

Hong Meigui Tian Xing Expeditions

Travel Information

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1 Getting to Tian Xing

For information about Hong Meigui's Tian Xing expedition, see [tianxing-faq.pdf](#)

1.1 Transport from Chongqing

If you must stay in Chongqing for the night, contact us and we will send you details of a hotel near the Chao Tian Men bus station where we've arranged reasonably priced accommodation.

From the airport, there's a shuttle bus into the city. Then you should get a cab (around 10 yuan) to Chao Tian Men bus station where there are frequent buses to Wulong and occasionally Jiang Kou, which take around 3 to 4 hours.

If time is short, get a taxi straight from the airport to Chao Tian Men bus station, which costs 80 yuan (don't pay more than this).

Chongqing taxi drivers will probably assume that you want the docks at Chao Tian Men, as that's where most tourists go (for Yangtze cruises) If you end up at the docks it's not a disaster, but it's up a lot of steps to get to the bus station.

Buses from Chao Tian Men head out of Chongqing on the motorway to Fuling, which is about an hour away, where a cable-stayed bridge crosses the Yangtze. After passing through Fuling, the bus follows the turbulent Wu Jiang river upstream through some impressive limestone gorges to Wulong, which should be reached a couple of hours after Fuling. After stopping in Wulong, some buses continue for about 20-30 minutes to Jiang Kou, where the Furong Jiang is a major tributary to the Wu Jiang. A large dam on the Furong Jiang towers above the town.

You should get a bus to Jiang Kou if possible, or to Wulong. The last bus leaves at 7pm. From Jiang Kou it's possible to get a ride on a motorbike up to Tian Xing. A motorbike should cost 50 yuan and will take about an hour and a half. There's a public bus service to Tian Xing which leaves from near the roundabout at around 2pm and costs 10 yuan, arriving in Tian Xing at around 4pm.

If you can't get transport out of Jiang Kou, you ought to be able to get accommodation for 10 yuan per night in one of the small hotels in town (not the big Jiang Kou Hotel, which is more expensive).

If you can only get a bus as far as Wulong, there are plenty of vans which will take you to Jiang Kou for 5 yuan. From the bus station, turn right and walk a couple of hundred metres to the roundabout. Turn left and cross the bridge. At the end of the bridge, turn left again and walk another couple of hundred metres to where the road starts to go uphill. Vans to Jiang Kou wait on the right-hand side outside the hospital.

If you get stuck in Wulong overnight, we recommend the Guang Ming guesthouse. From the bus station, turn right and walk a couple of hundred metres to the roundabout. Turn left and cross the bridge. At the end of the bridge, turn left again and walk on the right hand side of the road. The Guang Ming guesthouse is a few metres before the road crosses another bridge. Rooms are typically 20 yuan per night.

1.2 Registering with the PSB

The law in China is that foreigners have to register with the local Public Security Bureau (Gong An Ju) within 72 hours of arrival in a new area. This entails a visit to the police station; in Wulong you typically spend a while drinking tea while they look for the guy who has the right forms, and then fill some forms in, smile a lot, and show your passport and visa. It's possible to do this in either Wulong or Jiang Kou, but NOT in Tian Xing.