

SIGHTSEEING AROUND **BEIJING**



A **CMS** GUIDE TO HELP
YOU NAVIGATE **BEIJING**



BADALING GREAT WALL	
LAKESIDE GREAT WALL	
SIMATAI GREAT WALL	



BADALING GREAT WALL

Badaling is the most representative and magnificent section of the Great Wall of the Ming Dynasty. It has been open to the public the longest (since 1957). It is easily accessible and has easy walking conditions.

TRANSPORTATION

Private car

OPENING HOURS

High season: 6:30 - 17:30

Low season: 7:30 - 16:30

TICKET FEE

Entry: CNY 45

Cable car: CNY 100 (one-way ticket)



LAKESIDE GREAT WALL

The Lakeside Great Wall is an uncrowded section where you can experience different activities like taking a boat on the lake to appreciate the Great Wall on the surrounding mountains. You can hike around the lake and across the dam instead of climbing the mountains.

TRANSPORTATION

Private car

OPENING HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 - 17:00

Weekends: 7:30 - 17:30

TICKET FEE

CNY 45



SIMATAI GREAT WALL

The Simatai section of the Great Wall is one of the few sections to retain the original appearance of the Great Wall. It's very varied in makeup. Simatai has many characteristics of other Great Wall sections, and some unique features of its own. It is often described with the following four words: dense, diverse, artful, and peculiar.

Book tickets at least one day in advance!

TRANSPORTATION

Private car

OPENING HOURS

08:00 - 17:00





TICKET FEE

Entry: CNY 40

Cable car: CNY 100 (one-way ticket)

The background features a collage of Chinese landmarks, including the Summer Palace, Tian'anmen Square, and the Great Wall, arranged within a pattern of overlapping green and yellow triangles. The text "IMPERIAL GARDENS AND MAUSOLEUMS" is centered in a large, white, outlined font.

IMPERIAL GARDENS AND MAUSOLEUMS

TIAN'ANMEN SQUARE		OLD SUMMER PALACE	
FORBIDDEN CITY		BEIHAI PARK	
SUMMER PALACE		MING TOMBS	



TIAN'ANMEN SQUARE

Tian'anmen Square has hosted momentous events like the declaration of the People's Republic of China by Chairman Mao in 1949, and is surrounded by a host of world class sights, from the Forbidden City to China's National Museum.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Tiananmen East Station (Exit A) or Tiananmen West Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

Closed at night

TICKET FEE

Free for visiting the square
CNY 15 for ascending the Tiananmen Tower



FORBIDDEN CITY

The Forbidden City, also known as the Palace Museum, and Gu Gong in Chinese, lies at the city center of Beijing, and once served as the imperial palace for 24 emperors during the Ming and Qing Dynasties (1368 - 1911). **Remember to take your passport with you and book tickets online before going!**

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Tiananmen East Station (Exit A) or Tiananmen West Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

Apr - Oct: 8:30 - 17:00 (Closed on Mondays)
Nov - Mar: 8:30 - 16:30 (Closed on Mondays)

TICKET FEE

Apr - Oct: CNY 60
Nov - Mar: CNY 40



SUMMER PALACE

The Summer Palace is said to be the best preserved imperial garden in the world, and the largest of its kind still in existence in China. It was initially built in 1750 by Emperor Qianlong and covers an area of 70000m² and holds over 3000 houses. In 1860 and 1900 it was destroyed by invaders and in 1912 it was rebuilt by the Government of Qing Dynasty.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 4 - get off at Beigongmen Station (Exit D) or **Subway Line 16** - get off at Xiyuan Station (Exit C2)

OPENING HOURS

Apr 1 - Oct 31: 06:30 - 18:00
Nov 1 - Mar 31: 07:00 - 17:00

TICKET FEE

Apr 1 - Oct 31: CNY 60
Nov 1 - Mar 31: CNY 50



OLD SUMMER PALACE

The old Summer Palace consists of three parts - Yuanmingyuan, Wanchunyuan and Changchunyuan. These three gardens are often referred to as one common name: Yuanmingyuan. They are made up of exquisitely constructed halls, pavilions, chambers, kiosks, earth and rock hills, rivers and ponds, and exotic flowers and grasses from different parts of the country.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 4 - get off at Yuanmingyuan Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

May - Aug: 07:00-19:00
Apr - Mar: 07:00-17:30

TICKET FEE

CNY 25



BEIHAI PARK

Beihai Park is one of the oldest, largest and best-preserved ancient imperial gardens in China. This ancient garden, with over 1,000 years' history, is not only a classic combination of the grandiosity of the northern gardens and the refinement of the southern gardens in China, but also a perfect integration of magnificent imperial palaces and solemn religious constructions.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 6 - get off at Beihai North Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

Apr - Oct: 6:30 - 21:00
Nov - Mar: 6:30 - 20:00

TICKET FEE

Apr - Oct: CNY 20
Nov - Mar: CNY 15



MING TOMBS

The Ming Tombs represent the imperial cemetery region where the 13 emperors of the Ming Dynasty were buried. According to the Chinese feng-shui traditions, the tombs are surrounded by mountains and a river. It insight into imperial Ming Dynasty life, including stone thrones, huge human and animal sculptures, and other evidence of Chinese culture and traditions.

TRANSPORTATION

Private car

OPENING HOURS

8:30 - 18:00

TICKET FEE

Mar 16 - Nov 15: CNY 65
Nov 16 to Mar 15: CNY 55

TEMPLES

TEMPLE OF HEAVEN



CONFUCIUS TEMPLE



YONGHEGONG LAMA TEMPLE





TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

The Temple of Heaven is considered the most holy of Beijing's imperial temples. It has been described as "a masterpiece of architecture and landscape design". It was built in the Ming Dynasty (AD 1420) by the emperor Zhu Di in the royal garden. Once a year, at winter solstice, the emperors came here to worship Heaven and to solemnly pray for a good harvest.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 5 - get off at Tiantandongmen Station (Exit A)

OPENING HOURS

8:00 - 18:00

TICKET FEE

Low season: CNY 10 - 30
High season: CNY 15 - 35



CONFUCIUS TEMPLE

The Temple of Confucius in Beijing is the place where people paid homage to Confucius during the Yuan Dynasty (1271-1368), Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) and Qing Dynasty (1644-1911).

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 2 - get off at Yonghegong Station (Exit G)

OPENING HOURS

May - Oct: 08:30 - 18:00
Nov - Apr: 08:30 - 17:00

TICKET FEE

CNY 30



YONGHEGONG LAMA TEMPLE

Yonghe Lamasery is considered as the largest and most perfectly preserved lamasery in present day China. Built initially in 1694 during the Qing Dynasty, this building was the residence of Emperor Yongzheng when he was just a prince. However, in 1744 the Qing Dynasty formally changed the status of the dwelling to that of a lamasery.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 2 - get off at Yonghegong Station (Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

Apr 1 - Oct 31: 9:00 - 16:30
Nov 1 - Mar 31: 9:00 to 16:00

TICKET FEE

CNY 25

NATURAL BEAUTIES

FRAGRANT HILLS PARK



JINGSHAN PARK



CHAOYANG PARK





FRAGRANT HILLS PARK

The Fragrant Hills Park is very large, made up of hills and forest covering 400 acres (162 hectares). Both its natural sceneries and cultural relics are abundant. Xianglu Peak, literally Incense Burner Peak, 1,830 feet (558 meters) high, is its highest peak.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 4 - get off at Beigongmen Station (Exit A). Transfer to **bus 563** to Xiangshan Gongyuan Dongmen

OPENING HOURS

Sep 1 - Jun 30: 06:00 - 18:30
Jul 1 - Aug 31: 06:00 - 19:00

TICKET FEE

Apr 1 - Nov 15: CNY 15
Nov 16 - Mar 31: CNY 14



JINGSHAN PARK

Jingshan Park, situated behind the Forbidden City, is not only an oasis of flowers and trees, it also boasts a breathtaking view of the Palace from the top of one of Beijing's very few hills.

TRANSPORTATION

We recommend visiting the park after the Forbidden City, as it is right behind it.

OPENING HOURS

Apr - Oct: 8:30 - 17:00
Nov - Mar: 8:30 - 16:30

TICKET FEE

High season: CNY 10
Low season: CNY 2



CHAOYANG PARK

The parks features including lots of running paths, pools, playgrounds, and amusement rides for kids help to make it an expat and tourist favourite. Kids will especially like the park's playgrounds and amusement and recreational facilities.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 14 - get off at Chaoyang Gongyuan Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

Apr - Oct: 06:00 - 22:00
Nov - Mar: 06:00 - 21:00

TICKET FEE

CNY 5

HISTORICAL SIGHTS

PRINCE GONG MANSION



NANLUOGUXIANG HUTONG



HOUHAI





PRINCE GONG MANSION

The Prince Gong Mansion is Beijing's largest and the best preserved Qing Dynasty (1644-1911) princely mansion. This fine example of ancient Chinese architecture with its cultural connotations is important not only for its aesthetic value but as an asset to those who wish to study the lifestyle of the privileged classes in the feudal society of a bygone era.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 4 - get off at Ping'anli Station (Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

Apr 1 - Oct 31: 08:00 - 17:00

Nov 1 - Mar 31: 09:00 - 16:00

TICKET FEE

CNY 40



NANLUOGUXIANG HUTONG

The South Gong and Drum Lane is an old hutong in Beijing, renowned for its long history, Hutong culture, specialty stores, and distinctive foods. It is 768 meters long and 8 meters wide. There are eight parallel hutongs on each side of the old alley.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 6 - get off at Nanluoguxiang Station (Exit E)

OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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HOUHAI

Houhai, which literally means "Back Sea", is a large artificial lake in northern downtown Beijing. Together with Qianhai (Front Sea) and Xihai (West Sea), it comprises Shichahai. People can go boating on the lake in summer and skiing in winter. The area is dotted with bars, cafes, teahouses and restaurants, and is quite popular among foreign visitors and local young people.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 8 - get off at Shichahai Station (Exit A2)

OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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MODERN SCENIC SPOTS

OLYMPIC PARK		WANGFUJING STREET	   
BEIJING NCPA		CCTV TOWER	
798 ART ZONE	   	ETHNIC CULTURE PARK	
QIANMEN STREET	   	HAPPY VALLEY	 
SANLITUN	   		



OLYMPIC PARK

The Beijing Olympic Park is where the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games and Paralympics took place. The park was designed to contain ten venues, the Olympic Village, and other supporting facilities. Afterward, it was transformed into a comprehensive multifunctional activity center for the public.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 8 - get off at Olympic Green Station (Exit B1)

OPENING HOURS

6:00 - 20:00

During the day you can enter the Bird's Nest Stadium

TICKET FEE

Bird's Nest Stadium: CNY 80



BEIJING NCPA

Symphonies, dance shows, ballets, dramas, operas and other kinds of performances are frequently staged in the National Centre of the Performing Arts. You will both appreciate the magnificent architectural style and enjoy the profound art environment of thematic exhibitions here.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Tiananmen West Station (Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

Mondays closed

Tuesdays to Sundays and national holidays: 9:00-17:00

TICKET FEE

CNY 30



798 ART ZONE

Named after the 798 factory which was built in 1950s and characterised by modern art, it has become the exhibition center of Chinese culture and art, and also the world-famous cultural and creative industries centralised area.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 14 - get off at Wangjing Nan Station (Exit B1).
Transfer to **bus 403** to Dashanzi Lukou Dong

OPENING HOURS

10:00 - 18:00 (Some exhibition may be closed on Mondays)

TICKET FEE

Entrance is free, but some galleries and exhibition halls sell admission tickets



QIANMEN STREET

Qianmen Street runs south from Tiananmen Square, just along the Beijing central axis. It is one of the last remnants of the business centers of the old Beijing. It has been transformed into a modern commercial pedestrian street, the second walking street after Wangfujing Street in the downtown shopping district Beijing.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 2 - get off at Qianmen Station (Exit B / Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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SANLITUN

Sanlitun is a fashion center for shopping, food and arts. It is world-famous for its Bar Street, which is the symbol of Beijing's nightlife and the city's first bar community, leading the bar culture and fashion of Beijing.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 10 - get off at Tuanjiehu Station (Exit A)

OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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WANGFUJING STREET

Wangfujing is a shopper's paradise, filled with shops selling paintings and traditional Chinese arts and crafts, trendy boutiques and upscale chain stores as well as restaurants serving everything from McDonald's to Peking Duck. The night market opens around 18:00 and the entire street is filled with mouthwatering flavours as well as bugs of all kinds for you to try.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Wangfujing Station (Exit C2)

OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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CCTV TOWER

The construction of the new CCTV tower was launched in 2005 and finished on September 2, 2008. This untraditional building was designed by a famous architect from Netherlands. A radical shape, with a loop base of six horizontal and vertical sections, and two buildings joined together in the open air, like two twisted 'Z's. It is nicknamed by local people, Dakucha (big shorts).

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 10 - get off at Jintaixizhao Station (Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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CHINESE ETHNIC CULTURE PARK

The Chinese Ethnic Culture Park in Beijing is a large culture base combining an introduction to culture, singing and dancing performances, traditional housing and art and craft while providing the opportunity to experience ethnic flavoured cooking of 56 ethnic groups.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 10 - get off at Beitucheng Station (Exit D2)

OPENING HOURS

8:30 - 18:00 (Performances are cancelled on Mondays)

TICKET FEE

Mar 16 - Nov 14: CNY 90

Nov 15 - Mar 15 (only the north park is open): CNY 60



BEIJING HAPPY VALLEY

The Happy Valley is composed of six theme parks, including Wild Fjord (Firth Forest), Atlantis, Aegean Harbor, Lost Maya, Shangri-La and Ant Kingdom. More than 50 scenic sights of culture and ecology are scattered in all directions and offer you the opportunity to experience the charm of various civilisations.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 7 - get off at Happy Valley Scenic Area Station (Exit B or C)

OPENING HOURS

Mar 16 - Nov 15: 09:30 - 17:30 (Mon-Fri), 09:00 - 20:30 (Sat&Sun)

Nov 16 - Mar 15: 10:00 - 17:30





TICKET FEE

Mar 16 - Nov 15: CNY 260 (adults), CNY 160 (kids)

Nov 16 - Mar 15: CNY 220 (adults), CNY 160 (kids)

The background features a collage of five images, each enclosed in a triangle, set against a pattern of overlapping pink and white triangles. The images depict: 1) A busy indoor market with vendors and customers. 2) A large, colorful display of fresh produce like tomatoes and peppers. 3) A vibrant night street scene with neon signs and city lights. 4) A dense outdoor market stall filled with various goods. 5) A modern building with a colorful, pixelated facade.

SHOPPING AND NIGHTLIFE

PEARL MARKET	 	THE PLACE	   
SILK MARKET	 	JOY CITY MALL	  
		WUDAOKOU	   



PEARL MARKET

Pearl Market is a market popular with both Chinese and international visitors from all the corners of the world.

- 1st floor: Electronic articles, watches and silk products.
- 2nd floor: Clothes, shoes, suitcases and handbags.
- 3rd floor: Traditional Chinese art, ornaments, porcelain and, of course, pearls.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 5 - get off at Tiantandongmen Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

9:30 - 19:00

TICKET FEE

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SILK MARKET

Silk Street, aka Silk Market, is a prosperous shopping market in Beijing. It used to be an outdoor market, it now becomes a shopping mall, which accommodates over 1,000 retailers and is regarded as one of the symbols of Beijing together with the Great Wall, the Summer Palace, and roast duck.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Yonganli Station (Exit A)

OPENING HOURS

9:30 - 21:00

TICKET FEE

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THE PLACE

With its striking projection screen, this landmark shopping mall houses Spanish fashion chain Zara and Canadian shoe retailer Aldo's flagship store. Other outlets include Potato and Co., Folli Follie, French Connection, i.t, Miss Sixty, Adidas, MAC cosmetics, Promod, Patricia, Chaterhouse Bookstore and Rolex.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 6 - get off at Dongdaqiao Station (Exit A)

OPENING HOURS

10:00 - 22:00

TICKET FEE

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JOY CITY MALL

Joy City is a newly opened glitzy shopping centre located in Xidan. Joy City offers a very comfortable shopping environment to browse or be tempted by world famous brand names or mid range and high end local brand names. Once inside you will be amazed by the huge voids decorated in a variety of themes as they stretch up toward the heavens.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 6 - get off at Qingnianlu Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

10:00 - 20:00

TICKET FEE

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WUDAOKOU

Wudaokou is close to a large number of universities and research institutes and as such has a large student population. Its popularity as an international student area shows in its large number of bars and nightclubs (Wu Club, Global Club, Sugar Shack, Lush, Sensation and Propaganda), which generally offer cheaper prices than many similar clubs in more central areas.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 13 - get off at Wudaokou Station (any Exit)


OPENING HOURS

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TICKET FEE

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MUSEUMS

NATIONAL MUSEUM	
CHINESE AVIATION MUSEUM	
CAPITAL MUSEUM	



NATIONAL MUSEUM

The main emphasis of the museum is to teach about China's imperial history, WWII, the Communist victory, and China's modern history. It is also one of China's grandest antiquities museums. The National Museum is known for its collection of Qing era (1644 to 1912) imperial treasure and ancient porcelain and cloisonné ware. **Remember to bring your passport!**

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Tiananmen East Station (Exit D)

OPENING HOURS

9:00 - 17:00 (Closed on Mondays)

TICKET FEE

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CHINESE AVIATION MUSEUM

The Aviation Museum is Asia's largest museum displaying aircraft relics. In it you can get a good knowledge of the world's great aviation treasures ranging from precious to modern aircraft and equipment, such as the 99 Advanced Trainer Aircraft, Boston, IL-10, Yak -17 and F -12. You can also see original research materials and participate in many aviation activities.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 5 - get off at Tiantongyuanbei Station. Transfer to **bus 643** to Hangkong Bowuguan

OPENING HOURS

08:30 - 17:30 (Closed on Mondays)

TICKET FEE

Free entrance, but Cavern Exhibition Hall: CNY 20, Integrated Hall: CNY 20, Chairman Mao's special plane tour: CNY 10



CAPITAL MUSEUM

Collecting, exhibiting cultural relics, and undertaking related research are the three main tasks. With an imposing building, abundant exhibitions, high technology and advanced services, it has placed itself in the world a leading position. Cultural relics unearthed in this city are its main items on display, which bear forceful features of the city.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 1 - get off at Muxidi Station (Exit C1)








OPENING HOURS

09:00 - 16:00 (Closed on Mondays)

TICKET FEE

Free of charge, but visitors need to make a reservation at least one day before the visit.

SHOWS

CHANG'AN GRAND THEATRE	 
BEIJING ACROBATIC SHOW	 
RED THEATRE KUNG FU SHOW	 
LAOSHE TEAHOUSE	  



CHANG'AN GRAND THEATRE

This large theatre, with its distinctive model of a Peking-opera mask standing outside, offers a genuine experience, with the erudite audience chatting away knowledgeably among themselves during the daily performances of Peking-opera classics – this is a place for connoisseurs, although there are usually English captions on a screen to one side of the stage.

TRANSPORTATION

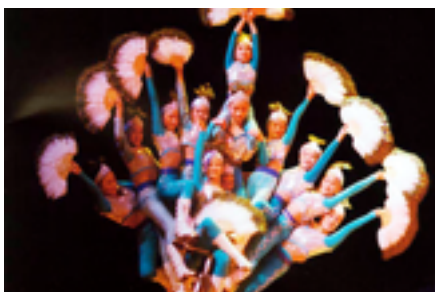
Subway line 1 - get off at Jiangguomen Station (Exit A)

OPENING HOURS

9:00 - 19:30

TICKET FEE

From CNY 80



BEIJNG ACROBATIC SHOW

Chinese acrobatics is a pearl in the treasure house and ranks among the best arts in the world. The acrobatic shows is characterised by feats of strength and daring performed cleverly, precisely and accurately, and the ability of retaining balance in motion.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 10 - get off at Hujialou Station (Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

Three daily shows: 15:50, 17:30 & 19:00

TICKET FEE

From CNY 220



RED THEATRE KUNG FU SHOW

If you want to explore the real Chinese Martial Arts & culture, you can't miss a great Kung Fu show - The legend of Kung Fu at Red Theatre Beijing. A high level performance with the wonderful story layout, perfect stage design, professional martial arts actors, and the real Kung fu actions and scenes. Whether you are an Martial arts enthusiast, you are strongly impacted both mentally and physically. It's truly unforgettable experience in China.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway Line 5 - get off at Tiantandongmen Station (Exit B)

OPENING HOURS

Two daily shows: 17:15 & 19:30

TICKET FEE

From CNY 190



LAOSHE TEAHOUSE

Opened in 1988, it was named after a famous writer, Laoshe and his drama (Teahouse). It is decorated in an elegant yet unsophisticated style, which takes the customers back to the old Beijing of the 1930s. Every day, there are various folk performances including acrobatics, opera and a tea ceremony show. In addition, genuine local desserts are also available. It has become a must for the visitors in this city.

TRANSPORTATION

Subway line 2 - get off at Qianmen Station (Exit C)

OPENING HOURS

9:00 - 21:20

Performances are from 19:40 to 21:20 every night

TICKET FEE

From CNY 180 (tea is included)