











English Guided Tour

Roaming the Old Streets in Taiwan Neiwan Old Street



Guangfu Rd., Hengshan, Township Hsinchu County 312, Taiwan

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Transportation



Neiwan Old Street is located in Hengshan Township in Hsinchu County. The local residents are mainly Hakka groups.

How to get to Neiwan?

Hsinchu Train Station

- 1. Hsinchu Neiwan
- 2. Hsinchu Zhuzhong Neiwan

Liujia Train Station

1. Liujia - Zhuzhong - Neiwan

Drive

- 1. National Highway No. 3
 - Get off at the Kanxi Exit Interchange
 - Follow County Highway 118, Highway3 and County Highway 120
 - To Neiwan in Hengshan
 - Reach Neiwan!

Delicacy Ginger Lily Rice Dumpling



Shop: 羅媽媽野薑花粽 312新竹縣橫山鄉中正路 89號

Price: 15~35 NT (Different flavors have different price.)

The origin of Ginger Lily Rice Dumpling is related to the inconvenience of getting to Neiwan in the past. The Hakka residents then thought of making the best use of what nature has offered. They used Ginger Lilies which fill the riversides of the local Youluo Creek as a spice to promote appetite. They ground up the roots and stems of wild ginger; then added it to glutinous rice with pepper, mushrooms, pork, and Hakka dried radish. Althe ingredients were wrapped in Ginger leaves, and steamed together to make the Ginger Lily rice dumplings

Tofu Pudding



Shop: 內灣老街粉圓豆花創始店 312 新竹縣橫山鄉中正路 333 號

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Business hours: Fri, Sat, Sun 10:00~19:00 Price: 60~130 NT

(Different flavors have different price.)

There are many flavors and ingredients for you to choose from. Taro balls are very chewy, elastic, and smooth. Topped with red beans, tofu pudding can help relieve greasy feelings. And the sugar water added to tofu pudding is sweet, but the sweetness can be adjusted. Now, choose one according to your preferences.

Taiwanese sausage with sticky rice





Shop: (Food stand)
Price: 35 NT

Taiwanese sausage with sticky rice is also one of specialty snacks in Neiwan. It is like a hot dog, but instead of a bun, it is the rice sausage that is slit open to stuff in a pork sausage. The special flavor lies in the sausages, which was made from sorghum wine and wild boar meat, plus some ingredients. It is also one of Taiwan Night Market Specialties!

Radish cake (Vegetarian food)



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Shop: 黃記素食蘿蔔糕 312 新竹縣橫山鄉大同路 46 號

Price: 50 NT

There are also radish cakes provided in the local store. The radish cakes are fresh fried and you can even see it full of radish fibers when taking a bite. Taste it on the spot!

Ginger Lily egg roll





Shop: 野薑花手工蛋捲 312 新竹縣橫山鄉中正路 8 號 Price: A box of 200 NT A loaf of 20 NT

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Neiwan Old Street features serial products of Ginger Lily, and more products related to Ginger Lily are coming out. For example, the Ginger Lily egg rolls use the most tender and fragrant fresh Ginger Lily as ingredients. Wrapped in flour, fried Ginger Lily egg rolls turn out crunchy and crispy while tasting soft. The scent of the scene is overflowing. Not only local people but also foreigners are eager to taste it. In addition, the store has a special gift box, which is suitable for personal use.

Neiwan Suspension Bridge



The Neiwan Suspension Bridge is located in the east of Neiwan Village and crosses the Youluo River. It is about 147 meters long and 2.6 meters wide. There are trees along the way, which is the favorite route for many mountain hikers.

After the completion of the new cement bridge-Neiwan Bridge, the Neiwan Suspension Bridge was transformed into a tourist and recreational use. The Youluo Valley under the Inner Bay Suspension Bridge is extremely open and the water flow is gentle. The pebble shallows in the valley used to be the best place for tourists to play and barbecue. Unfortunately, in recent years, the road leading to the valley has not been open to the public.

Neiwan Theater



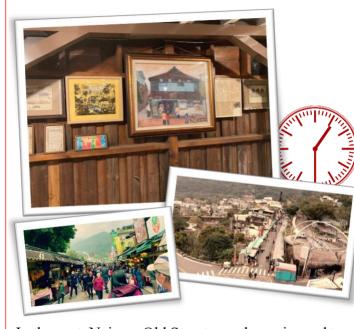
Street was rich in timber and mining. Most of the local residents mainly used logging. During the holidays, the Neiwan Theater was built in Neiwan Old Street for the loggers, miners and their local residents. It was later bought by a Taiwanese businessman to renovate it as a restaurant. The exterior of the theater still retains the Japanese architectural style. There are many delicacies in the theater, such as Hakka Stir-Fry, Hakka flat noodles, and fried spring chicken with bamboo shoots. The big screen in the theater shows the Chinese movies in old times, so you can savor the food while sinking into the influence of the good old days.

Recreation



In addition to admiring the scenery along the Neiwan Old Street, tasting the special Ginger Lily's Rice Cakes and Hakka snacks, there are other fascinating places in Neiwan Old Street! Like a traditional grocery store, there are not only various ancient snacks but also nostalgic children's folk game (i.e., traditional kids' toys)! If you go to the old street, you can see a small self-served booth with lucky draw. Why don't you try your luck? There is also a wishing pool for tourists to make a wish.

History



In the past, Neiwan Old Street was the main road to and from Jianshi Mountain. In the 1950s, it brought many tourists to Neiwan. Later, with the decline of forestry and mining, tourism in the inner bay also returned from prosperity to tranquil township. Since 1995, the Ministry of Economic Affairs has successively promoted plans for the image of business districts and shopping streets, focusing on the Neiwan Old Street, with the Neiwan Line Railway to promote local sightseeing.

Architecture





The traditional street houses on the Neiwan Old Street are a unique local landscape. The houses are mostly made of red bricks and foundations, and the wood materials are added to the body structure, doors, windows and roofs, and then plywood tiles or Japanese cultural tiles are used to cover the roofs.

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