2021 Rotary ITHF Taipei Pre-Convention Tour

Jun 3 Day 1, Hotel (Go to Hotel by yourself)
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Accommodation: Taipei Cosmos Hotel or Brother Hotel or similar

Jun 4 Day 2, Depart from Taipei → Taichung → National Taichung Theater → Sun Moon Lake (Take a boat) → Overnight in Sun Moon Lake
B: Hotel    L: NT$400/per person    D: NT$500/per person
Accommodation: LEALEA GARDEN HOTEL SUN or Hotel DEL LAGO or similar

National Taichung Theater is a continuation of the 1987 completion of the National Concert Hall and Theater. After nearly 30 years since the first opening of a national performance venue, NTT is a 21st-century cultural facility that is not only a new landmark in the city, but also represents a cultural step forward.
Taichung is located in the geographical heart of Taiwan and is a city with a storied, profound cultural heritage. Now, for this city's energetic, lively, and ambitious people, we have created this stunning world-class performance and exhibition facility.

Sun Moon Lake (Take a boat) [https://taiwangolf.taiwan.net.tw/AttDetial?AttCId=19&LanId=3](https://taiwangolf.taiwan.net.tw/AttDetial?AttCId=19&LanId=3)
Sun Moon Lake, also nicknamed “honeymoon lake,” has been selected as one of the “Eight Views of Taiwan” for over a hundred years. The lake is named so due to that the shape of its eastern part, which is like the sun and the western part, which is like a crescent moon. The Taiwan Tourism Bureau has not only successfully turned thQe lake into a paradise for honeymoon trips but also makes it a must-go destination for tourists at home and abroad. Featuring the mountain lake, indigenous culture and ecology, Sun Moon Lake attracts over six million visits a year. Visitors to Sun Moon Lake are privileged with the only “3D tour” in Taiwan, which combines water, land, and sky activities.
Jun 5 Day 3, Pick up → Chung Tai Chan Monastery → Experience Making Black Tea → Xiangshan Visitor Center → Overnight in Sun Moon Lake
B: Hotel   L: NT$400/per person   D: NT$500/per person
Accommodation: LEALEA GARDEN HOTEL SUN or Hotel DEL LAGO or similar

Chung Tai Chan Monastery was first built in 1994. Additional layout and modification work was carried out from 1994 to 2000, giving rise to the majestic Chung Tai Chan Monastery we see today. Senior Master Weijue worked together with famous architect and layman CY Lee to integrate both Chinese and Western architectural styles within the essence of the Monastery. The meditative insight of direct enlightenment, the spirit of perseverance of gradual edification, and the atmosphere of ancient forests were utilized. This combined artistic, academic, religious, and cultural elements without compromising the element of Zen. The resulting Monastery is a remarkable sight. In addition to its breathtaking architecture, it also offers comprehensive hardware facilities for the worshipers. This includes meditation halls, Hall of the Caturmaharajakayikas, the Hall of Buddha, Hall of the Three Buddhas, lecture halls, guest rooms, hostels, and dining rooms.

Experience Making Sun Moon Lake Black Tea
Experience Making Taiwan Sun Moon Lake Black Tea (Tea # 18) is rare black (red) tea from Central Taiwan (Yuchi, Nantou County). Sun Moon Lake is located in Nantou County in Central Taiwan. It is surrounded by mountains. Average temperature is very stable during the whole year and humidity is very high. These all enable tea leaves grow rich and intense.

Xiangshan Visitor Center
The uniquely designed building has wood-patterned exteriors and wings that stretch like human arms embracing the earth. In addition, the two giant canopy structures, 34 meters long and 8 meters tall each, allow people to enjoy beautiful views of the Sun Moon Lake from the top.
Jun 6 Day 4, Pick up → Kumquat Sightseeing Factory → Alishan National Scenic Area → Overnight in Alishan

B: Hotel  L: NT$400/per person  D: NT$500/per person

Accommodation: Alishan Hotel or similar
Alishan Hotel http://en.alishanhouse.com.tw/

**Kumquat Sightseeing Factory** http://www.kingezi.com.tw/
The kumquat Farm is converted from the barn and the storage room of the traditional courtyard houses, farms, covering about three hectares. The founder of a very creative name shop class, school and Telling three. Antique farm within the building, lush, very farmhouse; founder of Cai sea drift was the Farmers 'Association of 4-H instructor, by the Farmers' Association under the guidance Producer produced excellent products, such as kumquat pie, salty orange cake kumquat oil, the kumquat fine, Kim Ji preserves, is the second-generation descendant of Caihai Yuan was founded in 1960 (AD 1960). The Shonai scenery is very beautiful, quaint architecture with the natural landscape. In a green sea, emitting a small yellow kumquat looks like a very lovable cute. But the Shonai also accompanied the conference rooms and catering services, love farm life friends can visit there, there are certainly some harvest.

**Alishan National Scenic Area** https://www.alin-sa.net/user/main.aspx?lang=2

Alishan is blessed with bountiful natural resources, such as sun rise views, a sea of clouds and old forests. Especially as a popular folk song goes, Alishan has amazed people with its “lush green mountains and deep blue waters.” No matter in spring, summer, autumn or winter, visitors can expect to appreciate some of its beauty. For years, Alishan has been famous for its historical forest railway and indigenous tribes, too.

The Alishan National Scenic Area Administration was established in July 2001. It serves the four townships of Meishan, Zhuqi, Fanlu and Alishan which cover 41,520 hectares of land. Since its foundation, the Administration Office has devoted to integrating tourism resources in the region and improving early-day facilities. New sites have opened and thematic tours are available nowadays. A range of marketing activities have also been held to build a new image of Alishan and boost local businesses.
Jun 7 Day 5, Pick up → Alishan Sunrise → Alishan Railway Station → Anping historic district (castle& Old street) → Overnight in Tainan

B: Hotel       L: NT$400/per person       D: NT$500/per person
Accommodation: Hotel Tainan or similar

Alishan Railway Station  https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?sNo=0002117&id=250
Construction of the Alishan Forest Railway was commenced in 1899 by the Japanese. Intended to transport logs down the mountain, it has a 762mm gauge, a gradient of 6.25%, and a minimum turning radius of 40 meters. Traffic was opened on the 66.6-kilometer stretch between Chiayi and Erwanping in 1912, and was extended up Alishan to a full length of 71.4 kilometers in 1914. The railway climbs from 30 meters above sea level to 2,216 meters, has 47 tunnels and 72 bridges, and passes through a cross-section of climates and terrain types.

Anping historic district (castle& Old street)  http://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?sNo=0002119&id=147
In 1624, Dutch built the first fort in Anping, Taiwan, called "Fort Zeelandia", now known as Anping Old Fort, where has been the administrative center of the Dutch regime, and the hub for trading. The building was originally constructed in square inner fortress and rectangle outer walls. In 1661, the fort was renamed as Anping to commemorate his home town when Guoxingye (Cheng Cheng-Kung) has driven the Dutch out of Taiwan. Therefore, Fort Zeelandia was also known as "King's Fort" or "Taiwan Fort", nicknamed Anping Old Fort.
In Kangxi Emperor's regime of Qing Dynasty, Taiwan was included in the empire that the political center was transferred to Tainan City, causing the decline of the Fort. The red bricks of the Fort have been taken for construction of Eternal Fortress. During the Japanese occupation, the Dutch style buildings in inner fortress were completely destroyed. A square red-bricked step platform was constructed with a western style house on the platform, being served as dormitory for Customs officials, where the memorial hall now is located. It was named Anping Old Fort after Restoration of Taiwan and become an attraction for tourists. The remaining more than 70 meters long south walls of the outer fort with worn-out red bricks, accompanied by the old banyan roots, chanted its odyssey. The fort is the very historical replica over three hundred years.
Jun 8 Day 6, Pick up → Taijiang National Park (Take a boat) → Chi Mei Museum → Kaohsiung Harbor Tourist Boat → Overnight in Kaohsiung

B: Hotel     L: NT$400/per person    D: NT$500/per person
Accommodation: CHATEAU DE CHINE KAOHSIUNG or similar


Taijiang National Park  https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?sNo=0002119&id=A12-00073
Established in 2009, Taijiang National Park is located on the southwest coast of Taiwan. The land and sea areas of the park embrace the coastal waters off Tainan City as well as the estuaries of the Qigu River, Zengwen River, Lu'er men River, and Yanshui River. Also within its 4,905-hectares of land area are the Black-faced Spoonbill Refuge and Qigu Wetlands. The coastal alluvial terrain, old shipping channels and traditional industries further add to the natural and cultural allures of the park. The sea areas of the park extend over 39,310 hectares and include one of the main sailing routes—Dongji Islet to Lu'er men—used by early Han settlers from the mainland. The majority of this region has long been known as "Taijiang," giving the park its name. Visitors can also explore mangrove forests, wetlands and other ecological and scenic attractions at this emerald Eden on Taiwan’s southwest coast.

Chi Mei Museum  https://www.chimeimuseum.org/ml/English/3
CHIMEI Museum is a comprehensive museum with wide collections of Western art, musical instruments, weaponry and natural history. There are permanent exhibition galleries, one temporary exhibition gallery and sculpture halls in the main building. As a museum for all, we hope our visitors will enjoy and cherish these timeless valuables and find their favorites among them.

Jun 9 Day 7, Pick up → Yuan Sen Applied Botanical Garden → Dapo Pond → Luoshan Recreation Area(Natural tofu making experience) → Overnight in HOT SPRING HOTEL

B: Hotel  L: NT$400/per person  D: NT$500/per person

Accommodation: AN TONG HOT SPRING HOTEL or similar

Due to the Taitung area's regulating climate caused by the Pacific Ocean Current and the Japan Current, as well as the fact that this area has not experienced serious environmental pollution or damage, many varieties of medicinal herbs have grown here since early times. During the Japanese occupation era, the Japanese planted medicinal herbs in the Jhihben and Taimali mountain areas of Taitung, developing "Medicine Mountain". Apart from a few medicinal herbs that have been introduced from outside, most of these herbs are native to the Taitung area (including Lanyu, also known as Orchid Island). According to statistics produced by medicinal herb experts, over 2,000 varieties of medicinal herbs can be found in the Taitung area, making it the "Homeland of Taiwan Medicinal Herbs".

Dapo Pond was originally called "Dabi". It is located to the east of Chishang, and is immediately next to the Coastal Mountain Range's Jinyuan River terrace cliff. It is a "fault pond", formed as a result of fault activity in Chishang. Its water comes from an underground stream located at the tip of the Sinwulyu River's alluvial fan. The pond river flows north towards the lowlands, becoming one of the sources of the Siouguluan River. The name Chishang, "above the pond" is a reference to Dapo Pond. In early years, the fish and shrimp found in Chishang's lunchboxes came from the Dapo area.

The Luoshan Recreation Area is located in Luoshan Village, Fuli Township. The population of this small farming village, located on the Coastal Mountain Range, is 80% Hakka, the remaining 20% being Fukien Taiwanese and Pingpu Aborigines. In light of the abundant natural scenic resources of Luoshan Village, the East Rift Valley National Scenic Area has integrated the recreational resources in this area, making this place into a recreation area.
Jun 10 Day 8, Pick up → Tropic of Cancer → Taroko Gorge National Park → Overnight in Hualien

B: Hotel       L: NT$400/per person       D: NT$500/per person
Accommodation: Fullon Hotels or similar

**Tropic of Cancer**

https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?sno=0002016&id=a12-00121

The Tropic of Cancer, the circle marking the latitude 23.5 degrees north, is the Northern Hemisphere's furthest location from the Equator that can experience the sun being directly overhead. Every summer, on June 22, the sun is directly over the Tropic of Cancer. This "shadowless" effect that takes place at noon is the Tropic of Cancer's unique astronomical phenomenon.

**Taroko National Park**

https://www.taroko.gov.tw/en

Tropic of Cancer

https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?sno=0002016&id=a12-00121

Yanzikou (Swallow Grotto) Trail


Changchun (Eternal Spring) Shrine

https://www.taroko.gov.tw/en/Tourism/AttractionDetail?id=125

Taroko became a national park in 1986, including Hualien County, Nantou County and Taichung County. Taroko is famous for its spectacular mountains and marble canyons. Cliffs and canyons stretch along Liwu River. Four million years ago, the island of Taiwan was formed by the collision of plates. After millions of years of wind erosion, the marble rocks were exposed and cut by Liwu River, creating impressive grand canyons. From Qingshui to Nan Lake (Nanhu) Peak, the drop height is 3,742 meters. Such special geography has also bred special flora and fauna in this area.
Jun 11 Day 9, Pick up → Qingshui Cliff → Lanyang Museum → GO to Taipei
B: Hotel  L: NT$400/per person  D: ×
Accommodation: ×

Qingshui Cliff, located on the section of the Suao-Hualien Highway that stretches between Heping and Chongde stations, is one of the most spectacular sights on Taiwan's Pacific coast. The cliff is more than 1,000 meters high and drops almost vertically into the sea. The highway snakes along its curving face more than 20 kilometers, with the sheer cliff rising on one side and a sheer drop to the ocean on the other.

Lanyang Museum [https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?no=0002016&id=a12-00100](https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/m1.aspx?no=0002016&id=a12-00100)
Yilan itself is a museum
Rich in both natural and cultural resources, the Lanyang Plains are characterized by ecological and ethnic diversity, warm and friendly people, and a vibrant culture. It is said that Yilan itself is a museum and we believe the Lanyang Museum serves as a sort of window to those wishing to learn more about Yilan. The Lanyang Museum’s mission is to bring together Yilan’s local resources through books and displays as well as tourism and recreation to promote activities of museums throughout the county to ensure the sustained development of “the museum that is Yilan.”
Price: USD 1690 per person

Inclusions:

- Transportation: 45 seat coach
- Accommodation: 8 nights accommodation, 2 guests in one room, Daily breakfast
- Meal: 15 meals arranged
- Ticket: All the tickets in schedule are inclusive
- Tour Leader: 1 English tour leader with 1 assistant tour leader along with the whole journey. (Tips already included)
- Insurance: Two Million New Taiwan dollars Travel Insurance, with two hundred thousand New Taiwan dollars Accident Insurance
- Any other items not mentioned in the Inclusions list are not included in the cost of the package.
- The fee will be each in at least 25 persons.
- Additional charge for single-rooms, USD 520 per person

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