Automobile manufacturing, telecommunication, and petro chemistry stand as the three traditional pillar industries, accounting for one third of its GDP. Marine engineering, new materials, and biochemistry are infusing new energy into Guangzhou's development.

Gifted with a favorable natural environment, distinct South-China flavor, splendid culture and history, colorful entertainment, and vibrant trade and economy, Guangzhou is one of the most significant economic and tourist cities of China. As an ancient city advancing into the modern age, The metropolis of Guangzhou welcomes friends from all around the world.

广州是广东省省会，简称穗，是中国最古老的城市之一，具有 2200 年的历史。她地处广东省南部，珠江三角洲的北缘，毗邻中国南海和港澳地区，地理位置优越，被称为中国的“南大门”。

广州地处亚热带，横跨北回归线，年平均温度 22.8°C，最低温度 0°C 左右，最高温度 38°C，平均相对湿度为 68%，是中国年平均温差最小的大城市之一。全年中，4 至 6 月为雨季；8 至 9 月天气炎热、多台风；10 至 12 月气温适中，是旅游的最佳季节。由于光热资源充足，广州一年四季鲜花盛开，享有“花城”的美誉。

广州总面积 7400 多平方公里，总人口约 1350 万，工业生产总产值连续多年居全国城市第三位，仅次于北京和上海。汽车制造、电子通信和石油化工是广州的三大传统支柱产业，工业产值约占全市的 1/3，海洋工程、新材料和生物医药正成为广州新的发展动力。

得天独厚的自然环境，别具特色的南国风情，源远流长的历史文化，丰富多彩的文化娱乐，以及繁荣发达的商贸旅游，使广州成为全国重要的经济和旅游城市。这座迈向现代化国际大都市的文明古城，正以迷人的风采迎接来自四面八方的海内外游客。

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