

Jiading itinerary for 'special forces travelers'

Editor's note:

A new term, "special forces travelers," has recently gone viral on China's social media, referring to a travel style popular among young people whereby they try to spend the least amount of money to cover the most locations in the shortest time possible, challenging their physical limits like special forces troops. We have worked out a Jiading-version strategy for those who want to try the "special forces-style" travel around the district.



Jiading Confucius Temple
Address: 183 South Street
Opening hours: 8:30am-5pm

First stop: Jiading Confucius Temple

The Confucius Temple in Jiading is profound and extensive in both culture and history. As sunshine filters through the leaves of old trees in the early morning, many people have already started exercising. Here, you can worship the Confucius sage and hang prayer cards. Students come to pray for good scores before taking a test.

Scenic spots nearby:

• Huilongtan

After visiting the Confucius Temple, you can go to Huilongtan next door. Huilongtan was built in 1588 and is a picturesque Ming Dynasty

(1368-1644) garden.

Five creeks converge here to form a pool. At the highest point of the islet in the pool Yingkui Hill, you can have a panoramic view of the pool.

• RED KA Cafe

"A cup of coffee, happy takeoff," at 51 Dongxiatang Street, is a courtyard coffee shop hidden in the old street. Coffee names such as "Shanghai 1932," "Braised pork in Brown Sauce," "Spring Phoenix Ten Miles" and "Take Me Away" are unique and creative, with a per capita price of 25 yuan (US\$3.5).

Second stop: Nanxiang Old Street

Nanxiang Old Street is in the central area of Nanxiang Town, which comprises of Renmin, Gonghe, Jiefang and Shengli streets. The Five Dynasties (AD 907-960) Brick Pagoda, the Ancient Well built in the Liang Dynasty (AD 502-557), the Stele Gallery, and other landscapes are simple yet beautiful, while white walls and grey tiles, and stone bridges and flowing water jointly showcase the ancient town style of Nanxiang.

Restaurant recommended:

• Changxinglou Restaurant

When you come to Nanxiang Old Street, you should go to Changxinglou Restaurant to try Nanxiang Xiaolong (steamed soup dumpling) and other dishes, which may cost around 60 yuan per person.



Nanxiang Old Street
Address: 206 Jiefang Street

Third stop: Shanghai Auto Museum

The Shanghai Auto Museum is in the Shanghai Auto Expo Park. As the first automotive-themed museum in China, it has a collection of over 100 vintage cars and rich auxiliary exhibits. It is a good place to appreciate the beauty of automobiles and study the history of automobiles.

Scenic spots nearby:

• Shanghai International Auto City Post Office

Walk 100 meters from the auto museum and you will find Shanghai's first automotive-themed post office — the Shanghai International Auto City Post Office.

With car models and car themed postcards, the layout inside the post office is filled with car elements.

There is an intelligent robotic arm in the post office that provides stamping services, on post that can be mailed after stamping.

• HANSWERKS Art Garage

In the Shanghai Auto Expo Park, there is also an offline experience space for automotive culture — the HANSWERKS Art Garage, where classic vehicles such as the Rolls Royce Silver Spur,

"Shanghai Brand" SH760A, and BMW E34 are parked, all from the collection of car enthusiast Yang Gang. Tickets are 60 yuan, and you can also have a cup of coffee in the garage for free and enjoy some quiet time.



Shanghai Auto Museum
Address: 7575 Boyuan Road
Opening hours: 9:30am-4:30pm (closed on Mondays)