



Wulai Special Scenic Area Guide Map



Wulai is the hometown to Atayal, whose unique culture including harvest or religious festivities attract tourists from all over the world each year. The more significant ones include the festivals on cultivating, sowing, harvesting, and memorizing the ancestors (held in July) – which is especially important.

Atayal includes the Atayal and Seijq. The population is only second to Amis and is the second largest tribe in Taiwan. Their face tattoos are very famous, and Atayal people believe it is a symbol of beauty. Girls and boys in this tribe must first become weavers and warriors respectively before they are allowed to have face tattoos and get married.

02 Wulai Waterfall and Sky Cable Car

Water rushing down from the 80-meter tall Wulai waterfall forms a magnificent white belt that attracts many tourists to come to the waterfall park to enjoy the beautiful scenery. Wulai cable car that spans across Nanshih River near Wuncyuan St. isn't only a beautiful landmark of Wulai but is also a great aerial observatory to view the waterfall.



Tips	
Tuesday/Friday:	AM9:30-PM5:00
Saturday and Sunday:	AM9:30-PM6:00
Monday on a National Holiday:	AM9:30-PM5:00
Website:	http://www.atayal.tpc.gov.tw
TEL:	02-2661-8162 / 02-2661-7819



01 Atayal Tribal Museum



Opened in 2005, this facility has a rich display of Atayal relics and culture. In order to prevent the loss of culture when promoting tourism, this museum conserves aboriginal culture with Atayal totems outside the museum and items that demonstrate the tribe's history, culture, and art inside the museum. There are also traditional Atayal techniques demonstrated by female tribe members.

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Wulai's Hot Spring, Atayal's Cherry Blossoms, and Nature's Music

Let your body fully relax in the carbonic acid hot spring while your vision and mind are touched by the enchanting Taiwan cherry blossoms. Return to nature – come to Atayal's utopia and capture your own beautiful journey.



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Suggests the tourist itinerary

Wulai Cherry Blossom and Hot Spring 1-day Trip

Xindian MRT Station → Wulai cherry blossom viewing, tea tasting, hot springs bath → Neidong Forest Amusement Park → Taipei

Wulai Longevity 2-day Trip

1st Day
Xindian MRT Station → Wulai cherry blossom viewing → Jia-jui-liao Trail → Neidong Forest Amusement Park → Atayal delicacy → hot springs bath, tea tasting → staying in Wulai's hot spring hotel
2nd Day
Wulai → Fushan → Wulai tourism service wagons → waterfall park → sky cable car → Taipei

Atayal Cultural 1-day Trip

Xindian MRT Station → Atayal ethnic museum → Wulai aboriginal relics exhibition center → cherry blossom viewing, hot springs bath → Atayal delicacies → Taipei

Transportation Information

Xindian Bus Taipei → Wulai line: Taipei City Chingdao E. Rd. → Roosevelt Rd. → Xindian → Wulai TEL: 02-2277-448

Taipei Station → Xindian MRT Station → Xindian Bus Taipei → Wulai line.

1 National Freeway 1, get off on Jianguo Interchange → Xinhai Rd. → Keelung Rd. Overpass → Shui-yuan Expressway → Xindian Huan-he Expressway → turn right at 12K of Beiyl Rd. 9 Provincial Highway → Xinwu 9-jia Provincial

3 Highway → Wulai National Freeway 3, get off at Xindian interchange → Xindian Zhongxing Rd. → turn right at Beiyl Rd. 9 Provincial Highway 12K → Xinwu 9-jia Provincial Highway → Wulai

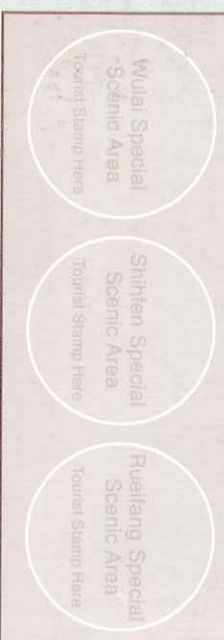
! service information

Tourism and Travel Bureau, Taipei County 02-29603456
<http://www.tourism.tpc.gov.tw>
Shinthen Special Scenic Area, Visitor Information Center 02-24063409
Rueifang Special Scenic Area, Visitor Information Center 02-24063270
Wulai Special Scenic Area, Visitor Information Center 02-26616355

Stamp Campaign

Collect the special Scenic Area Stamps and receive a souvenir!

Descriptions:
In order to promote the special scenic areas in Taipei County, tourists who have visited the Shinthen Special Scenic Area, the Rueifang Special Scenic Area, and the Wulai Special Scenic Area, and have collected all three visitor stamps from the visitor information center, will be able to exchange for a souvenir at the visitor information center!



Beautiful Sceneries

06 Wulai tourism service wagons



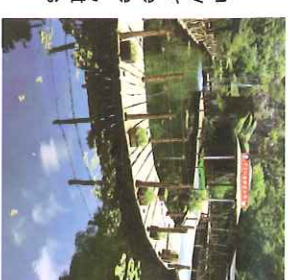
Originally the railway for transporting raw materials during the Japanese dominance, today's Wulai tourism service wagons have become one of the four major tourist attractions along with Wulai waterfall, cable car, and hot springs. The 1.6km trail from Wuncyuan St. to the waterfall area to breeze from the waterfall and experience the ancient log-transporting trails.

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07 Yun-hsien Hotel

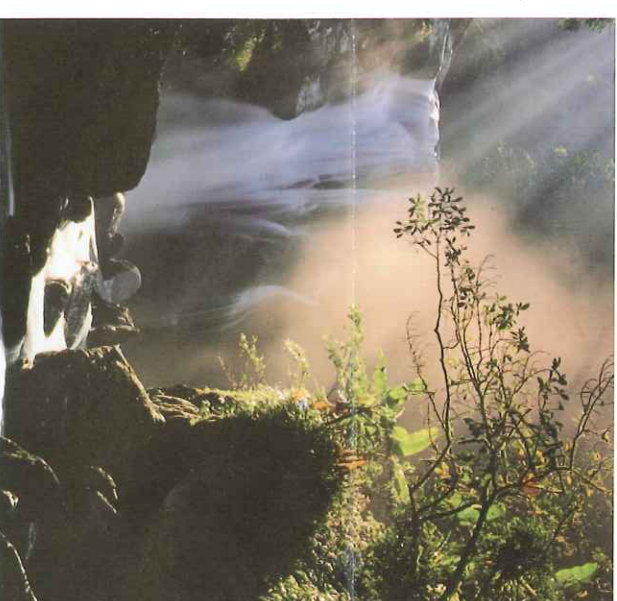
A utopia located at the origin of Wulai waterfall, you can only go there by taking a cable car ride. The facility has a boat-ride lake established next to the hill, a hotel, a field playground, entertainment facilities, forest trails, and ecological views such as fireflies and birds.

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08 Neidong Forest Amusement Park

Also known as Wa-wa Valley or Hsinhsian Waterfall, this place has three layers of waterfall inside with rapid current. The amount of anions stored in the waterfall here is the best in Taiwan, making it extremely attractive to tourists due to its health benefits.



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09 Fushan Beauty



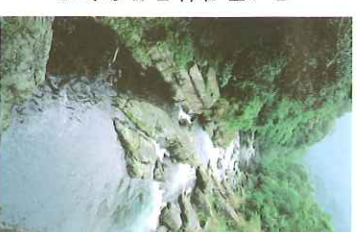
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Fushan is a traditional Atayal tribe with dazzling natural sceneries. Here, you can see butterflies, rivers, and mountains, and feel at peace as you are surrounded by nature's energy.

10 Tun-ho Utopia

There are many fun activities to do in Tun-ho: biking, kayaking, and hiking. Tun-ho has beautiful waterfalls and is often described by tourists as a utopia on earth. In order to protect the water quality and ecology, you need to apply for a permit if you wish to enter the mountains. There are also regulations on how many vehicles are allowed to enter the Tun-ho trails.

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11 Waterfall Park's Beautiful Cherry Blossoms

Located at the highest point of Huan-shan Rd., you can enjoy the park, the cherry blossoms, and Wulai's waterfalls. The park's trails have dense trees and wonderful views.

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Main Trip Route



Beautiful Ecologies

Hot Spring Town Covered in Cherry Blossoms

Wulai is the only aboriginal town in Taipei County. Legend has it that this place was Atayal tribe's traditional hunting ground. In the Atayal language, Wulai means boiling water, which refers to hot springs, and this is why this location is named Wulai to this day. Every January and February are the cherry blossom season, and many tourists are attracted by hot springs and cherry blossom viewing which rid people of their earthly worries and lift them higher to the Creator through visual and tactile senses.



About Wulai Cherry Blossoms

Most of the cherry blossoms found in the Wulai area are Taiwan cherry trees, whose scientific name is *Prunus campanulata*. This beautiful and elegant greed blossoms in January and February, during which the mountains are covered with red flowers and green trees. The blossoming of Fuji and Yoshino cherry trees in March and Tse cherry trees in April make this place the perfect spot for cherry blossom viewing in northern Taiwan.

Bird-watching Experience



Wulai has rich bird and insect ecologies such as the famous Mullet's barbet, thrushes, bamboo partridges, gray tree pies, Formosan Blue Magpies, swifts, Bronzed Drongos, and pelicans that sing a beautiful, celestial symphony. With the mist in the forests in wintertime and butterflies and cicada croaking in spring and summer, a picture of utopia on earth is composed. From Tun-ho River to Hsiaoyi Section, Nanshih River valley, Neidong Forest Amusement Park, Jia-jin-liao Trail, Fushan village, and Yun-hsien Hotel are all good bird-watching locations.

Best time for bird-watching: November to February.

Gear: Binoculars, bird handbooks, light, plain-colored clothing, light shoes, camera, and drinking water.

03 Jia-jin-liao Trail

With relatively flat terrains, you can hear the sound of insects and birds in this tree-covered area. Due to few tourists, this place is very quiet and peaceful, much like a hidden utopia with exciting ecologies. The starting point of the trail is the Red River Valley suspension bridge, and ends at the toll booth of the Wulai Tourist Bridge (total 2km long).

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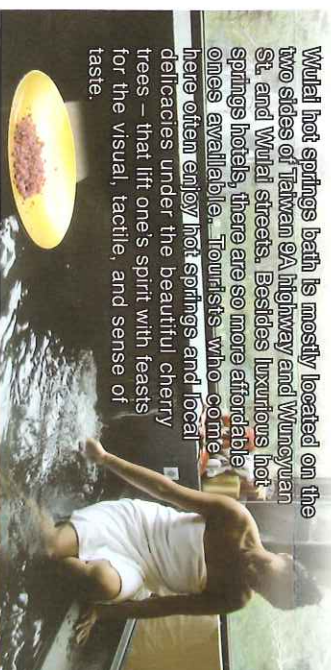
Fun Hot Spring Bath

04 Wulai Beauty Hot Spring

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Wulai hot springs are of mildly acidic carbonic acid with PH level from 6.90-6.92. It is colorless and odorless, and is very popular among people who enjoy taking hot-spring baths since it nourishes the kin, gets rid of muscle pain, promotes blood circulation, removes cuticles, and whitens the skin, winning the fame of being a beauty hot spring.

Wulai hot springs bath is mostly located on the two sides of Taiwan 9A highway and Wuncyuan St. and Wulai streets. Besides luxurious hot springs hotels, there are so more affordable ones available. Tourists who come here often enjoy hot springs and local delicacies under the beautiful cherry trees – that lift one's spirit with feasts for the visual, tactile, and sense of taste.



Delightful

05 Aboriginal Local Delicacies

Wulai's delicacies are mostly of Atayal's diver aboriginal dishes that fully express the flavors of local ingredients such as bamboo shoots, sticky rice cake, rice in bamboo tube, slate BBQ and other wild vegetable dishes that satisfy the pickiest food critics. All these dishes can be enjoyed in Wulai's restaurants.

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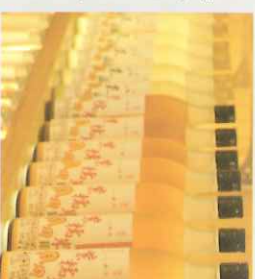


Sticky Rice Cake

Atayal's sticky rice cake is hand-made from millet and comes in different flavors. The stores that sell this aboriginal specialty that make a perfect gift are located on Wulai's old streets.

Millet Wine

The wine brewed from millet is smooth and sweet and is a great drink to have when enjoying aboriginal delicacies since you can feel the richness of the wine. This wine is a perfect companion when you are enjoying a good time with your friends.



Cherry Blossom Feast

The cherry blossom feast that combines the unique flavor of Taiwan cherry blossoms is a local specialty launched in Wulai in recent years. The unique and delightful mixture of the flavors of flowers and food ingredients makes this feast extremely enjoyable.

