



Escape To: Hangzhou, China

A Cultural Excursion

For a quick infusion of culture and peaceful contemplation, there's no better bet than Hangzhou. With luxurious properties opening across the city in the last few years, Hangzhou is experiencing a mini-Renaissance as the weekend get-away destination of choice for China's new jetsetter set.



SLEEP Banyan Tree

Enveloped in lush greenery, Banyan Tree Hangzhou offers the city's most spacious and luxurious digs, and gives an authentic sense of place and tranquillity.

From US\$250 per night.

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SEE West Lake

A classic. You can cover the most famous scenic spots by taking a private boat trip on the West Lake. A bird's-eye view from famed Leifeng Pagoda is also a surefire way to have one's breath taken away.



EAT Grandma's Home (外婆家)

Traditional Hangzhou homemade cuisine. Chicken soaked with tea leaves is definitely a must. And if you come all this way and not have the mashed green beans and spicy tofu, well, you're a fool.

From US\$15 per person.

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EXPLORE Xixi Wetlands

These famed scenic lands are renowned for inspiring many a Tang Dynasty poet. But for the less poetic among us, the wetlands also provide an unforgettable glimpse into the region's unique ecology and culture.



SEE China National Silk Museum

Renowned for its largest collection of silk in the world, it's founded in 1992. The silk culture tracks back to more than 5000 years ago. With its amazing art tradition, you'll know how silk products ruled the dynasties.

Yuhuangshan Road, Shangcheng District